

# Assignment 3

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**Question 12.13.5.1:** A die is thrown 6 times. if 'getting an odd number' is a success, what is the probability of

- 1) 5 successes?
- 2) at least 5 successes?
- 3) at most 5 successes?

**Solution:** when a die is rolled the possible outcomes are  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ . so the probability of getting odd number is  $p = 1/2$ , similarly the probability of getting even number is  $q = 1/2$ .

Let  $X$  be the random variable denoting number of successes.

$$X \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

probability of getting  $i$  times success out of 6 times is

$$\Pr(X = i) = {}^6C_i p^i q^{6-i} \quad (1)$$

Now

1)

$$\Pr(X = 5) = {}^6C_5 p^5 q^1 \quad (2)$$

$$= {}^6C_5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{6}{2^6} \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{3}{32} \quad (5)$$

2)

$$\Pr(X \geq 5) = \Pr(X = 5) + \Pr(X = 6) \quad (6)$$

$$= {}^6C_5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 + {}^6C_6 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{6}{2^6} + \frac{1}{2^6} \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{7}{64} \quad (9)$$

$$\Pr(X \leq 5) = 1 - \Pr(X = 6) \quad (10)$$

$$= 1 - {}^6C_6 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 \quad (11)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2^6} \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{63}{64} \quad (13)$$