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# Probability Models for Discrete RVs

## Bernoulli ( $p$ )

Coin Flip:  $Z = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } H \\ 0 & \text{if } T \end{cases}$

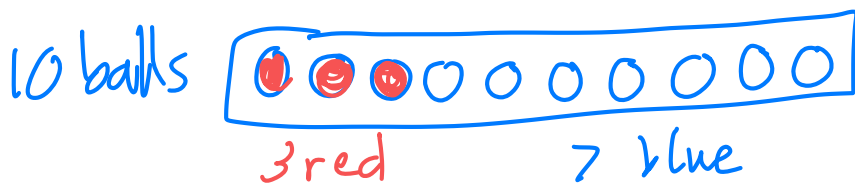
$$P(\text{head}) = p$$

$$Z \sim \text{Ber}(p)$$

$Z$	0	1
$P(Z)$	$1-p$	$p$

Fair coin  $p = \frac{1}{2}$

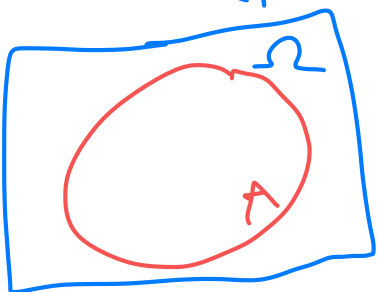
Ex.) Sample a population



$$Z = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{red} \\ 0 & \text{blue} \end{cases}$$

$$Z \sim \text{Ber}(p = .3)$$

Ex.)



$$Z = \begin{cases} 1 & \omega \in A \\ 0 & \omega \notin A \end{cases}$$
$$p = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} \quad Z \sim \text{Ber}\left(p = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}\right)$$

$Z$	0	1
$P(Z)$	$1-p$	$p$

Return to  $z \in \{0, 1\}$

$$E(z) = 0 \cdot (1-p) + 1 \cdot p = p$$

$$E(I_{(w \in A)}) = p \quad (w \in A)$$

$$\text{Var}(z) = E(z^2) - E(z)^2$$

$$\text{Var}(z) = (0-p)^2 \cdot (1-p) + (1-p)^2 \cdot p$$

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$$= p^2(1-p) + (1-p)^2 p$$

$$= p(1-p) [p + (1-p)]$$

$$= p(1-p)$$

$$z^2 = z \quad \text{so} \quad E(z) - E(z)^2 = p - p^2 = p(1-p)$$

$X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$

ex.) Flip coin  $n$  times  
Independently

$$P(H) = p$$

$X = \#$  of heads

ex.) Sampling a population

red balls (R) + blue balls (B)

$$N \text{ balls} = R + B$$

sample from  $\Omega$   $n$  times (with replacement)

ind.

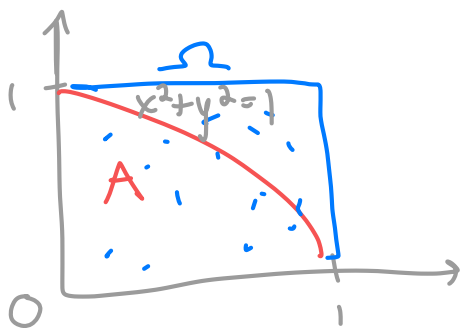
$X = \#$  of red balls out of  $n$  balls

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p = \frac{R}{N})$$

population ( $N$ )  $\xleftarrow{\text{to estimate}}$  sample ( $n$ )

$$\text{population} \left( \frac{R}{N} \right) = p \xleftarrow{\text{to estimate}} \text{proportion} \left( \frac{X}{n} \right) = \hat{p}$$

ex.) Region



$$P(\omega \in A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

repeat  $n = 1$  million times

$X = \#$  of points in A

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p = \frac{\pi}{4})$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$$

$$\hat{\pi} = 4\hat{p}$$

Monte Carlo Method

in High D, use small cubes to get volume

\*Button needle example

# Relationship between Bernoulli & Binomial

$$\text{Ber}(p) = \text{Bin}(1, p)$$

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$$

$$X = Z_1 + Z_2 + \dots + Z_n \quad \text{where } Z_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Ber}(p)$$

# of 1's

$$E(X) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(Z_i) = np$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i\right) \stackrel{\text{iid}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(Z_i) = np(1-p)$$

$$E\left(\frac{X}{n}\right) = \frac{np(1-p)}{n^2} = \frac{p(1-p)}{n} \quad \text{because } \text{Var}(ax+b) = a^2 \text{Var}(x)$$

sample  
proportion

$$\hookrightarrow \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \frac{p(1-p)}{n} = 0$$

$$\text{SD}\left(\frac{X}{n}\right) = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\frac{X}{n} \rightarrow p$  in probability

$$\Pr\left(\left|\frac{X}{n} - p\right| < \varepsilon\right) \rightarrow 1$$

Back to fair coin ex:

$$p = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(X=k) = P(X(\omega) = k) = P(A_k)$$

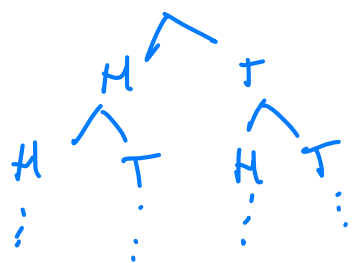
where  $A_k = \{\omega : X(\omega) = k\}$

$\omega$ : sequence of H, T

$\Omega = \{\text{all } 2^n \text{ sequences of H, T}\}$

why  $2^n$ ?

2 choices, n flips

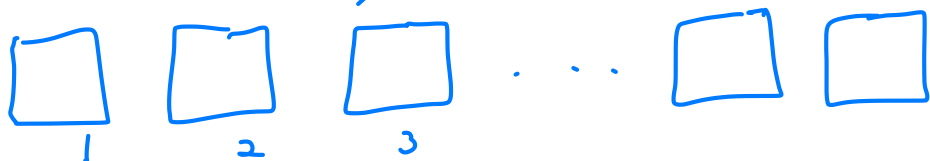


binary tree branches =  $2^n$

$$P(X=k) = P(A_k) = \frac{|A_k|}{|\Omega|}$$

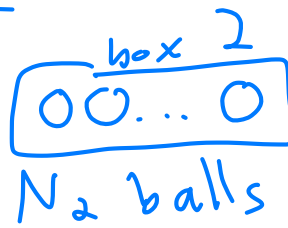
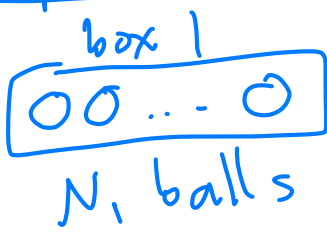
think about doing flips all @ once, not one @ a time

$$|A_k| = \binom{n}{k}$$



choose  $k$  blanks, fill in H. Fill the rest of  $n-k$  blanks, fill in T

# Multiplication rule

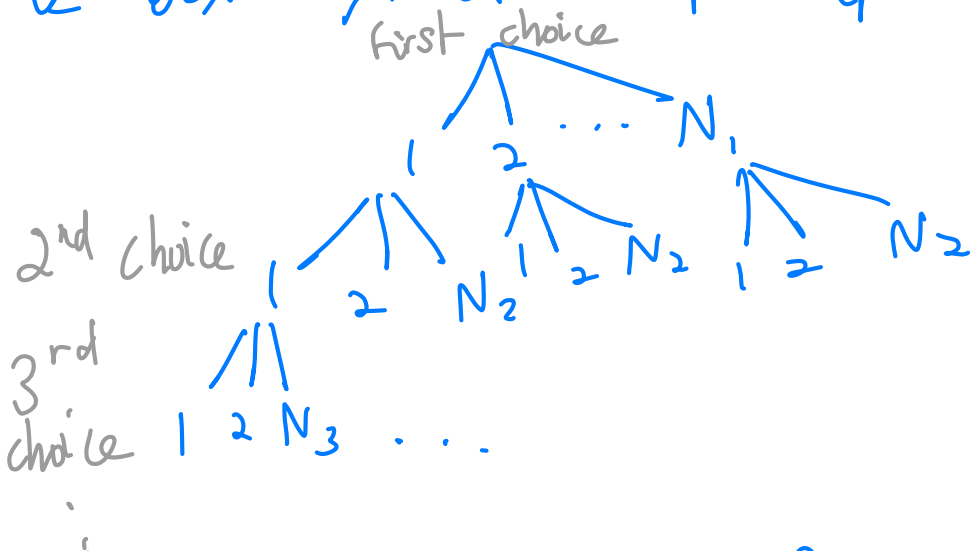


Not sample space

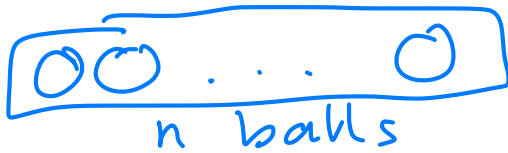
pick a ball from box 1 then pick from box 2

$$\# \text{ of pairs (ordered)} = N_1 \cdot N_2$$

$k$  boxes, # of  $k$  tuples (pairs & beyond) =  $N_1 \cdot N_2 \cdot \dots \cdot N_k$



# # of Permutations $P_{n,n}$



pick  $k$  balls sequentially w/out replacement  
order matters

$$P_{n,k} = \# \text{ of sequences} = n(n-1) \dots (n-(k-1))$$

$n-k+1$

$n = k$

$$P_{k,k} = k(k-1) \dots 1 = k!$$

# Combinations

pick  $k$  balls w/out replacement. Order does not matter

$$\binom{n}{k} = \# \text{ of combinations} \\ = \frac{P_{n,k}}{k!} = \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-(k-1))(n-k)!}{k!(n-k)!} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

each combination of  $k$  balls =  $k!$

$$P(X=k) = \frac{|A_k|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{\binom{n}{k}}{2^n} \quad \text{for } p = \frac{1}{2}$$

## Binomial Formula

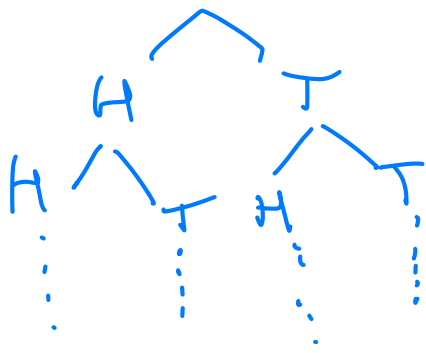
$$(H+T)^n$$

$$n=1$$

$$H+T$$

$$n=2$$

$$HH + HT + TH + TT$$



$$n=3$$

$$(HH + HT + TH + TT)(H+T)$$

$$= HH HT HH HT$$

$$\text{sequence of H/T} = \sum_k \binom{n}{k} H^k T^{n-k}$$

in other books:  $(p+q)^n$

# Random Walk on Integers

at each time, flip a fair coin  
 IF H, move forward (+1)  
 IF T, move backward (-1)

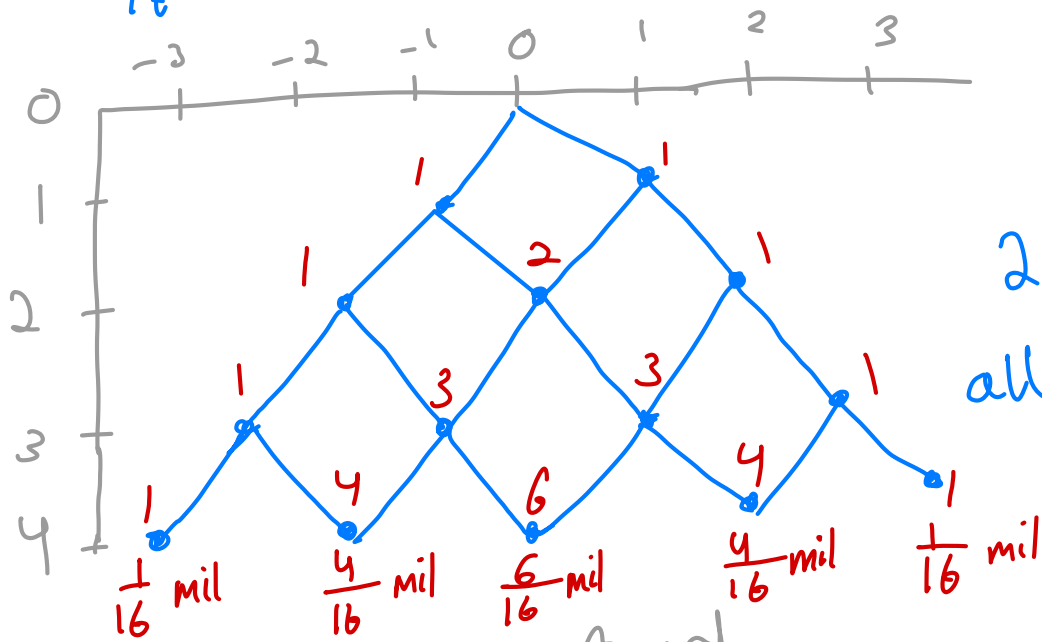
$X_0 = 0$  starting point

$X_t =$  state @ time  $t$

$Y_t =$  # of heads in first  $t$  steps

$$X_t = \underbrace{Y_t}_{\# \text{ of H}} - \underbrace{(t - Y_t)}_{\# \text{ of T}} = 2Y_t - t$$

$$Y_t \sim \text{Bin}(t, \frac{1}{2})$$



# of paths is pascal's  $\Delta$

$2^t$  paths all equally likely

Galton Board

$$P(X_t = k) = \frac{\# \text{ of paths end at } k}{2^t} =$$

ex  $P(X_t = 4)$

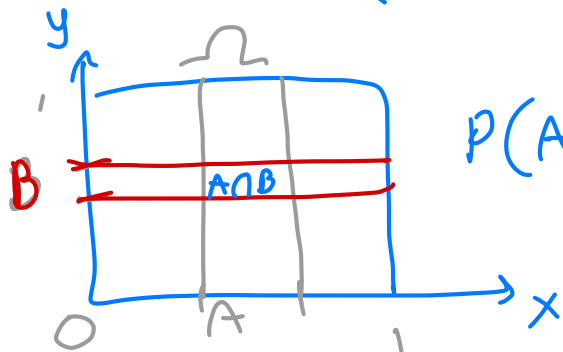


## General Binomial

$X \sim B(n, p)$  \*  $p$  may not be  $\frac{1}{2}$

Independence:  $A$  &  $B$  are independent if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$



$$P(A \cap B) = |A \cap B| = |A| |B| = P(A)P(B)$$

$$P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$