

# Binomial Distribution



## Assumptions

1. The experiment consists of  $n$  of Bernoulli trials.
2. The probability of a success is the same for each trial.
3. The trials are independent.
4.  $X$  denote the no. of successes obtained in the  $n$  trials

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## Definition

A random variable  $X$  is said to have binomial distribution with parameter  $n$  and  $p$  if its density is given

$$f(x) = b(x; n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

where  $p$  is the probability of getting success.



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**Example:** An experiment consists of four tosses of a coin. Denoting the outcomes  $HHTH$ ,  $THTT$ , ..., and assuming that all 16 outcomes are equally likely, find the probability distribution for the total number of head.

**Solution:**  $n = 4$  and  $p = 1/2$ , Let  $X$  be the total number of heads in 4 tosses where  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ , the probability distribution for  $X$  is given by

$$f(x) = P(X = x) = b(x:4, 1/2)$$

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## Distribution function for binomial distribution

$$F(x) = \sum_{k=0}^x b(k; n, p) \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^x \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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- The value of  $b(x;n,p)$  can be obtained by formula

$$b(x;n,p) = B(x;n,p) - B(x-1;n,p)$$

**Note:** If  $n$  is large the calculation of binomial probability can become quite tedious.

## Binomial Distribution Table

$$F(x) = B(x; n, p) = \sum_{k=0}^x \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$



Table for  $n = 5$  and  $p = .1$  to  $.4$

$n$	$x$	$p$				
		0.1	0.2	0.25	0.3	0.4
5	0	0.5905	0.3277	0.2373	0.1681	0.0778
	1	0.9185	0.7373	0.6328	0.5282	0.3370
	2	0.9914	0.9421	0.8965	0.8369	0.6826
	3	0.9995	0.9933	0.9844	0.9692	0.9130
	4	1	0.9997	0.9990	0.9976	0.9898
5	1	1	1	1	1	

# Calculation of probabilities



$$a. \quad B(8;16,0.40) = 0.8577$$

$$b. \quad b(8;16,0.40) = B(8;16,0.4) - B(7;16,0.4) \\ = 0.8577 - 0.7161 = 0.1416$$

$$c. \quad \sum_{k=6}^{20} b(k;20,0.15) = 1 - B(5;20,0.15) = 1 - 0.9327 \\ = 0.0673$$

$$d. \quad \sum_{k=2}^4 b(k;9,0.30) = B(4;9,0.30) - B(1;9,0.30) \\ = 0.9012 - 0.1960 = 0.7052$$



# Mean, Variance and Moment generating function of Binomial distribution

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## Mean

$$\mu = n \cdot p$$

$p \rightarrow$  probability of success

$n \rightarrow$  number of trials

## Variance

$$\sigma^2 = n \cdot p \cdot (1 - p)$$

## Moment generating function

$$M_X(t) = (q + pe^t)^n.$$



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Proof for Mean  $\mu = n \cdot p$

$p \rightarrow$  probability of success

$n \rightarrow$  number of trials

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \sum_{x=0}^n x \cdot b(x; n, p) = \sum_{x=0}^n x \cdot \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n x \cdot \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}\end{aligned}$$

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

Put  $x - 1 = y$ , so  $n - x = n - 1 - y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= np \sum_{y=0}^{n-1} \frac{n-1!}{y!(n-1-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{n-1-y} \\ &= np(p+1-p)^{n-1} \\ &= np \end{aligned}$$

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**Proof for Variance:**

$$\sigma^2 = n.p.(1-p)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu'_2 &= \sum_{x=0}^n x^2 . b(x; n, p) = \sum_{x=0}^n x^2 . \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n x^2 . \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\mu'_2 = np \sum_{x=1}^n x \cdot \frac{(n-1)!}{(x-1)!(n-x)!} p^{x-1} (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Put  $x - 1 = y$  and  $n - 1 = m$

$$\mu'_2 = np \sum_{y=0}^m (y+1) \cdot \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mu'_2 &= np \sum_{y=0}^m y \cdot \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y} \\ &+ np \sum_{y=0}^m \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y} \\ &= np^2 m \sum_{y=1}^m \frac{(m-1)!}{(y-1)!(m-y)!} p^{y-1} (1-p)^{m-y} \\ &+ np\end{aligned}$$

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Put  $y - 1 = z$  and  $m - 1 = l$  in first summation

$$\mu'_2 = np^2(n-1) \sum_{z=0}^l \frac{l!}{z!(l-z)!} p^z (1-p)^{l-z} + np$$

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

$$\sigma^2 = \mu'_2 - \mu^2 = np(1-p)$$

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## Proof for Moment generating function

$$\begin{aligned} m.g.f = E(e^{tX}) &= \sum_{x=0}^n e^{tx} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x} (pe^t)^x q^{n-x} \\ &= (q + pe^t)^n \end{aligned}$$

## m.g.f (continue)



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} &= \left. \frac{dM}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = n(q + pe^t)^{n-1} pe^t \Big|_{t=0} = n(q + p)^{n-1} p \\ &= np \end{aligned}$$

Second ordinary/raw moment (moment about origin)

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \frac{d^2 M}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0} &= \left[ n(n-1)p(q + pe^t)^{n-2} (pe^t)(e^t) + np(q + pe^t)^{n-1} (e^t) \right] \Big|_{t=0} \\ &= n(n-1)p^2 + np \end{aligned}$$



$$\sigma^2 = \mu'_2 - \mu^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= n(n-1)p^2 + np - (np)^2 \\ &= (np)^2 - np^2 + np - (np)^2 \\ &= np(1-p) = npq\end{aligned}$$

# Example-2



An agricultural cooperative claims that 90% of the watermelons shipped out are ripe and ready to eat. Find the probability that among 18 watermelons shipped out

- (a) All 18 are ripe and ready to eat;
- (b) At least 16 are ripe and ready to eat;
- (c) At most 14 are ripe and ready to eat.

# Solution



$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } P(X \geq 16) &= \sum_{k=16}^{18} b(k;18,0.90) = 1 - B(15;18,0.90) \\ &= 1 - 0.2662 = 0.7338 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(c) } P(X \leq 14) = B(14;18,0.90) = 0.0982$$

**(a):** Given  $n = 18$ ,  $p = 0.90$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X = 18) &= b(18;18,0.90) = 1 - B(17;18,0.90) \\ &= 0.1501 \end{aligned}$$

# Example-3



Suppose that 90% of all copies of a particular textbook fails a certain binding strength test. If 15 copies selected at random,

- (a) find the probability that at most 8 copies pass the test.
- (b)  $P(2 < X < 6)$  if  $X$  is the no of copies which pass the test.

# Example-4



It is known that balls produced by a certain company will be defective with Probability 0.01 and independently of each other. The company sells the balls in package of 10 and offers a money back guarantee that at most 1 of the 10 balls is defective. What proportion of the packages sold must the company replaced ?

Ans: 0.004

# Example-5



It is known that CDs produced by a certain company will be defective with probability 0.01 and independent of each other. The company sells the CDs in a packages of size 10 and offers a money back guarantee that at most one of the 10 CDs in the package will be defective. If some one buy 3 packages, what is the probability that he or she will return exactly one of them ?