

# Exercises: Chapter 3

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**3-1** The running proportions plot.

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# Goal: toss a coin N times and get the running proportion of heads
N <- 500
p.heads <- 0.8 # Assume biased coin

# Heads = 1, Tails=0
flipsequence <- sample(x=c(0,1), prob=c(1-p.heads,p.heads), size=N, replace=TRUE)

r <- cumsum(flipsequence)
n <- 1:N

runprop <- r/n
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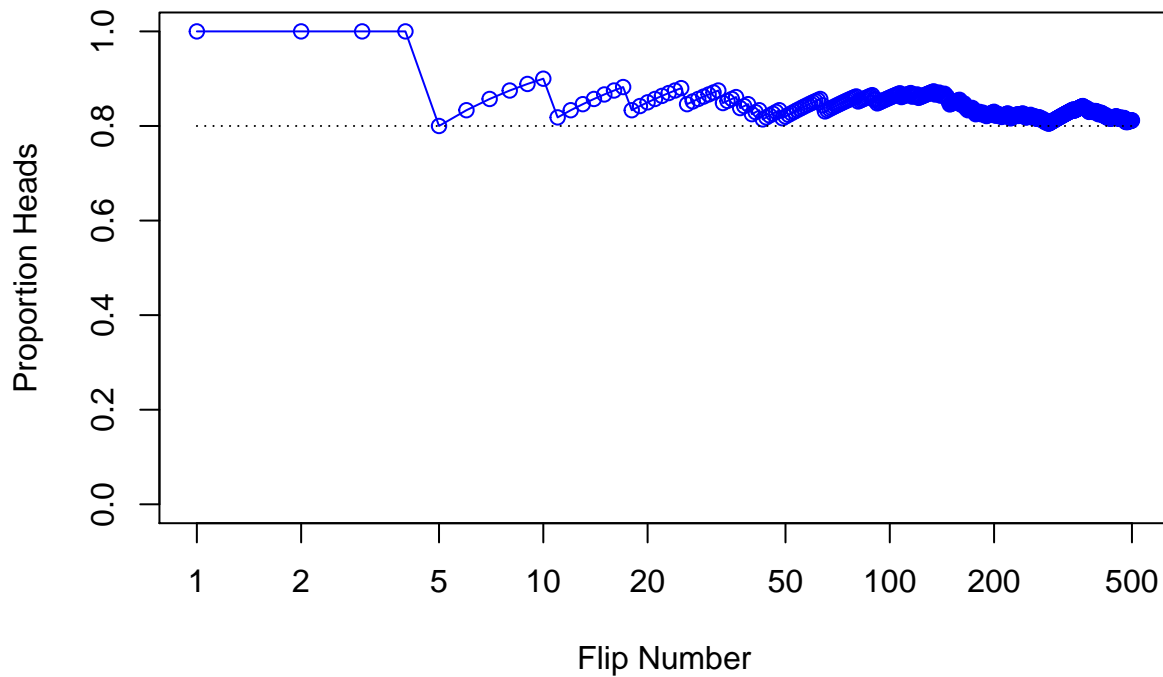


Figure 1: Running Proportions Plot, # of Heads

**3-2** Determine the probability of drawing a 10 from a pinochle deck (9-Ace, 6 of each).

To do this, we will randomly sample from the deck and see what proportion are tens.

```
cards <- c("9", "10", "Jack", "Queen", "King", "Ace")
suits <- c("Hearts", "Diamonds", "Spades", "Clubs")

draws <- cbind.data.frame(sample(cards, size=1000000, replace=TRUE),
                          sample(suits, size=1000000, replace=TRUE))

length(draws[which(draws[,1]=='10'),1])/length(draws[,1])
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## [1] 0.166
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length(draws[which(draws[,1]=='10'|draws[,1]=='Jack'),1])/length(draws[,1])
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## [1] 0.3328
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Thus, we estimate that the probability of drawing a jack is 0.166 and the probability of drawing a 10 or a jack is 0.333.

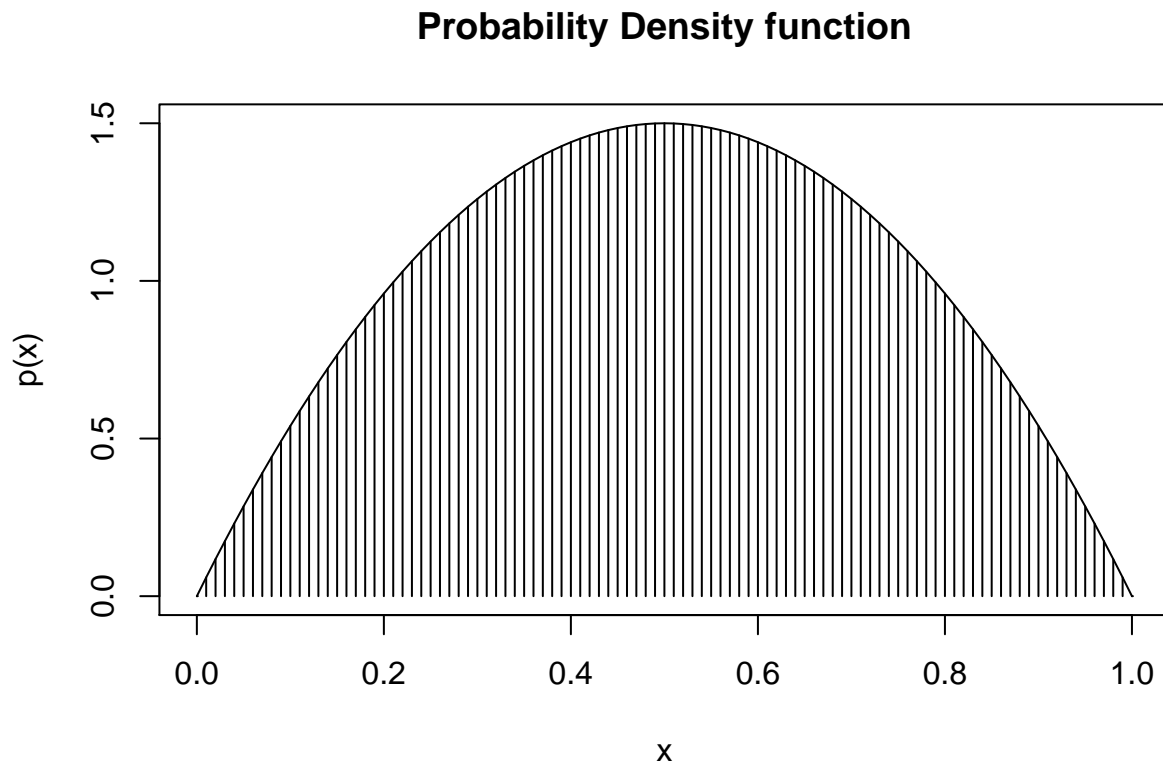


Figure 2: plot of chunk ex3

**3-3** From this plot, we estimate that the area underneath the curve is

$$\sum_i^n p(x_i) \delta x$$

which is estimated numerically by R as 0.9999. Analytically, the solution is

$$\begin{aligned} \int 6x(1-x) \delta x &= \int (6x - 6x^2) \delta x \\ &= \int 6x \delta x - \int 6x^2 \delta x \\ &= 3x^2 \Big|_0^1 - 2x^3 \Big|_0^1 \\ &= (3 - 2) - (0 - 0) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, because the area under the curve is 1,  $p(x)$  is a probability density function.