

Consider $B_1, B_2, \dots \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}(p)$

Let $X := \# \text{ zeros before the first one occurs.}$

$$P(0) = P(X=0) = P(\{1\}) = p$$

$$P(1) = P(X=1) = P(\{0, 1\}) = (1-p)p$$

$$P(2) = P(X=2) = P(\{0, 0, 1\}) = (1-p)^2 p$$

$$P(X) = P(X=x) = P(\{0, 0, \dots, 1\}) = (1-p)^x p$$

Then we know:

$$X \sim \text{Geom}(p) := (1-p)^x p \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

Let:

$$X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Geom}(p) \quad T_2 = X_1 + X_2 \sim P_{T_2}(t) \stackrel{?}{=}$$

$$P_{T_2}(t) = \sum_{x \in \text{supp}[X]} P^{old}(x) P^{old}(t-x) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \text{supp}[X]}$$

$$= \sum (1-p)^x p (1-p)^{t-x} p \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

$$= (1-p)^t p^2 \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} = (1-p)^t p^2 \sum_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots, t\}} 1$$

$$= \underbrace{(t+1)}_{t+1 \text{ possible locations for first 1}} (1-p)^t p^2 = \text{Neg Bin}(2, p), \quad \text{supp}[T_2] = \{0, 1, \dots\}$$

$t+1$ possible locations for first 1

$$\underbrace{0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ 1}_{t+2}$$

$t+1$ realisations

Let $X_1, X_2, X_3 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Geom}(p)$, $T_3 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 \sim P_{T_3}(t) = X_3 + T_2$

$$P_{T_3}(t) = \sum_{x \in \text{supp}[X]} P^{old}(x) P_{T_2}(t-x) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \text{supp}[T_2]}$$

$$= \sum (1-p)^x p (t-x-1) (1-p)^{t-x} p^2 \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

$$= (1-p)^t p^3 \sum_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}} (t+1-x) \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}}$$

$$= (1-p)^t p^3 \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} (t+1) + (-x)$$

$$= (1-p)^t p^3 \left((t+1) \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} 1 - \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} x \right)$$

$$= (1-p)^t t^3 \left((t+1)(t+1) - t \frac{(t-1)}{2} \right)$$

$$= \binom{t+2}{2} (1-p)^t p^3 = \text{Neg Bin}(3, p)$$

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$t+2$ realization

$t+2$ locations to put 2 ones in

To generalize let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_r \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Geom}(p)$

$$T_r := X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_r \sim \text{Neg Bin}(r, p) = P_{T_r}(t)$$

$$P_{T_r}(t) = \binom{t+r-1}{r-1} (1-p)^t p^r \mathbb{1}_{t \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

Now let $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

Let n be really large and p be really small,
 $n \rightarrow +\infty, p \rightarrow 0$ but $\lambda = np$

Our goal is to get the pmf of X under this limit.

$$\text{if } \lambda = np \quad p = \frac{\lambda}{n} \quad \text{and } X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, n\}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-x} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, n\}}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} \frac{\lambda^x}{n^x} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-x} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, n\}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-x)! n^x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, \dots, n\}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-x+1)}{n \cdot n \cdot n \dots n} e^{-\lambda} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}} = \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \quad \text{where } \lambda \in (0, \infty)$$

Therefore: $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \quad T = X_1 + X_2 \sim P_T(t) = ?$

$$P_T(t) = \sum_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}} \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \frac{\lambda^{t-x} e^{-\lambda}}{(t-x)!} \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}}$$

$$= e^{-2\lambda} \lambda^t \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} \frac{1}{x!(t-x)!} = \lambda^t e^{-2\lambda} \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} \frac{t!}{t! x!(t-x)!}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^t e^{-2\lambda}}{t!} \sum_{x \in \{0, \dots, t\}} \binom{t}{x} = \frac{\lambda^t e^{-2\lambda}}{t!} 2^t =$$

$$= \frac{(2\lambda)^t e^{-2\lambda}}{t!} = \text{Poisson}(2\lambda)$$