Assignment 6

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Ex. 4.24, chapter 4, Papoulis

A fair coin is tossed n times. Find n such that the probability that the number of heads is between 0.49n and 0.52n is at least 0.9.



Solution

Since the coin is fair. So,

$$p = q = 0.5 \tag{1}$$

No. of heads would be in between .49n and .52n. So,

$$k_1 = .49n \tag{2}$$

$$k_2 = .52n \tag{3}$$

Now,

$$\frac{k_2 - pn}{\sqrt{pqn}} = \frac{.52n - .5n}{\sqrt{.5 \times .5n}}$$

$$= \frac{.02n}{.5\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= .04\sqrt{n}$$
(4)

$$\frac{k_1 - pn}{\sqrt{pqn}} = \frac{.49n - .5n}{\sqrt{.5 \times .5n}}$$

$$= \frac{-.01n}{.5\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= -.02\sqrt{n}$$
(5)

So,

$$P(.49n \le k \le .52n) = G(\frac{k_2 - pn}{\sqrt{pqn}}) - G(\frac{k_1 - pn}{\sqrt{pqn}}) \ge .9$$

$$= G(.04\sqrt{n}) - G(-.02\sqrt{n}) \ge .9$$

$$= G(.04\sqrt{n}) + G(.02\sqrt{n}) - 1 \ge .9$$

$$= G(.04\sqrt{n}) + G(.02\sqrt{n}) \ge 1.9$$
(6)

using table, we get that

$$.02\sqrt{n} > 1.3$$
 $\sqrt{n} > 65$
 $n > 65^2$
(7)



E:\>python assignment_6_AI1110.py

Figure: code output



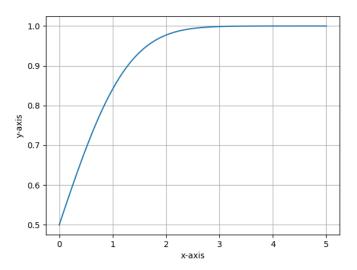


Figure: G(x) function

