

01/08/2025 NEGATIVE BINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION Friday* Negative Binomial distribution :-

For poisson distribution mean is equal to variance and for binomial distribution.

Mean greater than variance. In negative binomial distribution mean less than variance. The negative binomial distribution can be derived from Binomial distribution with some modifications which can be stated below.

In where n independent Bernoulli trials consider,

1. The trials are independent
2. The probability of success p is constant from trial to trial.

3. Let $p(x)$ be the negative Binomial properties that there are x failures preceding the r th success in $(x+r)$ trials. To find this last trial must be success with probability p .

In the remaining $(x+r-1)$ trials we must have $(r-1)$ success with probability

$${}^{x+r-1}C_{r-1} p^{r-1} q^x$$

$$P(X=x) = \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x$$

$$P(X=x) = \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x$$

Definition: A discrete random variable X assumes the value $x=0, 1, 2, \dots$ with probability mass function.

$$P(X=x) = \begin{cases} \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x, & x=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is called Negative binomial distribution.

The parameter of negative binomial distribution are r and p . It is usually denoted by X

$$X \sim NB(r, p)$$

Negative Binomial fits int the calculation of moments and properties.

Consider

$$P(X=x) = \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x$$

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$$\binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x = \frac{(x+r-1)!}{(r-1)!(x)!} p^r q^x$$

$$= \frac{(x+r-1)!}{x!(r-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{(x+r-1)(x+r-2)\dots(r+1)(r-1)!}{x!(r-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{(x+r-1)(x+r-2)\dots(r+1)r}{x!}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{x-r-r-1} \dots (-x-r+2)(-x-r+1)}{x!}$$

$$= (-1)^{x-r} C_x$$

$$= (-1)^{x-r} C_x p^r q^x$$

$$= -r C_x p^r (1-q)^x$$

$$p(x) = -r C_x p^r (-q)^x$$

ii) if $p = \frac{1}{q}$, $q = \frac{p}{q}$

Note: $p(x) = \binom{-r}{x} q^{-r} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^x$

$$p+q=1; q-p=1$$

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

$$p(x) = -r C_x q^{-r} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^x$$

Note:-

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} -r C_x (-q)^x = (1-q)^{-r}$$

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* Moments of negative binomial distribution:-

$$\mu_1 = E(X)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x p(x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{-r}{x} p^r (1-q)^{x-r}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \binom{-r}{x} (1-q)^{x-r} p^r$$

$$= -rp^r \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \binom{-r-1}{x-1} (1-q)^{x-1} p$$

$$= rp^r p \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{-r-1}{x} (1-q)^x = rp^r$$

$$M_1' = rp^r (1-q)^{-r-1} \left[\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{-r}{x} (1-q)^x = (1-q)^{-r} \right]$$

$$= rp^r p^{-r-1} p^r = r$$

$$M_1' = \frac{rp^r}{p} = r$$

Mean

$$M_2' = E(x^2)$$

$$= E[x(x-1) + x]$$

$$= E[x(x-1)] + E(x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x(x-1) \binom{-r}{x} p^r (1-q)^{x-r} + rp^r$$

$$= p^r \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} x(x-1) \frac{(-r)(-r-1)}{x(x-1)} \frac{(1-q)^{x-2}}{x-2} (1-q)^{x-r}$$

$$= p^r \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} x(x-1) \frac{(-r)(-r-1)}{x(x-1)} \frac{(1-q)^{x-2}}{x-2} (1-q)^{x-r} + \frac{rp^r}{p}$$

$$= p^r \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} r(r+1) \binom{-r-2}{x-2} (-q)^{x-2+2} + \frac{r q}{p}$$

$$= r(r+1) p^r (-q)^2 \sum_{x=2}^{\infty} \binom{-r-2}{x-2} (-q)^{x-2} + \frac{r q}{p}$$

$$= r(r+1) p^r q^2 (1-q)^{-r-2} + \frac{r q}{p}$$

$$= r(r+1) p^r q^2 p^{-r-2} + \frac{r q}{p}$$

$$\boxed{\mu_2' = \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{r q}{p}}$$

$$\text{Var} = E(x^2) - [E(x)]^2$$

$$= \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{r q}{p} - \left(\frac{r q}{p}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{r q}{p} \left[\frac{(r+1)q}{p} + 1 - \frac{r q}{p} \right]$$

$$= \frac{r q}{p} \left[\frac{r q + q + p - r q}{p} \right]$$

$$= \frac{r q}{p} \left[\frac{q + p}{p} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var} = \frac{r q}{p^2}}$$

$$\mu_3' = E(x^3) = E[x(x-1)(x-2) + 3[x(x-1)] + x]$$

$$\mu_3' = \frac{r(r+1)(r+2)q^3}{p^3} + 3 \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{r q}{p}$$

$$\mu_4' = E(x^4) = E[x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) + 6x(x-1)(x-2) + \dots]$$

$$+ 7x(x-1)+x]$$

$$\mu_1' = \frac{r(r+1)(r+2)(r+3)q^4}{p^4} + \frac{6r(r+1)(r+2)q^3}{p^3} + 7 \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_3 &= \mu_3' - 3\mu_2' \mu_1' + 2\mu_1'^3 \\ &= \frac{r(r+1)(r+2)q^3}{p^3} + 3 \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p} \\ &\quad - 3 \left[\frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p} \right] \frac{rq}{p} + 2 \left(\frac{rq}{p} \right)^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_3 = \frac{rq(1+q)^3}{p^3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_4 &= \mu_4' - 4\mu_3' \mu_1' + 6\mu_2' \mu_1'^2 - 3\mu_1'^4 \\ &= \left[\frac{r(r+1)(r+2)(r+3)q^4}{p^4} + 6 \frac{r(r+1)(r+2)q^3}{p^3} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 7 \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p} \right] - 4 \left[\frac{r(r+1)(r+2)q^3}{p^3} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 3 \frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p} \right] \frac{rq}{p} \\ &\quad + 6 \left[\frac{r(r+1)q^2}{p^2} + \frac{rq}{p} \right]^2 - 3 \left(\frac{rq}{p} \right)^4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu_4 = \frac{rq[p^2 + 3q(r+2)]}{p^4}$$

*Skewness of Negative Binomial distribution
Coefficient of skewness

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\mu_3^2}{\mu_2^3} = \frac{\left[\frac{rq(1+q)^3}{p^3} \right]^2}{\left[\frac{rq}{p^2} \right]^3} = \frac{(1+q)^2}{rq}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{1+q}{\sqrt{pq}}$$

* Kurtosis of Negative Binomial distribution:

Coefficient of Kurtosis

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_2^2} = \frac{pq(p^2 + 3q(1+2))}{(pq)^2} = \frac{pq(p^2 + 3q(1+2))}{p^4}$$

$$\beta_2 = \frac{p^2 + 3q(1+2)}{pq} = \frac{p^2 + 3q + 6q}{pq}$$

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{p^2 + 6q}{pq} = \frac{p^2 + 3q + 6q - 3q}{pq}$$

* M.G.F of negative B.D :-

$$M_x(t) = E[e^{tx}]$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{tx} \binom{r-1}{x} p^x (1-p)^{r-x}$$

$$= p^r \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{r-1}{x} (1-pe^t)^x$$

$$= p^r (1-pe^t)^{-r}$$

$$M_x(t) = \left(\frac{p}{1-pe^t} \right)^r$$

$$p^r (1-pe^t)^{-r}$$

we know that

$$p = \frac{1}{q}, \quad q = \frac{p}{1-p}$$

$$q = \frac{1}{1-p}, \quad p = q(1-p) = q \cdot \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$M_X(t) = \left(\frac{p}{1-qt} \right)^n = \left[\frac{1}{1-qt} \right]^n$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{1 - \frac{q}{p} p t} \right]^n$$

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

$$M_X(t) = (1 - p t)^{-n}$$

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Mean

and Variance through M.G.F.:-

$$M_1' = \left[\frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$M_2' = \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_X(t) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{d}{dt} (1 - p t)^{-n} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= [p n (1 - p t)^{-n-1} \cdot (-1)]_{t=0}$$

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$$\sum p^x \cdot xq (1-q)^{x-1}$$

$$= p^x \cdot xq \cdot p^{x-1}$$

$$\boxed{M_1' = \frac{xq}{p} = \text{Mean}}$$

$$M_2' = \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \cdot M_x(t) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} p^x (1-qe^{qt})^{-x} \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{d}{dt} p^x (1-qe^{qt})^{-x} \right] \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= \left[\frac{d}{dt} p^x (-x)(1-qe^{qt})^{-x-1} (-qe^{qt}) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= p^x xq \left[\frac{d}{dt} (1-qe^{qt})^{-x-1} (-qe^{qt}) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= p^x xq \left[(-x-1)(1-qe^{qt})^{-x-2} \cdot e^{qt} + e^{qt} (-x-1)(1-qe^{qt})^{-x-2} (-qe^{qt}) \right]_{t=0}$$

$$= xq p^x \left[p^{-x-1} + (x+1) p^{-x-2} q \right]$$

$$\boxed{M_2' = \frac{xq}{p} + x(x+1) \frac{q^2}{p^2}}$$

$$\text{Var } \mu_2 = \mu_2' - (\mu_1')^2$$

$$= \frac{rqr}{p} + r(1+r) \frac{qr^2}{p^2} - \left(\frac{rqr}{p}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{rqr}{p} \left[1 + \frac{(1+r)r}{p} - \frac{rqr}{p} \right]$$

$$= \frac{rqr}{p} \left[\frac{p + rqr + r - rqr}{p} \right]$$

$$= \frac{rqr}{p} \left[\frac{p+r}{p} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var } \mu_2 = \frac{rqr}{p^2}}$$

* Cumulant generating function of NBD:-
we know that

$$K_X(t) = \log(M_X(t))$$

$$= \log[p^r(1-qr)^{-r}]$$

$$= r \log p - r \log \left[1 - r \left(t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \right]$$

$$= r \log p + r \log \left\{ 1 - r \left(t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \right\}$$

$$\left[\frac{r \left(1 + t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots \right)^2}{2} + \dots \right]$$

Cumulants

$$\text{Mean} = K_1 = \mu_1' = \frac{rqr}{p}$$



$$Var = k_2 = M_2 = \frac{2q}{p^2}$$

$$k_3 = M_3 = \frac{2q(1+q)}{p^3}$$

$$k_4 = \frac{2q}{p^2} \left(1 + \frac{6q}{p^2} \right)$$

$$M_4 = k_4 + 3k_2^2$$

$$= \frac{2q}{p} \left(\frac{1+6q}{p^2} \right) + 3 \left(\frac{2q}{p} \right)^2$$

$$M_4 = \frac{2q [p^2 + 3q(2+2)]}{p^3}$$

* characteristic function of NBD :-

we know that

$$\phi_X(t) = E(e^{itx})$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{itx} \cdot p(x)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{itx} \binom{q}{x} p^x (1-q)^{1-x}$$

$$= p^q \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \binom{q}{x} (1-q)^{1-x} e^{itx}$$

$$= p^q (1-q e^{it})^{-q}$$

$$\phi_X(t) = \left(\frac{p}{1-q e^{it}} \right)^q$$

* Additive property of NBD:-

Statement:

Sum of 'n' independent negative binomial variates is also a negative binomial variate.

proof:

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be n independent negative binomial variates with the parameter $(r_1, p), (r_2, p), \dots, (r_n, p)$ respectively

M.G.F's are

$$M_{X_1}(t) = p^{r_1} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_1}$$

$$M_{X_2}(t) = p^{r_2} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$M_{X_n}(t) = p^{r_n} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_n}$$

Consider, the M.G.F of $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$$M_{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}(t) = M_{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}(t)$$

$$= M_{X_1}(t) \cdot M_{X_2}(t) \cdot \dots \cdot M_{X_n}(t)$$

$$= p^{r_1} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_1} \cdot p^{r_2} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_2} \cdot \dots \cdot p^{r_n} (1 - qe^t)^{-r_n}$$

$$= p^{r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_n} (1 - qe^t)^{-(r_1 + r_2 + \dots + r_n)}$$

This is looking to be M.G.F of negative Binomial distribution.

Hence, by uniqueness theorem of M.G.F of $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ follows NBD with the parameters.

$$(r, p)$$

Negative Binomial distribution satisfies the additive property;

* Recurrence relation for probabilities of Negative Binomial distribution:

$$p(x) = \binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x$$

$$p(x+1) = \binom{x+r}{r-1} p^r q^{x+1}$$

$$\frac{p(x+1)}{p(x)} = \frac{\binom{x+r}{r-1} p^r q^{x+1}}{\binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r q^x}$$

$$= \frac{[(x+r)! / (r-1)! x!]}{[(x+r-1)! / (r-1)! x!]} \cdot q$$

$$= \frac{x+r}{x+1} \cdot q$$

$$p(x+1) = \frac{x+r}{x+1} q p(x)$$

* limiting case of Negative Binomial distribution to Normal distribution:-

The M.G.F of standard negative Binomial distribution is $M_z(t) = \left[Q e^{\frac{tP}{\sqrt{npQ}}} + p e^{-\frac{tQ}{\sqrt{npQ}}} \right]^{-n}$

$$= \left\{ Q \left[1 + \frac{tP}{\sqrt{npQ}} + \frac{t^2 P^2}{2! npQ} + \frac{t^3 P^3}{3! (npQ)^{3/2}} + \dots \right] \right.$$

$$\left. - P \left[1 + \frac{tQ}{\sqrt{npQ}} + \frac{t^2 Q^2}{2! npQ} + \frac{t^3 Q^3}{3! (npQ)^{3/2}} + \dots \right] \right\}^{-n}$$

$$= \left\{ (Q-P) + \frac{t^2}{2n} (P-Q) + O(n^{-3/2}) \right\}^{-n}$$

$$M_z(t) = \left\{ 1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(n^{-3/2}) \right\}^{-n} \quad (\because Q-P=1)$$

where $O(n^{-3/2})$ is the term containing the power $3/2$ and more of n in denominator.

Now consider logarithm

$$\log M_z(t) = -n \log \left[1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(n^{-3/2}) \right]$$

$$= -n \log \left[1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(n^{-3/2}) \right]$$

$$= n \left[\frac{t^2}{2n} - O(n^{-3/2}) \right]$$

$$\log M_2(t) = \frac{t^2}{2} - o(n^{-1/2})$$

apply limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log M_2(t) = \frac{t^2}{2}$$

Consider exponential on both sides

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_2(t) = e^{t^2/2}$$

This is M.G.F. of standard normal variate.

Hence, by uniqueness theorem of M.G.F. standard negative binomial variates approaches standard normal distribution, i.e., Z is asymptotically normal as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence we can conclude that negative binomial distribution tends to normal distribution for large values of n i.e., as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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