

## BNC Mathematics Hons. Sem - V

- Let  $S$  be the event space of the random experiment  $E$ . If  $E$  is repeated  $n$  times then the event space of the compound experiment is  $S^n = S \times S \times \dots \times S$
- **Bernoulli trials:**  $S$  consists of two points 'success' & 'failure' & probability of 'success' or 'failure' in each trial is **constant**.
- **Binomial law:** *If  $A_i$  denotes the event 'exactly  $i$  successes' then  $P(A_i) = \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i}$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$*
- The most probable no. of successes in Bernoullian sequence of  $n$  trials is the integers  $i_m$  given by  $(n + 1)p - 1 \leq i_m \leq (n + 1)p$
- **Poisson trials:**  $S$  consists of two points 'success' & 'failure' & probability of 'success' or 'failure' in each trial is **not constant**.
- **Poisson approximation to Binomial law:**  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i} = e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^i}{i!}$ , where  $\mu = \frac{p}{n}$

- Random variable:  $X: S \rightarrow R$
- $X$  is discrete or continuous according range of  $X$  is discrete or continuous.
- Event  $X = a \equiv \{U \mid X(U) = a\} \therefore P(X = a) = P\{U \mid X(U) = a\}$
- $X$  is one dimensional R.V. taking values  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  — then  $p_i = Prob(X =$

D1. Let  $E$  be a random experiment with event space  $S$  having  $m$  event points. if we repeat the random experiment under identical conditions  $n$  times then we have  $n$  independent trials of  $E$  & is denoted by  $E_n$  and the corresponding event space is denoted by  $S^n = S \times S \times \dots \times S$ ,  
*i. e. cartesian product of  $S$   $n$  times, containing  $m^n$  event points.*

where each event point is an  $n$  – tuple.

D2. **Bernoulli trials**: If the random experiment be such that its event space consists of **only two event points 'success' & 'failure'**, then a sequence of independent trials of the experiment will be called a Bernoullian sequence of trials provided the **probability of 'success' or 'failure' in each trial is constant.**

Ex: if an unbiased coin is tossed  $n$  times under identical conditions then we have Bernoulli trials where  $p$  is the probability of head i.e. success in each trial is  $\frac{1}{2}$  & probability of tail i.e. failure is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

**Binomial law:** If  $A_i$  denotes the event 'exactly  $i$  successes' ( $i \leq n$ ) in Bernoulli trials of the random experiment  $E$ .

then  $P(A_i) = \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i}$  for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

where  $p$  is the probability of success in each trial &  $q = 1 - p$

**Ex:** A die is thrown 10 times in succession. Find the probability of obtaining six at least once.

Soln: Here  $n=10$ ,  $p$ =probability of six in a throw= $1/6$  &  $A$  be the event at least one six in 10 throws.

Then  $\bar{A}$  is the event no six in 10 throws.  $\therefore P(\bar{A}) = \binom{10}{0} p^0 q^{10} = \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{10} \therefore P(A) = 1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{10}$

**Theorem:** the most probable no. of successes in Bernoullian sequence of  $n$  trials is the integers  $i_m$  given by  $(n + 1)p - 1 \leq i_m \leq (n + 1)p$  where  $p$  is the constant probability of success in each trial

- **Poisson trials**: A sequence of independent trials of a random experiment E the **event space** of which contains **two points success & failure**, is called a poisson sequence of trials if the probability of success in each trial is **not constant** but varies from one trial to another.

- Ex: - consider three trials & the probabilities of success are  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  .

*the event space is*  $\{s, f\} \times \{s, f\} \times \{s, f\}$

$= \{(s, s, s), (s, s, f), (s, f, s), (f, s, s), (f, f, s), (f, s, f), (s, f, f), (f, f, f)\}$

Let event  $A_i = i$  success  $\therefore A_3 = \{(s, s, s)\}, A_2 = \{(s, s, f), (s, f, s), (f, s, s)\}$

$A_1 = \{(f, f, s), (f, s, f), (s, f, f)\}, A_0 = \{(f, f, f)\}$

$\therefore P(A_0) = q_1q_2q_3$   $P(A_1) = q_1q_2p_3 + q_1p_2q_3 + p_1q_2q_3,$

$P(A_2) = p_1p_2q_3 + p_1q_2p_3 + q_1p_2p_3$  &  $P(A_3) = p_1p_2p_3$

**Poisson approximation to Binomial law:**

If  $p = \frac{\mu}{n}$ , where  $\mu$  is a positive constant,  $0 < p < 1$ ,  $n$  is a positive integer, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{i} p^i q^{n-i} = e^{-\mu} \frac{\mu^i}{i!}$$

## Probability distribution:

**D1.** If corresponding to every point  $U$  of an event space  $S$  we have by a given rule, a unique real value of  $X = X(U)$ , i.e.  $X$  is a real valued function defined on  $S$ . then  $X$  is called a random variable. i.e.  $X: S \rightarrow R$ . The range of function  $X$  will be called the spectrum of the random variable.

The spectrum may be discrete or continuous and accordingly the random variable is said to be discrete or continuous.

**R1.** If  $X_1$  &  $X_2$  are random variables then

(1)  $X_1X_2$ ,  $C_1X_1 + C_2X_2$ ,  $\max\{X_1, X_2\}$ ,  $\min\{X_1, X_2\}$  are also random variables

(2) If  $X$  is a random variable &  $f$  is a continuous or increasing function then  $f(X)$  is also a R. V.

(3) If  $\{X_n\}$  be a sequence of random variable then  $\sup X_n$ ,  $\inf X_n$ ,

$\limsup X_n$ ,  $\liminf X_n$  all are R. V.

**D2.** By the event  $X = a$  we mean the set of all event points  $U$  for which  $X(U) = a$

*i. e.*  $X = a \equiv \{U \mid X(U) = a\} \therefore P(X = a) = P\{U \mid X(U) = a\}$

**D3.** Let  $X$  be an one – dimensional discrete  $R. V.$

taking at most a countably infinite no. of values  $x_1, x_2, \dots$

If with each possible outcomes we associate a no.  $p_i = Prob(X = x_i) = p(x_i)$

called the probability of  $x_i$  such that  $p(x_i) \geq 0$  &  $\sum_i p(x_i) = 1$

then the function  $p$  is called the probability mass function (p. m. f) of the  $R. V. X$

& the set  $\{p(x_i)\}$  is called the probability distribution of the Random variable  $X$

D4. The distribution function of a random variable  $X$  is a function of real variable  $x$  to be denoted by  $F_X(x)$  or  $F(x)$  defined in  $(-\infty, \infty)$  by

$$F(x) = P(-\infty < X \leq x)$$

Properties of distribution function:

P1. If  $a < b$  & if  $F(x)$  be the distribution function of the random variable  $X$  then  $P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$

Events  $(-\infty < X \leq a)$  &  $(a < X \leq b)$  are mutually exclusive &

$$(-\infty < X \leq a) + (a < X \leq b) = (-\infty < X \leq b)$$

$$\therefore P\{(-\infty < X \leq a) + (a < X \leq b)\} = P(-\infty < X \leq b)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(-\infty < X \leq a) + P(a < X \leq b) = P(-\infty < X \leq b)$$

$$\therefore F(a) + P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) \text{ i. e. } P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$



$$F(b) - F(a) = P(a < X \leq b) \geq 0$$

$\therefore F(b) \geq F(a)$  if  $b > a \therefore F(x)$  is a monotonic non decreasing function of  $x$

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a) + P(X = a)$$

$$P(a < X < b) = F(b) - F(a) - P(X = b)$$

$$P(a \leq X < b) = F(b) - F(a) - P(X = b) + P(X = a)$$

**P2.**  $F(-\infty) = 0, F(\infty) = 1, F(a) - F(a - 0) = P(X = a), F(a + 0) = F(a)$

Let  $A_n = (-\infty < X \leq -n)$  then  $\{A_n\}$  is a contracting sequence of events such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \varphi$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = P(\varphi) = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$P(A_n) = P(-\infty < X \leq -n) = F(-n) \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(-n) = F(-\infty) \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \therefore \text{By (1) \& (2) } F(-\infty) = 0$$

Let  $A_n = (-\infty < X \leq n)$  then  $\{A_n\}$  is a expanding sequence of events such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = S$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = P(S) = 1 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$P(A_n) = F(n) \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(n) = F(\infty) \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \therefore \text{By (1) \& (2) } F(\infty) = 1$$

Let  $A_n = \left(a - \frac{1}{n} < X \leq a\right)$  then  $\{A_n\}$  is a contracting sequence of events such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = (X = a) \therefore P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(X = a) \text{ --- (1)}$

$$P(A_n) = F(a) - F\left(a - \frac{1}{n}\right) \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = F(a) - F(a - 0) \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \quad \therefore \text{By (1) \& (2)} \quad F(a) - F(a - 0) = P(X = a)$$

If  $P(X = a) > 0$  then  $F(x)$  has a jump discontinuity on the left at  $x = a$

Let  $A_n = \left(a < X \leq a + \frac{1}{n}\right)$  then  $\{A_n\}$  is a contracting sequence of events such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \varnothing \therefore P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = 0 \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$P(A_n) = F\left(a + \frac{1}{n}\right) - F(a) \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = F(a + 0) - F(a) \text{ --- (2)}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \quad \therefore \text{By (1) \& (2)} \quad F(a + 0) = F(a)$$

$\therefore F(x)$  is continuous on the right at all points

**Ex:** The spectrum of the random variable  $X$  consists of the points  $1, 2, \dots, n$  &

$P(X = i)$  is proportional to  $\frac{1}{i(i+1)}$ . determine the distribution function of  $X$ .

Compute  $P(3 < X \leq n)$  &  $P(X > 5)$

Soln: Let  $P(X = i) = \frac{k}{i(i+1)}$

$$\therefore 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n P(X = i) = k \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} = k \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+1} \right) = k \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = \frac{kn}{n+1} \therefore k = \frac{n+1}{n}$$

$$\therefore P(X = i) = \frac{n+1}{ni(i+1)} \text{ If } k \text{ is an integer then } F(k) = P(X \leq k) = \frac{n+1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{i}{i+1} = \frac{k(n+1)}{n(k+1)}$$

$$\text{If } k \leq x < k+1 \text{ then } F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(X = i) = F(k) = \frac{k(n+1)}{n(k+1)}$$



$k$        $k+1$

$$P(3 < X \leq n) = F(n) - F(3) = 1 - \frac{3(n+1)}{4n} = \frac{n-3}{4n}$$

$$P(X > 5) = 1 - P(X \leq 5) = 1 - F(5) = 1 - \frac{5(n+1)}{6n} = \frac{n-5}{6n}$$

Ex: The distribution function  $F(x)$  of a random variable  $X$  is defined as

$$F(x) = A; -\infty < x < -1$$

$$= B; -1 \leq x < 0$$

$$= C; 0 \leq x < 2$$

$= D; 2 \leq x < \infty$ , where  $A, B, C$  &  $D$  are constants. Determine the values of  $A, B, C$  &  $D$ .

$$\text{Given that } P(X = 0) = \frac{1}{6} \text{ \& } P(X > 1) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\text{Soln: } A = F(-\infty) = 0, D = F(\infty) = 1, \frac{1}{6} = F(0) - F(0 - 0) = C - B \text{ --- (1)}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1) = 1 - F(1) = 1 - C \therefore C = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{From (1) putting the value of } C, B = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$$