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.

```
rbinom(n=100,size = 20,prob = 0.5)
```

```
[1] 12 12 11 13 13 5 8
                             6 10 10
                                      9 10 10 10 11
                                                    9
                                                      8 13 12 11
                   5 12 13
    [24] 12 6 10 10
                                                    8 12
##
                             9 13 13
                                      9
                                         8
                                            9 10 10
                                                          7
                                                             8
    [47] 12 10 13 10 9
                       9
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                             9 10
                                  6 12
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   [70] 12 10 9 12 11 10 10
                             9 11 15 12 9
                                            5 13
                                                 7
                                                    9
                                                       8
                                                          4 13 12 14 12
##
   [93] 13 8 12 12 12 7
```

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
```

The expected number is 3.33.

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:

```
dataset <- rgeom(100,0.3)
dataset
     [1]
                                     6
                     0
                        2
                                  5
                                     2
                                         3
                                            1 13
                                                   3
                                                                3
##
    [24]
                 2
                           1
                                                             3
                           6
                               0
                                  2
                                     1
                                                2
                                                   3
                                                       4
                                                          0
                                                             2
                     0
                        8
                           0
                               1
                                  3
                                     0
                                         0
                                            0
                 1
    [93]
                     0
                        5
                           0
mean(dataset)
```

```
## [1] 2.1
```

hist(dataset)

Histogram of dataset

