

### Assignment: Probability Situations

1. There are 4 green smarties and 2 yellow smarties in a box. Maggie and Robin take one at a time without looking, Maggie going first. Whoever gets a colour that the other person has already chosen, gets to eat the smarties. What is the probability that Maggie will eat the smarties?  $\left[\frac{1}{3}\right]$
2. What is the probability of getting all six faces in 6 rolls of a die? [1.54%]
3. Three dice are rolled together. Find the probability of getting:
  - a. Tripe-6 [0.463%]
  - b. Any triple [2.78%]
  - c. Three different numbers [55.6%]
  - d. A sum of 10 [12.5%]
  - e. A sum of 14 [6.94%]
  - f. An odd sum [0.5]
  - g. An even sum [0.5]
  - h. An odd product [12.5%]
  - i. An even product [87.5%]
  - j. At least one 6 [42.1%]
  - k. Exactly two alike  $\left[\frac{5}{12}\right]$
  - l. Exactly two even numbers [37.5%]
4. When rolling a die,
  - a. What is the probability of getting a 6 within the first two rolls? [30.6%]
  - b. How many rolls would you need for the odds of getting a 6 to be in your favour?  
[ $n \geq 4$ ]
5. When rolling a pair of dice,
  - a. What is the probability of getting a rum of 12 within the first 5 rolls? [13.1%]
  - b. How many rolls would be needed to obtain favourable odds of getting a sum of 12?  
[ $n \geq 25$ ]
6. When rolling three dice,
  - a. What is the probability of getting a sum of 18 within the first 10 rolls? [4.53%]
  - b. How many rolls would you need to obtain favourable odds of getting a sum of 18?  
[ $n \geq 150$ ]
7. In a 6/49 lottery, the player buys a ticket by choosing 6 numbers from 1 through 49, and can win a prize if her numbers match the official winning numbers, which are drawn randomly. In a 6/49 lottery,
  - a. In how many ways can the 6 numbers be chosen? [13983816]
  - b. Calculate the probability of matching all 6 of the official numbers (which is called winning the jackpot) [ $7.151 \times 10^{-8}\%$ ]
  - c. Calculate the probability of matching 5 of the six official numbers (and one other that is not the winning official number) [0.00184%]
  - d. Calculate the probability of matching:
    - i. 4 numbers [0.0969%]
    - ii. 3 numbers [1.77%]
    - iii. 2 numbers [13.24%]
    - iv. 1 number [41.30%]
    - v. No official numbers [43.60%]

- e. Calculate the probability of all six numbers are odd  $\left[ \frac{25}{1974} \right]$
- f. Calculate the probability of all six numbers are even  $\left[ \frac{19}{1974} \right]$
- g. Calculate the probability of at least one number is repeated from last week [56.40%]
- h. Calculate the probability of there are no multiples of 5 [27.45%]
- i. Calculate the probability of at least one number is greater than 31. [94.73%]
- 8. This is a poker game involving 7 cards, in which the best 5 cards make up the poker hand.
  - a. You are holding  $\spadesuit$ King and  $\spadesuit$ Queen. There are 5 cards to come. Find the probability of :
    - i. Pairing at least one of these [48.74%]
    - ii. Pairing both King and Queen [6.46%]
    - iii. Getting 3 Kings or 3 Queens[4.57%]
    - iv. A full house involving kings and queens but not 4 of a kind (Full House: involving 3 of one kind and 2 of another kind) [0.804%]
    - v. A flush in diamonds (flush: 5 cards of the same suit) [6.40%]
    - vi. 4 Kings or 4 Queens [0.102%]
  - b. You are holding  $\spadesuit$ 7 and  $\clubsuit$  7, what is the probability of getting:
    - i. Three 7s at least [19.18%]
    - ii. Four 7s [0.816%]