

## Topic :-PROBABILITY

1 (a)

Clearly,  $X$  is a binomial variate with  $p = 1/2$

$$\therefore P(X = r) = {}^n C_r \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^r \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-r} = {}^n C_r \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$$

It is given that  $P(X = 4), P(X = 5)$  and  $P(X = 6)$  are in AP

$$\therefore 2P(X = 5) = P(X = 4) + P(X = 6)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 {}^n C_5 = {}^n C_4 + {}^n C_6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{{}^n C_4}{{}^n C_5} + \frac{{}^n C_6}{{}^n C_5}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 = \frac{5}{n-4} + \frac{n-5}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 21n + 98 = 0 \Rightarrow n = 7, 14$$

2 (b)

Three letters can be placed in 3 envelopes in  $3!$  ways, whereas there is only one way of placing them in their right envelopes. So, Probability that all the letters are placed in the right envelopes =  $\frac{1}{3!}$

$$\text{Hence, required probability} = 1 - \frac{1}{3!} = \frac{5}{6}$$

3 (b)

We have,

$$\text{Total number of mappings from } A \text{ to } B = n^m$$

$$\text{Number of injective mappings from } A \text{ to } B = {}^n C_m \times m!$$

$$\text{Hence, required probability} = \frac{{}^n C_m \times m!}{n^m} = \frac{n!}{(n-m)! n^m}$$

4 (c)

Let  $x$  be the probability of success in each trial, then  $(1-x)$  will be the probability of failure in each trial.

Thus, probability of exactly successes in a series of three trials

$$= P(\bar{E}_1 E_2 E_3 + E_1 \bar{E}_2 E_3 + E_1 E_2 \bar{E}_3)$$

$$= (1-x)x \cdot x + x(1-x)x + x \cdot x(1-x)$$

$$= 3x^2(1-x)$$

and the probability of three success

$$P(E_1E_2E_3) = x \cdot x \cdot x = x^3$$

According to question,

$$9x^3 - 3x^2(1 - x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 1 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}$$

Hence, the probability of success in each trial is  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

5 **(d)**

Let  $E = E =$  Events of numbers divisible by 2 and 3 [ie, divisible by 6]

$$= (6, 12, \dots, 96)$$

$$n(E) = 16$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{{}^{16}C_3}{{}^{100}C_3}$$

$$= \frac{16 \times 15 \times 14}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = \frac{4}{1155}$$

6 **(d)**

Probability of getting a Sunday in a week,

$$p = \frac{1}{7}, q = \frac{6}{7}$$

$$\text{Required probability} = {}^5C_2 \left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^2 \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^3 = \frac{10 \times 6^3}{7^5}$$

7 **(c)**

Given that,  $np = 12$  ... (i)

and  $\sqrt{npq} = 2 \Rightarrow npq = 4$  ... (ii)

From Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$12 \times q = 4 \Rightarrow q = \frac{1}{3}$$

and we know that,

$$p + q = 1 \Rightarrow p = 1 - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

8 **(c)**

Total cases =  ${}^{52}C_4$

Favourable cases =  $({}^{13}C_1)^4$

So, probability =  $\frac{({}^{13}C_1)^4}{{}^{52}C_4}$

$$= \frac{13 \times 13 \times 13 \times 13 \times 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4}{52 \times 51 \times 50 \times 49}$$

$$= \frac{2197}{20825}$$

9 **(b)**

Required probability

$$\begin{aligned} & P(A_1 \cap A_2' \cap A_3) + P(A_1' \cap A_2 \cap A_3) \\ &= P(A_1)P(A_2')P(A_3) + P(A_1')P(A_2)P(A_3) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

10 (c)

The last digit of the product will be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 if and only if each of the  $n$  positive integers ends in any of these digits. Now the probability of an integer ending

in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 is  $\frac{8}{10}$ . Therefore the probability that the last digit of the

product of  $n$  integer in 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 is  $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^n$ . The probability for an integer to end in 1, 3, 7 or 9 is  $\frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$

Therefore the probability for the product of  $n$  positive integers to end in 1, 3, 7 or 9 is  $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n$

Hence the required probability =  $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^n - \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n = \frac{4^n - 2^n}{5^n}$

11 (d)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Required probability} &= P(WBWB) + P(BWBW) \\ &= \left( \frac{{}^5C_1 \times {}^3C_1 \times {}^4C_1 \times {}^2C_1}{{}^8C_1 \times {}^7C_1 \times {}^6C_1 \times {}^5C_1} \right) + \left( \frac{{}^5C_1 \times {}^3C_1 \times {}^4C_1 \times {}^2C_1}{{}^8C_1 \times {}^7C_1 \times {}^6C_1 \times {}^5C_1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{14} + \frac{1}{14} = \frac{2}{14} = \frac{1}{7} \end{aligned}$$

12 (a)

Let  $X$  denotes the number of red balls. Here probability of getting red balls,  $p = \frac{3}{7}$  and probability of getting red bills,  $q = \frac{4}{7}$

$$1. \quad P_1(X=0) = {}^3C_0 \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^0 \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^3 = \frac{64}{(7)^3}$$

$$2. \quad P_2(X=1) = {}^3C_1 \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^1 \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^2 = \frac{144}{(7)^3}$$

$$3. \quad P_3(X=2) = {}^3C_2 \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^2 \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^1 = \frac{108}{(7)^3}$$

$$4. \quad P_4(X=3) = {}^3C_3 \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^3 = \frac{27}{(7)^3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Variance} = \sum_{i=0}^3 P_i x_i^2 - \left(\sum_{i=0}^3 P_i x_i\right)^2$$

$$= \left[ \frac{64}{(7)^3} \times 0 + \frac{144}{(7)^3} \times (1)^2 + \frac{108}{(7)^3} \times (2)^2 + \frac{27}{(7)^3} \times (3)^2 \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left[ \frac{64}{(7)^3} \times 0 + \frac{144}{(7)^3} \times 1 + \frac{108}{(7)^3} \times 2 + \frac{27}{(7)^3} \times 3 \right]^2 \\
& = \left[ 0 + \frac{144}{343} + \frac{432}{343} + \frac{243}{343} \right] - \left[ 0 + \frac{144}{343} + \frac{216}{343} + \frac{81}{343} \right]^2 \\
& = \frac{819}{343} - \left( \frac{441}{343} \right)^2 \\
& = \frac{280917 - 194481}{(343)^2} = \frac{36}{49}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, standard deviation =  $\sqrt{\text{variance}}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{36}{49}} = \frac{6}{7}$$

13 (c)

Since,  $n(n+1)P = \frac{101}{3}$  is not an integer

Therefore,  $P(X=r)$  is maximum when  $r = \left[ \frac{101}{3} \right] = 33$

14 (c)

We have,

$$p = \text{Probability that a bulb is defective} = \frac{5}{20} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore q = 1 - p = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Let  $X$  denote the number of defective bulbs in a sample of 3 bulbs. Then,  $X$  is a binomial variate with parameter  $n = 3$  and  $p = \frac{1}{4}$  such that

$$P(X=r) = {}^3C_r \left( \frac{1}{4} \right)^r \left( \frac{3}{4} \right)^{3-r}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X=2) = {}^3C_2 \left( \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{9}{64}$$

15 (a)

$$\text{Given, } np = 3 = \sqrt{npq} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \frac{npq}{np} = \frac{9}{4 \times 3} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Also,  $np = 3 \Rightarrow n = 12$

Hence, binomial distribution is

$$(q + p)^n = \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{12}$$

16 **(d)**

Since each element of a determinant of order 2 can be 0 or 1. Therefore, the total number of determinants with entries 0 or 1 is  $2^4 = 16$ . Out of these 16 determinants, there are 3 positive and 3 negative

$$\therefore P(A) = P(B) = \frac{3}{16} \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

17 **(a)**

$$P\left(\frac{B}{A}\right) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{15} = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{\frac{1}{12}}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{180}$$

Also,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$\Rightarrow P(A \cup B) = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{5}{12} - \frac{1}{180} = \frac{89}{180}$$

19 **(b)**

We have,

$$np = 20 \text{ and } npq = 4 \Rightarrow q = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow p = \frac{4}{5}$$

Now,  $np = 20 \Rightarrow n = 25$

20 **(d)**

Let  $A$  be the event of obtaining an even sum and  $B$  be the event of obtaining a sum less than five.

Then, we have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ . Since,  $A, B$  are not mutually exclusive, we have

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= \frac{18}{36} + \frac{6}{36} - \frac{4}{36}$$

$$= \frac{5}{9}$$

[Since, there are 18 ways to get an even sum and 6 ways to get a sum less than 5 *ie.* (1,3), (3,1), (2,2), (1,2), (2,1), (1,1)

and 4 ways to get an even sum less than 5, *ie.* (1,3), (3,1), (2,2), (1,1).]

**ANSWER-KEY**

Q.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
A.	A	B	B	C	D	D	C	C	B	C
Q.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A.	D	A	C	C	A	D	A	C	B	D

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