

PRACTICAL SHEET - 9

DISCRETE PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION

1. 8 unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously. Find the probability of getting

(i) Exactly 4 heads

(ii) No heads at all.

(iii) 6 or more heads

(iv) Atmost 2 heads

(v) No. of heads ranging from 3 to 5.

Solution:

Let  $X$  denote no. of heads in throw of 8 unbiased coins.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{8}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 & ; x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 8 \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$(i) P(X=4) = \binom{8}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.273}}$$

$$(ii) P(X=0) = \binom{8}{0} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.0039}}$$

$$(iii) 6 \text{ or more heads : } P(X \geq 6) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 \sum_{x=6}^8 \binom{8}{x}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.1445}}$$

$$(iv) \text{ Atmost 2 heads : } P(X \leq 2) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{8}{x}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.1445}}$$

$$(v) \text{ No. of heads ranging from 3 to 5, } P(3 \leq X \leq 5) = P(X=3, 4, 5)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 \sum_{x=3}^5 \binom{8}{x}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.7109}}$$

### Program

$p1 \leftarrow \text{dbinom}(3, 3, 1/3); p1$

$p2 \leftarrow \text{dbinom}(0, 3, 1/3); p2$

$p3 \leftarrow 1 - p2, p3$

$p4 \leftarrow 1 - \text{dbinom}(3, 3, 1/3); p4$

### Output

$p1 = 0.2222222 \quad (P(X=2))$

$p2 = 0.2962963 \quad (P(X=0))$

$p3 = 0.7037037 \quad (P(X \geq 1))$

$p4 = 0.962963 \quad (P(X \leq 2))$

2. Probability that a batsman score century in a cricket match is  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Find the probability that out of 3 matches he may score century in:

(i) exactly 2 matches

(ii) no matches

(iii) atleast one match

(iv) almost two matches

Solution:

Let  $X$  denote no. of matches in which the batsman scored a century.

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{3}{x} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3-x}; & x = 0, 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(i) Probability that he scores a century in exactly 2 matches,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=2) &= \binom{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \\ &= 0.22 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Probability that he scores a century in no matches,

$$P(X=0) = 0.296$$

(iii) Probability that he scores a century in atleast one match,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 1) &= 1 - P(X < 1) \\ &= 1 - P(X=0) \\ &= 1 - 0.296 \\ &= 0.7037 \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Probability that he scores a century in almost 2 matches,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 2) &= 1 - P(X > 2) \\ &= 1 - P(X=3) \\ &= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \\ &= 0.962 \end{aligned}$$

### Program

p1 <- dpois(0, 1.5); p1

p2 <- 1 - (p1 + dpois(1, 1.5) + dpois(2, 1.5)); p2

### Output

p1 = 0.22310302 (P(X=0))

p2 = 0.1911532 (P(X>2))

3. A car firm has 2 cars which it hires out day by day. The no. of demands for a car in each day is distributed as a Poisson variate with mean 1.5. Calculate proportion of day in which

- neither car is used
- some demand is refused

Solution:

Let  $X$  denote no. of demands.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-1.5}(1.5)^x}{x!} & , x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Probability that neither car is used,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=0) &= e^{-1.5} \\ &= \underline{0.223} \end{aligned}$$

- Probability that demands are refused,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X>2) &= 1 - P(X \leq 2) \\ &= 1 - e^{-1.5}(1 + 1.5 + \frac{1.5^2}{2}) \\ &= \underline{0.191} \end{aligned}$$

### Program

```
x <- 0:6; x
f <- c(7, 12, 18, 20, 16, 11, 8); f
N <- sum(f); N
mean <- sum(x*f)/N; mean
n <- 6; n
p <- mean/n; p
pvalues <- dbinom(x, n, p); pvalues
ef <- round(N*pvalues); ef # expected frequencies
df <- data.frame(x, f, ef), df
```

### Output

x	f	ef
0	7	1
1	12	9
2	18	22
3	20	29
4	16	21
5	11	9
6	8	1

4. Fit a binomial distribution to the following data and calculate expected frequencies.

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
f	7	12	18	20	16	11	8

Solution:

x	f	xf
0	7	0
1	12	12
2	18	36
3	20	60
4	16	64
5	11	55
6	8	48

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Mean, } \bar{x} &= \frac{\sum xf}{\sum f} \\ &= \frac{275}{92} \\ &= 2.99\end{aligned}$$

$$P = \frac{\bar{x}}{n} \quad (\because \text{mean of Binomial distribution} = np)$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{2.99}{6} \\ &= 0.498\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}q &= 1 - p \\ &= 0.502\end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{6}{x} (0.498)^x (0.502)^{6-x} & ; x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 6 \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$x$	Expected frequencies $[N \times f(x)]$
0	1
1	9
2	22
3	29
4	21
5	9
6	1

### Program

```
x <- 0:4; x
f <- c(123, 59, 14, 3, 1); f
N <- sum(f); N
mean <- sum(x*f)/N; mean
values <- dpois(x, mean); values
ef <- round(N*values); ef
df <- data.frame(x, f, ef); df
```

### Output

x	f	ef
0	123	121
1	59	61
2	14	15
3	3	3
4	1	0

5. Fit a Poisson distribution for the following data and calculate the expected frequencies.

x	0	1	2	3	4
f	123	59	14	3	1

Solution:

x	f	xf
0	123	0
1	59	59
2	14	28
3	3	9
4	1	4
	200	100

$$\lambda = \frac{\sum xf}{\sum f}$$

$$\lambda = 0.5$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-0.5} (0.5)^x}{x!} & , x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

x	Expected frequencies [N*f(x)]
0	121
1	61
2	15
3	3
4	0

### Program

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x <- 0:4; x
f <- c(123, 59, 14, 3, 1); f
N <- sum(f); N
mean <- sum(x*f)/N; mean
values <- dpois(x, mean); values
ef <- round(N*values); ef
df <- data.frame(x, f, ef); df
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### Output

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Solution:

x	f	xf
0	123	0
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2	14	28
3	3	9
4	1	4
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x	Expected frequencies $[N \cdot f(x)]$
0	121
1	61
2	15
3	3
4	0

### Program

```
values <- rbinom(100, 10, 0.5); values  
mean(values)  
var(values)
```

### Output

```
mean(values) = 4.81  
var(values) = 2.236667
```

6. Draw a random sample of size 100 from binomial distribution with parameters  $p=0.5$  and  $n=10$ . Also find its mean and variance.

Solution:

A random variable  $X$  following the binomial distribution with parameters  $n=10$  and  $p=0.5$ , has the p.d.f:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{10}{x} (0.5)^x (0.5)^{10-x}, & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 10 \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



### Program

```
data <- rpois(250, 1.5); data  
mean(data)  
var(data)
```

### Output

```
mean(data) = 1.388
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var(data) = 1.186201
```

7. Draw a random sample of size 250 from Poisson distribution with mean = 1.5; also find mean and variance of the samples drawn.

Solution.

A random variable  $X$  following Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda = 1.5$ , has the p.d.f:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-1.5} (1.5)^x}{x!} & ; x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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