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Question:

A coin is tossed twice, what is the probability that atleast one tail occurs?

Solution:

The sample space is

$$\Omega = [HH, HT, TH, TT] \quad (0.1)$$

Assuming equally likely outcomes,

$$\Pr(\omega \in \Omega) = \frac{1}{4} \quad (0.2)$$

Define a discrete random variable X = number of tails in the sequence.

$$\Pr(X \geq 1) = 1 - \Pr(X < 1) \quad (0.3)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad (0.4)$$

Simulation: The following shows how the relative frequency reaches true probability with increasing number of trials of the event.

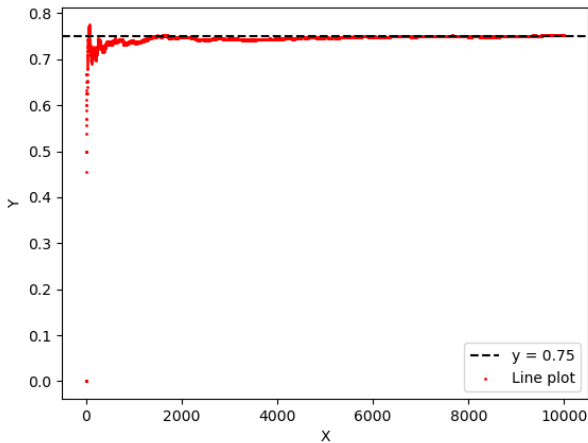


Fig. 0.1: Relative Frequency tends to True Probability