

1) Probability mass function of a random variable is given as:

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} 0.1 & x = -2 \\ 0.3 & x = -1 \\ 0.1 & x = 0 \\ 0.2 & x = 1 \\ 0.3 & x = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Let } Y = X(X^2 - 1)(X - 2)$$

Find the range of Y .

At $x = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= -2((-2)^2 - 1)(-2 - 2) \\ Y &= -2(3)(-4) \\ Y &= 24 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{aligned} \text{At } x = -1 \\ Y &= (-1)((-1)^2 - 1)(-1 - 2) \\ Y &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Similarly, for all other values of x

$$Y = 0$$

$$\therefore \text{Range of } Y = \{0, 24\}$$

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$$\text{Let } Y = X(X^2 - 1)(X - 2).$$

Find the value of $P(Y = 24)$.

$$P(Y = 24) = P(X = -2) = 0.1$$

3) Let $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$ and

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is an even number} \\ \frac{x+1}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is an odd number} \end{cases}$$

Find the range of $f(X)$.

for $x = 1$

$$f(n) = \frac{1+1}{2} = 1$$

for $x = 2$

$$f(n) = \frac{2+1}{2} = 1$$

for $x = 3$

$$f(n) = \frac{3+1}{2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Range of } X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Note: Geometric variables don't take values from 0 as you need atleast 1 trial to get a success.

4) Let $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p)$ and

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is an even number} \\ \frac{x+1}{2} & \text{if } x \text{ is an odd number} \end{cases}$$

Find the probability that $f(X) = k$
where k is in the range of $f(X)$.

when n is an even number,

$$f(n) = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot f(n) = n$$

$$[f(x) = k]$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2k$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X = 2k) = (1-p)^{x-1} \cdot p$$
$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2k-1} \cdot p$$

when n is an odd number,

$$f(n) = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot f(n) - 1 = n$$

$$[f(x) = k]$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 2k-1$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X = 2k-1) = (1-p)^{x-1} \cdot p$$
$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2k-1} \cdot p$$
$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2k-2} \cdot p$$

$\Rightarrow X$ can be even or X can be odd

$$\Rightarrow P(X = 2k) + P(X = 2k-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2k-1} \cdot p + (1-p)^{2k-2} \cdot p$$

$$\Rightarrow p \left[(1-p)^{2k-1} + (1-p)^{2k-2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow p \left[(1-p)^{2k-2} \cdot (1-p) + (1-p)^{2k-2} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2k-2} \cdot p \left[1-p + 1 \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-p)^{2(k-1)} \cdot p [2 - p]$$