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1. For $i \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$, let

$X_i = \#$ of times the number i is rolled in ten dice rolls

Then (X_1, \dots, X_6) have a multinomial distribution with parameters 10 and $(\frac{1}{6}, \dots, \frac{1}{6})$.

- (a) Finding the probability that one 1, two 2's, three 3's, and four 4's are rolled.

Solution:

Note: $10 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 = 0$

Using the joint marginal pmf of (X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4) , we can calculate the probability as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 = 1, X_3 = 3, X_2 = 2, X_4 = 4) &= \frac{10!}{1!2!3!4!(0)!} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{10} \left(1 - 2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)\right)^0 \\ &= \frac{10!}{1!2!3!4!(6)^{10}} \\ &= \frac{175}{839\,808} \\ &\approx 0.00021 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Finding the probability that the number of 1's plus the number of 2's equals three and the number of 3's equals four.

Solution:

Let's calculate the probability of the above event using combinatorics.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 + X_2 = 3, X_3 = 4) &= \overbrace{\binom{10}{3} \left(\frac{1+1}{6}\right)^3}^{\text{choosing 1's or 2's}} + \overbrace{\binom{7}{4} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^4}^{\text{choosing 3's}} + \overbrace{\binom{3}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}^{\text{choosing other numbers}} \\ &= \frac{175}{11\,664} \\ &\approx 0.015 \end{aligned}$$

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- (c) Finding the probability that three 5's were rolled, given that exactly four of the ten rolls resulted in an outcome less than 4.

Solution:

Let's calculate the probability of the above event using combinatorics.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X_5 = 3 \mid \text{four dice} < 4) &= \frac{P(X_5 = 3, \text{four dice} < 4)}{P(\text{four dice} < 4)} \\
 &= \frac{\overbrace{\binom{10}{4} \left(\frac{1+1+1}{6}\right)^4}^{\text{choosing four dice} < 4} \cdot \overbrace{\binom{6}{3} \left(\frac{1+1}{6}\right)^3}^{\text{choosing three 3's or 4's}} \cdot \overbrace{\binom{3}{3} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3}^{\text{choosing three 5's}}}{\underbrace{\binom{10}{4} \left(\frac{1+1+1}{6}\right)^4 \cdot \binom{6}{6} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6}_{\text{choosing six dice} \geq 4}} \\
 &= \frac{160}{729} \\
 &\approx 0.219
 \end{aligned}$$