

Assume each team has 0.5 probability to win a game.

* Four games: ($X=4$)

* 1st team win all 4 games.

$$P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ team win all 4}) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{16}$$

Similarly .

$$P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ team win all 4}) = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P(4) = P(X=4) = \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{2}{16}.$$

* Five games ($X=5$)

1st team

BAAAA, ABAAA, AABAA, AAABA, ~~AAAAB~~

$$P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ team}) = \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}\right) \times 4$$

$$P(X=5) = 2 \times 4 \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 = \frac{1}{4}$$

* Six games ($X=6$)

BBAAAA, ABBAAAA, AABBAA, AAABBA, ~~AAAABB~~
BABAAA, ABABAAA, AABABAA, AAABABA, ~~AAAABBA~~
 BAABAA, ABAABAA
 BAABABA

$$P(X=6) = 2 \times 10 \times \frac{1}{2^6} = \frac{5}{16}$$

* Seven Games ($X=7$)

$$P(X=7) = 1 - P(4) - P(5) - P(6) \\ = 1 - \frac{2}{16} - \frac{4}{16} - \frac{5}{16} = \frac{5}{16}$$

\therefore all the possible values of X are: 4, 5, 6, 7

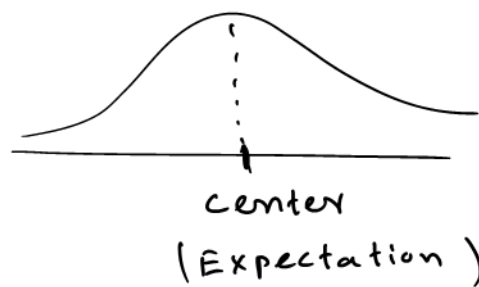
\therefore Probability distribution of X :

$X=x$	4	5	6	7
$P(X=x)$	$\frac{2}{16}$	$\frac{4}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$	$\frac{5}{16}$

Alternative way:

$$P(X=x) = p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{16} & : x=4 \\ \frac{4}{16} & : x=5 \\ \frac{5}{16} & : x=6, 7 \\ 0 & : \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Sec 1.5: Expected Value



Defn $E(X)$

The expected value of random variable X (or mean of X , or Average of X) is defined as

$$E(X) = \sum_x x \cdot p(X=x)$$

Eg: consider the distribution $p(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{16} & : x=0 \\ \frac{6}{16} & : x=1 \\ \frac{9}{16} & : x=2 \end{cases}$

then

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=0}^2 x \cdot p(X=x) = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{16} + 1 \cdot \frac{6}{16} + 2 \cdot \frac{9}{16} = \frac{24}{16} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Eg:-

If you play roulette and bet \$1 on black then you win \$1 with probability 18/38 and you lose \$1 with probability 20/38. What is the expected win?

x	1	-1
$p(x)$	$18/38$	$20/38$

x - winning amount

$$E(X) = 1 \cdot \frac{18}{38} + (-1) \cdot \frac{20}{38} = \frac{-2}{38} = -0.0526$$

Eg-3)

Expectation of Geometric distribution.

Probability distribution: $p(x) = \underbrace{p(1-p)^{x-1}} : x=1, 2, 3, \dots$

So

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot \underbrace{p(x)}$$

$$= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \cdot p(1-p)^{x-1}$$

$$= p \left[\underbrace{1 \cdot (1-p)^0 + 2(1-p)^1 + 3(1-p)^2 + \dots}_{S_{\infty}} \right] \rightarrow \textcircled{A}$$

$$\text{Let } S_{\infty} = 1 + 2(1-p) + 3(1-p)^2 + \dots \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \times (1-p)$$

$$(1-p)S_{\infty} =$$

$$1-p + 2(1-p)^2 + 3(1-p)^3 + \dots \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} - \textcircled{2} :$$

$$\underbrace{S_{\infty} - (1-p)S_{\infty}}_{pS_{\infty}} = 1 + 1-p + (1-p)^2 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{1-(1-p)} = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{\infty} = \frac{1}{p^2}$$

$$S_{\infty} = a + ar + ar^2 + \dots$$

$$S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$$

So from (A)

$$E(X) = p \cdot \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p}$$

* If X follows a Geometric distribution with
 $p(\text{Success}) = p$,

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{p}$$