

Moments of Binomial distribution

$$\mu_1' = E(x) = \sum_{x=0}^n x {}^nC_x p^x q^{n-x}$$

$${}^nC_x = \frac{{}^n C_{n-x}}{{}^x C_{x-1}} = \frac{n!/(n-1)!}{x!/(x-1)! \cdot 1!/(1-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{n}{x} {}^{n-1}C_{x-1}$$

$${}^{n-1}C_{x-1} = \frac{{}^{n-1}C_{(n-1)-(x-1)}}{{}^{x-1}C_{(x-1)-(x-1)}}$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)!/(n-2)!}{(x-1)!/(x-2)! \cdot 1!/(1-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)}{(x-1)} {}^{n-2}C_{x-2}$$

$$\text{So } {}^nC_x = \frac{n}{x} {}^{n-1}C_{x-1} = \frac{n(n-1)}{x(x-1)} {}^{n-2}C_{x-2}$$

$$\mu_1' = \sum_{x=0}^n x \frac{n}{x} {}^{n-1}C_{x-1} p^x q^{n-x}$$

$$= np \sum_{x=1}^n {}^{n-1}C_{x-1} p^{x-1} q^{(n-1)-(x-1)}$$

$$= np \left({}^{n-1}C_0 p^0 q^{n-1} + {}^{n-1}C_1 p^1 q^{n-2} + \dots + {}^{n-1}C_{n-1} p^{n-1} q^0 \right)$$

$$= np (q+p)^{n-1} = np$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_2' &= E(x^2) = \sum_{x=0}^n x^2 {}^n C_x p^x q^{n-x} \\
&= \sum_{x=0}^n \{x(x-1) + x\} \frac{n(n-1)}{x(x-1)} {}^{n-2} C_{x-2} p^x q^{n-x} \\
&= \sum_{x=0}^n x(x-1) \frac{n(n-1)}{x(x-1)} {}^{n-2} C_{x-2} p^x q^{n-x} \\
&\quad + \sum_{x=0}^n x {}^n C_x p^x q^{n-x} \\
&= n(n-1)p^2 \sum_{x=2}^n {}^{n-2} C_{x-2} p^{x-2} q^{(n-2)-(x-2)} \\
&\quad + np
\end{aligned}$$

$$= n(n-1)p^2 (q+p)^{n-2} + np$$

$$= n(n-1)p^2 + np = n(n-1)p^2 + np$$

$$\mu_3' = E(x^3) = \sum_{x=0}^n x^3 p(x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n \{x(x-1)(x-2) + 3x(x-1) + x\} {}^n C_x p^x q^{n-x}$$

continue similarly

$$\mu_3' = n(n-1)(n-2)p^3 + 3n(n-1)p^2 + np$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_4' &= E(x^4) \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n x^4 p(x)\end{aligned}$$

$$x^4 = x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) + 6x(x-1)(x-2) + 7x(x-1) + x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_4' &= n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)p^4 + 6n(n-1)(n-2)p^3 \\ &\quad + 7n(n-1)p^2 + np\end{aligned}$$

§ Central moments of Binomial distribution.

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_2 &= \mu_2' - (\mu_1')^2 = n(n-1)p^2 + np - n^2p^2 \\ &= np - np^2 = np(1-p) = npq\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_3 &= \mu_3' - 3\mu_2'\mu_1' + 2\mu_1'^3 \\ &= npq(q-p)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_4 &= \mu_4' - 4\mu_3'\mu_1' + 6\mu_2'\mu_1'^2 - 3\mu_1'^4 \\ &= npq \{1 + 3(n-2)pq\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \beta_1 = \frac{\mu_3^2}{\mu_2^3} = \frac{(1-2p)^2}{npq}$$

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_2^2} = 3 + \frac{1-6pq}{npq}$$

$$\eta_1 = \sqrt{\beta_1} = \frac{1-2p}{npq}, \quad \eta_2 = \beta_2 - 3 = \frac{1-6pq}{npq}$$

Moments of the Poisson Distribution

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_1' = E(x) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x p(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \\&= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-1}}{(x-1)!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(1 + \lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \dots \right) \\&= \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = \lambda\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_2' = E(x^2) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^2 p(x) \\&= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \{x(x-1) + x\} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \\&= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x(x-1) \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x(x-1)x!} + \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \\&= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{x-2}}{(x-2)!} + \lambda \\&= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} + \lambda = \lambda^2 + \lambda\end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_3' = E(x^3) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^3 p(x)$$

Follows as Binomial

$$\mu_3' = \lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$\mu_4' = E(x^4) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^4 p(x)$$

$$\mu_4' = \lambda^4 + 6\lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$\mu_2 = \mu_2' - (\mu_1')^2 = \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 = \lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 &= \mu_3' - 3\mu_2'\mu_1' + 2\mu_1'^3 \\ &= \lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 + \lambda - 3\lambda(\lambda^2 + \lambda) + 2\lambda^3 = \lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_4 &= \mu_4' - 4\mu_3'\mu_1' + 6\mu_2'\mu_1'^2 - 3\mu_1'^4 \\ &= 3\lambda^2 + \lambda \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\mu_3^2}{\mu_2^3} = \frac{1}{\lambda}, \quad r_1 = \sqrt{\beta_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_2^2} = 3 + \frac{1}{\lambda}, \quad r_2 = \beta_2 - 3 = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Moment Generating Function of Binomial distribution

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} {}^nC_x p^x q^{n-x}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^n {}^nC_x (pet)^x q^{n-x}$$

$$= {}^nC_0 (pet)^0 q^n + {}^nC_1 (pet)^1 q^{n-1} + \dots + {}^nC_n (pet)^n q^0$$

$$M_X(t) = (q + pet)^n$$

$$\mu'_0 = \left| \frac{d^0}{dt^0} M_X(t) \right|_{at\ t=0}$$

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$$\frac{d}{dt} (q + pet)^n = n(q + pet)^{n-1} pet$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{at } t=0, \mu'_1 &= np e^0 (q + pe^0)^{n-1} \\ &= np \cdot 1 (q + p)^{n-1} = np \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu'_2 = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_X(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \{ np et (q + pet)^{n-1} \}$$

$$= np \{ et(n-1)(q + pet)^{n-2} pet + (q + pet)^{n-1} et \}$$

$$\text{at } t=0, \mu'_2 = np \{ (n-1)p + 1 \} = n(n-1)p^2 + np$$

$$\text{Mean} = np, \text{Var} = npq$$

Moment Generating function of the Poisson Distribution

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{tx} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$
$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{(\lambda e^t)^x}{x!}$$

$$= e^{-\lambda} \left\{ 1 + \lambda e^t + \frac{(\lambda e^t)^2}{2!} + \dots \right\}$$

$$= e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda e^t}$$

$$M_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$$

$$\mu_r' = \left\{ \frac{d^r}{dt^r} M_X(t) \right\}_{at t=0}$$

$$\mu_1' = \left| \frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) \right|_{at t=0}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} \cdot e^t \cdot \lambda$$

$$at t=0, \mu_1' = \lambda e^0 e^{\lambda(e^0 - 1)}$$

$$= \lambda \cdot 1 \cdot e^{\lambda(1-1)} = \lambda \cdot e^0 = \lambda$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_X(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \lambda e^t e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$$

$$= \lambda \left[e^t e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} \cdot \lambda e^t + e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} \cdot e^t \right]$$

$$at t=0, \mu_2' = \lambda \left[\lambda e^0 e^0 e^{\lambda(e^0 - 1)} + e^0 e^{\lambda(e^0 - 1)} \right]$$

$$= \lambda [\lambda + 1] = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$\text{Mean} = \lambda, \text{Var} = \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 = \lambda$$

§ Mode of Binomial distribution

Mode is the value of x for which $P(x)$ is maximum

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{P(x)}{P(x-1)} &= \frac{{}^nC_x p^x q^{n-x}}{{}^nC_{x-1} p^{x-1} q^{n-x+1}} \\&= \frac{\frac{n!}{x! (n-x)!} p^x q^{n-x}}{\frac{n!}{(x-1)! (n-x+1)!} p^{x-1} q^{n-x+1}} = \frac{(n-x+1)p}{xq} \\&= \frac{xq + (n-x+1)p - xq}{xq} = 1 + \frac{(n+1)p - x(p+q)}{xq} \quad \text{--- (1)}\end{aligned}$$

We discuss the following two cases.

Case I when $(n+1)p$ is an integer.

Let $(n+1)p = (m+f)$, where m is an integer and f is fractional such that $0 < f < 1$.

① becomes, $\frac{P(x)}{P(x-1)} = 1 + \frac{(m+f) - x}{xq} \quad \text{--- (2)}$

From (2) it is obvious that

$$\frac{P(x)}{P(x-1)} > 1 \quad \text{for } x = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

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and $\frac{p(x)}{p(x-1)} < 1$ for $x = m+1, m+2, \dots, n$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{p(1)}{p(0)} > 1, \frac{p(2)}{p(1)} > 1, \dots, \frac{p(m)}{p(m-1)} > 1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{p(m+1)}{p(m)} < 1, \frac{p(m+2)}{p(m+1)} < 1, \dots, \frac{p(n)}{p(n-1)} < 1$$

$$\therefore p(0) < p(1) < p(2) < \dots < p(m-1) < \underline{p(m)} > p(m+1) > p(m+2) > \dots > p(n)$$

$\Rightarrow p(x)$ is maximum at $x=m$

Thus in this case there exists unique modal value for binomial distribution and it is m , the integral part of $(n+1)p$

Case II When $(n+1)p$ is an integer.

Let $(n+1)p = m$ (an integer)

$$\text{From (2)} \quad \frac{p(x)}{p(x-1)} = 1 + \frac{m-x}{xq} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

From (3), it is obvious that

$$\frac{p(x)}{p(x-1)} = \begin{cases} > 1 & \text{for } x=1, 2, \dots, m-1 \\ = 1 & \text{for } x=m \\ < 1 & \text{for } x=m+1, m+2, \dots, n \end{cases}$$

Now proceeding as in case (I)

$$P(0) < P(1) < P(2) \dots < P(m-1) = P(m) > P(m+1) > P(m+2) > \dots > P(n)$$

Thus in this case the binomial distribution is bimodal and the two modal values are m and $m-1$.

Example: Determine the binomial distribution for which the mean is 4 and variance 3 and find its mode.

Sol: $np = 4$ — (1) $npq = 3$ — (2)

$$q = \frac{3}{4} \text{ (Divide (2) by (1))}, p = 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$n = \frac{4}{p} = \frac{4}{\frac{1}{4}} = 16$$

$$n = 16, p = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$(n+1)p = (16+1)\frac{1}{4} = \frac{17}{4} = 4.25, \text{ which is a fraction.}$$

Hence it is unimodal for $x = 4$

$$P(x=4) = {}^{16}C_4 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^4 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{12}$$

§ Mode of Poisson Distribution

$$\frac{P(x)}{P(x-1)} = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x-1}}{x}} = \frac{\lambda}{x} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Case I when λ is not an integer. let us suppose s is an integral part of λ .

$$\lambda = s + f, \quad 0 < f < 1$$

$$\frac{P(x)}{P(x-1)} = \frac{s+f}{x} = \begin{cases} > 1 \text{ at } x = 0, 1, \dots, s \\ < 1 \text{ at } x = s+1, s+2, \dots \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{P(1)}{P(0)} > 1, \quad \frac{P(2)}{P(1)} > 1, \quad \dots \quad \frac{P(s-1)}{P(s-2)} > 1, \quad \frac{P(s)}{P(s-1)} > 1$$

$$\text{and } \frac{P(s+1)}{P(s)} < 1, \quad \frac{P(s+2)}{P(s+1)} < 1, \quad \dots$$

Combining these two expressions

$$P(0) < P(1) < P(2) < \dots < P(s-2) < P(s-1) < P(s) \\ > P(s+1) > P(s+2) > \dots$$

which shows that $P(s)$ is maximum value. Hence in this case, the distribution is unimodal and the integral part of λ is the unique modal value.

Case II : when $\lambda = k$ (say) is an integer.

Here as in case I, we have

$$\frac{P(k)}{P(k-1)} = \frac{k}{x}$$

$$\frac{P(1)}{P(0)} > 1, \frac{P(2)}{P(1)} > 1, \dots, \frac{P(k-1)}{P(k-2)} > 1$$

$$\frac{P(k)}{P(k-1)} = 1, \frac{P(k+1)}{P(k)} < 1, \frac{P(k+2)}{P(k+1)} < 1, \dots$$

$$P(0) < P(1) < P(2) < \dots < P(k-2) < P(k-1) = P(k) > P(k+1) > P(k+2) > \dots$$

In this case we have two maximum values viz, $P(k-1)$ and $P(k)$ and thus the

distribution is bimodal and two modes are at $(k-1)$ and k , i.e. at $(\lambda-1)$ and λ