

Hypothesis testing using the Binomial distribution

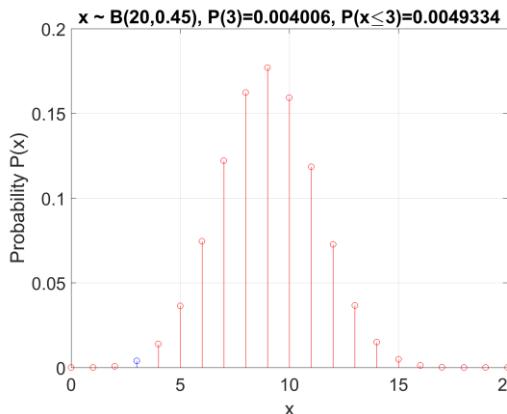
Random variable X is distributed by $B(N,p)$. An observation x is made.

Null hypothesis $H_0: X \sim B(N,p)$. Define a **significance level** s for rejection of H_0

In other words, $B(10,0.25)$ is a valid hypothesis to explain the measurement of $x = 5$, assuming a Binomial distribution, and a 5% significance level.

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% ONE-TAILED TEST EXAMPLE
% Alternative H1: X ~ B(N,p*) where p*>p.
% Accept H1 and reject H0 if P(X>=x) < s.
% The critical region is the set of x values when P(X>=x) < s.

N=10; x=5; p=0.25; s = 0.05; test_type = 'p*>p';
Insufficient evidence to reject null hypothesis H0
X_crit = 6    7    8    9    10
p_value = 0.0781
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% ONE-TAILED TEST EXAMPLE
% Alternative H2: X ~ B(N,p*) where p*<p.
% Accept H1 and reject H0 if P(X<=x) < s.
% The critical region is the set of X values when P(X<=x) < s

N=20; x=3; p=0.45; s = 0.01; test_type = 'p*<p';
Reject null hypothesis H0
X_crit = 0    1    2    3
p_value = 0.0049
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In other words, $B(20,0.45)$ is NOT a valid hypothesis to explain the measurement of $x = 3$, assuming A Binomial distribution, and a 1% significance level.

$$P(X \leq x) = \sum_{k=0}^x \binom{N}{k} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}$$

$$P(X \geq x) = \sum_{k=x}^N \binom{N}{k} p^k (1-p)^{N-k}$$

Sum of Binomial probabilities

Binomial distribution

The random variable x is the number of successes out of n independent binary (success or failure) trials.

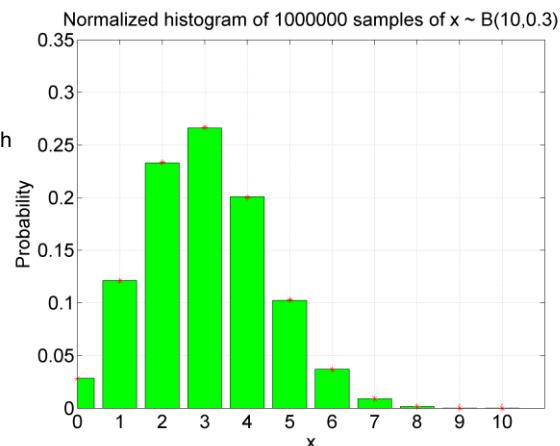
p is a fixed probability of success in each independent trial.

$$x \sim B(n, p)$$

$$p(x, n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$\mu = np \text{ mean}$$

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



% TWO-TAILED TEST EXAMPLE

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% Random variable x is distributed by B(N,p). An observation X is made.
% Null hypothesis H0: x ~ B(N,p). Alternative H1: x ~ B(N,p*) where p*>=p
% In this case, if X>N*p then consider a critical region when P(x>=X) < s/2.
% If X<N*p then consider a critical region when P(x<=X) < s/2.
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N=10; x=5; p=0.3; s = 0.05; test_type = 'p*>=p';
Insufficient evidence to reject null hypothesis H0
X_crit = 0    1    2    3    4
p_value = 0.0494
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