

Probability & Statistics

L4

Discrete probability space.

RE — Ω — countable
 $A = P(\Omega)$, $\#(A) = \#\{\Omega\}$

P — PM

$\Omega = \{w_1, w_2, \dots\}$

$p_i = P(w_i)$

Any such PM,

$$p_i \geq 0, \sum_i p_i = 1$$

We are interested to study special PMs which can model many real world random experiments.

B Uniform PM

$$\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N\}$$

$$P_i = P(\{\omega_i\}) = \frac{1}{N}$$

Expt 2 A fair coin is labelled with '0' and 1. Toss it n -times.

Q.1 what's the probability that for some fixed $i \leq n$, the i th toss equals '0'?

Ans. $\Omega = \{(w_1, \dots, w_n) \mid w_i \in \{0, 1\}\}$

$$\#(\Omega) = 2^n$$

$$A = \{(w_1, \dots, w_{i-1}, 0, w_{i+1}, \dots, w_n) \mid w_i \in \{0, 1\}\}$$

$$\#(A) = 2^{n-1}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{2^{n-1}}{2^n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Q2. What is the probability that we observe $K \leq n$ times the number '1'?

Ans.

$$= \frac{\binom{n}{K}}{2^n} ?$$

Binomial Distribution.

$$\Omega = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}.$$

$$0 \leq p \leq 1$$

$$P_K = P(\{K\}), K \in \Omega$$

$$= \binom{n}{K} p^K (1-p)^{n-K}$$

check. $P_K \geq 0, \sum_{K=0}^n P_K = 1$

$$P_K = \binom{n}{K} p^K (1-p)^{n-K}, \quad K=0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$P_K \geq 0 ?$$

$$\sum P_K = 1$$

i.e. $\sum_{K=0}^n \binom{n}{K} p^K (1-p)^{n-K}$

$$= (p + 1-p)^n \quad | \quad (a+b)^n \\ = !! \\ = 1$$

Q. What RE does this PM
can explain !!

Assume $n=1$.

$$R = \{0, 1\}$$

$$P(\xi_0) = \binom{1}{0} p^0 (1-p)^1 = 1-p$$

$$P(\xi_1) = \binom{1}{1} p^1 (1-p)^0 = p$$

Ans.

Any RE with two possible outcomes
exp. success & failure can
be modelled by this PM, where

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Success ('1') occurs with
probability ' p '
and failure ('0') occurs with
probability $1-p$.

$$n = 2, \quad \Omega = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\xi_0) &= \xi_0 \text{ times success out of } 2 \text{ trials} \\ P(\xi_1) &= P \xi_1 \text{ time success out of } 2 \text{ trials} \\ P(\xi_2) &= P \xi_2 \text{ times of success out of } 2 \text{ trials} \end{aligned}$$

For any $k \leq n$, this PM
can explain the success of
one possibility ' k ' times !!!

$$P_k = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$



'observing exactly
k-times success or
n-k times failure'

For any event $A \subseteq \Omega$

$$P(A) = \sum_{k \in A} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

This PM is denoted as

$B_{n,p}$, called binomial distribution (PM).

ExP. An exam consists of
100 questions where each of
 the question may be answered
 either with 'yes' or 'no'. To
 pass the exam at least 60
 questions have to be answered
 correctly. Let ' p ' be the
 probability to answer a single
 question correctly. How big has
 p to be in order to pass the
 exam with a probability
 greater than 75%?

Ans.

$$\sum_{K=60}^{100} \binom{100}{K} p^K (1-p)^{100-K} \geq 0.75$$

$\Rightarrow p \approx .62739$

~~Expt 2~~ A fair Coin

Expt 2. In a class there are N students. Find the probability that at least two of them have their birthday on Jan 16!!.

Ans.

$$p = \frac{1}{365} \quad | \text{no leap year}$$

| no twins

$$\sum_{k=2}^N \binom{N}{k} \left(\frac{1}{365}\right)^k \left(\frac{364}{365}\right)^{N-k}$$

$$= 1 - B_{N, \frac{1}{365}}(\{0\}) - B_{N, \frac{1}{365}}(\{1\})$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{364}{365}\right)^N - \frac{N}{365} \left(\frac{264}{365}\right)^{N-1}$$

For $N = 199$, $p = ??$