

lec 16

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let $Y \sim \text{geometric}(p)$

then, $\text{var}(Y) = E[(Y-\mu)^2] = E[Y^2] - \mu^2 = E[Y^2] - (1/p)^2$

Note: $E[Y^2] = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} y^2 (1-p)^{y-1} p$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (y+1)^2 (1-p)^y p$$

$$= p \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (y+1)^2 (1-p)^y$$

let $z=y+1 \rightarrow y=z-1$

$y=1 \dots \infty \rightarrow z=2 \dots \infty$

$$= \sum_{z=2}^{\infty} z^2 (1-p)^{z-1} p + 2p \sum_{z=2}^{\infty} z (1-p)^{z-1} + p \sum_{z=2}^{\infty} (1-p)^{z-1}$$

$$= (1-p) \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} z^2 (1-p)^{z-1} p + 2(1-p) \sum_{z=1}^{\infty} z (1-p)^{z-1} + 1$$

$E[Y^2]$

$E[X] = 1/p$

$\rightarrow \text{geometric}$

$$\Rightarrow E[Y^2] = (1-p) E[Y^2] + \frac{2(1-p)}{p} + 1$$

$$1 - (1-p) = p$$

$$\Rightarrow p E[Y^2] = \frac{2(1-p)}{p} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow E[Y^2] = \frac{2(1-p)}{p^2} + \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(Y) = \frac{2(1-p)}{p^2} + \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{2-2p+1-p}{p^2} = \frac{2-2p+1-p}{p^2} \cdot \text{var}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

let $X \sim \text{Negative Binomial}(r, p)$

$$\text{var}(X) = \sum_{x=r}^{\infty} (x-r)^2 \binom{x-1}{r-1} (1-p)^{x-r} p^r \Rightarrow \text{var}(X) = r \frac{1-p}{p^2} \quad (?)$$

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

Note X_1, \dots, X_r iid (geom p)

Small: $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_r$ Recall: $E[X] = \frac{r}{p}$

thus $\text{var}(X) = r \cdot \frac{1-p}{p^2}$

Note: Geometric Distribution has memoryless-property that is the probability of a success after n number of failures is the same as the probability of success "any point of time" (in this case, at any trial)

$$P(X=x) \quad P(X=a+b \mid X>a) = \frac{P(X=a+b)}{P(X>a)} = \frac{(1-p)^{a+b-1} p}{(1-p)^a} = (1-p)^{a+b-1} p$$