

PROBABILITY

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13.4.5 ¹ Find the probability distribution of the number of successes in two tosses of a die, where a success is defined as

- (a) number greater than 4
- (b) six appears on at least one die

Solution: Given that a die tossed two times,

Consider each trial results in success or failure. Let X_i where $i = 1, 2$ be the random variables representing the outcome for each die toss.

| Variable | Values | Description |
|----------|------------------------|---|
| n | 2 | Number of tosses of a die |
| p_1 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | Probability of getting number >4 |
| q_1 | $1 - p_1$ | Probability of not getting number >4 |
| p_2 | $\frac{1}{6}$ | probability of getting six on a die |
| q_2 | $1 - p_2$ | probability of not getting six on a die |
| X_1 | $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ | possible outcomes of 1st toss of a die |
| X_2 | $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ | possible outcomes of 2nd toss of a die |

Table 2: Variable Description

p and q are the probability of success and failure respectively.

$$p_1 = \frac{1}{3} \quad (13.4.2.1)$$

$$q_1 = 1 - p_1 = \frac{2}{3} \quad (13.4.2.2)$$

Similarly,

$$p_2 = \frac{1}{6} \quad (13.4.2.3)$$

$$q_2 = 1 - p_2 = \frac{5}{6} \quad (13.4.2.4)$$

- (a) number greater than 4

In n Bernoulli trials with k success and $(n - k)$ failures, the probability of k success in n - Bernoulli trials can be given as

$$\Pr(X_i = k) = \begin{cases} {}^nC_k p^k q^{n-k} & 0 \leq k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (13.4.1.5)$$

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where, $n = 2$

$$X = X_1 + X_2 \quad (13.4.1.6)$$

$$p_X(k) = {}^nC_k p_1^k q_1^{n-k}, 0 \leq k \leq 2, n = 2 \quad (13.4.1.7)$$

Probability distribution of getting number greater than 4 is,

$$p_X(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{9}, & k = 0 \\ \frac{4}{9}, & k = 1 \\ \frac{1}{9}, & k = 2 \end{cases} \quad (13.4.1.8)$$

(b) six appears on at least one die

In n Bernoulli trials with k success and $(n - k)$ failures, the probability of k success in n - Bernoulli trials can be given as

$$\Pr(X_i = k) = \begin{cases} {}^nC_k p^k q^{n-k} & 0 \leq k \leq n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (13.4.2.9)$$

where, $n = 2$

$$X = X_1 + X_2 \quad (13.4.2.10)$$

$$p_X(k) = {}^nC_k p_2^k q_2^{n-k}, 0 \leq k \leq 2, n = 2 \quad (13.4.2.11)$$

Probability distribution of getting six on atleast one die is,

$$p_X(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{25}{36}, & k = 0 \\ \frac{10}{36}, & k = 1 \\ \frac{1}{36}, & k = 2 \end{cases} \quad (13.4.2.12)$$