

AI1103 Assignment 3

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QUESTION 2

Let X have a binomial distribution with parameters n and p , where n is an integer greater than 1 and $0 < p < 1$. If $P(X = 0) = P(X = 1)$, then the value of p is

(A) $\frac{1}{n-1}$

(C) $\frac{1}{n+1}$

(B) $\frac{n}{n+1}$

(D) $\frac{1}{1+n^{\frac{1}{n-1}}}$

SOLUTION

Let the given table defines the variables

Variables	Definition
X	Random variable
p	Probability of success
n	Number of trials
k	Number of successes

TABLE 4: Definition of Variables

By Binomial Distribution, we have

$$\Pr(X = k) = {}^nC_k p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \quad (0.0.1)$$

Given $\Pr(X = 0) = \Pr(X = 1)$

$$\Pr(X = 0) = \Pr(X = 1) \quad (0.0.2)$$

$${}^nC_0 p^0 (1-p)^{n-0} = {}^nC_1 p^1 (1-p)^{n-1} \quad (0.0.3)$$

$$(1-p)^n = np(1-p)^{n-1} \quad (0.0.4)$$

$$(1-p) = np \quad (0.0.5)$$

$$1 = (1+n)p \quad (0.0.6)$$

$$p = \frac{1}{n+1} \quad (0.0.7)$$

Therefore, the value of p is option (C) $\frac{1}{n+1}$