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Today

- Homework Solutions
- μ and σ^2 of the Hypergeometric
- Geometric Distribution
- Negative Binomial Distribution

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Ch. 2 #1) Suppose X is a discrete random variable with $P(X=0)=0.25$, $P(X=1)=0.125$, $P(X=2)=0.125$, and $P(X=3)=0.5$. Graph the p.m.f. and c.d.f. and calculate the mean and variance.

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Ch. 2 #11) Consider the binomial distribution with n trials and probability p of success on each. For what value of k is $P(X=k)$ maximized?

Hint: Similar strategy to example I on page 13.



Binomial Distribution

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

$$\mu_X = np$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = np(1-p)$$

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{np(1-p)}$$



Hypergeometric Distribution

$$p(x) = \frac{\binom{r}{x} \binom{n-r}{m-x}}{\binom{n}{m}} \text{ for } x \in 0, \dots, \min(m, r)$$

Finding the mean and variance takes some algebra...



$$\mu_X = \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} x \frac{\binom{r}{x} \binom{n-r}{m-x}}{\binom{n}{m}}$$

Now notice that $\binom{n}{m} = \frac{n}{m} \binom{n-1}{m-1}$



So

$$\mu_X = \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} x \frac{r! \binom{n-r}{m-x}}{x!(r-x)! \frac{n}{m} \binom{n-1}{m-1}}$$

Now also notice that $x/x! = 1/(x-1)!$ when $x \neq 0$. Also, we can factor out the n and m as constants relative to the sum.



$$\begin{aligned} \mu_X &= \left(\frac{m}{n}\right) \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} \frac{r! \binom{n-r}{m-x}}{(x-1)!(r-x)! \binom{n-1}{m-1}} \\ &= \left(\frac{m}{n}\right) \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} \frac{r(r-1)!}{(x-1)!(r-x)!} \binom{n-r}{(m-1)-(x-1)} \end{aligned}$$



$$\mu_X = \binom{r}{n} \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} \frac{\binom{r-1}{x-1} \binom{n-r}{(m-1)-(x-1)}}{\binom{n-1}{m-1}}$$

$$= \binom{r}{n} \sum_{x=0}^{\min(m,r)} \frac{\binom{r-1}{x-1} \binom{n-r}{(m-1)-(x-1)}}{\binom{n-1}{m-1}} = \binom{r}{n}$$



Using the fact that

$$\binom{n}{m} = \frac{n(n-1)}{m(m-1)} \binom{n-2}{m-2}$$

We can also get that

$$\sigma_X^2 = m \binom{r}{n} \binom{n-r}{n} \binom{n-m}{n-1}$$



If we use n for sample size, N for population size, and say $p=r/n$:

$$\mu_X = m \binom{r}{n} \Rightarrow np$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = m \binom{r}{n} \binom{n-r}{n} \binom{n-m}{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow np(1-p) \frac{(N-n)}{(N-1)}$$



Geometric Distribution

Consider a binomial experiment where you continue sampling until you encounter the first "success".

Let $X = \#$ of the trial where the 1st success is observed.



Note that this is a proper distribution as:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{x-1} p &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (1-p)^x p \\ &= p \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} (1-p)^x = p \left(\frac{1}{1-(1-p)} \right) \\ &= \frac{p}{p} = 1 \end{aligned}$$



To calculate the expected value and variance we can use a calculus trick.



Example: What is the probability that coin flipping doesn't result in a head until the fifth flip?



Negative Binomial Distribution

Let $X = \#$ of the trial where the r^{th} success is observed.



The negative binomial has

$$\mu_X = r \left(\frac{1}{p} \right) \text{ and } \sigma_X^2 = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$