

Report Project 1

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■ Task : (a) Probability using Census method

Summery

Task

Assume that you play a variant of a poker game with **five cards** that is using a subset of two ordinary deck of cards. The subset considered is cards valued 9, 10, J, Q, K, A from the two decks, in total 48 cards.

Calculate the exact probability of the following hands using the **census method**.

- one pair
- two pairs
- three of a kind
- four of a kind
- five of a kind
- full hand
- straight
- flush
- straight flush
- nothing

If a given hand contains different valued hands only one (the highest rank) is considered.

Example :

$h = \{\clubsuit 10, \heartsuit 10, \diamondsuit K, \spadesuit K\}$

$\Rightarrow \text{onepair}Q(h) = \text{false}, \text{twopairs}Q(h) = \text{false}, \text{threeofakind}Q(h) = \text{false}, \text{fullhand}Q(h) = \text{true}$

Notice that the different sets of hands are supposed to be **pairwise disjoint**, e.g.

$\{\text{three of a kind}\} \cap \{\text{full house}\} = \emptyset$. Check all different possibilities. This is an easy way of discover programming errors.

Compare and discuss the probabilities of the above variant poker game to the probabilities for a normal poker game with a standard 52 card deck.

Result

Total of hands (2 decks/48 cards) = 1712304 combinations of 5 cards

Total of hands (1 deck/52 cards) = $\binom{52}{5} = 2598960$ combinations of 5 cards

Hand	Probability (2 decks / 48 cards)	Probability (1 deck / 52 cards)
One pair	50.121 × %	42.257 × %
Two pairs	21.949 × %	4.754 × %
Three of a kind	12.558 × %	2.113 × %
Four of a kind	0.981 × %	0.024 × %
Five of a kind	0.019 × %	0 × %
Full Hand	2.747 × %	0.144 × %
Straight	3.812 × %	0.392 × %
Flush	0.170 × %	0.196 × %
Straight Flush	0.015 × %	0.0015 × %
Nothing	7.624 × %	50.118 × %
Total	99.998 × %	99.999 × %

From the table, we can conclude some notes:

1. For 2 decks, the sets of equal cards become more common and more hands become possible (as in five of a kind).
2. The reason of zero probability in five of a kind hand (in normal poker game/ 52 card deck) because we have only 4 suits and its impossible to get 5 cards with the same rank (except of course the case that we have Joker card).
3. Due to extension each rank from 4 to 8, the combination of most of hands (except flush hand case) have increased.
4. The reason of low probability of flush hand in the 2 decks case is because we use only 6 cards out of 13 which decreases the chance of occurring hands of non-sequential ranks.

Probability using census method

The Model

This section shows the definitions of each hand (5-card) that can be made from 2 decks poker game (24 cards for each deck)

● one pair

In this hand, two cards are of the same rank (regardless of the suit type) while the other three cards all having different ranks from each other and from that of the pair. Example: {♣A, ♥A, ♦K, ♠9, ♥10}

● two pairs

In this hand, two pairs of two cards are of the same rank (the ranks of each pair are different in rank, to avoid a four of a kind case). Example: {♦Q, ♥Q, ♣9, ♥K, ♥10}

● three of a kind

In this hand, three cards are all of the same rank and other two are each of different ranks from the

three cards and each other. Example: {♣J, ♥J, ♦J, ♠9, ♥10}

● four of a kind

In this hand, four cards are all of the same rank while the fifth card has different rank from the four cards. Example: {♣A, ♥A, ♦A, ♠A, ♥10}

● five of a kind

In this hand, five cards are all of the same rank . Example: {♣10, ♥10, ♦10, ♠10, ♥10}

● full hand

This hand consists of one pair and a three of a kind of a different rank than the pair. Example:

{♣A, ♥A, ♦K, ♠K, ♥K}

● straight

In this hand, all five cards are sequential in rank but are not all of the same suit. Example: {♣9, ♥10, ♦J, ♠Q, ♥K}

● flush

In this hand, all five cards are of the same suit but not all sequential in rank. Example: {♣A, ♣9, ♣K, ♣10, ♣10}

● straight flush

In this hand, all five cards are of the same suit and are sequential in rank. Example: {♣9, ♣10, ♣J, ♣Q, ♣K}

● nothing

In this hand, each card is of a different rank than any other card and not all five are of the same suit or sequential in rank (i.e none of the previous hands has occurred)

Code

1. Two decks/48 cards code

```
In[ ]:= ClearAll["`*"]
```

● Total hands in 2 decks (24 cards each)

```

In[ ]:= (** 6 cards deck/total 24 cards **)
onedeck = Join[Table[spades[i], {i, 9, 14}], Table[clubs[i], {i, 9, 14}],
  Table[hearts[i], {i, 9, 14}], Table[diamonds[i], {i, 9, 14}]];
twodecks = Join[onedeck, onedeck]; (** 2 decks/total 48 cards **)
rankQ[card1_, card2_] := card1[[1]] <= card2[[1]];
rankSort[hand_] := Sort[hand, rankQ]
hands = rankSort /@ Subsets[twodecks, {5}];
totalhands = Length[hands]

Out[ ]:= 1 712 304

```

● Straight flush

```

In[ ]:= sameSuit[_spades..] := True;
sameSuit[_clubs..] := True;
sameSuit[_hearts..] := True;
sameSuit[_diamonds..] := True;
sameSuit[_] := False;
straightflush[hand_] := (sameSuit[hand]) &&
  With[{values = First /@ hand}, values - values[[1]] == {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}]
straightflushhands = Count[hands, _? (straightflush)]
N[straightflushhands / totalhands] * 100

Out[ ]:= 256

Out[ ]:= 0.0149506

```

● Straight

```

In[ ]:= straight[hand_] := (! sameSuit[hand]) &&
  With[{values = First /@ hand}, values - values[[1]] == {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}]
straighthands = Count[hands, _? (straight)]
N[straighthands / totalhands] * 100

Out[ ]:= 65 280

Out[ ]:= 3.81241

```

● Flush

```

In[ ]:= flush[hand_] := (sameSuit[hand]) &&
  With[{values = First /@ hand}, values - values[[1]] != {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}]
flushhands = Count[hands, _? (flush)]
N[flushhands / totalhands] * 100

Out[ ]:= 2912

Out[ ]:= 0.170063

```

● Five of a kind

```
In[*]:= fiveQ[{_[x_] ..}] := True;
       fiveQ[_] := False
       fivehands = Count[hands, _?(fiveQ)]
       N[fivehands/totalhands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]:= 336
```

```
Out[*]:= 0.0196227
```

● Four of a kind

```
In[*]:= fourQ[{_[x_] ..}] := False;
       fourQ[{___, _[x_], _[x_], _[x_], _[x_], ___}] := True;
       fourQ[_] = False;
       fourhands = Count[hands, _?(fourQ)]
       N[fourhands/totalhands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]:= 16800
```

```
Out[*]:= 0.981134
```

● Full hand

```
In[*]:= fullhand[{_[x_], _[x_], _[x_], _[y_], _[y_]} /; x ≠ y] := True;
       fullhand[{_[x_], _[x_], _[y_], _[y_], _[y_]} /; x ≠ y] := True;
       fullhand[_] = False;
       fullhandhands = Count[hands, _?(fullhand)]
       N[fullhandhands/totalhands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]:= 47040
```

```
Out[*]:= 2.74718
```

● Three of a kind

```
In[*]:= threeQ[{___, _[x_], _[x_], _[x_], ___}] := True;
       threeQ[_] := False;
       three2[hand_] :=
         (! fullhand[hand]) && (! fourQ[hand]) && (! fiveQ[hand]) && (threeQ[hand])
       threehands = Count[hands, _?(three2)]
       N[threehands/totalhands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]:= 215040
```

```
Out[*]:= 12.5585
```

● Two pairs

```

In[*]:= twopairs[{_[z_], _[x_], _[x_], _[y_], _[y_]} /; x ≠ y] := True;
twopairs[{_[x_], _[x_], _[y_], _[y_], _[z_]} /; x ≠ y] := True;
twopairs[{_[x_], _[x_], _[z_], _[y_], _[y_]} /; x ≠ y] := True;
twopairs[_] := False;
twopairs2[hand_] :=
  (! fullhand[hand]) && (! threeQ[hand]) && (! sameSuit[hand]) && (twopairs[hand])
twopairshands = Count[hands, _? (twopairs2)]
N[twopairshands / totalhands] * 100

```

Out[*]= 375 840

Out[*]= 21.9494

● One pair

```

In[*]:= onepair[{____, _[x_], _[x_], ____}] := True;
onepair[_] := False;
onepair2[hand_] :=
  (! sameSuit[hand]) && (! threeQ[hand]) && (! twopairs[hand]) && (onepair[hand])
onepairhands = Count[hands, _? (onepair2)]
N[onepairhands / totalhands] * 100

```

Out[*]= 858 240

Out[*]= 50.1219

● Nothing

```

In[*]:= nothing[hand_] := (! onepair[hand]) && (! sameSuit[hand]) &&
  With[{values = First /@ hand}, values - values[[1]] ≠ {0, 1, 2, 3, 4}]
nothinghands = Count[hands, _? (nothing)]
N[nothinghands / totalhands] * 100

```

Out[*]= 130 560

Out[*]= 7.62481

2. Ordinary poker 52 cards code (for comparison purpose)

● Total hands

```

In[*]:= ClearAll["`*"]
hands = Binomial[52, 5]

```

Out[*]= 2 598 960

● One pair

```

In[*]:= Binomial[13, 1] * Binomial[4, 2] * Binomial[12, 3] * (Binomial[4, 1]) ^ 3
N[% / hands] * 100

```

Out[*]= 1 098 240

Out[*]= 42.2569

● Two pairs

```
In[*]:= Binomial[13, 2] * (Binomial[4, 2])^2 * Binomial[11, 1] * Binomial[4, 1]
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 123 552
```

```
Out[*]= 4.7539
```

● Three of a kind

```
Binomial[13, 1] * Binomial[4, 3] * Binomial[12, 2] * (Binomial[4, 1])^2
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 54 912
```

```
Out[*]= 2.11285
```

● Full hand

```
Binomial[13, 1] * Binomial[4, 3] * Binomial[12, 1] * Binomial[4, 2]
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 3744
```

```
Out[*]= 0.144058
```

● Four of a kind

```
Binomial[13, 1] * Binomial[4, 4] * Binomial[12, 1] * Binomial[4, 1]
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 624
```

```
Out[*]= 0.0240096
```

● Straight flush

```
10 * Binomial[4, 1]
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 40
```

```
Out[*]= 0.00153908
```

● Straight

```
10 * (Binomial[4, 1])^5 - 40 (** excluding straight flushes **)
N[%/hands] * 100
```

```
Out[*]= 10 200
```

```
Out[*]= 0.392465
```

● Flush

```
Binomial[4, 1] * Binomial[13, 5] - 40 (** excluding straight flushes **)
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 5108
```

```
Out[ ]:= 0.19654
```

● Nothing

```
(Binomial[13, 5] - 10) * (4^5 - 4)
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1302540
```

```
Out[ ]:= 50.1177
```

■ Task : (b) Probability using combinatorial calculus

Summery

Task

Consider the following **combinatorial calculus** of the probability of getting four of a kind. In this case we are dealing with sampling without replacement and without regard to order. First choose one of six possibilities $\{9, \dots, A\}$ to be the kind value x , then we choose four out of the eight x and finally we add a last card from the remaining 40. The multiplication principle gives the result.

$$n_{\text{value}} = \binom{6}{1}, n_{4 \text{ cards}} = \binom{8}{4}, n_{\text{last}} = \binom{40}{1}$$

$$n_4 = n_{\text{value}} n_{4 \text{ cards}} n_{\text{last}} = \binom{6}{1} \binom{8}{4} \binom{40}{1}$$

$$\therefore P_4 = \frac{n_4}{n_{\text{tot}}} = \frac{\binom{6}{1} \binom{8}{4} \binom{40}{1}}{\binom{48}{5}} = \frac{16800}{1712304} \approx 0.981134$$

Now, **verify** this probability by your census in part a).

Add combinatorial calculus for flush, straight, full house and 3 of a kind to your report. Also **verify** these calculations by your census.

Sometimes it is a good idea to divide the sub problem in disjoint parts and add probabilities, e.g. pair of 1's and pair of 2's etc.

Result

Total of hands (2 decks/48 cards) = $\binom{48}{5} = 1712304$ combinations of 5 cards

Hand	Probability (2 decks / 48 cards) (census method)	Probability (2 deck / 48 cards) (combinatorial calculus)
Four of a kind	0.981 × %	0.981 × %
Flush	0.170 × %	0.170 × %
Straight	3.812 × %	3.812 × %
Full Hand	2.747 × %	2.747 × %
Three of a kind	12.558 × %	12.558 × %

From above table, we can see that all probabilities are matched for both methods.

Probability using combinatorial calculus

The Model

● Total hands

$$\text{Possible 5 cards selection} = \binom{48}{5}$$

● Four of a kind

$$\binom{6}{1} \text{ different ranks (four of a kind)}$$

$$\binom{8}{4} \text{ combinations (four of a kind)}$$

$$\binom{5}{1} \text{ different ranks (fifth card)}$$

$$\binom{8}{1} \text{ different cards of rank (fifth card)}$$

$$\text{Possible hands selection} = \binom{6}{1} \binom{8}{4} \binom{5}{1} \binom{8}{1}$$

● Flush

$$\binom{4}{1} \text{ different suits}$$

$$\binom{12}{5} \text{ combinations of five cards}$$

$$\text{Possible hands selection} = \binom{4}{1} \binom{12}{5} - (\text{straight flush ways})$$

● Straight

$\binom{2}{1}$ different straight (9-K and 10-A)

$\binom{8}{1}$ ways of getting each card

Possible hands selection = $\binom{2}{1} \left[\binom{8}{1} \right]^5$ - (straight flush ways)

● Full hand

$\binom{6}{1}$ different ranks (for 3 cards of same rank)

$\binom{8}{3}$ combinations (for 3 cards of same rank)

$\binom{5}{1}$ different ranks (for 2 cards of same rank)

$\binom{8}{2}$ combinations (for 2 cards of same rank)

Possible hands selection = $\binom{6}{1} \binom{8}{3} \binom{5}{1} \binom{8}{2}$

● Three of a kind

$\binom{6}{1}$ different ranks (three of a kind)

$\binom{8}{3}$ combinations (three of a kind)

$\binom{8}{1}$ different cards (fourth card)

$\binom{8}{1}$ different cards (fifth card)

$\binom{5}{2}$ combinations for ranks (fourth and fifth cards)

Possible hands selection = $\binom{6}{1} \binom{8}{3} \binom{8}{1} \binom{8}{1} \binom{5}{2}$

● Straight flush (it will be subtracted from straight and flush hands)

$\binom{2}{1}$ different straight (9-K and 10-A)

$\binom{4}{1}$ different suits

$\binom{2}{1}$ ways of getting each card

Possible hands selection = $\binom{2}{1} \binom{4}{1} \left[\binom{2}{1} \right]^5$

Code

```
ClearAll["`*"]
```

● Total hands

```
In[ ]:= hands = Binomial[48, 5]
```

```
Out[ ]:= 1 712 304
```

● Four of a kind

```
In[ ]:= Binomial[6, 1] * Binomial[8, 4] * Binomial[5, 1] * Binomial[8, 1]
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 16 800
```

```
Out[ ]:= 0.981134
```

● Flush

```
In[ ]:= Binomial[4, 1] * Binomial[12, 5] -
Binomial[2, 1] * Binomial[4, 1] * (Binomial[2, 1]) ^ 5
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 2912
```

```
Out[ ]:= 0.170063
```

● Straight

```
In[ ]:= Binomial[2, 1] * (Binomial[8, 1]) ^ 5 -
Binomial[2, 1] * Binomial[4, 1] * (Binomial[2, 1]) ^ 5
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 65 280
```

```
Out[ ]:= 3.81241
```

● Full hand

```
In[ ]:= Binomial[6, 1] * Binomial[8, 3] * Binomial[5, 1] * Binomial[8, 2]
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 47 040
```

```
Out[ ]:= 2.74718
```

● Three of a kind

```
In[ ]:= Binomial[6, 1] * Binomial[8, 3] * (Binomial[8, 1]) ^ 2 * Binomial[5, 2]
N[% / hands] * 100
```

```
Out[ ]:= 215 040
```

```
Out[ ]:= 12.5585
```

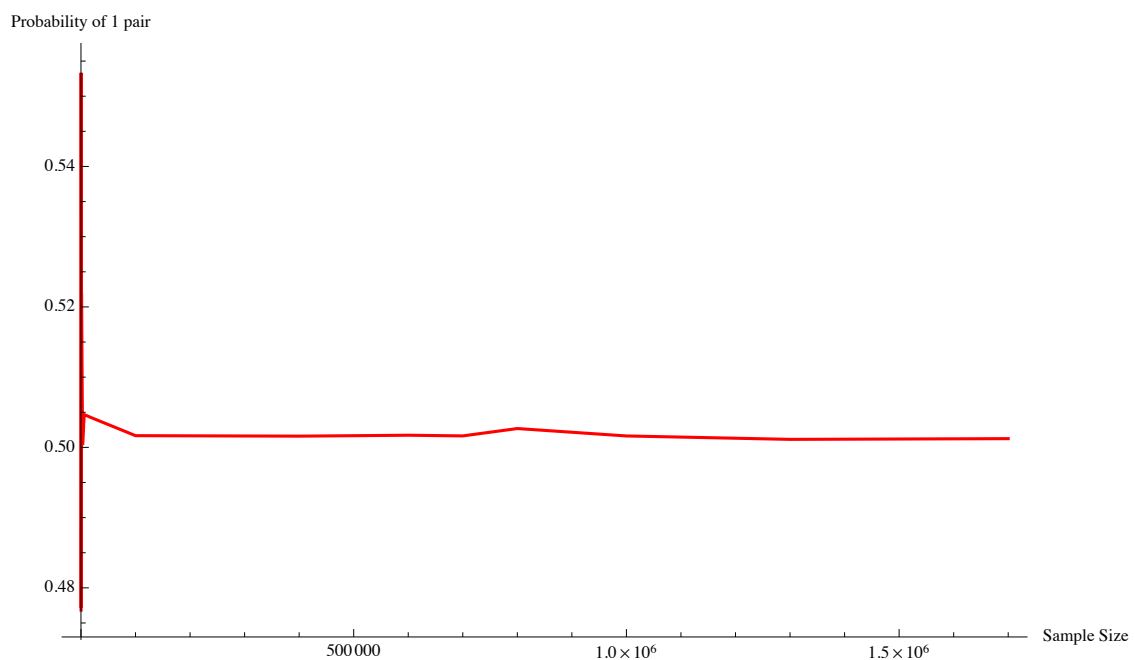
■ Task : (c) Probability of one pair using Monte Carlo method

Summery

Task

Estimate the probability of one pair using the **Monte Carlo method**. Draw a diagram that shows how the probability estimate stabilises with increasing sample size.

Result



The above figure was taken from the output in the code section and we can see clearly the convergence of probability value when sample size increases (i.e stabilises) and fixed at the value **0.501243** and this value is very closed to the value of one pair in Task (a).

Probability of One pair (2 decks / 48 cards) (Census method)	Probability of One pair (2 deck / 48 cards) (Monte Carlo method)
50.121 %	50.124 %

Monte Carlo method

The Model

We will use the following steps to estimate the probability of one pair for different sample sizes using Monte Carlo method:

1. Creating a 2 decks (with 24 cards each) in the same way as in Task (a)
2. Creating a pair pattern with excluding the higher ranked combinations, then counting the possible one pair hands
3. Generate random samples from possible hands and Counting the number of one pairs in each sample
4. Selecting sample sizes where: $1 \leq \text{sample size} \leq \binom{48}{5}$
5. Plotting the sample size vs probability of one pair counting.

Code

● Creating a 2 decks with 24 cards each

```
In[ ]:= ClearAll["`*"]
(** 6 cards deck/total 24 cards **)
onedeck = Join[Table[spades[i], {i, 9, 14}], Table[clubs[i], {i, 9, 14}],
  Table[hearts[i], {i, 9, 14}], Table[diamonds[i], {i, 9, 14}]];
twodecks = Join[onedeck, onedeck]; (** 2 decks/total 48 cards **)
rankQ[card1_, card2_] := card1[[1]] <= card2[[1]];
rankSort[hand_] := Sort[hand, rankQ]
hands = rankSort /@ Subsets[twodecks, {5}];
totalhands = Length[hands]

Out[ ]:= 1 712 304
```

● Creating a pair pattern and counting the possible hands

```
In[ ]:= onepair[[_spades..]] := False; (** excluding flush **)
onepair[[_clubs..]] := False;
onepair[[_hearts..]] := False;
onepair[[_diamonds..]] := False;
onepair[[_], [_x_], [_x_], [_x_], [_]] := False;
(** excluding 3 of a kind **)
onepair[[_x_], [_x_], [_z_], [_y_], [_y_]] /; x != y := False;
(** excluding 2 pairs **)
onepair[[_z_], [_x_], [_x_], [_y_], [_y_]] /; x != y := False;
onepair[[_x_], [_x_], [_y_], [_y_], [_z_]] /; x != y := False;
onepair[[_], [_x_], [_x_], [_]] := True; (** only 1 pair required **)
onepair[_] := False;
NoOfPairs = Count[hands, _? (onepair)]
```

Out[]:= 858 240

● Generate random samples and counting the number of one pairs

```
In[ ]:= onepairSample[n_] := RandomSample[hands, n]
       onepairCount[n_] := Count[onepairSample[n], _?(onepair)]
```

● Selecting sample sizes

```
In[ ]:= SampleSize = {100, 300, 700, 1000, 1500, 3000, 6000, 20 000, 100 000,
                     400 000, 600 000, 700 000, 800 000, 1 000 000, 1 300 000, 1 700 000}
       Samples = {#, N[onepairCount[#]] / #} & /@ SampleSize
```

```
Out[ ]:= {100, 300, 700, 1000, 1500, 3000, 6000, 20 000, 100 000,
          400 000, 600 000, 700 000, 800 000, 1 000 000, 1 300 000, 1 700 000}
```

```
Out[ ]:= {{100, 0.44}, {300, 0.553333}, {700, 0.477143}, {1000, 0.522}, {1500, 0.516},
          {3000, 0.500333}, {6000, 0.504667}, {20 000, 0.5042}, {100 000, 0.50167},
          {400 000, 0.5016}, {600 000, 0.50173}, {700 000, 0.501634}, {800 000, 0.502683},
          {1 000 000, 0.501628}, {1 300 000, 0.501142}, {1 700 000, 0.501243}}
```

● Plotting the sample sizes

```
In[ ]:= ListLinePlot[Samples,
                    AxesLabel → {"Sample Size", "Probability of 1 pair"}, PlotStyle → {Red}]
```

