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iii A MATHEMATICALLY MORE CONVENIENT WAY  
TO WRITE THE MODEL

$$P_x(x) = \mu^x (1-\mu)^{1-x}, \quad x \in \{0, 1\}$$
$$\mu \in (0, 1)$$

BERNOULLI PROBABILITY MASS FUNCTION

$$P_x(0) = \mu^0 (1-\mu)^{1-0} = 1-\mu$$

$$P_x(1) = \mu^1 (1-\mu)^0 = \mu$$

# From Models to Data & From Probabilities to Frequencies

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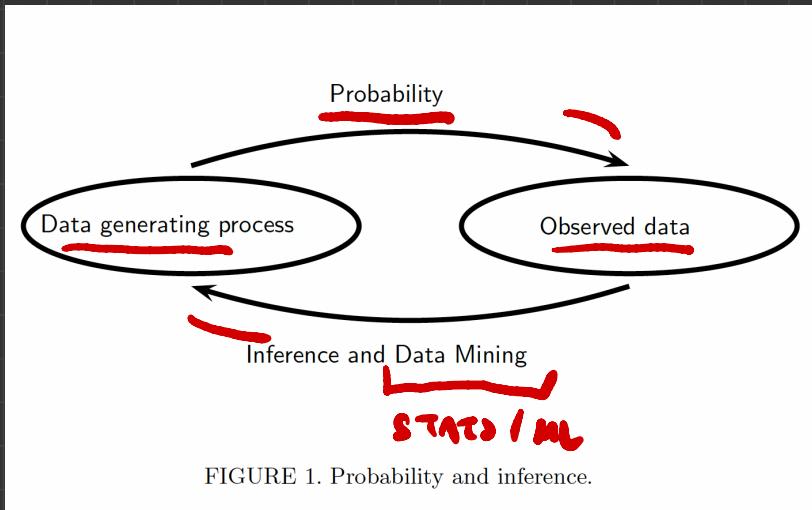
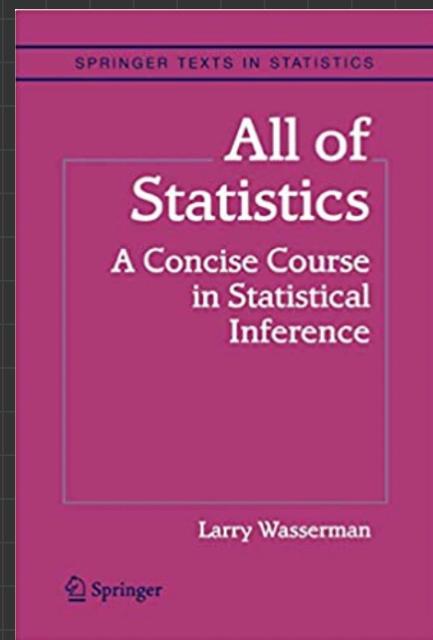


FIGURE 1. Probability and inference.



- LET'S ASSUME THAT OBSERVED DATA  
ARE GENERATED FROM BERNoulli MODEL

$$X_i \sim \text{Bern}(\mu) \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

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> x
[1] 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1
```

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> ?binom
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and libraries:

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> ??binom
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> x
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> y=rbinom(10,1,0.2)
> y
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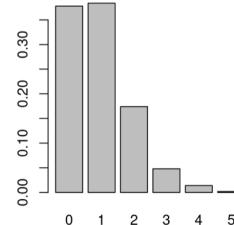
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# PROBABILITIES & FREQUENCIES

$X_1, \dots, X_n$  BINARY RV  $X_i \sim \text{Bern}(\mu)$

$Y_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  FREQ. OF '1's IN THE SAMPLE

$\frac{1}{n} Y_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  PERC. "

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[1] 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
> table(x)  
X  
0 1  
3 7  
> x=rbinom(100,1,0.8)  
> table(x)  
X  
0 1  
14 86  
> x  
[1] 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  
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[85] 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1  
> x=rbinom(1000,1,0.8)  
> table(x)  
X  
0 1  
209 791  
>
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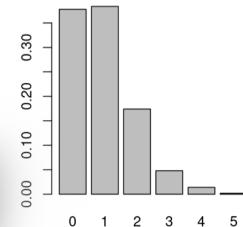
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## OBSERVATION FROM SIMULATIONS

As  $n$  GETS LARGER

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \text{ CONCENTRATES AROUND } \mu$$

↳ THEME "CONCENTRATION"

MAXIMUM  
LIKELIHOOD  
ON  
MINIMUM  
ENTROPY  
ESTIMATION

THIS GENERATES THE FOLLOWING IDEA:

GIVEN BINARY DATA:  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

THEN I COULD USE THE

SAMPLE PERCENTAGE OF  $1'$ , TO

LEARN A PROBABILITY MODEL FROM

THESE DATA

LEARN THE BERNoulli PARAMETER

## MODELLING COUNT DATA

- Recall : COUNT DATA RELATE TO QUESTION  
" HOW MANY " (ESPECIALLY IF RARE)
- GOALS IN FOOTBALL GAME
  - INSURANCE CLAIMS
  - WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS PER YEAR

↳ Poisson

19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY  
FRANCE

# THE POISSON MODEL / DISTRIBUTION

WITH PROBABILITY MASS FUNCTION

$$P_x(x) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!} \quad x \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$\mu > 0$

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu)$$

$e = 2.71 \dots$

EULER CONSTANT

$x! = x(x-1) \dots 1$

$x \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$

FACTORIAL

$$3! = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 6$$

BY CONVENTION

$$0! = 1$$

$$i. P_x(x) \geq 0$$

$$e^{-\mu} \geq 0$$

$$\mu^x \geq 0 \quad \mu > 0$$

$$x! \geq 0 \quad x \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} e^{-\mu} \mu^x \\ \hline x! \end{aligned} \right\} \geq 0$$

FAR LESS OBVIOUS IS  $\frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!} \leq 1$

$$\stackrel{(ii)}{=} P_x(0) + P_x(1) + \dots = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} P_x(x) = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^n a_i$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a_i = a_0 + a_1 + \dots + a_n$$

## REMINDER

$$\begin{aligned} e &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x!} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$e^u = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^x}{x!}$$

POWER SERIES EXPANSION

Since  $e^{\mu} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x}{x!}$  then

$$1 = e^{-\mu} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^x}{x!} - \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^x}{x!} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} p_x(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_x(x) \leq 1$$

# Poisson distribution

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

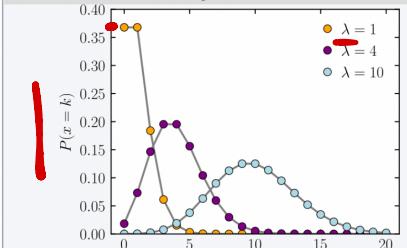
In probability theory and statistics, the **Poisson distribution** (/pəˈsoʊn/; French pronunciation: [pwasɔ̃]), named after French mathematician Siméon Denis Poisson, is a **discrete probability distribution** that expresses the probability of a given number of events occurring in a fixed interval of time or space if these events occur with a known constant mean rate and **independently** of the time since the last event.<sup>[1]</sup>

The Poisson distribution can also be used for the number of events in other specified interval types such as distance, area or volume.

For instance, a call center receives an average of 180 calls per hour, 24 hours a day. The calls

**Poisson Distribution**

**Probability mass function**



The horizontal axis is the index  $k$ , the number of occurrences.  $\lambda$  is the expected rate of occurrences. The vertical axis is the probability of  $k$  occurrences given  $\lambda$ . The function is defined only at integer values of  $k$ ; the connecting lines are only guides for the eye.

$k \leftarrow x$

$P(\lambda=x)$

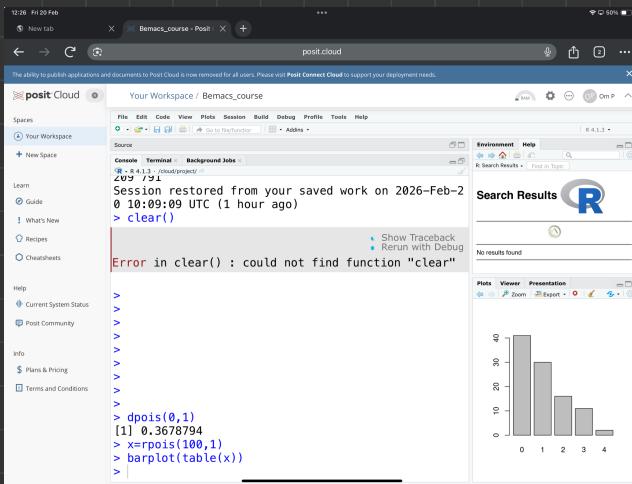
$P_x(\lambda)$

$\lambda \leftarrow \mu$

# NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS

- GENERATE  $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(1)$

$$\rightarrow P_X(0) \approx 0.37$$



## 187 OPERATION

PERCENTAGE OF DATA IN SAMPLE GENERATED  
FROM THE MODEL EQUALS TO  $x$

CONCENTRATION AROUND  $p_x(x)$

↳ DERIVE FROM RESULT FOR BERNULLI

## ANOTHER ORGANIZATION

- $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$  CONCENTRATES AROUND  $\mu$

↳ Idea for LEARNING A MODEL  
POINT

FROM OBSERVED DATA

↳  $\mu$  BY  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$