AI1110 Assignment 1

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Question: 10.13.2.12 Sushma tosses a coin 3 times and gets tail each time. Do you think that the outcome of next toss will be a tail? Give reasons. Solution: As the coin is tossed 3 times and gets a tail each time but it is not necessary that 4th time will be a tail. It may be either tail or head in any further toss.

Let X be the random variable for the occurrence of tail.

(i) In this binomial distribution, n = 3.

$$\Pr(X = r) = {^{n}C_{r}p^{r}q^{n-r}} \tag{1}$$

where,

$$0 \le X \le 3. \tag{2}$$

$$p = q = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Pr(X=3) = {}^{3}C_{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{0} = \frac{1}{8}$$
 (3)

(ii) In this binomial distribution, n = 4.

$$\Pr(X = r) = {^{n}C_{r}}p^{r}q^{n-r} \tag{4}$$

where,

$$0 \le X \le 4 \tag{5}$$

$$p = q = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Pr(X=4) = {}^{4}C_{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{0} = \frac{1}{16}$$
 (6)

Let Y be a Bernoulli random variable for coin on fourth toss with heads as success.

$$\Pr(Y = 1) = p = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Pr(Y = 0) = 1 - p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Comparing from the cases,

$$Pr(X = 4) = Pr(X = 3) \times Pr(Y = 0) = \frac{1}{16}$$
 (7)

$$\Pr(X = 3) \times \Pr(Y = 1) = \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{16}$$
 (8)

Clearly,

$$Pr(X = 3) \times Pr(Y = 0) = Pr(X = 3) \times Pr(Y = 1) = \frac{1}{16}$$
(9)

Code

from scipy.stats import binom

n,p = 4, 0.5

Hence,

$$\Pr(X = 4) = 0.0625 \tag{10}$$

Probability of Head = Tail = $\frac{1}{2}$ in every single case. Hence, the given statement is false.