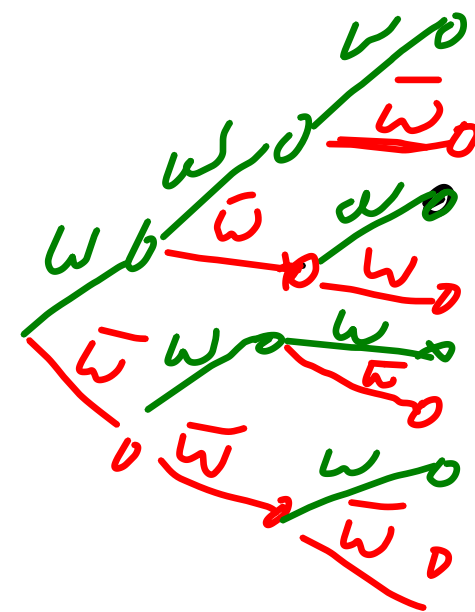


Problem 1. [points] Here's yet another fun 6.042 game! You pick a number between 1 and 6. Then you roll three fair, independent dice.

- If your number never comes up, then you lose a dollar.
- If your number comes up once, then you win a dollar.
- If your number comes up twice, then you win two dollars.
- If your number comes up three times, you win *four* dollars!

What is your expected payoff? Is playing this game likely to be profitable for you or not?



old way%

$$Pr(L_i) = p^i q^{3-i} \binom{3}{i}$$

$$Ex(L) = \sum_{i=0}^3 i \cdot Pr(L_i) = \sum_{i=0}^3 i p^i q^{3-i} \binom{3}{i}$$

$p = \frac{1}{6} \quad q = 1 - \frac{1}{6}$

~~$$I_0 = \bar{w} + \bar{w} + \bar{w} \Rightarrow Pr(I_0) = -3q$$~~

~~$$I_1 = w \Rightarrow Pr(I_1) = 1p$$~~

~~$$I_2 = w + w \Rightarrow Pr(I_2) = 2p$$~~

~~$$I_3 = w + w + w \Rightarrow Pr(I_3) = p$$~~

~~$$I = I_0 + I_1 + I_2 + I_3$$~~

~~$$Ex(I) = -3q + 6p$$~~

~~$$= -3 \cdot \frac{5}{6} + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6}$$~~

~~$$= -\frac{15}{6} + 1$$~~

~~$$= \frac{6-15}{6} = -\frac{9}{6} = -\frac{3}{2}$$~~

Problem 2. [points] The number of squares that a piece advances in one turn of the game Monopoly is determined as follows:

- Roll two dice, take the sum of the numbers that come up, and advance that number of squares.
- If you roll *doubles* (that is, the same number comes up on both dice), then you roll a second time, take the sum, and advance that number of additional squares.
- If you roll doubles a second time, then you roll a third time, take the sum, and advance that number of additional squares.
- However, as a special case, if you roll doubles a third time, then you go to jail. Regard this as advancing zero squares overall for the turn.

(a) [pts] What is the expected sum of two dice, given that the same number comes up on both?

$$E_X(S_s) = \sum_{i=1}^6 z_i \cdot P_r(S) = \sum_{i=1}^6 z_i \cdot \frac{1}{36} = (2+4+6+8+10+12) \cdot \frac{1}{36} = \frac{42}{36} = \frac{7}{6} = 7 \quad | = E_X(D_1 + D_2 | E)$$

(b) [pts] What is the expected sum of two dice, given that different numbers come up?
(Use your previous answer and the Total Expectation Theorem.)

$$E_X(S_s) = \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} (i+j) \frac{1}{36} = (2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 4 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 6 + 6 \cdot 7 + 4 \cdot 8 + 4 \cdot 9 + 2 \cdot 10 + 2 \cdot 11) \frac{1}{36}$$

$$E_X(D_1 + D_2) = E_X(D_1 + D_2 | E) \cdot P_r(E) + E_X(D_1 + D_2 | \bar{E}) \cdot P_r(\bar{E})$$

$$7 = 7 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + E_X(D_1 + D_2 | \bar{E}) \cdot \frac{5}{6}$$

$$E_X(D_1 + D_2 | \bar{E}) = \left(7 - \frac{7}{6}\right) \cdot \frac{6}{5} = \frac{35}{6} \cdot \frac{6}{5} = 7$$

	1	2	3	4	5	6
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

Handwritten annotations: A green circle highlights the diagonal elements (2,3,4,5,6,7) from the first row. A blue line connects the elements (2,3), (3,4), (4,5), (5,6), (6,7) from the first row. A green bracket on the right side of the table indicates the probability of doubles is $\frac{1}{6}$ and the probability of different numbers is $\frac{5}{6}$.

(c) [pts] To simplify the analysis, suppose that we always roll the dice three times, but may ignore the second or third rolls if we didn't previously get doubles. Let the random variable X_i be the sum of the dice on the i -th roll, and let E_i be the event that the i -th roll is doubles. Write the expected number of squares a piece advances in these terms.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_X(X) &= E(X_1) && + E_X(X_2) && + E_X(X_3) \\
 &= E(X_1) + \overbrace{E_X(X_2 | E_1) P_r(E_1) + E_X(X_2 | \bar{E}_1) P_r(\bar{E}_1)} && + E_X(X_3 | E_2) P_r(E_2) + E_X(X_3 | \bar{E}_2) P_r(\bar{E}_2) \\
 &= 7 + 7 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 0 \cdot \frac{5}{6} + 7 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 0 \cdot \frac{5}{6} \\
 &= 7 + \frac{7}{6} + \frac{7}{6} \\
 &= 7 + \frac{14}{6} \\
 &= 9 \frac{1}{3} \\
 &= 9.33 \quad \text{Consider } (X_1 + X_2 | E_1 + \bar{E}_2) \text{ etc}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) [pts] What is the expected number of squares that a piece advances in Monopoly?

	1	2	3	4	5	6
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

$$\Pr(R) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$S = S_1 + S_2 + S_3$$

$$E_x(S) = E_x(S_1) + E_x(S_2) + E_x(S_3)$$

$$= \sum_i \sum_j (i+j) \frac{1}{36} + \sum_i \sum_j (i+j) \left(\frac{1}{36}\right)^2 + \sum_i \sum_j (i+j) \left(\frac{1}{36}\right)^3$$