

(2) Binomial random variable (n, p) .

Let's say we toss a biased coin with prob of heads being p , n number of times, what is probability that you see a head k # of times

X : # heads.

X takes values in $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$

H_i : event that i th toss is a head.

$P(H_i) = p$; H_1, \dots, H_n are mutually independent.

$\Omega = \{H, T\}^n \rightarrow$ all n -length sequences with values from H, T .

$$\begin{aligned} P(X = k) &= P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) = k\}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\omega: \# \text{heads in } \omega = k}} P(\{\omega\}). \end{aligned}$$

$\omega = (H \ H \ \dots \ H)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{\omega\}) &= P(H_1 \cap H_2 \cap \dots \cap H_n) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(H_i) = p^n. \end{aligned}$$

Let w be a sequence with exactly k heads.

$$w = (\underbrace{H \dots H}_k \underbrace{T \dots T}_{n-k})$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{w\}) &= p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= P(H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_k \cap H_{k+1}^c \cap \dots \cap H_n^c) \end{aligned}$$

this is true for any w with exactly k heads.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=k) &= \sum_{w: \# \text{heads is } k} P(\{w\}) \\ &= |\{w: \text{heads as } k\}| p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

PMF

$$P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$E[X] = \sum_{k=0}^n k \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k} &= (a+b)^n \\ &= (p+(1-p))^n \\ &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k=1}^n k \frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &\quad \cdot \frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!} \end{aligned}$$

$$= np \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-k)! (k-1)!} p^{k-1} (1-p)^{n-k} \right)$$

$$= np \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-1-k)! k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-1-k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= np \cdot (p + (1-p))^{n-1} \\ &= np \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[x] = E[x^2] - (E[x])^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[x^2] - E[x] &= \sum_{k=0}^n (k^2 - k) \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\
 &= \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{k(k-1)}{(n-k)!} \frac{n!}{k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\
 &= n(n-1)p^2. \quad (\text{Exercise})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(x) &= \underline{n(n-1)p^2 + np} - \underline{n^2 p^2} \\
 &= np(1-p).
 \end{aligned}$$

③ Poisson Random Variable (λ): takes values in the

set $\mathcal{X}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, and the PMF is defined by

$$P_x(k) = P(x = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{k!} \lambda^k.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} &= e^{-\lambda} \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \\
 &= e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[x] &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \lambda \\
 &= \lambda \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!} \right) \quad \hat{k} = k-1 \\
 &= \lambda.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= E[x^2] - (E[x])^2.$$

compute

$$E[x^2] - E[x]$$

first.

= 1 (Exercise).

Poisson R.V approximates Binomial R.V.

Lemma: Let us consider $\lambda = np$ to be a constant and $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then the probability of a Binomial R.V being equal to $k \rightarrow$ probability of a Poisson R.V being equal to k converges as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\binom{n}{k} (1-p)^{n-k} p^k \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\lambda = np} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!} (1-p)^{n-k} p^k \\ &= \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-k+1)}{k!} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k. \end{aligned}$$

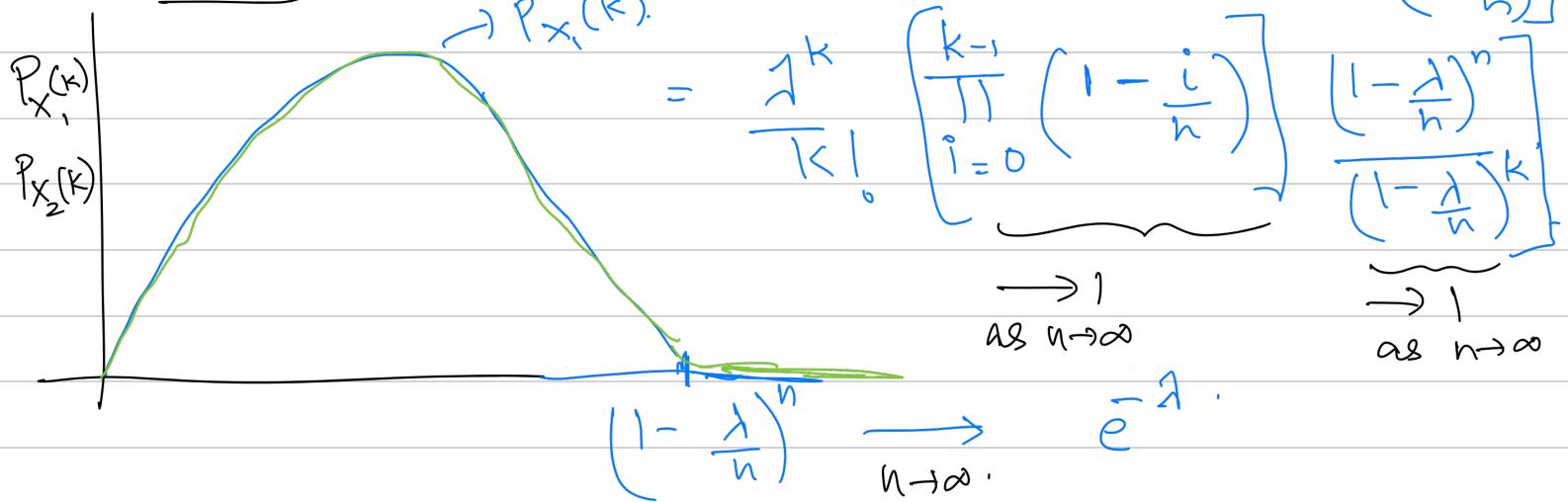
$X_1 \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$

$X_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

$$n = 5000, p = 0.001.$$

$$\lambda = 5$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \left[\frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-k+1)}{n n \dots n} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \right] \left(\frac{\lambda}{n} \right)^k$$



$$\xrightarrow{} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}.$$

(4) Geometric R.V (p) : # times you toss a coin until you see a head.

$$P_X(k) = P(X = k) = (1-p)^{k-1} p.$$

Exercise to find $E[X]$ & $\text{Var}(X)$.

Joint Probability Mass function

$$\begin{aligned} P_{X,Y}(x,y) &= P(\{X=x\} \cap \{Y=y\}) \\ &= P(X=x, Y=y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ Y: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad (X, Y): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\{X=x\} = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) = x\}$$

$$\{Y=y\} = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid Y(\omega) = y\}.$$

Finding PMF of X from joint PMF of (X, Y) .

$$P_X(x) = P(\{X=x\}).$$

$$= P(\{X=x\} \cap \Omega).$$

$$\Omega = \bigcup_{y \in Y} \underbrace{\{Y=y\}}_{A_y} \rightarrow \text{disjoint sets}$$

A_y and $A_{y'}$ are disjoint

$$= P(\{X=x\} \cap \bigcup_{y \in Y} \{Y=y\})$$

Demorgan's law

$$= P\left(\bigcup_{y \in Y} \{X=x\} \cap \{Y=y\}\right)$$

Additivity

$$= \sum_{y \in Y} P(\{X=x\} \cap \{Y=y\})$$

Joint PMF
Satisfies

$$\sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} P_{X,Y}(x,y) = 1 \quad = \quad \sum_{y \in Y} P_{X,Y}(x,y).$$

referred to as marginalization.

$$P_Y(y) = \sum_{x \in X} P_{X,Y}(x,y).$$

Example: Joint PMF of x, y through a 2D Table

$P_{X,Y}(x,y)$ is
element in
 x th row &
 y th column
in this table

	0	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{7}{20}$	$x = P_X(x)$
0	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{7}{20}$.1
$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{7}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$.2
$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{7}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$.3
$\frac{7}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{7}{20}$.4

y

$P_Y(y)$

$\frac{3}{20}, \frac{7}{20}, \frac{6}{20}, \frac{4}{20}$