AI1103–Assignment-3

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QUESTION

Let the random variable X have the distribution P(X = 0) = P(X = 3) = p, P(X = 1) = 1 - 3pfor $0 \le p \le \frac{1}{2}$. What is the maximum value of V(X)?

- A) 3
- B) 4
- C) 5
- D) 6
- E) none

SOLUTION

Value of X	0	1	3	k
Probability of 'X'	p	1 - 3p	p	?

TABLE 5: Distribution of 'X'

We know that "sum of all probabilities= 1". Hence,

$$P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 3) + P(X = k) = 1$$

$$(0.0.1)$$

$$(p) + (1 - 3p) + (p) + P(X = k) = 1$$

$$(0.0.2)$$

$$1 - p + P(X = k) = 1$$

$$(0.0.3)$$

$$P(X = k) = p$$

$$(0.0.4)$$

The expectation value of 'X', E(X) is,

$$E(X) = \bar{X} = \sum x_i . P(X = x_i)$$

$$= (0)(p) + (1)(1 - 3p) + (3)(p) + (k)(p)$$

$$(0.0.5)$$

$$= (0.0.6)$$

$$= 1 + kp \tag{0.0.7}$$

Now the expression for variance,

$$V(X) = \sum P(X = x_i)(x_i - \bar{X})^2$$
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$$V(X) = \sum P(X = x_i)(x_i - (1 + kp))^2$$
 (0.0.9)
(0.0.10)

Let V(X) = f(k).

$$V(X) = f(k) = (p - p^2)k^2 + (-2p)k + (6p)$$
(0.0.11)

$$V(X) = f(k) = (p - p^2)k^2 - 2pk + 6p \qquad (0.0.12)$$

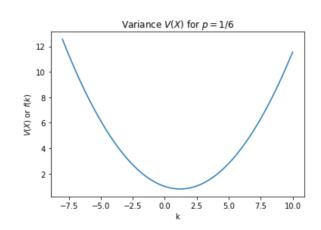
Compare the above quadratic equation with the general standard form of quadratic equation $'ax^2 +$ bx + c'. We get,

$$a = p - p^2 (0.0.13)$$

$$b = -2p (0.0.14)$$

$$c = 6p$$
 (0.0.15)

 $a > 0, \forall p \in (0, 1)$. It is given in question that $0 \le p \le \frac{1}{2}$. Hence $a \ge 0$. Hence maximum value of quadratic expression, V(X) is $+\infty$, as $k \to \pm \infty$.



Hence maximum value of V(X) is $+\infty$.

Answer: Option E

Maximum value of $V(X)=+\infty$