

Lab 5

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Problem: Suppose you have a sample space representing the number of heads obtained when tossing n fair coins and biased coins. For the biased coin, the probability of getting a head $p(\text{head})$ is 0.3. Compute the probability distributions for both the fair and biased coins regarding the number of heads, and then calculate the statistical distance between these two distributions.

Solution:

Let X represent the number of heads obtained when tossing n coins. The probability mass function (PMF) for X can be represented by the binomial distribution:

$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} \cdot p^k \cdot (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

Where:

- n is the number of coin tosses,
- k is the number of heads obtained,
- p is the probability of getting a head.

For the fair coin:

$$p_{\text{fair}} = 0.5$$

For the biased coin:

$$p_{\text{biased}} = 0.3$$

Now, the probability distributions for the fair coin:

$$P_{\text{fair}}(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} \cdot 0.5^k \cdot 0.5^{n-k}$$

The probability distributions for the biased coin:

$$P_{\text{biased}}(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} \cdot 0.3^k \cdot 0.7^{n-k}$$

Now, the statistical distance between two probability distributions P and Q is defined as:

$$\Delta(P, Q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_x |P(x) - Q(x)|$$

Where x ranges over all possible values.

Let's calculate the statistical distance between the fair and biased coin distributions.

$$\Delta(P_{\text{fair}}, P_{\text{biased}}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n |P_{\text{fair}}(X = k) - P_{\text{biased}}(X = k)|$$

$$\Delta(P_{\text{fair}}, P_{\text{biased}}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^n \left| \binom{n}{k} \cdot 0.5^k \cdot 0.5^{n-k} - \binom{n}{k} \cdot 0.3^k \cdot 0.7^{n-k} \right|$$

For $n = 5$

Fair Coin Probability Distribution:

$$P_{\text{fair}}(0 \text{ heads}) = 0.03125$$

$$P_{\text{fair}}(1 \text{ heads}) = 0.15625$$

$$P_{\text{fair}}(2 \text{ heads}) = 0.3125$$

$$P_{\text{fair}}(3 \text{ heads}) = 0.3125$$

$$P_{\text{fair}}(4 \text{ heads}) = 0.15625$$

$$P_{\text{fair}}(5 \text{ heads}) = 0.03125$$

Biased Coin Probability Distribution:

$$P_{\text{biased}}(0 \text{ heads}) = 0.16807$$

$$P_{\text{biased}}(1 \text{ heads}) = 0.36015$$

$$P_{\text{biased}}(2 \text{ heads}) = 0.3087$$

$$P_{\text{biased}}(3 \text{ heads}) = 0.1323$$

$$P_{\text{biased}}(4 \text{ heads}) = 0.02835$$

$$P_{\text{biased}}(5 \text{ heads}) = 0.00243$$

Statistical Distance between Distributions: 0.34072

For $n = 10$

Fair Coin Probability Distribution:

$$P(0 \text{ heads}) = 0.0078125$$

$$P(1 \text{ heads}) = 0.0546875$$

$$P(2 \text{ heads}) = 0.164062$$

$$P(3 \text{ heads}) = 0.273438$$

$$P(4 \text{ heads}) = 0.273438$$

$$P(5 \text{ heads}) = 0.164062$$

$$P(6 \text{ heads}) = 0.0546875$$

$$P(7 \text{ heads}) = 0.0078125$$

Biased Coin Probability Distribution:

$$P(0 \text{ heads}) = 0.0823543$$

$$P(1 \text{ heads}) = 0.247063$$

$$P(2 \text{ heads}) = 0.317652$$

$$P(3 \text{ heads}) = 0.226894$$

$$P(4 \text{ heads}) = 0.0972405$$

$$P(5 \text{ heads}) = 0.0250047$$

$$P(6 \text{ heads}) = 0.0035721$$

$$P(7 \text{ heads}) = 0.0002187$$

Statistical Distance between Distributions: 0.420507

Implementation in C++

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1 #include <bits/stdc++.h>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 double pow_(double base, long long exponent) {
5     double result = 1;
6
7     while (exponent > 0) {
8         if (exponent & 1)
9             result = result * base;
10
11         exponent >>= 1;
12         base = base * base;
13     }
14
15     return result;
16 }
17
18 // Function to calculate binomial coefficient (n choose k)
19 long long binCoeff(long long n, long long k) {
20     long long C[k+1];
21     memset(C, 0, sizeof(C));
22     C[0] = 1;
23     for (long long i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
24         for (int j = min(i, k); j > 0; j--)
25             C[j] = C[j] + C[j-1];
26     }
27     return C[k];
28 }
29
30
31 double fairCoinProbability(long long n, long long k) {
32     double p_head = 0.5;
33     return binCoeff(n, k) * pow_(p_head, k) * pow_(1 - p_head, n - k);
34 }
35
36 double biasedCoinProbability(long long n, long long k) {
37     double p_head_bias = 0.3;
38     return binCoeff(n, k) * pow_(p_head_bias, k) * pow_(1-p_head_bias, n-k);
39 }
40
41 double statisticalDistance(vector<double>& dist1, vector<double>& dist2) {
42     double distance = 0.0;
43     for (size_t i = 0; i < dist1.size(); ++i) {
44         distance += 0.5 * fabs(dist1[i] - dist2[i]);
45     }
46     return distance;
47 }
48
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50 int main() {
51     long long n = 7; // Number of coin tosses
52
53     // Calculate probability distributions for fair and biased coins
54     vector<double> fairDistrib(n + 1, 0.0);
55     vector<double> biasedDistrib(n + 1, 0.0);
56
57     for (long long k = 0; k <= n; ++k) {
58         fairDistrib[k] = fairCoinProbability(n, k);
59         biasedDistrib[k] = biasedCoinProbability(n, k);
60     }
61
62     // Output probability distributions
63     cout << "Fair_Coin_Probability_Distribution:\n";
64     for (long long k = 0; k <= n; ++k)
65         cout << "P(" << k << "_heads)=_" << fairDistrib[k] << "\n";
66
67     cout << "\nBiased_Coin_Probability_Distribution:\n";
68     for (long long k = 0; k <= n; ++k)
69         cout << "P(" << k << "_heads)=_" << biasedDistrib[k] << "\n";
70
71     // Calculate and output the statistical distance
72     double distance = statisticalDistance(fairDistrib, biasedDistrib);
73     cout << "\nStatistical_Distance_between_Distributions:_" << distance;
74
75     return 0;
76 }

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