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$$\text{Recall: } V(X) = E([X - E(X)]^2) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 \geq 0$$

Properties :

① $V(X+a) = V(X)$ where a is a fixed constant

② $V(\alpha X) = \alpha^2 V(X)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ is a constant

USUAL DISCRETE DISTRIBUTIONS

① Bernoulli Distribution:

Setup: A random experiment leads to 2 outcome {"success", "failure"}

set $p(\text{"success"}) = p$, $0 < p < 1$.

Define a random variable X as $X(\text{"success"}) = 1$ and

$X(\text{"failure"}) = 0$.

p.f. of X :

X	0	1
$P_X(x)$	1-p	p

→ we say X has a **Bernoulli distribution** with parameter p .

Notation: $X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$

↳ "is distributed as"

Remark: If $X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$ then $y = 1 - X \sim \text{Ber}(1-p)$

func. of X (random var.)

Prop: If $X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$, then $E(X) = p$ and $V(X) = p(1-p)$

Proof: $E(X) = 0 \cdot P_X(0) + 1 \cdot P_X(1) = 0(1-p) + 1 \cdot p = p$

$$V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = E(X^2) - p^2$$

$$E(X^2) = \sum_x x^2 P_X(x) = 0^2(1-p) + 1^2p = p$$

$$V(X) = p - p^2 = p(1-p)$$

② Binomial Distributions (R.V.)

- Set up: A random experiment leads to 2 outcomes S=success, F=failure and $P(S) = p$, $0 < p < 1$. Repeat the above exp. n times.

- Define $X = \# \text{ of success}$.
- We shall assume that the trials are independent

- Ex: Toss a ^{fair} coin 10 times and $X = \# \text{ of tails}$.

Note that $X \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$$P_X(0) = \Pr(X=0) = \underbrace{p}_{\text{n times}} ("FF\dots F") = (1-p)^n$$

$$P_X(1) = \Pr(X=1) = \underbrace{p}_{\text{n-1}} ("EF\dots FS" \text{ or } "F\dots FSF" \text{ or } \dots "SF\dots F")$$

$$\rightarrow P(X=1) = C_1^n p (1-p)^{n-1}$$

$$P_X(2) = \Pr(X=2) = \underbrace{p}_{\text{n-2}} ("SSF\dots F" \dots \text{there are } C_2^n \text{ different positions}$$

for the pair of successes.

$$\rightarrow P_X(2) = C_2^n p^2 (1-p)^{n-2}$$

More generally, for any $k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$$\rightarrow P_X(k) = \Pr(X=k) = C_k^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\text{Remark: } \sum_{k=0}^n P_X(k) = \sum_{k=0}^n C_k^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = [p + (1-p)]^n = 1^n = 1$$

A r.v. X which has a p.f. such as above X is said to have a Binomial distribution w/ parameters n and p .

Notation: $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$

Ex: A coin s.t. $P(H) = \frac{1}{3}$. Flip the coin 5 times. Prob. of obtaining exactly 3 tails?

$X = \# \text{ of } H \quad X \sim \text{Binomial}(n=5, p=\frac{1}{3})$

$$P(\text{3 tails}) = P(X=2) = C_5^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 = 10 \cdot \frac{8}{3^5} = \frac{80}{243}$$

$\rightarrow Y = \# \text{ of } T. \quad P(Y=3).$

Remark: If $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ then $Y = n - X \sim \text{Bin}(n, 1-p)$

Prop: If $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$ then

$$\textcircled{1} \quad E(X) = np$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad V(X) = np(1-p)$$

Proof: $K C_K^n = K \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!(k-1)!} \quad (\text{if } k \neq 0) = \frac{n(n-1)!}{(n-k)!(k-1)!}$

$$= n C_{k-1}^{n-1} \quad \text{if } k \neq 0.$$

Exercise: $K(K-1) C_K^n = n(n-1) C_{k-2}^{n-2}$

$$K(K-1)(K-2) C_K^n = \dots \quad (\text{back to the proof of prop.})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \quad E(X) &= \sum_{k=0}^n k P_X(k) = \sum_{k=0}^n k C_K^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= 0 + \sum_{k=1}^n k C_K^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = \sum_{k=1}^n n C_{k-1}^{n-1} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= n \sum_{k=1}^n C_{k-1}^{n-1} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \stackrel{(l=k-1)}{=} n \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} p^{l+1} (1-p)^{(n-1)-l} \\ &= np \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} C_l^{n-1} p^l (1-p)^{(n-1)-l} = np [p + (1-p)]^{n-1} = np \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = E(X^2) - n^2 p^2$$

Note that $X^2 = X(X-1) + X$

$$E(X^2) = E(X(X-1)) + E(X) = E(X(X-1)) + np$$

$$V(X) = E(X(X-1)) + np - n^2 p^2$$

$$\rightarrow E(X^2) = \sum_{k=0}^n k^2 C_k^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\hookrightarrow k^2 C_k^n = k \cdot k C_k^{n-1} = k \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-k)!(k-1)!}$$

$$E(X(X-1)) = \sum_{k=0}^n k(k-1) C_k^n p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = 0+0+\sum_{k=2}^n n(n-1) C_{k-2}^{n-2} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$= n(n-1) \sum_{k=2}^n C_{k-2}^{n-2} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = n(n-1) \sum_{k=2}^n C_{k-2}^{n-2} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$= n(n-1) \sum_{l=0}^{n-2} C_l^{n-2} p^{l+2} (1-p)^{(n-2)-l} = n(n-1) p^2 \sum_{l=0}^{n-2} C_l^{n-2} p^l (1-p)^{(n-2)-l}$$

$$= n(n-1) p^2$$

$$V(X) = n(n-1) p^2 + np - n^2 p^2 = np(1-p)$$

Exercise: $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$. Find $E(X^3)$

$$\text{Hint: } X^3 = X(X-1)(X-2) + 3X^2 - 2X^2$$

$$\rightarrow k(k-1)(k-2) C_k^n = n(n-1)(n-2) C_{k-3}^{n-3}$$

$$\rightarrow E(X(X-1)(X-2)) = n(n-1)(n-2) p^3$$

Ex: You have to pay \$2 to play the following game. Flip a coin 5 times. Each time the coin turns up H you win \$3, each time it turns up T, you lose \$1. Given that $P(H) = 0.4$, find the mean & variance of your payoff.

\hookrightarrow = expected value

$$X = \# \text{ of } H, X \sim \text{Bin}(n=5, p)$$

$$Y = \text{payoff} . \quad y = -2 + 3x - (5-x) = 4x - 7$$

$$E(X) = 4E(X) - 7 = 20p - 7$$

$$V(Y) = V(4X) = 16V(X) = 16 \times 5p(1-p) = 80p(1-p)$$

② Geometric distribution

Recall: $\sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} x^n = \frac{1}{1-x}$ whenever $|x| < 1$

→ Set up: An experiment leads to either success = S or failure = f with $P(S) = p$. Repeat the exp. until the first S occurs.

Let $X = \#$ of trials needed for first S.

Note: $X \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\} \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ ← set of positive ints. and

$$P_X(k) = P(X=k) = P(\text{"F..FS"}) = (1-p)^{k-1} p$$

$\rightarrow X \in \{1, 2, \dots\} = \mathbb{N}^*. \# k \in \mathbb{N}^*$.

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

- A r.v. X with the p.f. described above is said to have a geometric distribution with parameter p .

- Notation: $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Remark: } \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} P_X(k) &= \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} p(1-p)^{k-1} = p \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} \stackrel{(1-p)}{=} p \sum_{j=0}^{+\infty} (1-p)^j \\ &= p \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = \frac{p}{p} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

prop: $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$ then:

$$\textcircled{1} E(X) = \frac{1}{p} \quad \textcircled{2} V(X) = \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right)$$

Proof:

$$\textcircled{1} E(X) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k P_X(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k p (1-p)^{k-1} \quad (\text{converges use ratio test})$$

→ Recall: $\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} x^k = \frac{1}{1-x}$ whenever $|x| < 1$

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d}{dx} (x^k) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k x^{k-1} \text{ if } |x| < 1$$

$$\frac{2}{(1-x)^3} = \frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left(\frac{1}{1-x} \right) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} (x^k) = \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1) x^{k-2} \text{ if } |x| < 1.$$

$$E(X) = p \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k(1-p)^{k-1} = p \frac{1}{(1-(1-p))^2} = \frac{p}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\textcircled{2} V(X) = E(X(X-1)) + E(X) - (E(X))^2 = (E(X(X-1))) + \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X(X-1)) &= \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k(k-1)p(1-p)^{k-1} = 0 + p \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1)(1-p)^{k-1} = \\ p(1-p) \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1)(1-p)^{k-2} &= p(1-p) \cdot \frac{2}{p^3} = \frac{2(1-p)}{p^2} = \frac{2}{p^2} - \frac{2}{p} \cdot V(X) \\ &= \frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Ex (3.70 p.119)

a) S = find a productive well. $P(S) = 0.2 = p$.

$X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$

$$P(X=3) = (0.8)^2 (0.2) = \dots$$

b) $P(X \geq 11) = 1 - P(X \leq 10)$

$$P(\text{"FF...F"}) = (1-p)^{10}$$

$$P(X \geq 11) = \sum_{k=11}^{+\infty} (1-p)^{k-1} p. \text{ Let } l = k-11$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} (1-p)^{l+10} p = p(1-p)^{10} \sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} (1-p)^l = p(1-p)^{10} \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = \frac{p}{p} (1-p)^{10}$$

$$= (1-p)^{10}$$

$$E(X(X-1)) = \sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} k(k-1) p_X(k) = 0 + \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1) p_X(k)$$

$$= p(1-p) \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1) \cdot (1-p)^{k-2} = \frac{p(1-p)x^2}{p^3}$$

↑

$$\text{Recall: } \frac{2}{(1-x)^3} = \sum_{k=2}^{+\infty} k(k-1)x^{k-2}$$

2.137 :

1 white
5-i black

 urn $\textcircled{1}$ B_i : urn i is selected. $P(B_i) = \frac{1}{5}$.

E : 2 white balls selected. $P(E) = \sum_{k=1}^5 P(E|B_k) P(B_k)$

$$P(E|B_1) = 0. P(E|B_k) = \frac{\binom{k}{2}}{\binom{5}{2}} = \frac{\frac{k(k-1)}{2}}{10} = \frac{k(k-1)}{20}$$

$$P(E) = \frac{1}{100} \sum_{k=2}^5 k(k-1) = \frac{1}{100} [2+6+12+20]$$

3.83 : $P(S) = \frac{1}{n}$. $P(\text{"FFFFFFS"}) = (1 - \frac{1}{n})^5 \frac{1}{n}$

Ω = set of outcomes

$P(\Omega)$ = set of all subsets of Ω = set of all events

Exercise: If $\text{card } (\Omega) = n$, then $\text{card } (P(\Omega)) = 2^n$

Ex: 4 balls (1G, 1Y, 1R, 1B) into 4 hats (1G, 1Y, 1R, 1B)

X = numbers of balls which are placed into hats of same color

p.f. of X .

$$P(X=4) = \frac{1}{24}$$