

## Binomial Probability Distribution : [A.K.T.U. 2018] V.G.M.B.

Let there be  $n$  independent trials in an experiment. Let a random variable  $X$  denote the number of successes in these  $n$  trials. Let  $P$  be the probability of a success and  $q$  that of a failure in a single trial so that  $P+q=1$ . Let the trials be independent and  $P$  be constant for every trial.

Let us find the probability of  $r$  successes in  $n$  trials.

$r$  successes can be obtained in  $n$  trials in  $\binom{n}{r}$  ways.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(r) &= P(X=r) = \binom{n}{r} \frac{P(S) \cdot P(S) \cdots P(S)}{r \text{-times}} \cdot \frac{P(F) \cdot P(F) \cdots P(F)}{(n-r) \text{-times}} \\ &= \binom{n}{r} P \cdot P \cdot P \cdots P \quad (r \text{-times}) \cdot q \cdot q \cdots q \quad (n-r \text{-times}). \end{aligned}$$

$$P(r) = \binom{n}{r} p^r q^{n-r}$$

where  $P+q=1$  and  $r=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

① Called Binomial Prob. distribution

Note: → where  $\binom{n}{0} q^n, \binom{n}{1} p^1 q^{n-1}, \binom{n}{2} p^2 q^{n-2}, \dots, \binom{n}{n} p^n$  called successive terms of the binomial distributions for  $r=0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

### Recurrence Formula for the Binomial distribution:

We know that

$$P(r) = \binom{n}{r} p^r q^{n-r} = \frac{\binom{n}{r}}{\binom{n-r}{r}} p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$P(r+1) = \binom{n}{r+1} p^{r+1} q^{n-r-1} = \frac{\binom{n}{r+1}}{\binom{n-r-1}{r+1}} \cdot p^{r+1} q^{n-r-1}$$

$$\frac{P(r+1)}{P(r)} = \frac{\frac{(n-r) \cdot \binom{n-r}{r}}{\binom{n-r-1}{r+1}} \cdot \frac{\binom{n}{r}}{\binom{n-r}{r}} \cdot \frac{p}{q}}{\frac{(n-r) \cdot \binom{n-r}{r}}{\binom{n-r-1}{r+1}}} = \left( \frac{n-r}{r+1} \right) \cdot \frac{p}{q}$$

$$\therefore P(r+1) = \frac{n-r}{r+1} \cdot \frac{p}{q} \cdot P(r)$$

which is the required recurrence formula. By this formula we can find  $P(1), P(2), P(3), \dots$  If  $P(0)$  is given.

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Mean and Variance of the Binomial Distribution, [A.T.F.O. 2018]

We know that Binomial distribution,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(r) &= {}^n C_r q^{n-r} \cdot p^r \\
 \text{Mean } \mu &= \sum_{r=0}^n r P(r) = \sum_{r=0}^n r \cdot {}^n C_r q^{n-r} \cdot p^r \\
 &= 0 + 1 \cdot {}^n C_1 q^{n-1} \cdot p + 2 \cdot {}^n C_2 q^{n-2} \cdot p^2 + 3 \cdot {}^n C_3 q^{n-3} \cdot p^3 + \dots \\
 &\quad + n \cdot {}^n C_n p^n \\
 &= nq^{n-1}p + 2 \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} q^{n-2} p^2 + 3 \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} q^{n-3} p^3 + \dots + np^n \\
 &= nq^{n-1}p + n(n-1)q^{n-2}p^2 + \underbrace{n(n-1)(n-2)}_{2!} q^{n-3} p^3 + \dots + np^n \\
 &= np \left[ {}^n C_0 q^{n-1} + {}^n C_1 q^{n-2} p + {}^n C_2 q^{n-3} p^2 + \dots + {}^n C_{n-1} p^{n-1} \right] \\
 &= np (q+p)^{n-1} = np \times 1 = np \quad (\because p+q=1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\boxed{\text{Mean } \mu = np}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Variance } \sigma^2 &= \sum_{r=0}^n r^2 P(r) - \mu^2 = \sum_{r=0}^n [r+r(r-1)] P(r) - \mu^2 \\
 &= \sum_{r=0}^n r P(r) + \sum_{r=0}^n r(r-1) P(r) - \mu^2 = \mu + \sum_{r=2}^n r(r-1) {}^n C_r q^{n-r} p^r - \mu^2
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $r=0$ , and  $r=1$ , contribution is zero

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \mu + (2 \cdot 1 \cdot {}^n C_2 q^{n-2} p^2 + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot {}^n C_3 q^{n-3} p^3 + \dots + n(n-1) {}^n C_n p^n) - \mu^2 \\
 &= \mu + \left( 2 \cdot \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} q^{n-2} p^2 + 3 \cdot 2 \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!} q^{n-3} p^3 + \dots + n(n-1) p^n \right) - \mu^2 \\
 &= \mu + [n(n-1) q^{n-2} p^2 + n(n-1)(n-2) q^{n-3} p^3 + \dots + n(n-1) p^n] - \mu^2 \\
 &= \mu + n(n-1) p^2 (q+p)^{n-2} - \mu^2 = \mu + n(n-1) p^2 - \mu^2 \\
 &= np + n(n-1)p^2 - n^2 p^2 = np(1-p) = npq
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\because p+q=1 \\
 &\therefore \mu=np
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the Variance of binomial distribution is  $npq$

$\therefore$  Standard deviation of the binomial distribution is  $\sqrt{npq}$