

Binomial Distribution (2.2)

Def: Bernoulli Trials.

1. Each trial yields one of 2 possible outcomes, technically called success (S) and failure (F).
↑
"event of interest occurs"
2. For each trial, the probability of success $P(S)$ is the same and is denoted by $P = P(S)$. The probability of Failure $P(F) = 1 - P$ for each trial, and is denoted by q . So that $p + q = 1$
3. Each are independent. The probability of success for one trial remains unchanged given the outcome of all the other trials.

Remark: If one or more condition are violated, then it's not a Bernoulli trial model.

Ex. 1. Determine if the stated experiment confirm to the model of Bernoulli Trials. If yes, determine P .

(a) Roll a dice and observe the number shows up.

No, violates C1.

(b) Roll a fair dice and observe whether number 6 shows up or not.

$$\text{Yes } p = P(S) = \frac{1}{6}.$$

(c) Roll 2 fair dices, and observe the sum of the points.

No, violates C1.

(d) Roll 2 fair dices, and observe whether the numbers show up are same.

$$\text{Yes. } p = P(S) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

(e) Roll a loaded die, observe whether or not number 6 shows up or not.

$$P(S) = \frac{\text{long run frequency}}{\text{total # trials.}}$$

Ex. 2. In the experiment, randomly draw 1 ball with replacement from a box containing 10 yellow balls and 20 black ones, observe if it's a yellow one.

$$\text{Sol. BT? } p = P(S) = \frac{10}{30} = \frac{1}{3}$$

If, without replacement, is it BT?

No. not independent.

$$P(S) = \frac{10}{30}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(S) &= P(\text{2nd } Y \mid 1Y) + P(\text{2nd } Y \mid 1B) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{9}{29} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{10}{29} = \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(C3) \times P(S \mid \underbrace{\frac{9}{29}}_{\frac{1}{3}}) \neq P(S)$$

Ex. 3. Suppose we have 4 Bernoulli trials, with $p=0.7$, what is the probability that the first three yield success and the last fails.

$$\text{Sol. } SSSF = S \cap S \cap S \cap F$$

$$P(SSSF) = P(S) \cdot P(S) \cdot P(S) \cdot P(F) = 0.7^3 \times 0.3 = 0.1029.$$

by independent

Remark: if we have BT, we can use multiplication rule under independence to calculate probabilities.

$2^4 = 16$ possible outcomes.

SSSS	SSSF	SSFS	SsFF
SFSS	SFSF	S FFS	S FFF
FSSS	FSSF	FsFS	FsFF
FFSS	FFSF	FFFS	FFFF

↗

If $P(S) = P(F) = 0.5$, then they are equally likely

E.g. Suppose we are interested in the number of students who prefers news from the Internet among a random sample of 4 students from a large university. If S: student prefer news from Internet, F: otherwise. $p=0.6$, the proportion of students who prefer news from the Internet. Obtain all the probability of the possible number of students who prefers news from I among the 4 students.

Sol: let's say k students prefer news from Internet.

$$k = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

$$P(0) = P(FFFF) = q^4 = 0.4^4 = 0.0256.$$

$$P(1) = P(SFFF) = \binom{4}{1} \cdot q^3 \cdot p = 4 \times 0.4^3 \times 0.6$$

FSFF
 FFSF
 FFFS

← addition rule.

$$P(2) = P(ssFF) = \binom{4}{2} \cdot q^2 \cdot p^2 = 6 \times 0.4^2 \times 0.6^2.$$

$$P(3) = P(\text{SSSF}) = \binom{4}{3} \cdot q \cdot p^3 = 4 \times 0.4 \times 0.6^3$$

$$P(4) = P(\text{SSSS}) = 0.6^4$$

Binomial Experiment.

a binomial experiment consists of n Bernoulli trials.

- n trials with n fixed in advance
- each trial has 2 possible outcomes: S and F.
- $p = P(S)$, is constant from trial to trial.
- Trials are independent.

Binomial Distribution (n, p) parameters.

given a Binomial experiment, consisting of n trials, the probability of K successes among n trials is given by the binomial probability formula.

$$P(K \text{ successes in } n \text{ trials}) = \binom{n}{k} \cdot p^k \cdot q^{n-k}$$

$$\text{for } k = \underline{\underline{0, 1, \dots, n}}$$

for $n+1$ possible #s

The Binomial probabilities over integers $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$, is called binomial (n, p) distribution

16 09/24 Tue

e.g. what is the probability of getting 4 or more heads in 6 tosses of a fair coin?

Sol. the number of heads in 6 tosses follows a binomial distribution $(6, \frac{1}{2})$

$$P(4 \text{ or more heads}) = P(4 \text{ or } 5 \text{ or } 6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= P(4) + P(5) + P(6) \\
 &= \binom{6}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \binom{6}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 + \binom{6}{6} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 \\
 &= \frac{11}{38}
 \end{aligned}$$

e.g. 2 what is the chance that among 5 families, each with 6 children, exactly 3 of the families have 4 or more boys?

Sol. "event of interest": number of 5 families (6 child family) [have 4 or more boys]

$$P(S) = P(4 \text{ or more boys in 6-child family}) = \frac{11}{32}$$

Binomial (5, $\frac{11}{32}$)

$$P(\text{exactly 3 families}) = \binom{5}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{11}{32}\right)^5 \cdot \left(\frac{21}{32}\right)^2 = .175$$

e.g. 3. A fair dice is rolled 10 times, given that there were 4 sixes in the 10 rolls, what is the probability that there are 3 sixes in the first 4 rolls?

Sol. the number of sixes in 10 rolls follows a binomial distribution ($10, \frac{1}{6}$).

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

$AB = \{\text{4 sixes in 10 rolls}\} \cap \{\text{3 sixes in first 4 rolls}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left\{ \underbrace{\text{3 sixes}}_{\text{first 4}}, \underbrace{\text{1 six}}_{\text{(last 6)}} \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{first 4}}, \underbrace{\dots}_{\text{(last 6)}} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(AB) &= P(\text{3 sixes in the first 4 and 1 six in the last 6 rolls}) \\
 &= \binom{4}{3} \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \times \frac{5}{6} \times \binom{6}{1} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(A) = \binom{10}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^4 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{\binom{6}{3} \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^3}{\binom{10}{4} \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^4 \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^6} = \frac{21}{240} = 0.1174$$

Q. 4. A bank parking party carries 3 emergency signal flares, each of which lights with a probability of 0.98. Assume the three flares are independent. What is the probability at least one flare lights?

Sol: $P(\text{at least one flare lights})$

The # of flares light follows a binomial distribution $(3, 0.98)$

$$\text{I: } P(1, \text{ or } 2, \text{ or } 3)$$

$$\text{II: or } 1 - P(0) = 1 - \left(\frac{3}{0}\right) \times 0.98^0 \times 0.02^3 = 0.999992$$

Most likely number of successes (mode of Binomial Distribution)

For $(0 < p < 1)$, the most likely number of successes in n independent trials with probability p of successes, is $m = \lceil np + p \rceil$, the largest integer less or equal to $np + p$

- If $np + p$ is integer, then there are 2 more likely numbers m and $m-1$
- If $np + p$ is not integer, then there is one unique most likely number m .

$$\text{eg. } \lceil 3.5 \rceil = 3 \quad \lceil 3 \rceil = 3.$$

$$\lceil 3.7 \rceil = 3$$

Q. 5(a) In 6-child families, each child is equally likely to be a boy or a girl, independent of the others. What number of boys would be the most likely number?

Sol: the number of boys in 6-child family follows binomial $(6, \frac{1}{2})$

$$m = [np + p] = [3.5] = 3.$$

(b) how about 5-child family?

$$\text{Sol. } m = \left\lfloor 5 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor = \lfloor 3 \rfloor = 3.$$

since $np + p = 3$ is integer, 3 and 2 are most likely numbers.

Remark $n=6, p=0.5$

$$P(0) = \binom{6}{0} \times 0.5^0 \times 0.5^6 = \binom{6}{0} \times 0.5^6 = 0.016$$

$$P(1) = \binom{6}{1} \times 0.5^1 \times 0.5^5 = \binom{6}{1} \times 0.5^6 = 0.093$$

$$P(2) = \binom{6}{2} \times 0.5^2 \times 0.5^4 = \binom{6}{2} \times 0.5^6 = 0.235$$

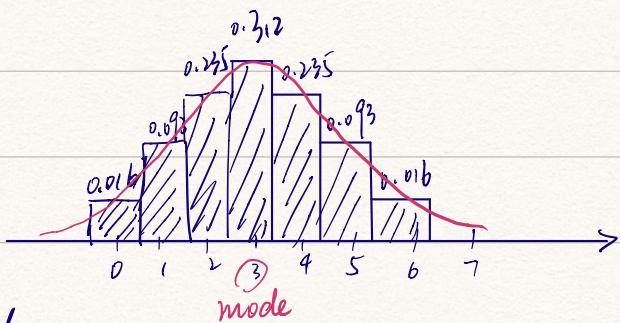
$$P(3) = \binom{6}{3} \times 0.5^3 \times 0.5^3 = \binom{6}{3} \times 0.5^6 = 0.312$$

$$P(4) = \binom{6}{4} \times 0.5^4 \times 0.5^2 = \binom{6}{4} \times 0.5^6 = 0.235$$

$$P(5) = \binom{6}{5} \times 0.5^5 \times 0.5^1 = \binom{6}{5} \times 0.5^6 = 0.093$$

$$P(6) = \binom{6}{6} \times 0.5^6 \times 0.5^0 = \binom{6}{6} \times 0.5^6 = 0.016$$

Histogram : Binomial (6, $\frac{1}{2}$)



Area of rectangle
probability

In general:

The probabilities are strictly increasing before they reach the maximum, and strictly decreasing after the maximum.

Expected number of success (mean of Binomial Distribution)

Def: The mean of binomial distribution (n, p) , is np , also called the expected number of successes, usually denoted by μ , $\mu = np$.

Remark: ① μ is not necessarily an integer

$$n=3, p=\frac{1}{2}, \mu=2.5.$$

② If μ is an integer, then it is also the mode

$$\begin{aligned} n=6, p=\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \mu=np=3 \text{ is an integer} \\ \Rightarrow [np + p] = np \\ \uparrow \quad \epsilon(0,1) \\ \text{Integer} \end{aligned}$$

E.g. 6 A player bets on one number: 3 of the numbers 1 through 6.

Three fair dice are then rolled independently. If the number bet, 3, appears k times, $k=0, 1, 2, 3$, then the player must pay a fee \$1 for each round of the game. Is this a fair game?

(fair game: expected wins = expected loss)

Sol: the number of times 3 appears follows binomial $(3, \frac{1}{6})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expected wins} &= \text{expected number of times 3 appears} \\ &= np = 0.5. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Expected loss} = ? = 1$$

not a fair game.