

Assignment 1

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Question.

A die has its six faces marked 0, 1, 1, 1, 6, 6. Two such dice are thrown together and the total score is recorded.

- How many different scores are possible?
- What is the probability of getting a total of 7?

Answer:

- 6
- $\frac{1}{3}$

Solution:

i) The possible sums are

- **0** (If both the times outcome is zero)
- **1** (If the outcome was 0 and 1 or viceversa)
- **2** (If both times the outcome was 1)
- **6** (If the outcome was 0 and 6 or viceversa)
- **7** (If the outcome was 1 and 6 or viceversa)
- **12** (If both times the outcome was 6)

\therefore 6 different scores are possible (1)

ii) The sum 7 can be obtained only if

1	6
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 or

6	1
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The total possible scores are 6 from equation (1)

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Required probability} &= \frac{2}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{3}\end{aligned}$$

PMF of the distribution

X Outcome	0	1	6
P(X=x)	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

PMF of sum of numbers on the dice

Let X be the random variable representing the total score when two dice with markings 0, 1, 1, 1, 6, 6 are thrown together. Then the PMF of X can be expressed as:

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36} & x = 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & x = 1 \\ \frac{1}{4} & x = 2 \\ \frac{1}{3} & x = 7 \\ \frac{1}{9} & x \in \{6, 12\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where x is the possible score, and the values of the PMF are given in the corresponding cases.

X Score	0	1	2	6	7	12
P(X=x)	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{9}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{9}$

Let $x[n]$ be the discrete-time signal representing the probability mass function (PMF) for the total score when two dice with markings 0, 1, 1, 1, 6, 6 are thrown together. Then the Z transform of $x[n]$ is given by:

$$X(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n] \cdot z^{-n}$$

where z is a complex variable and n is a discrete-time index. The Z transform is a powerful tool in digital signal processing, as it allows us to analyze and manipulate signals in the frequency domain. The inverse Z transform can also be used to recover the original signal $x[n]$ from its Z transform $X(z)$.