

Assignment 7

AI1110: Probability and Random Variables

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Exercise 16.3.10 A letter is chosen at random from the word 'ASSASSINATION'. Find the probability that the letter is:

- (i) a vowel
- (ii) a consonant

Solution. Let a random variable $X \in \{0, 1\}$ denote whether the chosen letter is a vowel or a consonant respectively.

x	Letter	$n(X = x)$	$\Pr(X = x)$
0	Vowel	6	$\frac{6}{13}$
1	Consonant	7	$\frac{7}{13}$

TABLE 1

- (i) The probability that the chosen letter is a vowel is given by:

$$\Pr(X = 0) = \frac{n(X = 0)}{n(X = 0) + n(X = 1)} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{6}{6 + 7} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{6}{13} \approx 0.462 \quad (3)$$

- (ii) The probability that the chosen letter is a consonant is given by:

$$\Pr(X = 1) = \frac{n(X = 1)}{n(X = 0) + n(X = 1)} \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{7}{6 + 7} \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{7}{13} \approx 0.538 \quad (6)$$

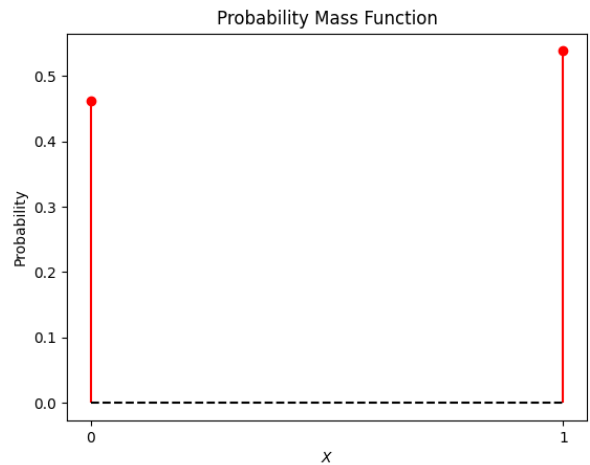


Fig. 1: Plot of the probability mass function