

Exercise 02

1) A probability mass function is defined as

$$\sum_{i=1}^n P(i) = 1 \quad \text{They all add upto 1}$$

$P(i) \geq 0$ for all i Every probability is non negative

Since the given function in question is

$$P(i) = \frac{i}{M_n} \quad \text{where } M_n = \sum_{k=1}^n k$$

Here M_n is sum of n positive integers

$$M_n = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 \dots n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Non negativity checking :-

Since $i = \{1 \dots n\}$ is positive

$M_n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ is also positive

Therefore $P(i) \geq 0$ for all i

All add upto 1 checking

$$\sum_{i=1}^n P(i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{i}{M_n}$$

$$\frac{1}{M_n} = \sum_{i=1}^n i$$

$$= \frac{1}{M_n} (M_n) = \boxed{1}$$

2. Expectation Value

a) $\therefore x_i$ is the value of i that die can show.

$$\therefore P(X = i) = \frac{i}{M_n}$$

$$E_{P_n}(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i P_n(x_i)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n i \times i = \frac{1}{M_n} \sum_{i=1}^n i^2$$

As we know the formula for the sum of square

$$i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\frac{1}{M_n} \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{1}{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}} \times \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n+1)} \times \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} = \boxed{\frac{2n+1}{3}}$$

b) for $n = 6$

$$E_{P_n}(X) = \frac{2n+1}{3} = \frac{2(6)+1}{3} = \boxed{4.333}$$