

Assignment1

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QUESTION 3.3:

Suppose X has a binomial distribution. Show that $X = 3$ is the most likely outcome. (Hint : $P(X = 3)$ is the maximum among all $P(x_i)$, ($x_i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$). Assume $p=0.5$)

SOLUTION

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Let X be a binomial random variable which has probability $p=0.5$

$$pX = 0.5 \quad (0.0.1)$$

Given number of times event(X) is performed(n)=6

$$n(x) = 6 \quad (0.0.2)$$

Given probability of event(p)=0.5
Probability that event(X) does not occur is $(1-p)=1-0.5=0.5$

$$1 - p(x) = 0.5 \quad (0.0.3)$$

We know that binomial probability

$$\Pr(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k} \quad (0.0.4)$$

For $\Pr(X = k)$ to be most likely outcome(highest probability), $\Pr(X = k)$ should be maximum, where $k=\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

To find maximum of $\Pr(X = k)$, let us apply

logarithm on both sides for equation (0.0.4) and then differentiate it with respect to p .

$$\log \Pr(X = k) = \log \left(\binom{n}{k} \times p^k \times (1 - p)^{n-k} \right) \quad (0.0.5)$$

$$= \log \left[\frac{n!}{(n-k)! \times k!} \right] + k \times \log p + (n-k) \times \log(1-p) \quad (0.0.6)$$

Differentiate eq (0.0.6) with respect to p

$$\frac{d \log \Pr(X = k)}{dp} = \frac{d \log \left[\frac{n!}{(n-k)! \times k!} \right]}{dp} + k \times \frac{d \log p}{dp} \quad (0.0.7)$$

$$+ (n-k) \times \frac{d \log(1-p)}{dp} = 0 + \frac{k}{p} - \frac{n-k}{1-p} \quad (0.0.8)$$

To find maximum, substitute $\frac{d \log \Pr(X=k)}{dp} = 0$ in (0.0.8)

$$\frac{k}{p} = \frac{n-k}{1-p} \quad (0.0.9)$$

$$\frac{n-k}{k} = \frac{1-p}{p} \quad (0.0.10)$$

$$\frac{n}{k} - 1 = \frac{1}{p} - 1 \quad (0.0.11)$$

$$\frac{n}{k} = \frac{1}{p} \quad (0.0.12)$$

$$k = n \times p \quad (0.0.13)$$

substituting $n=6, p=1-p=\frac{1}{2}$ in (0.0.13)

We get $k = 6 \times 0.5 = 3$ $\Pr(X = 3)$ is maximum, $\therefore \Pr(X = 3)$ is most likely outcome.

Hence proved.

