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Assignment 2

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1 Problem

Let X denote the number of hours you study during a randomly selected school day. The probability that X can take the values x, has the following form, where k is some unknown constant.

$$\Pr(X = x) = \begin{cases} 0.1 & x = 0\\ kx, & 1 \le x \le 2\\ k(5 - x), & 3 \le x \le 4\\ 0, & otherwise \end{cases}$$
 (1.0.1)

- A) Find the value of k.
- B) What is the probability that you study at least two hours? Exactly two hours? At most two hours?

2 Solution

If we expand the probabilities given further more by substituting the value of x and only considering 0 to 4 hours as the probability of studying in the remaining hours is zero, we get

X	0	1	2	3	4
Pr(X = x)	0.1	k	2k	2k	k

TABLE 2: Given probabilities

we also know that,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{4} \Pr(X = k) = 1$$
 (2.0.1)

By substituting the probabilities in (2.0.1)

$$\implies 0.1 + k + 2k + 2k + k = 1$$
 (2.0.2)

$$\implies 6k = 0.9 \tag{2.0.3}$$

Therefore, from (2.0.3)

$$k = 0.15 \tag{2.0.4}$$

So from 2

X	0	1	2	3	4
Pr(X = x)	0.1	0.15	0.3	0.3	0.15

TABLE 2: Probabilities after finding k

1) Probability of studying at least two hours

$$\implies \sum_{k=2}^{4} \Pr(X = k) \tag{2.0.5}$$

$$\implies$$
 Pr $(X = 2)$ + Pr $(X = 3)$ + Pr $(X = 4)$ (2.0.6)

By substituting probabilities in (2.0.6)

$$= 0.3 + 0.3 + 0.15 \tag{2.0.7}$$

$$= 0.75$$
 (2.0.8)

2) Probability of studying exactly two hours

$$= \Pr(X = 2)$$
 (2.0.9)

$$= 0.3$$
 (2.0.10)

3) Probability of studying at most two hours

$$\implies \sum_{k=0}^{2} \Pr(X = k) \tag{2.0.11}$$

$$\implies$$
 Pr $(X = 0)$ + Pr $(X = 1)$ + Pr $(X = 2)$ (2.0.12)

By substituting probabilities in (2.0.12)

$$= 0.1 + 0.15 + 0.3$$
 (2.0.13)

$$= 0.55$$
 (2.0.14)

$\Pr(X \ge 2)$	$\Pr\left(X=2\right)$	$\Pr(X \le 2)$
0.75	0.3	0.55
Case 1	Case 2	Case 3

TABLE 3: Final solution

