AI1103: Assignment 1

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PROBLEM STATEMENT:

An urn contains 25 balls of which 10 balls bear a mark 'X' and the remaining 15 bear a mark 'Y'. A ball is drawn at random from the urn, its mark is noted down and it is replaced. If 6 balls are drawn in this way, find the probability that:

- 1) all will bear 'X' mark.
- 2) not more than 2 will bear 'Y' mark.
- 3) at least one ball will bear 'Y' mark.
- 4) the number of balls with 'X' mark and 'Y' mark will be equal.

SOLUTION:

Let X be the number of balls which have 'X' mark on them

Using the expression of binomial distribution

$$P(X=r) = \binom{n}{r} p^r q^{n-r}$$

We have

$$n = 6$$

$$p = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4$$

$$q = \frac{3}{5} = 0.6$$

For (i) we need to find P(X = 6)

$$P(X = 6) = {6 \choose 6} p^6 q^0 = {2 \choose 5}^6 = 0.004096$$

For (ii) we need to find $P(X \ge 4)$

$$P(X \ge 4) = \sum_{r=4}^{6} {6 \choose r} p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$= \binom{6}{4} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^4 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \binom{6}{5} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^5 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + \binom{6}{6} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^6$$

$$= \frac{432}{3125} + \frac{576}{15625} + \frac{64}{15625}$$

$$= \frac{112}{625} = 0.1792$$

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For (iii) we need to find $P(X \le 5)$

$$P(X \le 5) = \sum_{r=0}^{5} {6 \choose r} p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$= {6 \choose 0} {3 \choose \overline{5}}^6 + {6 \choose 1} {2 \choose \overline{5}}^1 {3 \choose \overline{5}}^5 + {6 \choose 2} {2 \choose \overline{5}}^2 {3 \choose \overline{5}}^4 + {6 \choose 3} {2 \choose \overline{5}}^3 {3 \choose \overline{5}}^3$$

$$+ {6 \choose 4} {2 \choose \overline{5}}^4 {3 \choose \overline{5}}^2 + {6 \choose 5} {2 \choose \overline{5}}^5 {3 \choose \overline{5}}$$

$$= \frac{729}{15625} + \frac{2916}{15625} + \frac{972}{3125} + \frac{864}{3125} + \frac{432}{3125} + \frac{576}{15625}$$

$$= \frac{15561}{15625} = 0.995904$$

For (iv) we need to find P(X = 3)

$$P(X = 3) = {6 \choose 3} p^3 q^3$$
$$= {6 \choose 3} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^3 = 0.27648$$