Lab 3: Exploring Discrete Probability Distributions

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Bernoulli and Binomial Distributions

Functions `dbinom,pbinom,qbinom,rbino`

Binomial

Taken from Open Intro Exercise 4.17:

Data collected by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) suggests that 69.7% of 18-20 year olds consumed alcoholic beverages in any given year. A random sample of 10 people age 18-20 was taken.

Write text below:

1. What distribution does the number of 18-20 that consumed alcohol follow?

Binomial distribution.

2. What is the expected value of this distribution?

```
n1 <- 10
p1 <- 0.697

n1*p1
```

```
## [1] 6.97
```

6.97.

3. What is the variance of this distribution?

```
n1*p1*(1-p1)
```

```
## [1] 2.11191
```

The variance is 2.11.

Write code below:

4. What is the probability that exactly 5 out of 10 18-20 year olds have consumed an alcoholic beverage?

```
dbinom(x=5,size=10,prob=0.697)
```

[1] 0.1058711

The probability is 0.11.

5. What is the probability that at most 3 out of 10 randomly sampled 18-20 year olds have consumed alcoholic beverages?

```
pbinom(q=3,size=10,prob = 0.697)
```

[1] 0.01123721

The probability is 0.01.

6. What is the probability that at least 6 out of 10 randomly sampled 18-20 year olds have consumed alcoholic beverages?

```
1-pbinom(q=5, size=10, prob=0.697)
```

[1] 0.844538

The probability is 0.84

7. What is the median of this distribution?

```
qbinom(p=0.5, size=10, prob=0.697)
```

[1] 7

The median is 7.

You can also randomly generate samples using a binomial distribution.

Geometric Distribution

Functions `dgeom()`,`pgeom()`,`qgeom()`,`rgeom()`

In R, these functions model differently than the book. This looks at the number of failures until the first success.

The probability of a defective lightbulb at a certain factor is 0.30. Write text here:

8. What is distribution would the number of bulbs until the first defective is found follow?

Geometric

9. What is the expected number of lightbulbs that are checked before finding a defective bulb?

```
1/0.3
```

[1] 3.333333

10. What is the probability that the tenth lightbulb is the first defective bulb?

```
dgeom(x=9, prob = 0.3)
```

[1] 0.01210608

11. What is the probability that the first defective bulb is found after the first 3 bulbs are checked?

```
1-pgeom(q=3,prob=0.3)
```

[1] 0.2401

12. Again we can draw a random sample:

```
rgeom(100,0.3)
```

```
##   [1]  0  0  7  7  1  7  1  2  7 10  4  0  0  1  7  1  0  1  2  2  0  6  0
##  [24]  3  0  0  6  0  0  2  1  0  5  1  1  6  3  7  2  2  0  0  0  4  3  2
##  [47] 14 10  2  1  0  0  5  1  0  4  0  1 10  2  2  6  0  0  1  0  0  2  3
##  [70]  0  1  8  2  1  0  2  4  3  3  7  0  2  1 12  0  1  0 12  0  0  1  0
##  [93]  1  0  4  0  7  0  0  3
```