

PROBABILITY

Form 5

Vol 10

Part 5 - Until win

1. (a) Probability of getting a number greater than 4 = $\frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$

Probability of getting an even number = $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

The required probability

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

2. The required probability

$$= \left(\frac{5}{9}\right)\left(\frac{4}{8}\right)\left(\frac{3}{7}\right)\left(\frac{4}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{63}$$

3. (a) There are 3 possible events occurring within the first two possible draws.

Event (1): a red ball is drawn in the first draw from box A . (The player wins the game.)

$$\text{Probability that event (1) occurs} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Event (2): a green ball is drawn in the first draw from box A and a red ball is drawn in the following draw from box B . (The player must win the game in the next drawn in box A .)

$$\text{Probability that event (2) occurs} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

Event (3): a green ball is drawn in the first draw from box A and a green ball is drawn in the following draw from box B .

$$\text{Probability that event (3) occurs} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

If event (3) occurs, then the winning situation will be the same as the start of the game.

$$\text{Hence, we have } p = \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)p.$$

- (b) The required probability

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{5}{6} \end{aligned}$$

4. The required probability

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{6}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{6}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{6}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + \dots \\ &= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)}{1 - \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{6}\right)} \\ &= \frac{7}{19} \end{aligned}$$

5. (a) The required probability

$$= \frac{3}{8}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right) \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^5 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^7 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)$$

$$= \frac{6302535}{16777216} \quad | \text{ r.t. } 0.376$$

(c) The required probability

$$= \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right) \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^3 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^5 \left(\frac{3}{8}\right) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right) \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)}{1 - \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{5}{13}$$

Part 6A - Probability (with NCR / NPR)

1. (a) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_2^5 \times C_2^6 \times C_3^4}{C_7^{15}}$$

$$= \frac{40}{429}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_3^{11} \times C_4^4}{C_7^{15}} + \frac{40}{429}$$

$$= \frac{17}{143}$$

2. The required probability

$$= \frac{C_5^{12} - (C_5^6 + C_5^6)}{C_5^{19}} + \frac{C_5^{13} - (C_5^6 + C_5^7)}{C_5^{19}} \times 2$$

$$= \frac{275}{969}$$

3. (a) The required probability

$$= 1 - \frac{C_4^{10}}{C_4^{18}}$$

$$= \frac{95}{102}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_4^{10}}{C_4^{18}} + \frac{C_3^{10} \times C_1^8}{C_4^{18}}$$

$$= \frac{13}{34}$$

4. The required probability

$$= 1 - \frac{C_4^{12}}{C_4^{15}}$$

$$= \frac{58}{91}$$

5. (a) The required probability

$$= 1 - \frac{C_4^7}{C_4^{12}}$$

$$= \frac{92}{99}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{C_4^7}{C_4^{12}} + \frac{C_4^8}{C_4^{12}} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{C_3^5 \times C_1^4 + C_2^5 \times (C_2^4 + C_1^4 \times C_1^3) + C_1^5 \times (C_3^4 + C_2^4 \times C_1^3 + C_1^4 \times C_2^3)}{C_4^{12}}$$

$$= \frac{26}{33}$$

(c) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_1^5 \times C_1^4 \times C_1^3 \times C_1^9 \times \frac{1}{2!}}{C_4^{12}}$$

$$= \frac{6}{11}$$

6. B

7. A

6. The required probability

$$= \frac{C_1^5 \times C_2^4 + C_3^5}{C_3^9}$$

$$= \frac{10}{21}$$

7. The required probability

$$= \frac{C_7^{10} \times 2}{10!}$$

$$= \frac{1}{15120}$$

8. (a) The required probability

$$= \frac{9}{C_3^{11}}$$

$$= \frac{3}{55}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{55} - \frac{C_3^9}{C_3^{11}} \quad | \text{ or } \frac{2 \times 8 + 8 \times 7}{C_3^{11}}$$

$$= \frac{24}{55}$$

9. (a) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_3^7}{C_3^{25}}$$

$$= \frac{7}{460}$$

(b) The required probability

$$= \frac{C_3^{10} + C_3^7 + C_3^8}{C_3^{25}}$$

$$= \frac{211}{2300}$$

(c) The required probability

$$= \frac{8 \times 7 \times 16 + 8 \times 7 \times 7 + 16 \times 7 \times 8}{24 \times 7 \times 23} \quad | \text{ or } \frac{C_2^8 + 8 \times 16}{C_2^{24}}$$

$$= \frac{13}{23}$$

(d) The required probability

$$= \frac{10 \times 15 \times 9 + 7 \times 18 \times 6 + 8 \times 17 \times 7 + 10 \times 7 \times 8 \times 3!}{P_3^{25}}$$

$$= \frac{3209}{6900}$$