

Problem 1

We have  $X(n) = \frac{1}{2}(n-3)(n-5)$

Plugging in for each  $n \in S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

$$X(1) = \frac{1}{2}(1-3)(1-5) = 4$$

$$X(2) = \frac{1}{2}(2-3)(2-5) = \frac{3}{2}$$

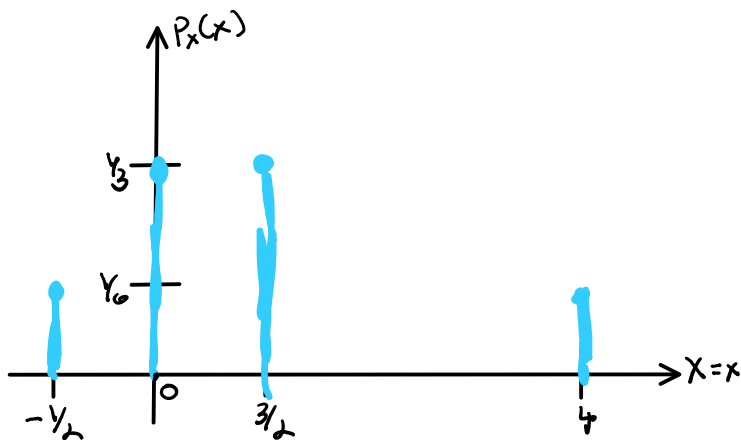
$$X(3) = \frac{1}{2}(3-3)(3-5) = 0$$

$$X(4) = \frac{1}{2}(4-3)(4-5) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

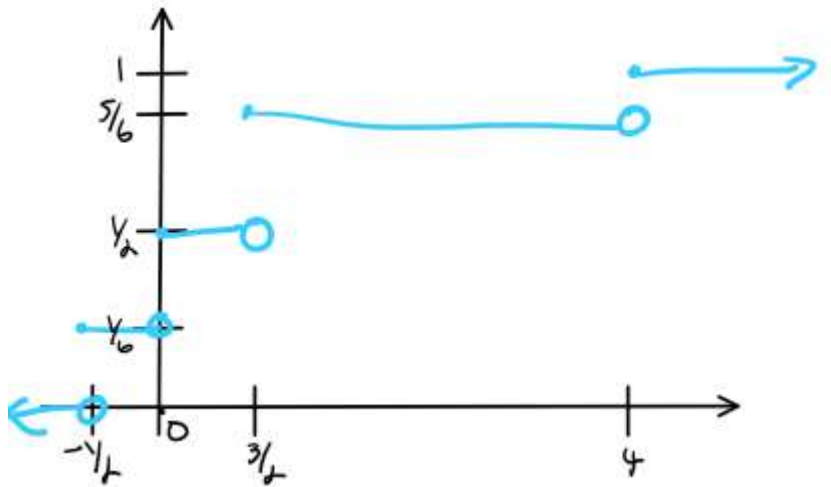
$$X(5) = \frac{1}{2}(5-3)(5-5) = 0$$

$$X(6) = \frac{1}{2}(6-3)(6-5) = \frac{3}{2}$$

Now we can make the probability mass function



We can also make the cumulative distribution function



$$E[X] = \frac{1}{6} \left[ 4 + \frac{3}{2} + 0 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 0 + \frac{3}{2} \right] = \frac{13}{12}$$

$$\text{var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$$

$$(E[X])^2 = \left(\frac{13}{12}\right)^2 = \frac{13^2}{12^2}$$

$$E[X^2] = \frac{1}{6} \left[ 4^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 0 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 0 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \right] = \frac{83}{24}$$

$$\text{var}[X] = \frac{83}{24} - \frac{169}{144} = \frac{329}{144}$$

## Problem 2

fair three sided die part

$$X = \left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^2$$

$$P(\{n\}) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \forall n \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{3}\right)^2 \right] = \frac{14}{27}$$

fair six sided die part

$$X = \left(\frac{n}{6}\right)^2$$

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

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{6} \left[ \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{6}{6}\right)^2 \right] = \frac{91}{216}$$

fair sided 1000 sided die

$$X = \left(\frac{n}{1000}\right)^2$$

$$P(\{n\}) = \frac{1}{1000} \quad \forall n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 1000\}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{1000} * \sum_{i=1}^{1000} \left(\frac{i}{1000}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{1000^3} * \sum_{i=1}^{1000} i^2$$

the summation is a squared partial sum which has the following formula

$$\sum_{i=1}^n n^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

so then

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{1000^3} * \frac{1000(1000+1)[(2*1000)+1]}{6} = \frac{1}{1000^3} * \frac{1000(1001)(2001)}{6} \approx \frac{1}{1000^3} * \frac{2*1000^3}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

### Problem 3

Part a

$$P(\{H\}) = p$$

$$P(\{T\}) = (1-p)$$

Games goes until two heads or two tails happens.

There is 4 ways this can happen. HH, TT, HTH, THT.

Their probabilities are as follows

$$P(\{H,H\}) = p^2$$

$$P(\{T,T\}) = (1-p)^2$$

$$P(\{H,T,H\}) = p(1-p)p = p^2(1-p)$$

$$P(\{T,H,T\}) = (1-p)p(1-p) = p(1-p)^2$$

let  $X$  = the number of rolls when the game is done

then  $X = 2$  for  $P(\{H,H\})$  and  $P(\{T,T\})$

and  $X = 3$  for  $P(\{H,T,H\})$  and  $P(\{T,H,T\})$

so for  $E[X]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= 2 [p^2 + (1-p)^2] + 3 [p^2(1-p) + p(1-p)^2] \\ &= 2p^2 + 2(1-p)^2 + 3p^2(1-p) + 3p(1-p)^2 \\ &= 2p^2 + 2(p^2 - 2p + 1) + 3p^2 - 3p^3 + 3p(p^2 - 2p + 1) \\ &= 2p^2 + 2p^2 - 4p + 2 + 3p^2 - 3p^3 + 3p^3 - 6p^2 + 3p \\ &= p^2 - p + 2 \end{aligned}$$

Part b

let  $X$  = the number of coin tosses still needed to get two heads or two tails

let  $X_H = X$  when the first roll is heads

let  $X_T = X$  when the first roll is tails

then  $E[X_H] = 1 + p + (1-p)E[X]$

the 1 is for the first roll

the  $p$  is for when we roll another heads and the game is over

the  $(1-p)E[X]$  is for when we roll a tails

then  $E[X_T] = 1 + (1-p) + pE[X]$

using similar logic as above

Then

$$E[X] = P(\{H\}) * E[X_H] + P(\{T\}) * E[X_T]$$

$$E[X] = p * (1 + p + (1-p)E[X]) + (1-p) * (1 + (1-p) + pE[X])$$

simplifying we get

$$E[X] = p + p^2 + p(1-p)E[X] + (1-p) + (1-p)^2 + p(1-p)E[X]$$

$$E[X](1 - 2p(1 - p)) = p + p^2 + 1 - p + p^2 - 2p + 1 = 2p^2 - 2p + 2$$

$$E[X] = \frac{2p^2 - 2p + 2}{2p^2 - 2p + 1}$$

We can check our answer by putting  $p=0$  or  $p=1$  and we should get  $E[X] = 2$  (which we do)

We can also check our answer by putting  $p=.5$  and we should get  $E[X] = 3$  (which we do)

#### Problem 4

Let  $X = \#$  of children seated next together

lets find  $P(X=3)$

we have  $3!$  ways to choose the children all sitting next to each other and  $5!$  ways to choose the adults together

we have a total of  $(8-1)! = 7!$  different arrangements total

(reduced by 1 because  $c_1, c_2, c_3, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5$  around the round table is the same as  $c_2, c_3, a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, c_1$ )

$$\text{so then } P(X=3) = \frac{3! \cdot 5!}{7!}$$

lets find  $P(X=2)$

we can start by choosing the 5 non children spots and arranging them such that we can only have a group of 2 children. This will be  $5!$  ways.

There is  $\binom{3}{2} = 3$  ways we can arrange the grouped children

There is 4 gaps of 2 that we can make around the table

we have 2 ways to arrange each grouping of children

e.g.  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_2, c_1$

Finally, we have the same denominator as above with  $7!$

$$\text{so then } P(X=2) = \frac{5! \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}{7!} = \frac{4}{7}$$

When  $X=2$  we get 1 dollar, and when  $X=3$  we get two dollars

let  $Y =$  the amount of money we get

$$E[Y] = 1 * \left(\frac{4}{7}\right) + 2 * \left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{6}{7} \approx 0.86$$