

# Bonus Question

AI1110: Probability and Random Variables

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## Question:

Let  $X$  represent the difference between the number of heads and the number of tails obtained when a coin is tossed 6 times. What are possible values of  $X$ ?

## Solution:

Let  $A$  be a random variable which represents the number of Heads obtained in 6 coin tosses.

And  $B$  be a random variable which represents the number of Tails obtained in 6 coin tosses.

Then,

$$A \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

Similarly,

$$B \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$A + B = 6 \quad (1)$$

$$X = |A - B| \quad (2)$$

from eq(1)

$$X = |A - (6 - A)| \quad (3)$$

$$X = |2A - 6| \quad (4)$$

$$X = \begin{cases} 6 & A \in \{0, 6\} \\ 4 & A \in \{1, 5\} \\ 2 & A \in \{2, 4\} \\ 0 & A \in \{3\} \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Hence, The possible values of  $X$  are  $\{0, 2, 4, 6\}$