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Assignment 4

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Abstract—This document contains the solution to Question 4 of exercise 16.3 of Chapter 16 (Probability) in the NCERT Class 11 Textbook.

Probability Excercise 16.3 Q4.

A card is selected from a pack of 52 cards.

- (i) How many points are there in the sample space?
- (ii) Calculate the probability that the card is an ace of spades.
- (iii) Calculate the probability that the card is an ace.
- (iv) Calculate the probability that the card is black.

Solution: Let $X \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ is a random variable that denotes outcome of the experiment, where X = 0 denotes occurrence of an ace card of spades, X = 1 denotes occurrence of an ace card, X = 2 denotes occurrence of a black card.

1) Total number of points in sample space

$$n(S) = 52 \tag{1}$$

In PMF approach:

$$\Pr\left(X=r\right) = \binom{n}{r} \times p^r \times (1-p)^{n-r} \qquad (2)$$

2) Probability that the card is an ace of spades, for this $n = 1, r = 1, p = \frac{1}{52}$

$$\Pr(X = 0) = {1 \choose 1} \times (\frac{1}{52})^1 \times (1 - \frac{1}{52})^{1-1}$$
 (3)
= $\frac{1}{52}$ (4)

3) Probability that the card is an ace card, for this $n = 1, r = 1, p = \frac{4}{52}$

$$\Pr(X = 1) = {1 \choose 1} \times (\frac{4}{52})^1 \times (1 - \frac{4}{52})^{1-1}$$
 (5)
= $\frac{1}{13}$ (6)

4) Probability that the card is black, for this $n = 1, r = 1, p = \frac{26}{52}$

$$Pr(X = 2) = {1 \choose 1} \times (\frac{26}{52})^1 \times (1 - \frac{26}{52})^{1-1}$$
 (7)
= $\frac{1}{2}$ (8)

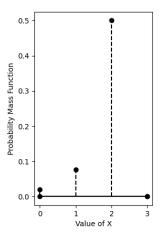


Fig. 1: Plot of the PMF