

1. Determine the binomial distribution whose mean is 9 and whose standard deviation is $\frac{3}{2}$.

Answer:

$$np = 9 \text{ and } npq = \frac{9}{4} \quad q = \frac{npq}{np} = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow p = 1 - q = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$np = 9 \Rightarrow n = 9 \times \frac{4}{3} = 12$$

$$\therefore P[X=r] = {}^{12}C_r \cdot \left[\frac{3}{4}\right]^r \left[\frac{1}{4}\right]^{12-r}, r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 12$$

2. A die is thrown 3 times. If getting a '6' is considered a success, find the probability of atleast two successes.

Answer:

$$P=1/6; \quad q=5/6; \quad n=3.$$

$$P[\text{atleast two successes}] = P(2) + P(3)$$

$$= {}^3C_2 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{6}\right]^2 \frac{5}{6} + {}^3C_3 \cdot \left[\frac{1}{6}\right]^3 = \frac{2}{27}$$

3. Find the MGF of binomial distribution.

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} M_x(t) &= \sum_{r=0}^n nC_r \cdot (pe^t)^r \cdot q^{n-r} \\ &= (q + pe^t)^n \end{aligned}$$

4. For a random variable X, $M_x(t) = \frac{1}{81}(e^t + 2)^4$, find $P[X \leq 2]$.

Answer:

$$M_x(t) = \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{3}e^t\right)^4.$$

For Binomial distribution, $M_x(t) = (q + pe^t)^n$

$$\therefore n=4, \quad q=2/3, \quad p=1/3$$

$$\therefore P[X \leq 2] = P(0) + P(1) + P(2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + 4C_1 \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 + 4C_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{81} [16 + 32 + 24] = \frac{72}{81} \\
&= 0.8889
\end{aligned}$$

5. The mean and variance of a binomial variance are 4 and 4/3 respectively, find

$$P [X \geq 1] .$$

Answer:

$$np = 4, \quad npq = \frac{4}{3} \Rightarrow q = \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } p = \frac{2}{3} \therefore n = 4 \times \frac{3}{2} = 6.$$

$$P[X \geq 1] = 1 - P[X < 1] = 1 - P[X = 0]$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 = 0.9986$$

6. For a binomial distribution, mean is 6 and standard deviation is $\sqrt{2}$. Find the first two terms of the distribution.

Answer:

$$np = 6, \quad npq = 2; \quad q = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow q = \frac{1}{3} \therefore p = \frac{2}{3}. \text{ Here } n = 9.$$

$$\text{The first two terms are } \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^9, 9C_1 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^8$$

7. A certain rare blood can be found in only 0.05% of people. If the population of a randomly selected group is 3000, what is the probability that atleast 2 people in the group have this rare blood type ?

Answer:

$$P=0.05\% \Rightarrow p=0.0005; n = 3000; \lambda = np$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = 3000 \times \frac{5}{10000} = 1.5$$

$$P[X \geq 2] = 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - P(X=1)$$

$$= 1 - e^{-1.5} \left(1 + \frac{1.5}{1!}\right) = 0.4422$$

8. It is known that 5% of the books bound at a certain bindery have defective bindings. Find the probability that 2 of 100 books bound by this bindery will have defective bindings.

Answer:

$$\lambda = np \Rightarrow \lambda = 100 \times 5/100 = 5$$

$$\therefore P[X=2] = \frac{5^2 e^{-5}}{2!} = 0.084$$

9. If X is a poisson variate such that $P(X=2) = 9P(X=4) + 90P(X=6)$, find the variance .

Answer:

$$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^2}{2!} = \frac{9e^{-\lambda} \lambda^4}{4!} + \frac{90e^{-\lambda} \lambda^6}{6!} \Rightarrow \lambda^4 + 3\lambda^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda^2 + 4)(\lambda^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \text{variance} = \lambda = 1.$$

10. The moment generating function of a random variable X is given by $M_x(t) = e^{3(e^t-1)}$. Find $P(X=1)$

Answer:

$$M_x(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t-1)} = e^{3(e^t-1)} \Rightarrow \lambda = 3$$

$$P(X=1) = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \Rightarrow P(X=1) = 3e^{-3}.$$

11. State the conditions under which the poisson distribution is a limiting case of the Binomial distribution.

Answer:

- i) $n \rightarrow \infty$
- ii) $p \rightarrow 0$
- iii) $np = \lambda$, a constant

12. Show that the sum of 2 independent poisson variates is a poisson variate.

Answer:

$$\text{Let } X \sim P(\lambda_1) \quad \text{and} \quad Y \sim P(\lambda_2)$$

Then $M_x(t) = e^{\lambda_1(e^t-1)}$; $M_y(t) = e^{\lambda_2(e^t-1)}$

$$M_{x+y}(t) = M_x(t)M_y(t) = e^{(e^t-1)(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)}$$

$\Rightarrow X + Y$ is also a poisson variate

13. In a book of 520 pages, 390 typo-graphical errors occur. Assuming poisson law for the number of errors per page, find the probability that a random sample of 5 pages will contain no error.

Answer:

$$\lambda = \frac{390}{520} = 0.75$$

$$P(X=x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^x}{x!} = \frac{e^{-0.75}(0.75)^x}{x!}, x = 0,1,2,\dots$$

$$\text{Required probability} = [P(X=0)]^5 = (e^{-0.75})^5 = e^{-3.75}$$

14. If X is a poisson variate such that $P(X=2) = \frac{2}{3} P(X=1)$ evaluate $P(X=3)$.

Answer:

$$\frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^2}{2!} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda}{1!} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\therefore P[X=3] = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^3}{3!}$$

15. If for a poisson variate X , $E(X^2) = 6$, What is $E(X)$?

Answer:

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda = 6 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + \lambda - 6$$

$$= 0 \Rightarrow (\lambda + 3)(\lambda - 2) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 2, -3$$

But $\lambda > 0$, $\lambda = 2$. $E(X) = \lambda = 2$

16. If X is a poisson variate with mean λ , show that $E(X^2) = \lambda E(X + 1)$.

Answer:

$$E(X^2) = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$E(X+1) = E(X) + 1 = \lambda + 1$$

$$\therefore E(X^2) = \lambda(\lambda + 1) = \lambda E(X + 1)$$

17. The time (in hours) required to repair a machine is exponentially distributed with parameter $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$. What is the probability that a repair takes at least 10 hours given that its duration exceeds 9 hours ?

Answer:

Let X be the R.V which represents the time to repair the machine.

$P[X \geq 10/x \geq 9] = P(X \geq 1)$ (by memory less property)

$$= \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} dx = 0.6065$$

18. The time (in hours) required to repair a machine is exponentially distributed with parameter $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}$. What is the probability that the repair time exceeds 3 hours ?

Answer:

X - represent the time to repair the machine

$$\text{P.d.f of } X, f(x) = \frac{1}{3} e^{-\frac{x}{3}}, x > 0$$

$$P(x > 3) = \int_3^{\infty} \frac{1}{3} e^{-\frac{x}{3}} dx = e^{-1} = 0.3679$$

19. Find the MGF of an exponential distribution with parameter λ .

Answer:

$$M_x(t) = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{tx} e^{-\lambda x} dx = \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\lambda - t)x} dx$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t} = \left(1 - \frac{t}{\lambda}\right)^{-1}$$

20. Mention any four properties of normal distribution ?

Answer:

- (1) The curve is bell shaped
- (2) Mean, Median, Mode coincide.
- (3) All odd central moments vanish
- (4) X-axis is an asymptote to the normal curve

21. If X is normal variate with mean 30 and S.D 5, find $P[26 < X < 40]$

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} P [26 < X < 40] &= P [-0.8 \leq Z \leq 2] \text{ where } Z = \frac{X-30}{5} \\ &= P [0 \leq Z \leq 0.8] + P[0 \leq Z \leq 2] \\ &= 0.2881 + 0.4772 = 0.7653 \end{aligned}$$

22.If X is a normal variate with mean 30 and s.d 5 , find P [|X – 30|≤5].

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} P [|X – 30| \leq 5] &= P [25 \leq X \leq 35] = P [-1 \leq Z \leq 1] \\ &= 2P (2 \leq Z \leq 1) = 2(0.3413) = 0.6826 \end{aligned}$$

23.X is normally distributed R.V with mean 12 and SD 4. Find P [X ≤ 20].

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} P [X \leq 20] &= P [Z \leq 2] \text{ where } Z = \frac{X-12}{4} \\ &= P [-\infty \leq Z 0] + P [0 \leq Z \leq 2] \\ &= 0.5 + 0.4772 = 0.9772 \end{aligned}$$

24.For a certain normal distribution, the first moment about 10 is 40 and the fourth moment about 50 is 48. Find the mean and s.d of the distribution.

Answer:

$$\text{Mean A} + \mu'_1 \Rightarrow \text{Mean} = 10 + 40 = 50$$

$$\mu'_1 (\text{ about the point } X = 50) = 48 \Rightarrow \mu_4 = 48$$

$$\text{Since mean is 50, } 3\sigma^4 = 48$$

$$\sigma = 2.$$

25.If X is normally distributed with mean 8 and s.d4 , find P (10 ≤ X ≤ 15).

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned}P(10 \leq X \leq 15) &= P[0.5 \leq X \leq 1.75] \\&= P[0.5 \leq X \leq 1.75] - P[0 \leq X \leq 0.5] \\&= 0.2684\end{aligned}$$

26. X is a normal variate with mean 1 and variance 4, Y is another normal variate independent of X with mean 2 and variance 3, what is the distribution of

$X + 2Y$?

Answer:

$$E[X + 2Y] = E(X) + 2E(Y) = 1 + 4 = 5$$

$$V[X + 2Y] = V(X) + 4V(Y) = 4 + 4(3) = 16$$

$X + 2Y \sim N(5, 16)$ by additive property.