

The Binomial Distribution

Bernoulli Trials: Trials of only two mutually exclusive possible outcomes.

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

Where n is the number of trials, p is the probability of a success, and $1-p$ is the probability of a failure.

- $X \sim B(n, p)$: X is distributed binomially with parameters n and p .

Expected Value and Variance of Binomial Distribution

- $E(x) = np$
- $Var(x) = np(1-p)$

Ex) If $X \sim B(5, 0.6)$, find $P(x=4)$.

$$n=5, p=0.6 \Rightarrow P(x=4) = \binom{5}{4} (0.6)^4 (0.4)^{5-4} = 0.2592.$$

$$= \frac{162}{625}$$

Ex) A manufacture finds that 30% of the items produced from one of the assembly lines are defective. During a floor inspection, the manufacturer selects 10 items from this assembly line. Find the probability that the manufacturer finds.

- Two defectives
- At least two defectives.
- Find $E(x)$.
- Find the standard Deviation.

{ Defective $p = 0.3$ }

$$n = 10$$

$$a) P(x=2) = \binom{10}{2} (0.3)^2 (0.7)^8.$$

$$c) E(x) = (10)(0.3) = 3$$

$$d) \sigma = \sqrt{(10)(0.3)(0.7)} = \sqrt{2.1}$$

$$\approx 1.45$$

$$b) P(2 \leq X \leq 10) = 1 - P(x=0) - P(x=1)$$

$$= 1 - \binom{10}{0} (0.3)^0 (0.7)^{10} - \binom{10}{1} (0.3)^1 (0.7)^9$$

Ex) The random variable X is such that $E(x) = 8$ and $Var(x) = 4.8$. Find $P(x=3)$.

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$$① E(x) = n \cdot p = 8$$

$$② Var(x) = n \cdot p \cdot (1-p) = 4.8$$

$$(8)(1-p) = 4.8$$

$$1-p = \frac{4.8}{8}$$

$$p = 1 - \frac{4.8}{8} = 0.4$$

$$= 0.850692$$

$$\approx 0.851.$$

$$8 = n(0.4) \Rightarrow n = \frac{8}{0.4} = \frac{80}{4} = 20.$$

$$p = 0.4, \quad n = 20 \Rightarrow P(X=3) = \binom{20}{3} (0.4)^3 (0.6)^{20-3} \\ = 0.01235$$

Poisson Distribution

The distribution of the number of events in a “random process”.

Examples:

Random Process	Event
Telephone calls in a fixed time interval	Number of wrong calls in an hour (Time dependent)
Accident in a factory	Number of Accident in a day (Time dependent)
Flaws in a glass Panel	Number of flaws per square cm (Area dependent)
Bacteria in Milk	Number of bacteria per 2 liter (Volume dependent)

- An event is as likely to occur in one given interval as it is in another.
- Events occur uniformly is proportional to the size of the time interval, area, or volume.

The Poisson distribution formula:

$$P(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!} \text{ where } \mu = \lambda t \text{ and } x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$= \frac{e^{-m} \cdot m^x}{x!}$$

The Poisson Notation:

$X \sim P_0(\lambda t)$: The random variable x has a poisson distribution with parameter λt .

$X \sim P_0(m)$ Where λ is a rate per unit and t is a time interval.

$$m = \mu = \lambda t$$

- X is the number of event in a time interval of length t with rate λ per unit time
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Expected Value and Variance of the Poisson Distribution

$$E(x) = \mu \text{ and } Var(x) = \mu$$

2) Derive $E(x) = \mu$ for the Poisson Distribution.

Binomial: $E(x) = n \cdot p$

$$x = y + 1 \Rightarrow y = x - 1$$

$$x = 1 \Rightarrow y = 0$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow y \rightarrow \infty$$

Poisson: $\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot p = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{e^{-\mu} \cdot \mu^x}{x!}$

$$= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{(y+1) e^{-\mu} \mu^{y+1}}{(y+1)! y!} = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\mu} \cdot \mu \cdot \mu^y}{y!}$$

$$= e^{-\mu} \cdot \mu \cdot \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^y}{y!} = e^{-\mu} \cdot \mu \cdot e^{\mu} = \boxed{\mu}$$

Notes: $\sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mu^y}{y!} = 1 + \frac{\mu}{1} + \frac{\mu^2}{2!} + \frac{\mu^3}{3!} \dots$

$$= e^{\mu} \text{ by Taylor Series}$$

Ex) Faults occur on a piece of string at an average rate of one every three meters. Bobbins, each containing 5 meters of this string, are to be used. What is the probability that a randomly selected bobbin will contain.

- a. Two faults.
- b. At least two faults.

$$a) P(X=2) = \frac{e^{-m} \cdot m^2}{2!} \Rightarrow m = (\lambda)(t) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(5)$$

$$P(X \geq 2) = \frac{e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2}{2!} \approx \boxed{0.262} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$= 1 - P(X=0) - P(X=1) = 1 - e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \cdot \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^0 - e^{-\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^1 \approx 0.500 \cdot \boxed{0.496}$$

Ex) A radioactive source emits particles at an average rate of one every 12 seconds. Find the probability that at most 5 particles are emitted in one minute.

$$m = \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)(60) = \frac{10}{2} = \boxed{5}$$

$$X \sim P_0(5) \Rightarrow P(0 \leq X \leq 5) = \frac{(e^{-5})(5)^0}{0!} + \frac{(e^{-5} \cdot 5^1)}{1!} + \frac{(e^{-5} \cdot 5^2)}{2!} + \dots + \frac{(e^{-5} \cdot 5^5)}{5!} \approx 0.616$$

Ex) A typist finds that they make two mistakes, on average, every three pages. Assuming that the number of errors per page follows a poisson distribution, what are the chances that there will be 2 mistakes in the next page they type?