

# Supplemental Notes

EESD3

Week 04

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HW # 4

- ① Leon-Garcia 3.53 - 3.54  
3.57 - 3.59

## Topics

① BEG CUP (acronym for 6 main pdfs)

B: Binomial



E: Exponential

$\sigma, \chi^2$

G: Gaussian



thin-tails

C: Cauchy

$S \times S$

U: Uniform

Beta, Dirichlet.

P: Poisson

Counting structure

Poisson pdf

BEG CUP

issue spot: counting structure

$X \sim P(\lambda)$  for parameter ("mean")  $\lambda > 0$

$$P(X=k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!} \quad k=0,1,2,\dots$$

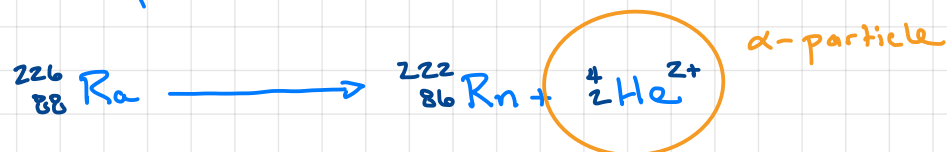
Thm (Poisson Law)  $b \xrightarrow{d} P$  if  $n \gg 1$  and  $p \ll 1$  and  $\lambda = np$ .

Prf:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b(n, k, p) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k} \quad \text{if } \lambda = np. \\ &= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)! n^k} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdots (n-k+1)}{n \cdot n \cdots n} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)}_{=1} \cdots \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)}_{=1} \cdot \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n}_{e^{-\lambda}} \cdot \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k}}_{=1} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} \\ &= P(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

QED.

Ex: Alpha-decay of Radium to Radon



half-life of  ${}^{226}\text{Ra}$  isotope: 1600 years

Radium: 226 grams/mole

$\therefore$  1 gram  $\approx 10^{22}$  atoms ( $= n$ )

Binary event: atom "decays" spontaneously or not.

"vast inter-atomic distance"  $\longrightarrow$  independence

$\lambda$  =  $\alpha$ -emissions per-gram per-second  
 $\approx 10^{10}$  decays

$T = 1$  second

$$\therefore P(1 \alpha\text{-decay}) = b(10^{25}, 1) \approx \frac{10^{10}}{10^{22}} = 10^{-12} \\ = \frac{1}{\text{trillion}}$$

$$\therefore P(X(t) = k) \approx \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!} \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Ex: Basketball long shots

$$X \sim b(70, 0.02)$$

assume independent shots

$$\therefore \begin{cases} n = 70 \gg 1 \\ p = 0.02 \ll 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = n \cdot p = 70 \cdot (0.02) = 1.4$$

$\therefore$  Exact binomial probability

$$P(3 \text{ baskets in } 70 \text{ trials}) = \binom{70}{3} (0.02)^3 (0.98)^{67} \\ = 0.1131$$

∴ Poisson approximation with  $\lambda = np = 1.4$

$$P(X=3) = \frac{(1.4)^3 e^{-1.4}}{3!} = 0.1128$$

Later  $b(n, k, p) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{M}_B(s) = (1-p + pe^s)^n$  ← "moment generating function"  
(=  $E[e^{sX}]$ )

$$P(\lambda) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{M}_P(s) = e^{\lambda(e^s - 1)}$$

∴ For  $n \cdot p = \lambda$  constant.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_B(s) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n} + \frac{\lambda}{n} e^s\right)^n && \text{since } p = \frac{\lambda}{n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda(e^s - 1)}{n}\right)^n \\ &= e^{\lambda(e^s - 1)} \\ &= \mathcal{M}_P(s) \end{aligned}$$

∴ Again:  $b(n, k, p) \xrightarrow{d} P(\lambda)$  if  $\lambda = n \cdot p$  (and Levy's Theorem)  
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### Accuracy of Poisson Approximation

Okay:  $n \geq 20$  and  $p \leq 0.05$

Excellent:  $n \geq 100$  and  $p \leq 0.1$



# BEG CUP

Sampling

|          | w/ replacement                             | w/o replacement             |
|----------|--|-----------------------------|
| 2        | Binomial<br>negative binomial<br>geometric | Hypergeometric              |
| $\geq 2$ | Multinomial                                | Multivariate Hypergeometric |

-until

Hypergeo  $\rightarrow$  Binomial

Multi Hypergeo  $\rightarrow$  Multinomial

$$\frac{\binom{N_1}{n_1} \binom{N_2}{n_2} \dots \binom{N_k}{n_k}}{\binom{N}{n}} \quad \begin{aligned} n &= n_1 + \dots + n_k \\ N &= N_1 + \dots + N_k \end{aligned}$$

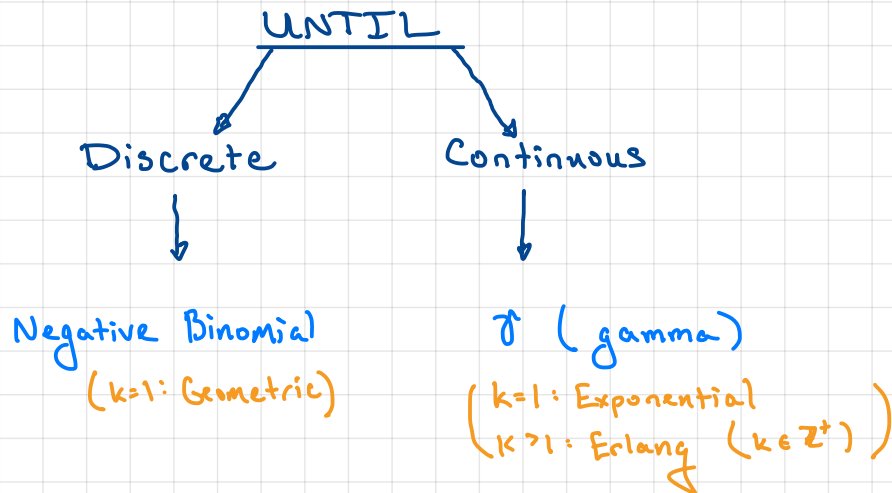
## Issue-Spotting Sequence

Q1: Outcomes? (2 or more?)

Q2: Sampling? (w/ or w/o replacement)

Q3: Until structure?

"UNTIL"  $\Rightarrow$  negative binomial  
(k=1 outcomes, geometric)



Fact:  $\binom{N}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{N_1}{k} \binom{N_2}{n-k}$  if  $N = N_1 + N_2$   
 and  $\binom{k}{j} = 0$  if  $j > k$

Thm Hypergeometric  $\xrightarrow{d}$  Binomial if  $N \rightarrow \infty$  and  $p = \frac{N_1}{N}$

Prf: Say  $X \sim \text{Hyp}(n, m, k, N)$ . Fixed  $k$  &  $n$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P(X=k) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\binom{m}{k} \binom{N-m}{n-k}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m!}{k! (m-k)!} \cdot \frac{(N-n)! n!}{N!} \cdot \frac{(N-m)!}{(n-k)! (N-n-m+k)!} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!} \cdot \frac{m! (N-m)!}{(N-m-n+k)! (m-k)!} \cdot \frac{N!}{(N-n)!} \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{k} \frac{m!}{(m-k)!} \cdot \frac{(N-m)!}{(N-n-m+k)!} \cdot \frac{N!}{(N-n)!} \\ &= \binom{n}{k} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^k (m-k+j)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (N-n+j)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n-k} (N-m-n+k+j)}{\prod_{j=1}^n (N-n+j)} \cdot \frac{N^n}{N^n} \\ &= \binom{n}{k} \cdot \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{m}{N} - \frac{k}{N} + \frac{j}{N} \right)}{\prod_{j=1}^n \left( 1 - \frac{m}{N} - \frac{n}{N} + \frac{k}{N} + \frac{j}{N} \right)} \cdot \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n-k} \left( 1 - \frac{m}{N} - \frac{n}{N} + \frac{k}{N} + \frac{j}{N} \right)}{\prod_{j=1}^n \left( 1 - \frac{m}{N} - \frac{n}{N} + \frac{k}{N} + \frac{j}{N} \right)} \\ &= \binom{n}{k} \cdot \left( \frac{m}{N} \right)^k \left( 1 - \frac{m}{N} \right)^{n-k} \\ &= \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= b(n, k, p) \end{aligned}$$

QED

$X \sim \text{NB}$ : Negative Binomial

$$P(X=x \text{ trials until } k \text{ successes}) = \binom{x-1}{k-1} p^k q^{x-k}$$

$\therefore k=1$  success :  $X \sim \text{Geometric}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X=x \text{ until first success}) &= \binom{x-1}{0} p^1 q^{x-1} \\ &= p \cdot q^{x-1} \end{aligned}$$

Thm:  $\sum_{k=0}^n a^k = \begin{cases} n+1 & \text{if } a=1 \\ \frac{1-a^{n+1}}{1-a} & \text{if } a \neq 1. \end{cases}$

Prf:  $S \stackrel{\Delta}{=} a^0 + a^1 + \dots + a^n = \sum_{k=0}^n a^k$

$$\therefore aS = a + a^2 + \dots + a^{n+1}$$

$$\therefore S(1-a) = S - aS$$

$$= (1 + a + \dots + a^n) - (a + a^2 + \dots + a^{n+1})$$

$$= 1 - a^{n+1}$$

$$\therefore S = \frac{1-a^{n+1}}{1-a} \quad \text{since } a \neq 1$$

QED

Corr 1:  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k = \frac{1}{1-a} \quad \text{if } |a| < 1$

Corr 2:  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a^k = \frac{a}{1-a} \quad \text{if } |a| < 1$

Corr 3:  $\sum_{k=j}^{\infty} a^k = \frac{a^j}{1-a} \quad \text{if } |a| < 1$

Thm:  $P(X > k) = q^k$  if  $X \sim G(p)$

$$\therefore P(X \leq k) = 1 - q^k$$

Prf:  $P(X > k) = P(\underbrace{\{X=k+1\}}_{\leftarrow \text{OR}} \cup \underbrace{\{X=k+2\}}_{\leftarrow \text{OR}} \cup \dots)$

$$\stackrel{\text{CAT}}{=} \sum_{x=k+1}^{\infty} p(x)$$

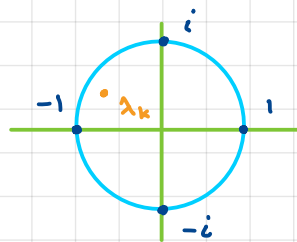
$$\stackrel{X \sim G(p)}{=} \sum_{x=k+1}^{\infty} p \cdot q^{x-1} \stackrel{\substack{y=x-1 \\ \therefore x=y+1}}{=} p \cdot \sum_{y=k}^{\infty} q^y$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Corr 3}}{=} p \cdot \frac{q^k}{1-q} = \frac{p}{p} \cdot q^k = q^k$$

QED.

(Optional) Matrix Version:  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

Thm:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n = \vec{0}$  iff  $|\lambda_k| < 1$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda_k$  of  $A$ .



$(Ax = \lambda x \text{ if } x \neq 0)$

If all  $\lambda_k$  in unit circle

$$\sum_{k=0}^n A^k = (I - A)^{-1} (I - A^{n+1})$$

where  $I_{n \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\therefore \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k = (I - A)^{-1}$$

$\therefore$  Generalizes  $\sum_{k=0}^n a^k = \frac{1 - a^{n+1}}{1 - a}$  when  $|a| < 1$

Thm: (Stirling's Approximation)  $n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \frac{n^n}{e^n}$

Prf:  $n! = \Gamma(n+1)$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-x} dx$$

put  $u = \frac{x-n}{\sqrt{n}}$

$\therefore x = n + \sqrt{n}u$  and  $dx = \sqrt{n} du$

$x=0 \rightarrow u = -\frac{n}{\sqrt{n}} = -\sqrt{n}$

$x \uparrow \infty \rightarrow u \uparrow \infty$

$$= \int_{u=-\sqrt{n}}^{u=\infty} (n + \sqrt{n}u)^n e^{-n - \sqrt{n}u} \sqrt{n} du$$

$$= \sqrt{n} e^{-n} \int_{-\sqrt{n}}^{\infty} (n + \sqrt{n}u)^n e^{-\sqrt{n}u} du$$

$$= \sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{n^n}{e^n} \int_{-\sqrt{n}}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}u\right)^n e^{-\sqrt{n}u} du$$

But:  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\sqrt{n}}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}u\right)^n e^{-\sqrt{n}u} du = \sqrt{2\pi}$

$\therefore$  by Lebesgue's Dominated Convergence Theorem (advanced)

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{\sqrt{2\pi n} \frac{n^n}{e^n}} = 1$$

$$\therefore n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \frac{n^n}{e^n}$$

QED

Ex: Flip a coin  $n$ -times with  $p = P(H)$ . Suppose  $n$  is even. What is the probability of getting  $\frac{n}{2}$  heads in  $n$  flips

Answer:  $b(n, \frac{n}{2}, p) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} (4pq)^{n/2}$

$$\therefore p=q=\frac{1}{2} \implies b(n, k, p) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$\therefore$  Slow (square-root) decay.

Prf:  $b(n, k, p) = \binom{n}{n/2} p^{n/2} q^{n-n/2}$  since  $n$  even

$$= \frac{n!}{(n-n/2)! (n/2)!} (pq)^{n/2}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{((n/2)!)^2} (pq)^{n/2}$$

$$\approx \frac{\sqrt{2\pi n} \frac{n^n}{e^n} (pq)^{n/2}}{(\sqrt{2\pi \frac{n}{2}} (\frac{n}{2})^{n/2} e^{-n/2})^2}$$

by Stirling's Approximation

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2\pi n} \frac{n^n}{e^n} (pq)^{n/2}}{\pi \cdot n \cdot \frac{n^n}{2^n} e^{-n}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} 2^n (pq)^{n/2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} (4 \cdot p \cdot q)$$

$$\therefore p = q = \frac{1}{2} \longrightarrow (4pq)^{n/2} = 1^{n/2} = 1$$

$$\therefore b(n, k, p) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

QED.

Ex: (computer)

$$b(10, 5, \frac{1}{2}) = 0.24609$$

$\text{dbinom}(5, 10, 0.5)$

$\uparrow$  faster decay if  $p \neq q$

$$\text{Stirling: } b(10, 5, \frac{1}{2}) \approx 0.25231$$

$\text{sqrt}(2/\pi/10)$

| n       | $b(n, \frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ | Stirling's Approx. |
|---------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 100     | 0.03958                          | 0.03978            |
| 1000    | 0.02522                          | 0.02523            |
| 10,000  | 0.00798                          | 0.00798            |
| 100,000 | 0.00252                          | 0.00252            |