

Michele_Lotto_Exercises

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- 4) 3.21
- 5) 5.22

List 4 - Exercise 3.21

If A flips $n + 1$ and B flips n fair coins, show that the probability that A gets more heads than B is $\frac{1}{2}$.

Hint: Condition on which player has more heads after each has flipped n coins. (There are three possibilities.)

Solution

List 8 - Exercise 5.22

Let U be a uniform $(0, 1)$ random variable, and let $a < b$ be constants.

- (a) Show that if $b > 0$, then bU is uniformly distributed on $(0, b)$, and if $b < 0$, then bU is uniformly distributed on $(b, 0)$.
- (b) Show that $a + U$ is uniformly distributed on $(a, 1 + a)$.
- (c) What function of U is uniformly distributed on (a, b) ?
- (d) Show that $\min(U, 1 - U)$ is a uniform $(0, 1/2)$ random variable.
- (e) Show that $\max(U, 1 - U)$ is a uniform $(1/2, 1)$ random variable.

Solution