

Stata command

Stata uses something call the “gammap” function to calculate the Poisson density.

$P(X \geq k)$ is given by `gammap(k, lambda)`

$P(X = K) = \lambda^k e^{-\lambda} / k! = P(X \geq k) - P(X \geq k+1)$
is given by

`di gammap(k, lambda) - gammap(k+1, lambda)`

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The probability of observing 3 births is
 $P(X = 3) = \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda} / 3! = 0.1804$ or 18%

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. di gammap(3, 2) - gammap(4, 2)  
.18044704
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The probability of observing at least one birth is
 $\Rightarrow P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0)$
 $= 1 - \lambda^0 e^{-\lambda} / 0! = 1 - 0.1353 = 86.47\%$

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. di gammap(1, 2)  
.86466472
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$$\text{So, } P(\text{You're in}) = \frac{\binom{199}{19} \binom{200}{20}}{\binom{199!}{19!} \frac{20! 180!}{200!}} = \frac{20}{200} = \frac{1}{10}$$

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. di comb(199,19)/comb(200,20)
.1
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Therefore the probability that I will select a sample containing no doctoral students is

$$\frac{\binom{165}{5} \binom{200}{5}}{\binom{165!}{5!} \frac{200!}{5!}} = \frac{958,683,033}{2,535,650,040} = 0.378$$

From this we get the probability that a simple random sample (without replacement) of size 5 from this class will include at least one doctoral student is

$$P(\text{at least one}) = 1 - P(\text{none}) = 1 - 0.378 = 0.622$$

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. di 1-comb(165,5)/comb(200,5)
.62191824
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So, the probability of getting two doctoral students in a SRS of $n = 5$ is

$$\frac{\binom{35}{2} \binom{165}{3}}{\binom{200}{5}} = \frac{(595)(735,130)}{2,535,650,040} = \frac{437,402,350}{2,535,650,040} = 0.173$$

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.di comb(35,2)*comb(165,3)/comb(200,5)
.17250107
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$$P(X = k) = \frac{\binom{7}{k} \binom{10-7}{2-k}}{\binom{10}{2}} \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2$$

$$\text{For instance, } P(X = 0) = \frac{\binom{7}{0} \binom{3}{2}}{\binom{10}{2}} = \frac{3}{45} = 0.067$$

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. di comb(7,0)*comb(3,2)/comb(10,2)
.06666667
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