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Assignment 4

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Question: (CBSE CLASS 11 - Example 11)

A bag contains 9 discs of which 4 are red, 3 are blue and 2 are yellow. The discs are similar in shape and size. A disc is drawn at random from the bag. Calculate the probability that it will be:

- (i) red
- (ii) yellow
- (iii) blue
- (iv) not blue
- (v) either red or blue

Solution:

Color	No. of Discs
Red	4
Yellow	2
Blue	3
Total	9

TABLE I

Let a random variable *X* denote the outcome of the experiment such that:-

Event	Description
X = 0	Drawn ball is Red
X = 1	Drawn ball is Yellow
X = 2	Drawn ball is Blue

TABLE II

(i) X = 0 denotes the disc is red.

$$Pr(X = 0) = \frac{4}{9}$$
 (1)
= $\boxed{0.444}$ (2)

(ii) X = 1 denotes the disc is yellow.

$$Pr(X = 1) = \frac{2}{9}$$
 (3)
= $\boxed{0.222}$

(iii) X = 2 denotes the disc is blue.

$$Pr(X = 2) = \frac{3}{9}$$
 (5)
= $\frac{1}{2}$ (6)

$$= \boxed{0.333} \tag{7}$$

(iv) $X \neq 2$ denotes the disc is not blue, that is, $X \in \{0, 1\}$. Thus, the disc is either yellow or red.

$$Pr(X \neq 2) = Pr(X \in \{0, 1\})$$
 (8)

$$= \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(X = 1)$$
 (9)

$$=\frac{4+2}{9}$$
 (10)

$$=\frac{2}{3}\tag{11}$$

$$= \boxed{0.667} \tag{12}$$

(v) $X \in \{0, 2\}$ denotes the disc is either red or blue.

$$Pr(X \in \{0, 2\}) = Pr(X = 0) + Pr(X = 2)$$
 (13)

$$=\frac{4+3}{9}$$
 (14)

$$=\frac{7}{9}\tag{15}$$

$$= \boxed{0.778} \tag{16}$$

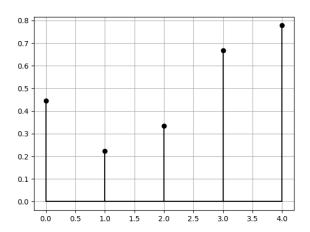


Fig. 1: Plot of PMF using above data