

## 5.4 Binomial Probability Distribution

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• Binomial prob. distribution is a discrete prob. distributed that is associated with a multiple-step experiment called binomial experiment.

• Properties of a Binomial Experiment:

- 1) The experiment consists of a sequence of  $n$  identical trials.
- 2) Two outcomes are possible on each trial: success<sup>(S)</sup> and failure<sup>(F)</sup>.
- 3) The prob. of success is  $p$  and prob. of failure is  $1-p$  } They don't change from trial to trial.
- 4) The trials are independent.

Example: Consider the experiment of tossing a coin five times. Does this experiment represent a binomial experiment?

- 1)  $n = 5$  identical trials
- 2) Two outcomes for each trial  $\begin{cases} \rightarrow \text{Head} = \text{success} \\ \rightarrow \text{Tail} = \text{failure} \end{cases}$
- 3)  $p(\text{success}) = p(H) = \frac{1}{2} = p$   
 $p(\text{Failure}) = p(T) = \frac{1}{2} = 1-p$
- 4) The trials or tosses are independent.

If  $x = \# \text{ of Heads}$   
then  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

Yes, this experiment shows a binomial experiment.

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\* If properties 2, 3, 4 are present, we say the trials are generated by a Bernoulli process. (Just one trial)

\* If properties 1, 2, 3, 4 are present, we say that we have a binomial experiment.

\* Property 3 is called the stationarity assumption.

we now introduce the binomial prob. function to compute the prob. of  $x$ -successes in the  $n$  trials.

## Binomial Prob. Function

$$f(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\binom{n}{x} = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!}$$

$f(x)$  = the prob. of  $x$  successes in  $n$  trials

$n$  = number of trials

$p$  = the prob. of a success on any one trial

$1-p$  = " = " = a failure on any one trial

Expected value and Variance for the binomial distribution:

$$E(x) = \mu = np$$

$$\text{Var}(x) = \sigma^2 = np(1-p)$$

$$\text{st. deviation} = \sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2}$$

Example (Q 26 page 208) Consider a binomial experiment with  $n=10$  and  $p=0.1$

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(a) Compute  $f(0) = \binom{10}{0} (0.1)^0 (1-0.1)^{10-0} = (1)(1)(0.9)^{10} = 0.3487$

(b) Compute  $f(2) = \binom{10}{2} (0.1)^2 (0.9)^8 = \frac{10!}{2!8!} (0.01)(0.4305) = 0.1937$

(c) Compute  $P(x \leq 2) = f(0) + f(1) + f(2) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(1) = \binom{10}{1} (0.1)^1 (0.9)^9 \\ = 0.3874 \end{array} \right.$   
 $= 0.3487 + 0.3874 + 0.1937$   
 $= 0.9298$

(d) Compute  $P(x \geq 1) = 1 - P(x < 1) = 1 - f(0) = 1 - 0.3487$   
 $= 0.6513$

(e) Compute  $E(x) = np = 10(0.1) = 1$

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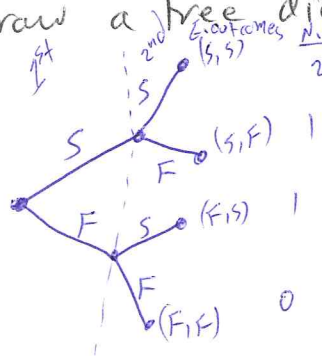
(f) Compute  $\text{Var}(x)$  and  $\sigma$

$$\text{Var}(x) = \sigma^2 = np(1-p) = (10)(0.1)(0.9) = 0.9$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{0.9} = 0.9487$$

Example (Q 25 page 208) Consider a binomial experiment with two trials and  $p=0.4$

(a) draw a tree diagram for this experiment.



(b) Compute the prob. of one success.

$$f(1) = \binom{2}{1} (0.4)^1 (0.6)^1 = (2)(0.24) = 0.48$$

(c) Compute  $f(0) = \binom{2}{0} (0.4)^0 (0.6)^2 = 0.36$

(d) Compute  $f(2) = \binom{2}{2} (0.4)^2 (0.6)^0 = 0.16$

(e) Compute the prob. of at least one success

$$P(x \geq 1) = f(1) + f(2) = 0.48 + 0.16 = 0.64$$

(f) Compute the expected value, variance, and standard deviation

$$E(x) = np = 2(0.4) = 0.8$$

$$\text{Var}(x) = \sigma^2 = np(1-p) = 0.8(0.6) = 0.48$$

$$\text{st. deviation} = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sigma = 0.6928$$

table page

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**TABLE C****Binomial probabilities**

		Entry is $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$								
		<i>p</i>								
<i>n</i>	<i>k</i>	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
2	0	.9801	.9604	.9409	.9216	.9025	.8836	.8649	.8464	.8281
	1	.0198	.0392	.0582	.0768	.0950	.1128	.1302	.1472	.1638
	2	.0001	.0004	.0009	.0016	.0025	.0036	.0049	.0064	.0081
3	0	.9703	.9412	.9127	.8847	.8574	.8306	.8044	.7787	.7536
	1	.0294	.0576	.0847	.1106	.1354	.1590	.1816	.2031	.2236
	2	.0003	.0012	.0026	.0046	.0071	.0102	.0137	.0177	.0221
	3				.0001	.0001	.0002	.0003	.0005	.0007
4	0	.9606	.9224	.8853	.8493	.8145	.7807	.7481	.7164	.6857
	1	.0388	.0753	.1095	.1416	.1715	.1993	.2252	.2492	.2713
	2	.0006	.0023	.0051	.0088	.0135	.0191	.0254	.0325	.0402
	3			.0001	.0002	.0005	.0008	.0013	.0019	.0027
	4									.0001
5	0	.9510	.9039	.8587	.8154	.7738	.7339	.6957	.6591	.6240
	1	.0480	.0922	.1328	.1699	.2036	.2342	.2618	.2866	.3086
	2	.0010	.0038	.0082	.0142	.0214	.0299	.0394	.0498	.0610
	3		.0001	.0003	.0006	.0011	.0019	.0030	.0043	.0060
	4						.0001	.0001	.0002	.0003
	5									
6	0	.9415	.8858	.8330	.7828	.7351	.6899	.6470	.6064	.5679
	1	.0571	.1085	.1546	.1957	.2321	.2642	.2922	.3164	.3370
	2	.0014	.0055	.0120	.0204	.0305	.0422	.0550	.0688	.0833
	3		.0002	.0005	.0011	.0021	.0036	.0055	.0080	.0110
	4					.0001	.0002	.0003	.0005	.0008
	5									
	6									
7	0	.9321	.8681	.8080	.7514	.6983	.6485	.6017	.5578	.5168
	1	.0659	.1240	.1749	.2192	.2573	.2897	.3170	.3396	.3578
	2	.0020	.0076	.0162	.0274	.0406	.0555	.0716	.0886	.1061
	3		.0003	.0008	.0019	.0036	.0059	.0090	.0128	.0175
	4				.0001	.0002	.0004	.0007	.0011	.0017
	5								.0001	.0001
	6									
	7									
8	0	.9227	.8508	.7837	.7214	.6634	.6096	.5596	.5132	.4703
	1	.0746	.1389	.1939	.2405	.2793	.3113	.3370	.3570	.3721
	2	.0026	.0099	.0210	.0351	.0515	.0695	.0888	.1087	.1288
	3	.0001	.0004	.0013	.0029	.0054	.0089	.0134	.0189	.0255
	4			.0001	.0002	.0004	.0007	.0013	.0021	.0031
	5							.0001	.0001	.0002
	6									
	7									
	8									

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Binomial probabilities (continued)

		Entry is $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$								
		<i>p</i>								
<i>n</i>	<i>k</i>	.10	.15	.20	.25	.30	.35	.40	.45	.50
2	0	.8100	.7225	.6400	.5625	.4900	.4225	.3600	.3025	.2500
	1	.1800	.2550	.3200	.3750	.4200	.4550	.4800	.4950	.5000
	2	.0100	.0225	.0400	.0625	.0900	.1225	.1600	.2025	.2500
3	0	.7290	.6141	.5120	.4219	.3430	.2746	.2160	.1664	.1250
	1	.2430	.3251	.3840	.4219	.4410	.4436	.4320	.4084	.3750
	2	.0270	.0574	.0960	.1406	.1890	.2389	.2880	.3341	.3750
	3	.0010	.0034	.0080	.0156	.0270	.0429	.0640	.0911	.1250
4	0	.6561	.5220	.4096	.3164	.2401	.1785	.1296	.0915	.0625
	1	.2916	.3685	.4096	.4219	.4116	.3845	.3456	.2995	.2500
	2	.0486	.0975	.1536	.2109	.2646	.3105	.3456	.3675	.3750
	3	.0036	.0115	.0256	.0469	.0756	.1115	.1536	.2005	.2500
	4	.0001	.0005	.0016	.0039	.0081	.0150	.0256	.0410	.0625
5	0	.5905	.4437	.3277	.2373	.1681	.1160	.0778	.0503	.0313
	1	.3280	.3915	.4096	.3955	.3602	.3124	.2592	.2059	.1563
	2	.0729	.1382	.2048	.2637	.3087	.3364	.3456	.3369	.3125
	3	.0081	.0244	.0512	.0879	.1323	.1811	.2304	.2757	.3125
	4	.0004	.0022	.0064	.0146	.0284	.0488	.0768	.1128	.1562
	5		.0001	.0003	.0010	.0024	.0053	.0102	.0185	.0312
6	0	.5314	.3771	.2621	.1780	.1176	.0754	.0467	.0277	.0156
	1	.3543	.3993	.3932	.3560	.3025	.2437	.1866	.1359	.0938
	2	.0984	.1762	.2458	.2966	.3241	.3280	.3110	.2780	.2344
	3	.0146	.0415	.0819	.1318	.1852	.2355	.2765	.3032	.3125
	4	.0012	.0055	.0154	.0330	.0595	.0951	.1382	.1861	.2344
	5	.0001	.0004	.0015	.0044	.0102	.0205	.0369	.0609	.0937
	6			.0001	.0002	.0007	.0018	.0041	.0083	.0156
7	0	.4783	.3206	.2097	.1335	.0824	.0490	.0280	.0152	.0078
	1	.3720	.3960	.3670	.3115	.2471	.1848	.1306	.0872	.0547
	2	.1240	.2097	.2753	.3115	.3177	.2985	.2613	.2140	.1641
	3	.0230	.0617	.1147	.1730	.2269	.2679	.2903	.2918	.2734
	4	.0026	.0109	.0287	.0577	.0972	.1442	.1935	.2388	.2734
	5	.0002	.0012	.0043	.0115	.0250	.0466	.0774	.1172	.1641
	6		.0001	.0004	.0013	.0036	.0084	.0172	.0320	.0547
	7				.0001	.0002	.0006	.0016	.0037	.0078
8	0	.4305	.2725	.1678	.1001	.0576	.0319	.0168	.0084	.0039
	1	.3826	.3847	.3355	.2670	.1977	.1373	.0896	.0548	.0313
	2	.1488	.2376	.2936	.3115	.2965	.2587	.2090	.1569	.1094
	3	.0331	.0839	.1468	.2076	.2541	.2786	.2787	.2568	.2188
	4	.0046	.0185	.0459	.0865	.1361	.1875	.2322	.2627	.2734
	5	.0004	.0026	.0092	.0231	.0467	.0808	.1239	.1719	.2188
	6		.0002	.0011	.0038	.0100	.0217	.0413	.0703	.1094
	7			.0001	.0004	.0012	.0033	.0079	.0164	.0312
	8					.0001	.0002	.0007	.0017	.0039

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		Entry is $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$								
		$p$								
$n$	$k$	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
9	0	.9135	.8337	.7602	.6925	.6302	.5730	.5204	.4722	.4279
	1	.0830	.1531	.2116	.2597	.2985	.3292	.3525	.3695	.3809
	2	.0034	.0125	.0262	.0433	.0629	.0840	.1061	.1285	.1507
	3	.0001	.0006	.0019	.0042	.0077	.0125	.0186	.0261	.0348
	4			.0001	.0003	.0006	.0012	.0021	.0034	.0052
	5						.0001	.0002	.0003	.0005
	6									
	7									
	8									
	9									
10	0	.9044	.8171	.7374	.6648	.5987	.5386	.4840	.4344	.3894
	1	.0914	.1667	.2281	.2770	.3151	.3438	.3643	.3777	.3851
	2	.0042	.0153	.0317	.0519	.0746	.0988	.1234	.1478	.1714
	3	.0001	.0008	.0026	.0058	.0105	.0168	.0248	.0343	.0452
	4			.0001	.0004	.0010	.0019	.0033	.0052	.0078
	5					.0001	.0001	.0003	.0005	.0009
	6									.0001
	7									
	8									
	9									
	10									
12	0	.8864	.7847	.6938	.6127	.5404	.4759	.4186	.3677	.3225
	1	.1074	.1922	.2575	.3064	.3413	.3645	.3781	.3837	.3827
	2	.0060	.0216	.0438	.0702	.0988	.1280	.1565	.1835	.2082
	3	.0002	.0015	.0045	.0098	.0173	.0272	.0393	.0532	.0686
	4		.0001	.0003	.0009	.0021	.0039	.0067	.0104	.0153
	5				.0001	.0002	.0004	.0008	.0014	.0024
	6							.0001	.0001	.0003
	7									
	8									
	9									
	10									
	11									
	12									
15	0	.8601	.7386	.6333	.5421	.4633	.3953	.3367	.2863	.2430
	1	.1303	.2261	.2938	.3388	.3658	.3785	.3801	.3734	.3605
	2	.0092	.0323	.0636	.0988	.1348	.1691	.2003	.2273	.2496
	3	.0004	.0029	.0085	.0178	.0307	.0468	.0653	.0857	.1070
	4		.0002	.0008	.0022	.0049	.0090	.0148	.0221	.0307
	5			.0001	.0002	.0006	.0013	.0024	.0043	.0069
	6						.0001	.0003	.0006	.0011
	7								.0001	.0001
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## Binomial probabilities (continued)

		Entry is $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$								
		$p$								
$n$	$k$	.10	.15	.20	.25	.30	.35	.40	.45	.50
9	0	.3874	.2316	.1342	.0751	.0404	.0207	.0101	.0046	.0020
	1	.3874	.3679	.3020	.2253	.1556	.1004	.0605	.0339	.0176
	2	.1722	.2597	.3020	.3003	.2668	.2162	.1612	.1110	.0703
	3	.0446	.1069	.1762	.2336	.2668	.2716	.2508	.2119	.1641
	4	.0074	.0283	.0661	.1168	.1715	.2194	.2508	.2600	.2461
	5	.0008	.0050	.0165	.0389	.0735	.1181	.1672	.2128	.2461
	6	.0001	.0006	.0028	.0087	.0210	.0424	.0743	.1160	.1641
	7			.0003	.0012	.0039	.0098	.0212	.0407	.0703
	8				.0001	.0004	.0013	.0035	.0083	.0176
	9						.0001	.0003	.0008	.0020
10	0	.3487	.1969	.1074	.0563	.0282	.0135	.0060	.0025	.0010
	1	.3874	.3474	.2684	.1877	.1211	.0725	.0403	.0207	.0098
	2	.1937	.2759	.3020	.2816	.2335	.1757	.1209	.0763	.0439
	3	.0574	.1298	.2013	.2503	.2668	.2522	.2150	.1665	.1172
	4	.0112	.0401	.0881	.1460	.2001	.2377	.2508	.2384	.2051
	5	.0015	.0085	.0264	.0584	.1029	.1536	.2007	.2340	.2461
	6	.0001	.0012	.0055	.0162	.0368	.0689	.1115	.1596	.2051
	7		.0001	.0008	.0031	.0090	.0212	.0425	.0746	.1172
	8			.0001	.0004	.0014	.0043	.0106	.0229	.0439
	9					.0001	.0005	.0016	.0042	.0098
	10							.0001	.0003	.0010
12	0	.2824	.1422	.0687	.0317	.0138	.0057	.0022	.0008	.0002
	1	.3766	.3012	.2062	.1267	.0712	.0368	.0174	.0075	.0029
	2	.2301	.2924	.2835	.2323	.1678	.1088	.0639	.0339	.0161
	3	.0852	.1720	.2362	.2581	.2397	.1954	.1419	.0923	.0537
	4	.0213	.0683	.1329	.1936	.2311	.2367	.2128	.1700	.1208
	5	.0038	.0193	.0532	.1032	.1585	.2039	.2270	.2225	.1934
	6	.0005	.0040	.0155	.0401	.0792	.1281	.1766	.2124	.2256
	7		.0006	.0033	.0115	.0291	.0591	.1009	.1489	.1934
	8		.0001	.0005	.0024	.0078	.0199	.0420	.0762	.1208
	9			.0001	.0004	.0015	.0048	.0125	.0277	.0537
	10					.0002	.0008	.0025	.0068	.0161
	11						.0001	.0003	.0010	.0029
	12							.0001	.0001	.0002
15	0	.2059	.0874	.0352	.0134	.0047	.0016	.0005	.0001	.0000
	1	.3432	.2312	.1319	.0668	.0305	.0126	.0047	.0016	.0005
	2	.2669	.2856	.2309	.1559	.0916	.0476	.0219	.0090	.0032
	3	.1285	.2184	.2501	.2252	.1700	.1110	.0634	.0318	.0139
	4	.0428	.1156	.1876	.2252	.2186	.1792	.1261	.0779	.0416
	5	.0105	.0449	.1032	.1651	.2061	.2123	.1859	.1404	.0916
	6	.0019	.0132	.0430	.0917	.1472	.1906	.2066	.1914	.1527
	7	.0003	.0030	.0138	.0393	.0811	.1319	.1771	.2013	.1964
	8		.0005	.0035	.0131	.0348	.0710	.1181	.1647	.1964
	9		.0001	.0007	.0034	.0116	.0298	.0612	.1048	.1527
	10			.0001	.0007	.0030	.0096	.0245	.0515	.0916
	11				.0001	.0006	.0024	.0074	.0191	.0417
	12					.0001	.0004	.0016	.0052	.0139
	13						.0001	.0003	.0010	.0032
	14							.0001	.0001	.0005
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		<i>p</i>								
<i>n</i>	<i>k</i>	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
20	0	.8179	.6676	.5438	.4420	.3585	.2901	.2342	.1887	.1516
	1	.1652	.2725	.3364	.3683	.3774	.3703	.3526	.3282	.3000
	2	.0159	.0528	.0988	.1458	.1887	.2246	.2521	.2711	.2818
	3	.0010	.0065	.0183	.0364	.0596	.0860	.1139	.1414	.1672
	4		.0006	.0024	.0065	.0133	.0233	.0364	.0523	.0703
	5			.0002	.0009	.0022	.0048	.0088	.0145	.0222
	6				.0001	.0003	.0008	.0017	.0032	.0055
	7						.0001	.0002	.0005	.0011
	8								.0001	.0002
	9									
	10									
	11									
	12									
	13									
	14									
	15									
	16									
	17									
	18									
	19									
	20									

		<i>p</i>								
<i>n</i>	<i>k</i>	.10	.15	.20	.25	.30	.35	.40	.45	.50
20	0	.1216	.0388	.0115	.0032	.0008	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1	.2702	.1368	.0576	.0211	.0068	.0020	.0005	.0001	.0000
	2	.2852	.2293	.1369	.0669	.0278	.0100	.0031	.0008	.0002
	3	.1901	.2428	.2054	.1339	.0716	.0323	.0123	.0040	.0011
	4	.0898	.1821	.2182	.1897	.1304	.0738	.0350	.0139	.0046
	5	.0319	.1028	.1746	.2023	.1789	.1272	.0746	.0365	.0148
	6	.0089	.0454	.1091	.1686	.1916	.1712	.1244	.0746	.0370
	7	.0020	.0160	.0545	.1124	.1643	.1844	.1659	.1221	.0739
	8	.0004	.0046	.0222	.0609	.1144	.1614	.1797	.1623	.1201
	9	.0001	.0011	.0074	.0271	.0654	.1158	.1597	.1771	.1602
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	12			.0001	.0008	.0039	.0136	.0355	.0727	.1201
	13				.0002	.0010	.0045	.0146	.0366	.0739
	14					.0002	.0012	.0049	.0150	.0370
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