



*when you realize your instructor needs to quarantine and you will only have fun
online lectures instead of fun in person lectures*

Today's Agenda

Last time:

- Negative Binomial + Geometric Distribution
- Memoryless property of the geometric distribution
- Poisson distribution

We have covered everything up to and including Section 5.7!

Today (Lec 15, 06/08):

- Practice, Practice, Practice

Next Lectures:

- Lec 16 (recorded) covers the remaining material in Chapter 5 and will be posted by June-09
- Lec 17 (synchronous online lecture on June-10) consists of practice and review of Chapter 5

Distributions covered so far:

- Discrete Uniform Distribution
- Bernoulli Distribution
- Hypergeometric Distribution
- Binomial Distribution
- Negative Binomial + Geometric Distribution
- Poisson Distribution

Question 1

What is the relationship between geometric and negative binomial distribution?

- A) They are both discrete ✓
- B) They both model the number of failures given a fixed number of successes ✓
- C) Geometric is a special case of negative binomial ✓

Question 2

Dwight flips a fair coin until he got k heads. As a result, he got r tails as well. In how many ways could this have happened?

A) $\binom{k}{r}$

B) $\binom{k+r}{k}$

C) $\binom{k+r}{r}$

D) $\binom{r+k-1}{k-1}$ ✓

last one : head

Question 3



$$P(A \cap B) = P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$\neq P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{1}{16}$$

$\Rightarrow A, B$ not independent.

Suppose A and B are mutually exclusive, and that $P(A) = P(B) = 1/4$.

Are A and B independent?

A) Yes

B) No ✓

C) This information is not sufficient to determine whether or not A and B are independent.

Question 4

$$p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Suppose a fair coin is flipped 17 times. Let X denote the the number of heads observed, and let Y denote the number of tails observed. Which of the following is FALSE:

A) $X \sim \text{Binomial}(17, .5)$ ✓

B) $Y \sim \text{Binomial}(17, .5)$ ✓

C) $X \sim Y$ ✓

D) $X + Y = 17$ ✓

E) $X = Y$ ✗

Question 5

An urn contains 7 red marbles, 13 blue marbles, and 3 green marbles. Suppose that 5 marbles are drawn from the urn with replacement. Let X denote the number of blue marbles observed in the 5 draws. What is the distribution of X ?

- A) $X \sim U(1, 5)$
- B) $X \sim \text{Binomial}(5, 7/23)$
- C) $X \sim \text{hyp}(23, 13, 5)$
- D) $X \sim \text{Binomial}(5, 13/23)$ ✓
- F) $X \sim \text{Binomial}(23, 5/13)$

5 independent trials with
constant success probability
 $\frac{13}{23}$

Question 6

The range of a random variable is $A = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$. For $x \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ the cumulative distribution function of X is given by

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \underline{1 - 2^{-x}}.$$

- A) Find $P(X = 5)$ and $P(X \geq 5)$.
B) Find the probability function $f(x) = P(X = x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A)} \quad P(X=5) &= P(X \leq 5) - P(X \leq 4) = F(5) - F(4) = 2^{-4} - 2^{-5} \\ P(X \geq 5) &= 1 - P(X \leq 4) = 1 - F(4) = 2^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B)} \quad f(x) &= P(X=x) = P(X \leq x) - P(X \leq x-1) = F(x) - F(x-1) \\ &= 1 - 2^{-x} - (1 - 2^{-(x-1)}) = 2^{-(x-1)} - 2^{-x} = 2^{-x}, \quad x \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

Question 7

A manufacturer of auto parts just shipped 25 auto parts to a dealer. Later on, it was discovered that 5 of those parts were defective. By the time the company manager contacted the dealer, 4 auto parts from that shipment had been sold. Denote by X the number of good parts sold. What is the distribution of X ?

$N = 25$ parts in total

$r = 20$ good parts ("success")

$n = 4$ parts are sampled/sold without replacement.

$X = \# \text{ of good parts}$

$$X \sim \text{HypGeo}(N=25, r=20, n=4)$$

Question 8

At Skip The Dishes, home delivery providing high-quality service to customers is the top priority of the management. The company guarantees a refund of all charges if your meal is not delivered within 40 minutes of placing your order. Through past history, it is known that 2% of the deliveries do not arrive within the 40 minutes. Suppose Skip The Dishes receives 10 orders during a specific hour.

- A) Find the probability that exactly 1 of these orders is not delivered within 40 minutes.
- B) Find the probability that at most 1 of these orders is not delivered within 40 minutes.

$X = \# \text{ of orders not delivered on time}$

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(10, 0.02)$$

$$\text{A) } P(X=1) = \binom{10}{1} \cdot 0.02^1 \cdot 0.98^9$$

$$\text{B) } P(X \leq 1) = P(X=0) + P(X=1) = \binom{10}{0} 0.02^0 \cdot 0.98^{10} + \binom{10}{1} 0.02 \cdot 0.98^9$$

Question 9

A start-up company is looking for 5 investors. Each investor will independently agree to invest in the company with probability 20%. The founder asks investors one at a time until 5 “yes” responses are obtained. Let X represent the total number of investors asked.

Write down the probability function of X .

Let $Y = \#$ disagreeing investors until 5th agreeing one

Then $Y \sim \text{NB}(k=5, p=0.2)$, so

$$f_Y(y) = P(Y=y) = \binom{5+y-1}{5-1} 0.2^5 \cdot 0.8^y$$

Since $X = \text{total number of investors}$, $X = Y + 5$, so for $x \in \{5, 6, \dots\}$,

$$f_X(x) = P(X=x) = P(Y+5=x) = f_Y(x-5) = \binom{x-1}{4} 0.2^5 0.8^{x-5}$$

Question 10

Suppose that the probability is 0.75 that an applicant for a driver's license will pass the road test on any given attempt. What is the probability that an applicant will finally pass the test on the fourth attempt?

$X = \# \text{ failures until success}$

$$X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{"pass on 4th attempt"}) &= P(X=3) \\ &= 0.25^3 \cdot 0.75 \end{aligned}$$

Question 11

Suppose X is a discrete random variable and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$. Then

$$P(X > a) \geq P(X > b).$$

TRUE or FALSE?



$$P(X > a) \geq P(X > b)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 1 - F(a) \geq 1 - F(b)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow F(a) \leq F(b) \quad \text{which is true, since } a < b \text{ and cdf is non-decreasing.}$$