

Probability

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$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\text{No. of favorable outcomes}}{\text{Total no. of outcomes}}$$

Tossing a coin

$$P(H) = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

Throwing a dice

$$P(3) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(\text{even no.}) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 }

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eg: Two coins r tossed simultaneously. What is the prob of getting Head on only one of the two coins?

Soln:

— HH , HT, TH, TT
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$$\frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$$

eg: 3 coins r tossed simultaneously 150 times & it is found that 3 tails appeared 24 times,

2 ——— 45 ———,
1 ——— 72 ———

If 3 coins r tossed simultaneously at random, find the prob of getting 3 tails, 1 tail & 0 tail.

Soln:

— Total # of outcomes = 150

3 tails = 24	2 tails = 45	1 tail = 72
$P = \frac{24}{150} = \frac{4}{25}$	$P = \frac{45}{150} = \frac{9}{30} = \frac{3}{10}$	$P = \frac{72}{150} = \frac{24}{50} = \frac{12}{25}$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \text{ tail} &= 150 - (24 + 45 + 72) \\ &= 150 - 141 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\text{0 tail}) = \frac{9}{150} = \frac{3}{50} //$$

eg: If 2 coins r tossed then what is the prob of getting 2 tails?

Soln: When we toss 2 coins:

1st coin	2nd coin
H	H
H	T
T	H
T	T

4 outcomes

$$P = \frac{1}{4} //$$

eg: Prob. of getting 3 heads & 3 tails in
tossing a coin 3 times is _____.

Soln:

3H & 3T \rightarrow 3 times

Possible Outcomes:

HHH

HHT

HTH

HTT

T HH

T HT

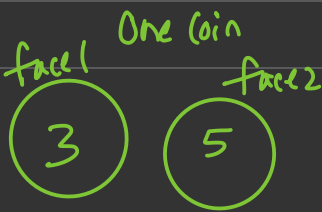
T TH

TTT

Total outcomes = 8

favorable outcomes = 2

$$\therefore P = \frac{2}{8} = \frac{1}{4}.$$



eg: A coin whose faces are marked 3 & 5 is tossed 4 times. The prob that sum of nos. thrown is 12 is _____.

Soln:

$$P(\text{sum}=12) = P(3, 3, 3, 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} //$$

eg: A coin whose faces are marked 3 & 5 is tossed 4 times. The prob. that the sum of nos. is greater than 15 is _____.

Soln:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Sum
[5	5	5	5	20
	5	5	5	3	18
	5	5	3	3	16
	5	3	3	3	14
	3	3	3	3	9

$2^4 = 2^4 = 16 //$

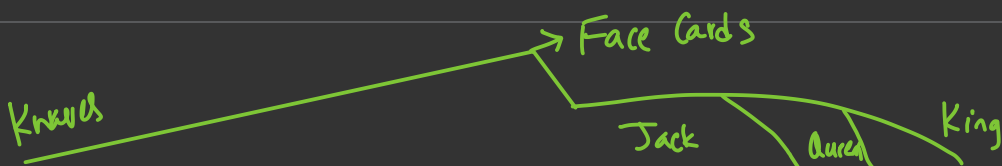
$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{sum} > 15) &= P(5, 5, 5) + P(5, 5, 3) + P(5, 3, 3) \\
 &= \frac{1}{16} + \frac{4}{16} + \frac{6}{16} \\
 &= \frac{11}{16} .
 \end{aligned}$$

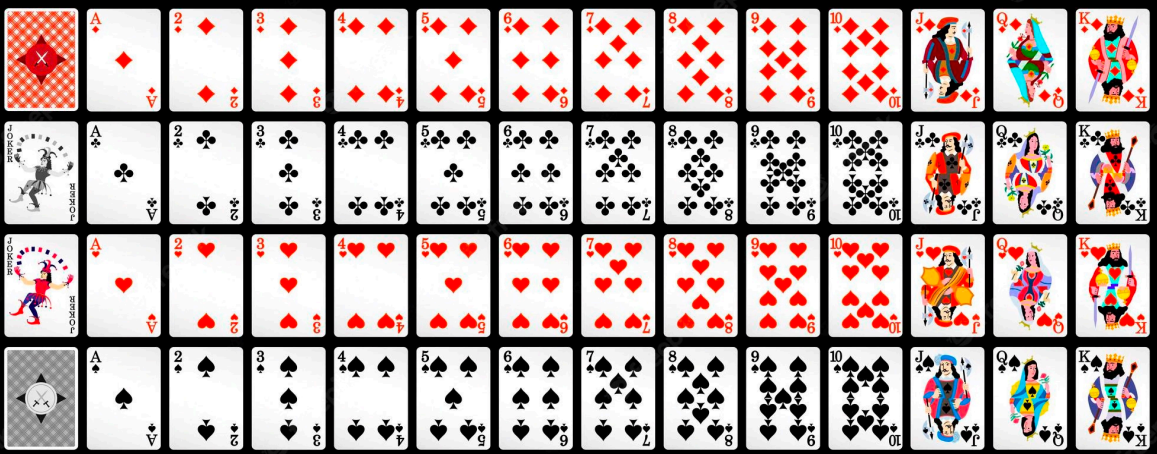
eg: Prob of rolling a sum of 6 with two dice = ?

Soln:

		Dice 1					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Dice 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

$$\frac{5}{36}$$





52 cards

4 suits of 13 cards

Diamond, Club,
Heart, Spade

eg. A card is drawn at random from a well-shuffled deck of playing cards. Find the prob. that card drawn is:

- (a) Spade or Ace (c) neither jack nor a king
(b) Black King (d) either king or a queen.

Soln: Total Outcomes = 52

(a) $\# \spadesuit = 13$ $\frac{13}{52}$

$\# A = 4$ $\frac{4}{52}$

$\# \boxed{A \spadesuit} = 1$ $\frac{1}{52}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\
 &= P(\emptyset) + P(A) - P(A \cap \emptyset) \\
 &= \frac{13}{52} + \frac{4}{52} - \frac{1}{52} = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Black King

Total black kings = 2

Total cards = 52

$$P = \frac{2}{52} = \frac{1}{26}$$

(c) Neither jack nor king.

$$\#J = 4$$

$$\#K = 4$$

$$P(J \text{ or } K) = \frac{4}{52} + \frac{4}{52} = \frac{8}{52}$$

$$P(\underline{N \text{ J or K}}) = 1 - \frac{8}{52} = \frac{52-8}{52} = \frac{44}{52} = \frac{11}{26}$$

① Either king or queen:

$$\#K=4$$

$$\#Q=4$$

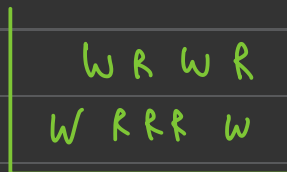
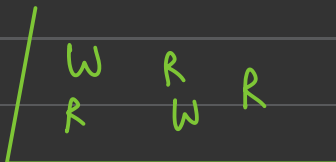
$$P = \frac{4}{52} + \frac{4}{52} = \frac{8}{52} = \frac{2}{13}$$

eg: Box 1 contains 2 white & 3 red balls &

Box 2 — 4 — 4 — 5 — 11 — .

One ball is drawn at random from one of the boxes & is found to be red. Then, the prob that it was from Box 2 is ?

Soln:



Formulas

- Conditional Probability:

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

- General multiplication rule:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) P(B|A)$$

- Bayes' Rule

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A')P(A')}$$

(ignore this pb from Java)

