

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_A(t+1) \\ P_B(t+1) \\ P_C(t+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{A \rightarrow A} & P_{C \rightarrow A} \\ & P_{B \rightarrow C} \\ & & P_{C \rightarrow C} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} P_A(t) \\ P_B(t) \\ P_C(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

IF STATE SPACE OF X IS A DISCRETE
SET OF NUMBERS, THEN X IS A DISCRETE
RANDOM VARIABLE

$$P(X = x) = p_x(x)$$

PROBABILITY
MASS
FUNCTION

MOMENTS

$$E[X^n] = \sum_{i \in S} i^n p_x(i)$$

$$n = 0 \quad E[X^0] = \sum_{i \in S} p_X(i) = 1$$

$$n = 1 \quad E[X] = \sum_{i \in S} i p_X(i) = \mu$$

AVERAGE,
MEAN,
EXPECTATION

$$n = 2 \quad E[X^2] = \sum_{i \in S} i^2 p_X(i)$$

$$E[(X - \mu)^2] = \text{VARIANCE}$$

σ^2

$$\sigma = \sqrt{E[(X - \mu)^2]}$$

STANDARD DEVIATION

FAMOUS DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

BERNOULLI $X = 0$

$X = 1 \quad P(X = 1) = p$

$$E[X] = p$$

STOCHASTIC PROCESS OF INDEPENDENT,
IDENTICALLY DISTRIBUTED BERNOLLI
TRIALS

$X_t = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ \dots]$

n TRIALS - HOW MANY SUCCESS?

TRIALS TO FIRST SUCCESS

GEOMETRIC

$$P_X(k) = (1-p)^{k-1} \cdot p$$

$$k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

OF TRIALS BEFORE
FIRST SUCCESS

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{p}$$

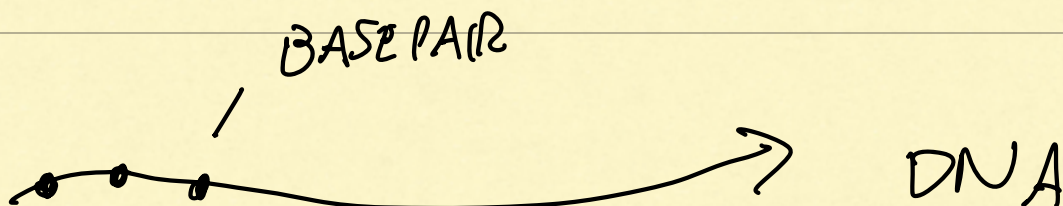
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BINOMIAL

$$P_X(k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

OF SUCCESS IN A SERIES OF n TRIALS

PS 2



$t=0$ $t=1$

START	E1	E2	E3	I	END	
0	0	0	0	0	0	START
1	0	0	0	0	0	E1
0	1	0	0	0	0	E2
0	0	1	0	0	0	E3
0	0	0	0	0	0	I
0	0	0	0	0	1	END