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■ Warm-Up

$$\mu = 0(.71) + 1(.15) + 2(.09) + \dots$$
$$\sigma = \sqrt{(0-0.5)^2(0.71) + (1-0.5)^2(0.15) + \dots}$$

- Let X = the number of living grandparents that a randomly selected adult American has. According to recent General Social Surveys, its probability distribution is approximately $P(0) = 0.71$, $P(1) = 0.15$, $P(2) = 0.09$, $P(3) = 0.03$, $P(4) = 0.02$.

- Does this refer to a discrete or continuous random variable? Why?

Discrete - whole people

- Find the mean and standard deviation of this probability distribution.

$$\mu = 0.5 \quad \sigma = 0.92$$

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■ Geometric Models

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dice \rightarrow Success = 5
coin \rightarrow

Bernoulli Trials

- The basis for the probability models we will examine in this chapter is the **Bernoulli trial**.
- A little background on Bernoulli
- We have Bernoulli trials if:
 - there are two possible outcomes (success and failure).
 - the probability of success, p , is constant.
 - the trials are independent.
- Examples...?

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Geom(p)

The Geometric Model

- A single Bernoulli trial is usually not all that interesting.
- A **Geometric probability model** tells us the probability for a random variable that counts the number of Bernoulli trials until the first success. "wait time"
- Geometric models are completely specified by one parameter, p , the probability of success, and are denoted $\text{Geom}(p)$.

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The Geometric Model (cont.)

Geometric probability model for Bernoulli trials:

Geom(p)

p = probability of success

$q = 1 - p$ = probability of failure

X = number of trials until the first success occurs

$$P(X=5)$$

$$P(X = \underline{x}) = q^{x-1}p$$

$$E(X) = \mu = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{q}{p^2}}$$

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Example

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■ Greedy Pig

■ Waiting for a 5...

■ What are the two outcomes?

5 or not 5

■ What are their probabilities?

$\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{5}{6}$

■ Can we assume independent? How do you know?

Yes

■ What is our expected value? What does it mean?

$$E(X) = \mu = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{6}} = 6$$

$$1 \div \frac{1}{6} = 1 \times \frac{6}{1}$$

■ What is our standard deviation? What does it mean?

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{5/6}{(\frac{1}{6})^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{36}{1}} = \sqrt{30} \approx 5.47$$

■ What's the probability that the first 5 we see is the fourth roll?

$$P(X=4) = \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$$P(X=x) = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{x-1} P$$

■ Simulate to see how close we are

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Another Example

- A new sales gimmick has 30% of the M&M's covered with speckles. These "groovy" candies are mixed randomly with the normal candies as they are put into the bags for distribution and sale. You buy a bag and remove candies one at a time looking for the speckles.

- What are the two outcomes? *speckles or not speckles*

- What are their probabilities? *0.3* *0.7*

- Can we assume independent? How do you know? *yes*

- What's the probability that the first speckled one we see is the fourth candy we get? $P(X=4) = (0.7)^3 (0.3) = 0.102$

- How many do we expect to check, on average to find a speckled one?

$$E(X) = \mu = \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{0.3} = 3.\bar{3} \quad \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{q}{p^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.7}{0.3^2}} \approx 2.78$$

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Sample $<$ 10% of population

Independence

10x sample $<$ population

- One of the important requirements for Bernoulli trials is that the trials be independent.
- When we don't have an infinite population, the trials are not independent. But, there is a rule that allows us to pretend we have independent trials:
 - **The 10% condition:** Bernoulli trials must be independent. If that assumption is violated, it is still okay to proceed as long as the sample is smaller than 10% of the population.

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Homework

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