

Math 140: Thursday, Oct 31, Day 17 Notes

Agenda for Thursday, Oct 31, 2024

Finish Probability !!!

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Coming up

- ! Online HW 10 due Tuesday and Online HW 11 posted today
- Breakfast at Tutoring - Monday, November 4th, 8 am - 11 am, Grayslake Tutoring Center (L135)



Binomial Distribution

Next, we will look into a special discrete probability distributions called **Binomial Distributions**.

There are **four conditions** that the experiment has to meet to be considered a **binomial experiment**:

- Condition 1: *set amount of trials. We denote $n=20$ times the number of trials with n .*
- Condition 2: *the outcome of each trial has only 2 possibilities: "success", "failure"*
- Condition 3: *each trial is independent*
- Condition 4: *the probability of success, denoted p stays the same from trial to trial.*

Example 1. Are the following binomial experiment:

- a) Randomly guessing at a multiple-choice question with 4 possible answers has only two outcomes. If a success is guessing correctly, then a failure is guessing incorrectly. Suppose there are 6 multiple choice questions. Joe guesses on each question with no pattern.

- Condition 1: $n = 6$
- Condition 2: $\checkmark$
- Condition 3: $\checkmark$
- Condition 4: $p = 1/4 = 0.25$

yes

- b) Randomly guessing at a multiple-choice question has only two outcomes. If a success is guessing correctly, then a failure is guessing incorrectly. Suppose there are 6 multiple choice questions. The first 3 questions have 4 choices, and the last 3 questions have 5 choices each. Cesar guesses on each question with no pattern. Determine if this is a binomial experiment.

- Condition 1:
- Condition 2:
- Condition 3:
- Condition 4: $\times$

$Q_1 \rightarrow$

a
s
c
d

$p = 1/4$

NO

$Q_4 \rightarrow$

a
s,
c
d.
e

$p = 1/5$

- c) Cyanosis is the condition of having bluish skin due to insufficient oxygen in the blood. About 80% of babies born with cyanosis recover fully. A hospital is caring for 10 babies born with cyanosis. The random variable represents the number of babies that recover fully.

- Condition 1: $n = 10$
- Condition 2: $\checkmark$
- Condition 3: $\checkmark$
- Condition 4: $p = .8$

yes

Notation and Properties of the Binomial distribution

- The outcomes of a binomial experiment fit a binomial probability distribution.
- We say the random variable $X = \text{\# of successes in } n \text{ trials}$ is a binomial random variable and we write

$$\underline{X} \sim B(n, p) \quad \text{means } \underline{X} \text{ is binomial}$$

- To find the probability that our random variable X takes on a certain value (denoted k) we use the following formula:

$$P(x = k) = \text{binomialpdf}(n, p, k) \quad \text{Ex: } \underline{X} \sim B(10, .8)$$

calculator

$$\text{ex: } P(X=7) = \text{binomialpdf}(10, .8, 7) = 0.201$$

- To find the probability that our random variable X takes on values less than or equal to a certain value (denoted k) we use the following formula:

$$P(x \leq k) = \text{binomialcdf}(n, p, k)$$

↓ cumulative

$$P(X \leq 7) = \text{binomialcdf}(10, .8, 7) = .322$$

- The mean of a binomial probability distribution is

↪ average or expected value

$$\mu = np \quad \mu = (10)(.8) = 8 \text{ babies}$$

Example 2. Randomly guessing at a multiple-choice question with 4 possible answers has only two outcomes. If a success is guessing correctly, then a failure is guessing incorrectly. Suppose there are 6 multiple choice questions. Mayra guesses on each question with no pattern.

$$n = 6 \\ p = 0.25$$

- a) Find the probability of Mayra guessing correctly exactly 3 questions.

$$P(X=3) = \text{binomialpdf}(6, 0.25, 3) = .132$$

- b) Find the probability of Mayra guessing correctly all of the questions.

$$P(X=6) = \text{binomialpdf}(6, 0.25, 6) = .000244$$

- c) Find the mean or expected number of questions Mayra guesses correctly.

$$\mu = np = (6)(.25) = 1.5 \text{ questions}$$

Example 3. It has been stated that about 41% of adult workers have a high school diploma but do not pursue any further education. 20 adult workers are randomly selected. $n=20, p=.41$

- a) Find the probability that exactly 2 of them have a high school diploma but do not pursue any further education.

$$P(X=2) = \text{binomialpdf}(20, .41, 2) =$$

- b) Find the probability that at most 12 of them have a high school diploma.

$$P(X \leq 12) = \text{binomialcdf}(20, .41, 12)$$

- c) Find the probability that at least 6 of them have a high school diploma.

$$P(X \geq 6) = 1 - \text{binomialcdf}(20, .41, 5)$$

- d) Find the probability that more than 10 of them have a high school diploma.

$$P(X > 10) = 1 - \text{binomialcdf}(20, .41, 10)$$

- e) Find the probability that less 5 of them have a high school diploma.

$$P(X < 5) = \text{binomialcdf}(20, .41, 4)$$

- f) How many adult workers do you **expect** to have a high school diploma but do not pursue any further education?

$$\mu = np = (20)(.41) = 8.2 \text{ people}$$