

1. Moment Generating Function $M_X(t) = E(e^{tx})$ continuous: $M_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} P_X(x) dx$ discrete: $M_X(t) = \sum e^{tx} P_X(x)$

$$\frac{dM_X(t)}{dt} = E\left(\frac{d e^{tx}}{dt}\right) = E(x e^{tx}) \Rightarrow M_X^{(n)}(t) = E(x^n e^{tx})$$

Properties:

- $M_X(t) = (1 - p + p e^t)^n$ for binomial(n,p)
- $M_X(t) = E(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n t^n}{n!})$ according to Taylor Series
 $M_X'(t) = E(0 + x + x^2 t + \frac{x^3 t^2}{2!} + \dots) = E(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+1} t^n}{n!})$
 $\Rightarrow M_X^{(k)}(t) = E(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{n+k} t^n}{n!})$
- $M_X^{(n)}(0) = E(X^n)$
 $\Rightarrow \text{VAR}[X] = E[X^2] - E^2[X] = M_X''(0) - [M_X'(0)]^2$
- $M_X(t) = M_Y(t) \Rightarrow XY$ has same distribution
- $M_X(0) = 1$
- $M_{ax+b}(t) = M_X(at) e^{bt}$ Proof:
 $M_{ax+b}(t) = E(e^{t(ax+b)}) = E(e^{axt} e^{bt}) = E(e^{axt}) e^{bt} = M_X(at) e^{bt}$
- $M_{X+Y}(bt) = M_X(t) M_Y(t)$ (X, Y independent)

2. Gama Function $\Gamma(n) = \int_0^{\infty} u^{n-1} e^{-u} du = (n-1)!$

Proof:

- $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x}|_0^{\infty} = 1$
- $\Gamma(n) = -\int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} d e^{-x}$
 $= -(x^{n-1} e^{-x})|_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} (n-1) x^{n-2} dx$
 $= 0 + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} (n-1) x^{n-2} dx$
 $= (n-1) \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} x^{n-2} dx$
 $= (n-1) \Gamma(n-1)$

Use Induction to prove the formula

3. Basic probability property

- Basic Properties
 - $P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)}, \in [0, 1]$
 - $P(\phi) = 0$
 - $A \subseteq B, P(A) \leq P(B)$
 - $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- Conditional Probability and Bayles Theorem
 - $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$
 - $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A')P(A')}$
- PDF and CDF
 PDF: probability distribution function $\Rightarrow P_X(x)$
 CDF: cummulative distribution function $\Rightarrow F_X(x) = \phi_X(x) = N_X(x) = P(X < x)$
- Expectation
 - $E(X) = \sum x P_X(x)$ or $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x P_X(x)$
 - $E(c) = c$
 - $E(aX) = aE(X)$
 - $E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$
 - $E(X) = M_X'(0)$
- Variance and Standard Deviation
 - $\text{VAR}(X) = E(X^2) - E^2(X) = \sum [(x - E(X))]^2 P_X(x) = E[(x - \mu)^2] = \sigma^2$
 - $\text{VAR}(c) = 0$

3. $\text{VAR}(aX) = a^2 \text{VAR}(X)$

4. $\text{VAR}(X \pm Y) = \text{VAR}(X) + \text{VAR}(Y) \pm 2\text{COV}(x, y)$,
 $\text{COV}(x, y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$

(f) z-score

 $Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$, measures the distance of x from expected value in standard units.

4. Discrete Distributions

(a) Binomial Distribution

DEF: n time Bernoulli trials combined. probability of success and fail is (p, 1-p). Probability of success remains the same through the trails. X is the r.v of success times.

Note as $B(n, p)$

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

$$M_X(t) = (1 - p + p e^t)^n$$

$$E(X) = np, \text{VAR}(X) = np(1-p)$$

(b) Hyper Geometric Distribution

DEF: A sample of size n taken from a finite population of size N. The population has a subgroup of size $r \geq n$ that is of interest. x is the number of members of the subgroup taken.Note as $H(N, n, r)$

$$P_X(x) = \frac{\binom{r}{x} \binom{N-r}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

$$E(X) = n \frac{r}{N}$$

$$\text{VAR}(X) = n \frac{r}{N} (1 - \frac{r}{N}) (\frac{N-n}{N-1})$$

When $x \rightarrow \infty$, $H(N, n, r) \rightarrow B(n, \frac{r}{N})$. H samples without replacement while B samples with replacement.

(c) Poisson Process

DEF: model the number of random occurrence of some phenomenon in specific unit of space or time.

$$P_X(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$

 λ : average arrival in given time or space

$$E(X) = \lambda, \text{VAR}(X) = \lambda$$

Poisson simulates Binomial when n is large. usually when $\lambda = np < 10$, we use poisson as an approximation of Binomial.

(d) Geometric Distribution DEF: number of trials to get the first success in a sequence of Bernoulli trials where p is the success probability.

i. X is the r.v of number of total trials (x includes the first success)

$$P_X(x) = (1-p)^{x-1} p, x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$E(X) = 1/p, \text{VAR}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

ii. X is the r.v of number of failed trials (x excludes the first success)

$$P_X(x) = (1-p)^x p, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$M_X(t) = \frac{p}{1 - e^t(1-p)}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1-p}{p}, \text{VAR}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

(e) Negative Binomial Distribution

DEF: X is the r.v of number of trials need to observe the r^{th} success in a sequence of Bernoulli trails where p is the success probability.

$$P_X(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}, x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$$

$$M_X(t) = \left(\frac{p}{1 - e^t(1-p)}\right)^r$$

$$E(X) = \frac{r}{p}, \text{VAR}(X) = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$

Alternatively, X is the r.v of failures before the r^{th} success:

$$P_X(x) = \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^x, x = 0, 1, 2 \dots$$

$$M_X(t) = \left(\frac{1-p}{1-pe^t} \right)^r$$

$$E(X) = \frac{r(1-p)}{p}, \text{VAR}(X) = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$