Assignment 1

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1 Problem

(Prob 3.6) Find the probability distribution of

- (i) number of heads in two tosses of a coin.
- (ii) number of tails in the simultaneous tosses of three coins.
- (iii) number of heads in four tosses of a coin.

2 Solution

Let $X_i \in \{0, 1\}$ represent the i^{Th} coin where 1 denotes the coin giving outcome as head. Then, X_i has a Bernoulli distribution with parameter

$$p = \frac{1}{2} \tag{2.0.1}$$

Let

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \tag{2.0.2}$$

where n is the total number of coins tossed. Then X has a Binomial Distribution. Then for

$$\Pr(X_i = n) \stackrel{Z}{\rightleftharpoons} \Pr(X_i = z)$$
 (2.0.3)

yielding

$$\Pr(X_i = z) = 1 - p + pz^{-1}$$
 (2.0.4)

with using the fact that X_i are i.i.d.,

$$\Pr(X = z) = (1 - p + pz^{-1})^{n}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{n} {^{n}C_{k}p^{k}(1-p)^{n-k}z^{-k}}$$
(2.0.5)

$$\Pr(X = k) = \begin{cases} {}^{n}C_{k}p^{k}(1-p)^{n-k} & 0 \le k \le n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2.0.6)

TABLE 0 TABLE OF PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION OF DIFFERENT CASES

Case	n (no. of coins)	k (no. of required outcomes)	0	1	2	3	4
(i)	2	Pr(X = k) (heads)	1/2	1/4	1/2	0	0
(ii)	3	Pr(X = k) (tails)	1/8	3/8	3/8	1/8	0
(iii)	4	Pr(X = k) (heads)	1/16	1/4	3/8	1/4	1/16

The above table represents the probability distribution of following of following cases at different k values.

(i) Two coins. So,

$$n = 2$$
 (2.0.7)

from (2.0.6),

$$\Pr(X = k) = \begin{cases} {}^{2}C_{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2} & \text{if } 0 \le k \le 2\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2.0.8)

Probability distribution of number of heads with two tosses of a coin 0.5 Simulation Analysis 0.4 Probabilty 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.00 0.25 0.50 1.00 1.25 1.50 1.75 2.00 number of heads

Fig. i. Plot of probability distribution of two tossed coins

(ii) To get probability of tails,

$$\Pr(X = n - k) = \begin{cases} {}^{n}C_{k}(p)^{k}(1 - p)^{n - k} & 0 \le k \le n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$(2.0.9)$$

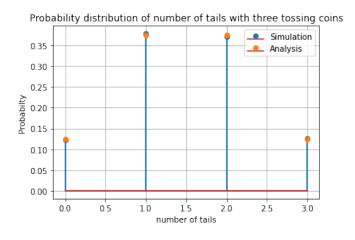
$$\Pr(X = k) = \begin{cases} {}^{n}C_{k}(p)^{n-k}(1-p)^{k} & 0 \le k \le n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2.0.10)

Three coins. So,

$$n = 3$$
 (2.0.11)

from (2.0.10),

$$\Pr(X = k) = \begin{cases} {}^{3}C_{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3} & \text{if } 0 \le k \le 3\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2.0.12)



0.00 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 number of heads

Fig. iii. Plot of probability distribution of four tossed coins

Probability distribution of number of heads with two tosses of a coin

0.35

0.30

0.25

0.20

0.15

0.10

0.05

Simulation

Analysis

Fig. ii. Plot of probability distribution of no of tails with three tossed coins

(iii) Four coins. So,

$$n = 4$$
 (2.0.13)

from (2.0.6),

$$\Pr(X = k) = \begin{cases} {}^{4}C_{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4} & \text{if } 0 \le k \le 4\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2.0.14)