Al1110 Assignment-8

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A fair coin is tossed twice , and let the random variable X represent the number of heads. Find $F_X(x)$ (Cummulative Distribution Function of X)

Solution

Let us denote Head by H and tail by T.

Sample Space(S) = $\{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$.

X: Number of heads obtained

$$X(HH) = 2 \tag{1}$$

$$X(HT) = 1 (2)$$

$$X(TH) = 1 (3)$$

$$X(TT) = 0 (4)$$

$$\Pr(X = 0) = \frac{1}{4} \tag{5}$$

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$$Pr(X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Pr(X = 2) = \frac{1}{4}$$
(5)

$$\Pr(X = 2) = \frac{1}{4} \tag{7}$$

From the definition of Cummulative Distribution Function(CDF) of a random variable X

$$F_X(x) = \Pr\left(X \le x\right) \tag{8}$$

For x < 0 , $X < x \Rightarrow X < 0$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr\left(X < 0\right) \tag{9}$$

$$F_X(x) = 0 (10)$$

For $0 \le x \le 1$, $X \le x \Rightarrow X \le 1$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr\left(X < 1\right) \tag{11}$$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr(X = 0) \tag{12}$$

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{4} \tag{13}$$



For $1 \le x < 2$, $X \le x \Rightarrow X < 2$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr\left(X < 2\right) \tag{14}$$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(X = 1)$$
 (15)

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \tag{16}$$

$$F_X(x) = \frac{3}{4} \tag{17}$$

For $x \ge 2$, $X \le x \Rightarrow X < \infty$

$$F_X(x) = \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(X = 1) + \Pr(X = 2)$$
 (18)

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \tag{19}$$

$$F_X(x) = 1 (20)$$

Graph

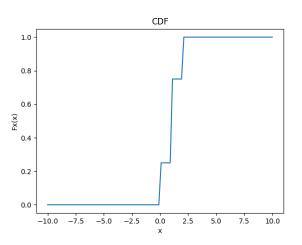


Figure: CDF graph

