

Lemma: If  $X: S \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\} = \mathbb{N}$  is a non-negative integer random variable, then  $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Pr(X \geq i)$

Proof: Let  $p_i = \Pr(X=i)$ , for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\Pr(X \geq i) = p_i + p_{i+1} + p_{i+2} + \dots = \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} p_j$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Pr(X \geq i) &= p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + \dots \quad [\Pr(X \geq 1)] \\ &\quad + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + \dots \quad [\Pr(X \geq 2)] \\ &\quad + p_3 + p_4 + \dots \quad [\Pr(X \geq 3)] \\ &\quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$= p_1 + 2p_2 + 3p_3 + 4p_4 + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot p_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot \Pr(X=i) = E(X)$$

Reminders. ①

lim  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$\sum_{i=0}^N r^i = \frac{1-r^{N+1}}{1-r} \quad (r \neq 1)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} r^i = \frac{1}{1-r} \quad (|r| < 1)$$

derivative

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i \cdot r^{i-1} = \frac{1}{(1-r)^2}$$

$\int_1^n \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$H_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}$$

$$\ln n \leq H_n \leq 1 + \ln n$$

For non-negative integer  $X$

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Pr(X \geq i)$$

Geometric Random Variable.  $\text{geometric}(p)$

- Biased coin  $\Pr(H) = p$   $\Pr(T) = 1-p$ .

- Flip the coin until the first time you get heads.

-  $G$  = the number of coin tosses until the first head.

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Pr(G \geq i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{i-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (1-p)^i = \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = \frac{1}{p} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{1}{p}.$$

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probability that  
first  $i-1$  tosses  
were tails.

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot \Pr(G=i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot (1-p)^{i-1} \cdot p = p \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \cdot (1-p)^{i-1} = p \cdot \frac{1}{(1-(1-p))^2} = p \cdot \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p}.$$

# Coupon Collector's Problem.

- An infinite sequence of coupons  $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots$ , each  $C_i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  uniformly random.

$$X = \min \{i : \{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_i\} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}.$$

$$X: S \rightarrow \{n, n+1, n+2, \dots\}.$$

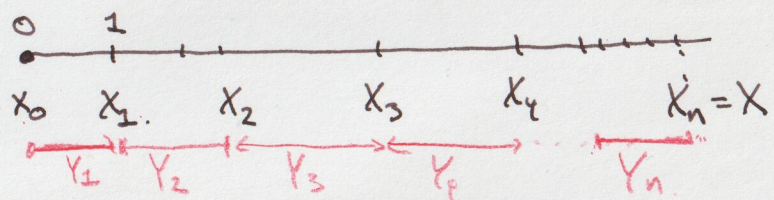
$E(X)$

For each  $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ , let  $X_k = \min \{i : |\{C_1, \dots, C_i\}| = k\}$ .  $X = X_n$

For each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , define  $Y_i = X_i - X_{i-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - X_{i-1}) = \cancel{X_1 - X_0} + \cancel{X_2 - X_1} + \cancel{X_3 - X_2} \\ &\quad \dots \quad \cancel{X_n - X_{n-1}} \\ &= X_n - X_0 = X_n = X \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(Y_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n}{n-i+1} = n \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n-i+1} \\ &= n \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{1}{n-2} + \dots + \frac{1}{1} \right) = n \cdot H_n. \end{aligned}$$



$Y_i =$  "I have  $i-1$  different coupons, and I'm waiting for a new one. How long?"

$$\frac{i-1}{n} \quad \cancel{\frac{n-i}{n}} \quad \frac{n-i+1}{n} = p.$$

$Y_i$  is a geometric  $\frac{n-i+1}{n}$  rand. var.

# Binomial Random Variables

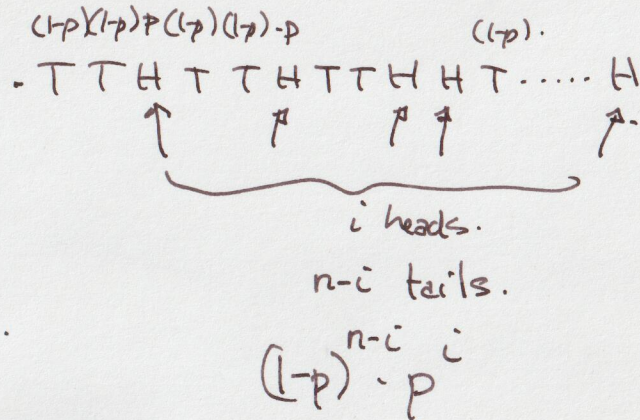
$$B: S \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

binomial( $n, p$ )

- Biased coin  $\Pr(H) = p$ .
- toss the coin  $n$  times
- $B =$  the number of heads.

$$\Pr(B=i) = \sum_{\{\omega \in S: B(\omega)=i\}} \Pr(\omega) = \sum_{\{\omega \in S: B(\omega)=i\}} (1-p)^{n-i} p^i = \binom{n}{i} \cdot (1-p)^{n-i} p^i$$

$$E(B) = \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \Pr(B=i) = \sum_{i=0}^n i \cdot \binom{n}{i} (1-p)^{n-i} p^i = p \cdot n.$$



Let  $B_i = 1$  if  $i$ th coin toss is heads and 0 otherwise.

$$E(B) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(B_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n p = p \cdot n.$$

$$B_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i\text{th coin toss is heads} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$E(B_i) = \Pr(B_i=1) = p.$$