



A, A typical game of sungka visualized as the number of shells in the board at each turn. Pepe's turns are plotted in orange, and Pilar's in blue. Players accumulate shells at their own heads, which are wells 8 and 16, respectively. Pepe wins this particular game, because he accumulates more shells than Pilar. **B**, the number of wins by Pepe and Pilar in 1,000 games. Some games end in a tie. **C**, distribution of winning margins in 1,000 games. Almost half of games are won by margins less than 10. **D**, distribution of the number of turns to finish each of 1,000 games.