

**Problem 1**

The possible values of  $X$  are

$$X = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 4\}$$

with associated probabilities

$$\mathbb{P}(X = -2) = \frac{\binom{8}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{28}{91}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = -1) = \frac{\binom{8}{1}\binom{2}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{16}{91}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 0) = \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{1}{91}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 1) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{32}{91}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 2) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{2}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{8}{91}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 4) = \frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{6}{91}.$$

**Problem 2**

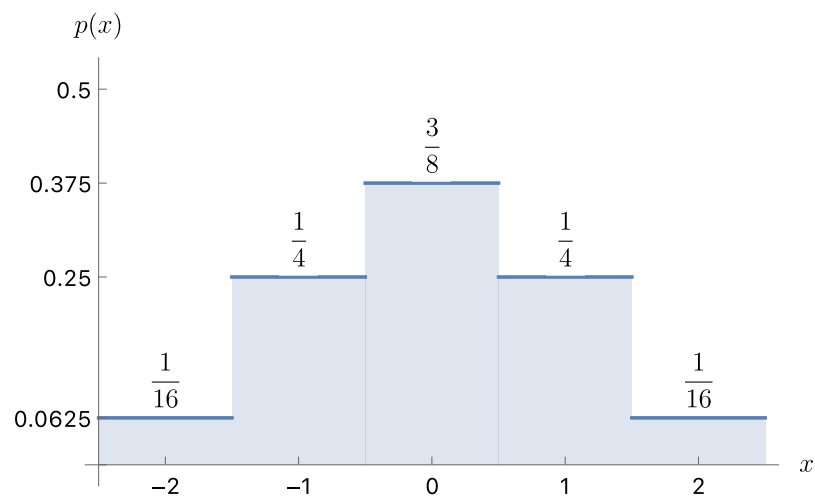
The possible values for  $X$  are

$$X = \{n - 2i : i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}.$$

## Problem 3

$i$	$\mathbb{P}(X = i)$
1	$\frac{1}{2}$
2	$\frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{9} = \frac{5}{18}$
3	$\frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{5}{8} = \frac{5}{36}$
4	$\frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{84}$
5	$\frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{5}{6} = \frac{5}{252}$
6	$\frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{252}$
7	0
8	0
9	0
10	0

## Problem 4



## Problem 5

Let  $(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4, n_5)$  denote an order of the players where  $n_1$  is the player with the largest number and  $n_5$  the player with the smallest.

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 0) = \mathbb{P}(2 \text{ beats } 1) = \frac{(1 + 2 + 3 + 4) \cdot 3!}{5!} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 1) = \mathbb{P}((3, 1, 2, \dots)) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 2) = \mathbb{P}((4, 1, \dots)) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 3) = \mathbb{P}((5, 1, \dots)) = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 5) = \mathbb{P}((1, \dots)) = \frac{1}{5}$$

## Problem 6

$$\mathbb{P}(X = i | X > 0) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X = i)}{\mathbb{P}(X > 0)}.$$

The probability of getting a positive amount is

$$\mathbb{P}(X > 0) = \sum_{n=1}^3 \mathbb{P}(X = i) = p(1) + p(2) + p(3) = \frac{13}{55} + \frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{165} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Therefore

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 1 | X > 0) = \frac{\frac{13}{55}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{39}{55}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 2 | X > 0) = \frac{\frac{1}{11}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{3}{11}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = 3 | X > 0) = \frac{\frac{1}{165}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{55}$$

## Problem 7

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{P}(X = 0) &= \binom{6}{0} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{1}{64} \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 1) &= \binom{6}{1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{6}{64} \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 2) &= \binom{6}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{15}{64} \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 3) &= \binom{6}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{20}{64} . \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 4) &= \binom{6}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{15}{64} \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 5) &= \binom{6}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{6}{64} \\
 \mathbb{P}(X = 6) &= \binom{6}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{1}{64}
 \end{aligned}$$

By inspection  $X = 3$  is the most likely outcome.

## Problem 8

$$p(x) = \mathbb{P}(X = x) = \binom{3}{x} (0.7)^x (0.3)^{3-x}.$$

## Problem 9

Let  $X$  denote the number of 6's rolled by 3 fair dice. Note that

$$X \sim \text{Binom}\left(3, \frac{1}{6}\right).$$

The probability that at most one 6 is rolled is

$$\mathbb{P}(X \leq 1) = \mathbb{P}(X = 0) + \mathbb{P}(X = 1).$$

Since  $X$  follows a binomial distribution,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{P}(X \leq 1) &= \mathbb{P}(X = 0) + \mathbb{P}(X = 1) \\
 &= \binom{3}{0} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^0 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^3 + \binom{3}{1} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^1 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 \\
 &= \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 \\
 &= \frac{25}{27}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 10**

Let  $X$  denote the number of multiple choice questions the student gets right. Note that

$$X \sim \text{Binom}\left(5, \frac{1}{3}\right).$$

The probability that the student gets four or more questions by guessing is

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq 4) = \mathbb{P}(X = 4) + \mathbb{P}(X = 5).$$

Since  $X$  follows a binomial distribution,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X \leq 4) &= \mathbb{P}(X = 4) + \mathbb{P}(X = 5) \\ &= \binom{5}{4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 + \binom{5}{5} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 \\ &= \frac{10}{243} + \frac{1}{243} \\ &= \frac{11}{243}.\end{aligned}$$