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Assignment 04 - Game of Pig

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CS002 - Assignment 4: Game of Pig - Monte Carlo Method

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Assignment Specifications
We are going to use the Monte Carlo Method to determine the probability of scoring outcomes of a single turn in a game called Pig.
We are going to use the Monte Carlo Method to determine the probability of scoring outcomes of a game called Pig, and report the estimated probabilities of the possible scoring outcomes. You are NOT implementing the game of Pig, only a single turn of this game.
The value of N will be acquired via user input, as will the number of repetitions.

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Pig is a folk dice game with simple rules: Two players race to reach 100 points. In each turn, a player repeatedly rolls a die until either the player holds and is credited with the sum of the rolls so far (i.e. the current turn score) or rolls a 1 ("pig"), in which case the turn score is 0.
So at every point during a turn, the player is faced with a choice between two moves: What is Pig?

- roll (again) a roll of the die occurs
- 2 6: the number is added to the current turn score; the turn continues
- 1: the player loses all points accumulated in the turn (i.e. scores a 0); turn ends
 hold The turn ends as the the hold option is invoked for one reason or another.

You can play the game yourself a few times before you start to think about the assignment. It can be useful to visualize and understand how a turn works. Play the game here. Hold-at-N Turn Strategy

A good strategy to help decide when to hold and when to roll is the ?hold-at-N strategy?

the player chooses a number, N, that will hopefully both maximize their turn score while minimizing their chances of losing that score by rolling a 1; as soon as their current turn score reaches (or passes) N, the player holds.
We are going to test this strategy for different values of N, which will be supplied by user input, by simulating a number of turns (which will also be supplied by user input). Obviously, the larger the number of simulations, the better the estimate