

AI1110 Assignment 7

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Abstract

- This document contains the solution to Question of Chapter 13 (Probability) in the NCERT Class 12 Textbook.

Question

Probability ex 13.5 q8.

Suppose X has a binomial distribution $B(6, \frac{1}{2})$. Show that $X = 3$ is most likely outcome.

(*hint* : $\Pr(X = 3)$ is the max among all $\Pr(x_i)$, $x_i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$)

Theory

Binomial Distribution

the binomial distribution with parameters n and p is the discrete probability distribution of the number of successes in a sequence of n independent experiments, each asking a yes–no question, and each with its own Boolean-valued outcome: success (with probability p) or failure (with probability $q = 1-p$)

The Expression is given by:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \Pr(X = i) = \sum_{i=0}^n {}^nC_i(p)^i (1-p)^{n-i} \quad (1)$$

$$\Pr(X = i) = {}^nC_i(p)^i (1-p)^{n-i} \quad (2)$$

Generalized problem

Suppose X has a binomial distribution $B(n, p)$. Find the most likely outcome.

Solution

Given X has binomial distribution $B(n, p)$ as we know

$$\Pr(X = i) = {}^nC_i(p)^i(1-p)^{n-i} \quad (3)$$

Now to find maximum probability the following conditions

$$\frac{\Pr(X = k)}{\Pr(X = (k + 1))} \geq 1 \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\Pr(X = k)}{\Pr(X = (k - 1))} \geq 1 \quad (5)$$

Solving equation (4)

$$\frac{\Pr(X = k)}{\Pr(X = (k - 1))} = \frac{{}^nC_k}{{}^nC_{k-1}} \cdot \frac{p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}}{p^{k-1} (1 - p)^{n+1-k}} = \frac{n + 1 - k}{k} \cdot \frac{p}{1 - p} \quad (6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n + 1 - k}{k} \cdot \frac{p}{1 - p} \geq 1 \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow k \leq (n + 1)p \quad (8)$$

Solving equation (5)

$$\frac{\Pr(X = k)}{\Pr(X = (k + 1))} = \frac{{}^nC_k}{{}^nC_{k+1}} \cdot \frac{p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}}{p^{k+1} (1 - p)^{n-1-k}} = \frac{k + 1}{n - k} \cdot \frac{1 - p}{p} \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k + 1}{n - k} \cdot \frac{1 - p}{p} \geq 1 \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow k \geq (n + 1)p - 1 \quad (11)$$

Result

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Combining Results from two conditions

$$(n+1)p - 1 \leq k \leq (n+1)p \quad (12)$$

k must be a integer in between these two values , $X=k$ is the most likely outcome

Note: if $(n+1)p$ is integer then k can have both values ie. $(n+1)p-1$ and $(n+1)p$

Answer

For this given question , $n = 6$, $p = \frac{1}{2}$ then

$$(n + 1) p = 3.5 \quad (13)$$

$$\implies 2.5 \leq k \leq 3.5 \quad (14)$$

since k is a integer the value of k is 3
 $\therefore X = 3$ is the most likely outcome.

PMF

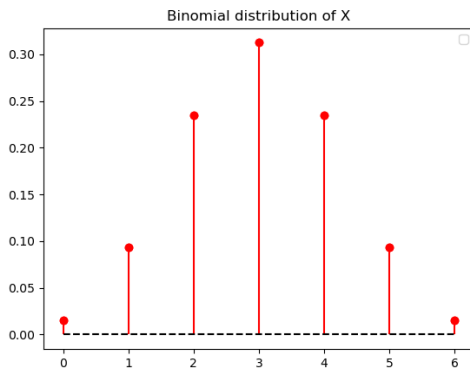


Figure 1: PMF