

## Tutorial: Probability and statistics

### Aim

The aim of this tutorial is for students to practise calculating probabilities of events using different distributions.

### Questions

1. Two cards are drawn randomly from a deck of 52 cards. Find the probability that:
  - a) both are clubs
  - b) one is a club and one is a spade.
2. A survey of Australians living outside of Melbourne or Sydney has found that 25% have not visited Melbourne, 15% have not visited Sydney and 10% have never been to Sydney or Melbourne. A person is selected at random.
  - a) If she has not visited Sydney, what is the probability that she has not visited Melbourne?
  - b) If she has not visited Melbourne, what is the probability that she has not visited Sydney?
  - c) What is the probability that she has not visited either Melbourne or Sydney?
3. A dice is rolled and a coin is tossed.
  - a) Enumerate the sample space.
  - b) Find the probability that the dice shows an odd number and the coin shows a head.
4. Which of the following combinations of  $A$  and  $B$  are independent events?
  - a)  $P(A) = 0.5$ ,  $P(B) = 0.2$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = 0.1$
  - b)  $P(A) = 0.6$ ,  $P(B) = 0.2$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = 0.2$
  - c)  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.4$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = 0.16$
5. On a stopover at Dubai airport, Kerry noticed a charity raffle. The first prize was \$100,000 (or a car to the same value), the second prize was \$20,000 with a \$10,000 third prize. The tickets were very expensive (\$2000) but only 1000 were available. This contrasts with the usual situation of selling thousands of tickets for a small nominal amount. Kerry likes supporting charities and the prize on offer appears tempting.
  - a) If Kerry buys a ticket, what is his expectation in terms of prize money?
  - b) What should be the price of the ticket to make it fair?
6. A company is suffering from severe quality control problems, resulting in 20% of its products being defective. If four products are randomly chosen, what is the probability that:
  - a) 2 are faulty
  - b) 3 are faulty

- c) at least 1 is faulty
7. Consider the possibility that the Carlton Football Club has had a dramatic improvement in its fortunes and now has a probability of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of winning games. If it plays 4 games, determine the probability that it wins more than half of the games.
  8. Sam has been asked to select 6 chocolates from 12 pieces. 10 of the chocolates are "normal" but 2 are "Turkish delight". There is no way of distinguishing between the pieces. What is the probability that Sam will select both Turkish delight chocolates?
  9. In a normal summer Melbourne can expect 4 days of temperatures greater than 40 degrees Celsius.
    - a) This summer, 8 such days were experienced. What is the probability of this occurring?
    - b) Calculate the probability of 8 or more days occurring.
  10. You are looking for CS students for a survey and stand outside the ATC building intercepting students. You know that there is a 30% chance of each student being a CS student.
    - a) What is the probability that the third person is the first CS student intercepted?
    - b) What is the probability of not finding a CS student in the first four people intercepted?

### Extension questions

11. It is observed that 20% of all goods produced by a particular factory have one or more defects. Determine the average number of defects per good, and the proportion of goods that have only one defect.

### Future work

On the exam, you will be provided with tables of probability distributions on the formula sheet. The formula sheet will be released on Canvas ahead of the exam; take another look at the distribution questions and recheck your process and answers using the tables.