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Project # 2

Task #1: A very powerful probabilistic tool used in all areas of science is what is called *simulation*. This is where a computer is used to simulate an experiment many times to approximate the probabilities of certain events. The fundamental idea is based on the *long-run frequency interpretation* of probability. That is, the probability Pr(E) of an event, E to occur is just the proportion of times the event E occurs in 'infinitely' many repetitions of the experiment or, in other words,

$$P(E) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\text{\# of times E occurs in n trials}}{n}$$

Of course, we can't perform any experiment infinitely many times, but we can use a computer to do it a large number of times, say N. Then we should have, for a large N

$$P(E) \approx \frac{\text{\# of times E occurs in the N trials}}{N}$$

Your **task** now is to simulate, using R, different events, and to figure out their probabilities by using the above relative frequency approach and determine which game is more favorable to "Winning". That is, use R to simulate 3,000 plays of the following games:

- 1) Game 1: roll a die one time, WIN if you have an Ace (a '6').
- 2) Game 2: roll a die four times, WIN if you have one or more Aces.
- 3) Game 3: roll a pair of dice 24 times, WIN if you have one or more Double Aces.

Note, you don't have to perform all 3,000 plays, at once. You can perform n=100, plays at first, then n=200, n=400, n=500, n=800 and finally n=1000 additional plays and then record the results and complete the tables below.

• For example, for n=100 plays of Game 1:

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> xx<-sample(seq(1,6, by=1), 100, replace=T)
> xx

[1] 4 6 5 1 1 1 2 5 2 1 1 1 4 1 3 2 1 2 6 5 5 1 1 6 4 5 5 2 5 1 2
4 1 3 5 2 2 1 6 3 4 3 5 6 3 5 1 1 6 6 1 3 1 4 6 3 4 2 4 6 2 3 6 4
5 6 2 2 6 5 2 1 1 5 6 3 3 6 1 4 1 5 2 5 5 2 3 4 5 6 6 4 2 3 1 4 2
1 6 1

> table(xx==6)
FALSE TRUE
83 17
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Here 'TRUE' means a 'WIN'.

• This would be equivalent to using the 'Binomial' distribution (to be discuss in Chapter 4) to simulate the game

• Similarly, for n=100 plays of Game 2,

• And, for n=100 plays of Game 3

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Complete the following tables with the results of your simulations and turn this page in with a copy of your R code.

| GAME 1 | P(Win) = | | | | |
|--------|----------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|
| #of | # Losses | # Wins | Cumulative | Cumulative | Relative |
| Plays | | | # of plays | # of Wins | Frequency |
| n= | | | | | of Wins |
| 100 | 80 | 20 | 100 | 20 | 0.2 |
| 200 | 162 | 38 | 300 | 58 | 01933 |
| 400 | 326 | 74 | 700 | 132 | 0.188 |
| 500 | | | 1200 | | |
| | | | 2000 | | |
| 800 | | | | | |
| 1000 | | | 3000 | | 0.1677 |

| GAME 2 | | | | | P(Win) = |
|--------|----------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|
| #of | # Losses | # Wins | Cumulative | Cumulative | Relative |
| Plays | | | # of plays | # of Wins | Frequency |
| n= | | | | | of Wins |
| 100 | 42 | 58 | 100 | 58 | 0.58 |
| 200 | | | 300 | | |
| 400 | | | 700 | | |
| 500 | | | 1200 | | |
| 800 | | | 2000 | | |
| 1000 | | | 3000 | | |

| GAME 3 | | | | | P(Win) = |
|--------|----------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|
| #of | # Losses | # Wins | Cumulative | Cumulative | Relative |
| Plays | | | # of plays | # of Wins | Frequency |
| n= | | | | | of Wins |
| 100 | 51 | 49 | 100 | 49 | 0.49 |
| 200 | | | 300 | | |
| 400 | | | 700 | | |
| 500 | | | 1200 | | |
| 800 | | | 2000 | | |
| 1000 | | | 3000 | | |