

Ex 1: (a) How many outcomes in rolling four dice have 4 different numbers as an outcome?

(b) Same question, but now we are interested only in possible collections of those 4 different numbers

Ex 2: Discuss example Ex2 from Lecture Notes #33

General Setting

We start from a set of n elements and want to choose r different elements from this set. The choices can be either ordered or unordered.

Permutation: An ordered selection of r objects from a set of n objects. Here $0 \leq r \leq n$.

Combination: An unordered selection of r objects chosen from a set of n objects (again $0 \leq r \leq n$).

Notation: (a) ${}_n P_r$ = number of permutations of r objects chosen from a set of n objects

(b) ${}_n C_r$ = number of combinations of r objects chosen from a set of n obj-s.

Key Formulas:

$${}_n P_r = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \dots \cdot (n-r+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

$${}_n C_r = \frac{{}_n P_r}{r!} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Ex 3 (Exercise 16.2.23)²⁴ How many seven-digit numbers

(a) are even?

(b) are divisible by 5?

(c) are divisible by 25?

(d) have no repeated digits?

(e) are number palindromes?

↑ same number as if we read left-to-right or right-to-left

Ex 4 (Exercise 16.2.22) Nine people (4 men and 5 women) line up at a check-out stand in a grocery store

(a) In how many ways can they line up?

(b) In how many ways can they line up if the first person in line must be a woman?

(c) In how many ways can they line up if they must alternate woman, man, woman, man, ... ?

• Probability

Ex 5 (Baby-example):

(a) Tossing a coin once, what is the probability to get Head?

(b) Tossing a coin 10 times, what is the probability to get all Heads?

(c)* Tossing a coin 9 times, what is the probability to have more Heads than Tails?

(Answer: (a) $\frac{1}{2}$, (b) $\frac{1}{2^{10}} = 2^{-10}$, (c) $\frac{1}{2}$)

However, in real life, it is not always the case that each outcome has the same probability.

A probability assignment is a function that assigns to each event E a number between 0 and 1, which represents the probability of the event E , denoted $P_r(E)$. We always assume $P_r(\emptyset) = 0$, $P_r(S) = 1$.

! If S is finite, then it suffices to assign probability only to simple events, i.e. 1-element subsets of the sample space. Indeed, we recover $P_r(E)$ just by summing up the probabilities of the individual outcomes that make up the event E .

Upshot: To define P_r , it suffices to assign a number from 0 to 1 to each simple event, so that these numbers add up to 1.

Probability space is a combination of a sample space and the probability assignment.

- Sample space $S = \{o_1, \dots, o_N\}$
- Probability assignment: $0 \leq P_r(o_1), \dots, P_r(o_N) \leq 1$ such that $P_r(o_1) + \dots + P_r(o_N) = 1$
- Event $E = \{o_{i_1}, \dots, o_{i_k}\} \subset S$ has probability $P_r(E) := P_r(o_{i_1}) + \dots + P_r(o_{i_k})$.

Ex 5 (Exercise 16.3.33) Consider the sample space $S = \{o_1, o_2, o_3, o_4, o_5\}$
Suppose $P_r(o_1) = 0.22$, $P_r(o_2) = 0.24$.

- Find the probability assignment for the probability space when o_3, o_4, o_5 all have the same probability
- Find the probability assignment for the probability space when $P_r(o_5) = 0.1$, and $\{o_3\}$ has the same probability as $\{o_4, o_5\}$.