

1. Question 1

- (a) When rolling the Zocchihedron the first time, you are guaranteed to get a number. The probability of rolling the same number in any of the next four rolls is  $\frac{1}{100}$ . The sum of these probabilities is  $\frac{4}{100} = \frac{1}{25} = 0.04$
- (b) A fair die will have exactly  $\frac{1}{100}$  chance of rolling a given number. Using the same logic as in part (a), we must solve for the number of rolls, rather than the probability.
- $$\frac{n}{100} = 0.3$$
- $n = 30$  rolls

2. Question 2

(a) Probability Distribution:  $\sum_{s \in S} p(s) = 1$

$$p(100) = 5p(n), n \in \{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$$

$$p(1) = p(2) = \dots = p(99)$$

$$99 * p(1) + 5 * p(1) = 1$$

$$104 * p(1) = 1$$

$$p(i) = \frac{1}{104}, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 99\}$$

$$p(100) = \frac{5}{104}$$

(b) For any one roll, the  $p(100) = \frac{5}{104}$ . Thus, the probability of rolling a 100 in any n rolls is  $\frac{5n}{104}$ , since the probability each time compounds, adding another  $\frac{5}{104}$

3. Question 3

- (a) In order for a bit string of length  $n$  to contain an equal number of 1's and 0's, it must have  $\frac{n}{2}$  of each (1, 0 are treated as heads and tails over  $n$  flips). For a bit string of length  $n$  there are  $C(n, \frac{n}{2})$  strings with equal 1's and 0's.

There are  $2^n$  total possible outcomes of flipping the coin  $n$  times, and  $C(n, \frac{n}{2})$  of these will have an even number of heads and tails.

The probability is then  $\frac{\frac{n!}{(\frac{n}{2})!(\frac{n}{2})!}}{2^n}$ .

- (b) It will not affect the original probability.

Limiting the first flip to heads limits the number of total possible outcomes to  $2^{n-1}$ .

Of the remaining flips, there must be exactly one more tail result than heads. This number of strings is  $C(n-1, \lceil \frac{n}{2} - 1 \rceil)$ , where  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} - 1 \rceil = \frac{n}{2}$ , since  $n$  must be odd.

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\frac{(n-1)!}{(\frac{n-1}{2})!(\frac{n-1}{2})!}}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{\frac{n}{2}}{2} * \frac{\frac{n!}{(\frac{n}{2})!(\frac{n}{2})!}}{2^n}$$

Since the ratios are the same, the probabilities are the same.

- (c)

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4. Question 4

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5. Question 5

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6. Question 6

(a)

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