

MDM4U – Unit 5 Quiz: Pascal's Triangle & Probability Distributions

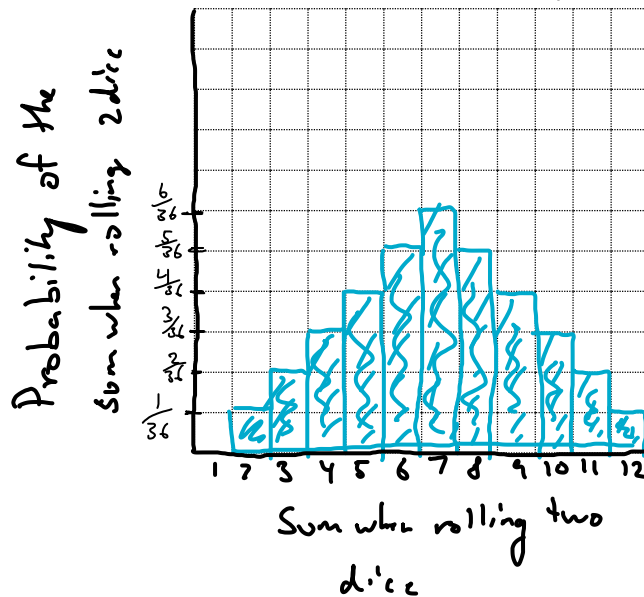
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1. Create a
- probability distribution table**
- and
- probability histogram**
- for the possible sums when rolling 2 dice:

{be sure to properly label the histogram}

x	P(X=x)
2	$\frac{1}{36}$
3	$\frac{2}{36}$
4	$\frac{3}{36}$
5	$\frac{4}{36}$
6	$\frac{5}{36}$
7	$\frac{6}{36}$
8	$\frac{5}{36}$
9	$\frac{4}{36}$
10	$\frac{3}{36}$
11	$\frac{2}{36}$
12	$\frac{1}{36}$

Distribution of Probabilities
of Sums when Rolling 2 Dice <6 marks>

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1		2	3	4	5	6
2	2		3	4	5	6
3	3	2		3	4	5
4	4	3	2		3	4
5	5	4	3	2		3
6	6	5	4	3	2	

<6 marks>

2. Use the probability distribution to find:

Show work for full marks

a) $P(X < 6)$

b) $P(X \neq 9)$

c) $P(X \text{ is prime})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X < 6) &= P(X=2) \\
 &+ P(X=3) + P(X=4) \\
 &+ P(X=5) \\
 &= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{3}{36} + \frac{4}{36} \\
 &= \frac{10}{36} \\
 &= \frac{5}{18} \\
 &\approx 0.278
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The probability that the sum is less than 6 is $\frac{5}{18}$ or 0.278.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X \neq 9) &= 1 - P(X=9) \\
 &= 1 - \frac{4}{36} \\
 &= \frac{32}{36} \\
 &= \frac{8}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The probability that the sum isn't 9 is $\frac{8}{9}$ or 0.889.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{prime} &= \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11\} \\
 P(X \text{ is prime}) &= P(X=2) + P(X=3) \\
 &+ P(X=5) + P(X=7) \\
 &+ P(X=11) \\
 &= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{4}{36} + \frac{6}{36} + \frac{2}{36} \\
 &= \frac{15}{36} \\
 &= \frac{5}{12}
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore The probability that the sum is prime is $\frac{5}{12}$ or 0.4167.

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3. Use binomial expansion (combinations) to expand and simplify each of the following:

<4 marks>

a) $(a+b)^7$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^{n-i} b^i \\
 &= \binom{7}{0} a^{7-0} b^0 + \binom{7}{1} a^{7-1} b^1 + \binom{7}{2} a^{7-2} b^2 + \binom{7}{3} a^{7-3} b^3 + \binom{7}{4} a^{7-4} b^4 + \binom{7}{5} a^{7-5} b^5 + \binom{7}{6} a^{7-6} b^6 \\
 &\quad + \binom{7}{7} a^{7-7} b^7 \\
 &= a^7 + 7a^6b + 21a^5b^2 + 35a^4b^3 + 35a^3b^4 + 21a^2b^5 + 7ab^6 + b^7 \\
 \therefore (a+b)^7 &= a^7 + 7a^6b + 21a^5b^2 + 35a^4b^3 + 35a^3b^4 + 21a^2b^5 + 7ab^6 + b^7.
 \end{aligned}$$

b) $(x-3)^4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^{n-i} b^i \\
 &= \binom{4}{0} x^{4-0} (-3)^0 + \binom{4}{1} x^{4-1} (-3)^1 + \binom{4}{2} x^{4-2} (-3)^2 + \binom{4}{3} x^{4-3} (-3)^3 + \binom{4}{4} x^{4-4} (-3)^4 \\
 &= x^4 + 4x^3(-3) + 6x^2(9) + 4x(-27) + 81 \\
 &= x^4 - 12x^3 + 54x^2 - 108x + 81 \\
 \therefore (x-3)^4 &= x^4 - 12x^3 + 54x^2 - 108x + 81
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Using **Pascal's Identity** write an expression that is equivalent to each of the following:

Determining an equivalent value just taken from Pascal's Triangle will result in ½ mark

<2 marks>

a) $\binom{26}{22} + \binom{26}{23}$

$$\therefore \binom{n}{r} + \binom{n}{r+1} = \binom{n+1}{r+1}$$

$$\binom{26}{22} + \binom{26}{23} = \binom{26+1}{23}$$

$$\binom{26}{22} + \binom{26}{23} = \binom{27}{23}$$

$$\therefore \binom{26}{22} + \binom{26}{23} = \binom{27}{23}$$

\therefore An expression for $\binom{26}{22} + \binom{26}{23}$

$$\text{is } \binom{27}{23}.$$

b) $\binom{34}{16}$

$$\therefore \binom{n}{r} + \binom{n}{r+1} = \binom{n+1}{r+1}$$

$$\binom{34}{16} + \binom{34}{17} = \binom{34+1}{17}$$

$$\binom{34}{16} + \binom{34}{17} = \binom{35}{17}$$

$$\therefore \binom{34}{16} = \binom{35}{17} - \binom{34}{17}$$

\therefore An expression for $\binom{34}{16}$ is $\binom{35}{17} - \binom{34}{17}$