

## EXERCISE 13.4

1. State which of the following are not the probability distributions of a random variable. Give reasons for your answer

X	0	1	2
P(X)	0.4	0.4	0.2

i

X	0	1	2	3	4
P(X)	0.1	0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.3

ii

Y	-1	0	1
P(Y)	0.6	0.1	0.2

iii

Z	3	2	1	0	-1
P(Z)	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	-0.05

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2. An urn contains 5 red and 2 black balls. Two balls are randomly drawn. Let X represent the number of black balls. What are the possible values of X? Is X a random variable ?
3. Let X represent the difference between the number of heads and the number of tails obtained when a coin is tossed 6 times. What are possible values of X?
4. Find the probability distribution of

- i number of heads in two tosses of a coin.
  - ii number of tails in the simultaneous tosses of three coins.
  - iii number of heads in four tosses of a coin.
5. Find the probability distribution of the number of successes in two tosses of a die, where a success is defined as
- i number greater than 4
  - ii six appears on at least one die
6. From a lot of 30 bulbs which include 6 defectives, a sample of 4 bulbs is drawn at random with replacement. Find the probability distribution of the number of defective bulbs.
7. A coin is biased so that the head is 3 times as likely to occur as tail. If the coin is tossed twice, find the probability distribution of number of tails.
8. A random variable X has the following probability distribution

Determine

X	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
P(X)	0	K	2K	2K	3K	$K^2$	$2K^2$	$7K^2 + K$

- i
  - ii k
  - iii  $P(X < 3)$
  - iv  $P(X > 6)$
  - v  $P(0 < X < 3)$
9. The random variable X has a probability distribution P(X) of the following form, where k is some number :

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} k, & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 2k, & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 3k, & \text{if } x = 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- a Determine the value of k.
- b Find  $P(X < 2)$ ,  $P(X \leq 2)$ ,  $P(X \geq 2)$

10. Find the mean number of heads in three tosses of a fair coin.
11. Two dice are thrown simultaneously. If  $X$  denotes the number of sixes, find the expectation of  $X$ .
12. Two numbers are selected at random (without replacement) from the first six positive integers. Let  $X$  denote the larger of the two numbers obtained. Find  $E(X)$ .
13. Let  $X$  denote the sum of the numbers obtained when two fair dice are rolled. Find the variance and standard deviation of  $X$ .
14. A class has 15 students whose ages are 14, 17, 15, 14, 21, 17, 19, 20, 16, 18, 20, 17, 16, 19 and 20 years. One student is selected in such a manner that each has the same chance of being chosen and the age  $X$  of the selected student is recorded. What is the probability distribution of the random variable  $X$ ? Find mean, variance and standard deviation of  $X$ .
15. In a meeting, 70A member is selected at random and we take  $X = 0$  if he opposed, and  $X = 1$  if he is in favour. Find  $E(X)$  and  $\text{Var}(X)$ .

Choose the correct answer in each of the following:

16. The mean of the numbers obtained on throwing a die having written 1 on three faces, 2 on two faces and 5 on one face is
  - a 1
  - b 2
  - c 5
  - d  $\frac{8}{3}$
17. Suppose that two cards are drawn at random from a deck of cards. Let  $X$  be the number of aces obtained. Then the value of  $E(X)$  is
  - A  $\frac{37}{221}$
  - B  $\frac{5}{13}$
  - C  $\frac{1}{13}$
  - D  $\frac{2}{13}$