

## 02\_Exercise3\_MaxL

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GIVEN: Samples 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0 from a binomial distribution which has the form:  $P(x=0)=(1-\mu)$ ,  $P(x=1)=\mu$

REQUESTED: What is the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\mu$  Hint: you can use SymPy to compute the derivatives symbolically

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In [5]: import sympy as sp
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In the given samples:  
Number of ones : 2  
Number of zeros : 4

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In [6]: p=sp.symbols('p')
        y=sp.Function('y')(p)
        y=(2*p**2)*(4*(1-p)**4)
        q=sp.diff(y,p,1)
        sp.solve(q,p)
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Out[6]: [0, 1/3, 1]
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Hence the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\mu$  is  $1/3$