

- Goal of Good-Turing smoothing: compute *expected count* c^*
- Expected count can be computed with help from binomial distribution:

$$\begin{aligned} E(c^*(\alpha)) &= \sum_{r=0}^N r \, p(c(\alpha) = r) \\ &= \sum_{r=0}^N r \, \binom{N}{r} p^r (1-p)^{N-r} \end{aligned}$$

- Note again: p is unknown, we cannot actually compute this