

CHAPTER- Probability

Q1. The probability of selecting a red ball at random from a jar that contains only red, blue and orange balls is $\frac{1}{4}$. The probability of selecting a blue ball at random from the same jar is $\frac{1}{3}$. If the jar contains 10 orange balls, find the total number of balls in the jar

Q2. A card is drawn at random from a well shuffled pack of 52 playing cards. Find the probability that the drawn card is

- 1) neither a king nor a queen.
- 2) neither a jack nor an ace
- 3) a red king.
- 4) a queen or a jack.
- 5) face card

Q3. What is the probability that a randomly selected month with 31 days will contain 5 Sundays?

Q4. A bag contains 15 white and some black balls. If the probability of drawing a black ball from the bag is thrice that of drawing a white ball, find the number of black balls in the bag.

Q5. The probability of selecting a blue marble at random from a jar that contains only blue, black and green marbles is $\frac{1}{5}$. The probability of selecting a black marble at random from the same jar is $\frac{1}{4}$. If the jar contains 11 green marbles, find the total number of marbles in the jar.

Q6.

Three different coins are tossed together.

Find the probability of getting

- (i) exactly two heads,
- (ii) at least two heads (iii) at least two tails.

There are 100 cards in a bag on which numbers from 1 to 100 are written. A card is taken out from the bag at random. Find the probability that the number on the selected card (i) is divisible by 9 and is a perfect square (ii) is a prime number

Q7. **greater than 80.**

A bag contains 25 cards numbered from 1 to 25. A card is drawn at random from the bag. Find the probability that the number on the drawn card is:

- Q8. (i) divisible by 3 or 5
(ii) a perfect square number.

A card is drawn at random from a well-shuffled deck of playing cards. Find the probability that the card drawn is

- Q9. (i) A card of spade or an ace
(ii) A black king
(iii) Neither a jack nor a king
(iv) Either a king or a queen

Q10

Q3. A number is chosen at random from the numbers -3,-2,-1,0,1,2,3. What will be the probability that square of this number is less than or equal to 1

Solution

Q1.

$$P(\text{Red}) = \frac{1}{4}, P(\text{blue}) = \frac{1}{3}$$

As we know, Total Probability = 1

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{orange}) = 1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{orange}) = \frac{\text{Total no. of orange balls}}{\text{Total no. of balls}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{12} = \frac{10}{\text{Total no. of balls}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total no. of balls} = \frac{10 \times 12}{5} = 24$$

Q2.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & P(\text{neither a king nor a queen}) \\ &= 1 - P(\text{king or queen}) \\ &= 1 - \left(\frac{8}{52}\right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{2}{13} = \frac{11}{13} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad & \text{Total number of cards} = 52 \\ & \text{Numbers of jacks} = 4 \\ & \text{Numbers of aces} = 4 \\ & \text{Card is neither a jack nor an ace} \\ &= 52 - 4 - 4 = 44 \\ & \therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{44}{52} = \frac{11}{13} \end{aligned}$$

Cards in a pack = 52

Number of kings = 4

Number of red kings = 2

$$(iv) P(\text{a red king}) = \frac{2}{52} = \frac{1}{26}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (v) P(\text{a queen or a jack}) &= P(\text{a queen}) + P(\text{a jack}) \\ &= \frac{4}{52} + \frac{4}{52} = \frac{8}{52} = \frac{2}{13} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (v) \text{ Possible outcomes of face cards} &= 12 \\ \therefore P(\text{a face card}) &= \frac{12}{52} = \frac{3}{13} \end{aligned}$$

Q3.

A month with 31 days has 4 complete weeks (28 days) and 3 extra days. The extra days can be any combination of three consecutive days.

To have 5 Sundays, at least one of those extra days must be a Sunday. The possible combinations for three extra days can include Sunday in several ways:

- If the extra days are Sunday-Monday-Tuesday,
- If they are Saturday-Sunday-Monday,
- If they are Friday-Saturday-Sunday,
- If they are Thursday-Friday-Saturday,
- If they are Wednesday-Thursday-Friday.

Thus, there are 3 favorable outcomes out of 7 total possible combinations for including at least one Sunday in those three extra days.

$$P(5 \text{ Sundays}) = \frac{3}{7}$$

Q4.

Number of white balls = 15

Let x be the number of black balls.

Total number of balls in the bag = $15 + x$

Also, the probability of drawing a black ball from the bag is thrice that of drawing a white ball.

$$\Rightarrow x/(15 + x) = 3[15/(15 + x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \times 15 = 45$$

Hence, the number of black balls in the bag = 45.

Q5.

Given that,

$$P(\text{selecting a blue marble}) = 1/5$$

$$P(\text{selecting a black marble}) = 1/4$$

We know that the sum of all probabilities of events associated with a random experiment is equal to 1.

$$\text{So, } P(\text{selecting a blue marble}) + P(\text{selecting a black marble}) + P(\text{selecting a green marble}) = 1$$

$$(1/5) + (1/4) + P(\text{selecting a green marble}) = 1$$

$$P(\text{selecting a green marble}) = 1 - (1/4) - (1/5)$$

$$= (20 - 5 - 4)/20$$

$$= 11/20$$

$$P(\text{selecting a green marble}) = \text{Number of green marbles} / \text{Total number of marbles}$$

$11/20 = 11/\text{Total number of marbles}$ {since the number of green marbles in the jar = 11}

Therefore, the total number of marbles = 20

Q6.

Set of possible outcomes

$= \{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH, HTT, THT, TTH, TTT\}$.

(i) Let E_1 be the event of getting exactly two heads.

\therefore Favourable outcomes = $\{HHT, HTH, THH\}$

No. of favourable outcomes = 3

$$\therefore P(E_1) = \frac{3}{8}$$

(ii) Let E_2 be the event of getting atleast two heads.

\therefore Favourable outcomes = $\{HHT, HTH, THH, HHH\}$

No. of favourable outcomes = 4

$$\therefore P(E_2) = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(iii) Let E_3 be the event of getting atleast two tails.

\therefore Favourable outcomes

$= \{HTT, THT, TTH, TTT\}$

No. of favourable outcomes = 4

$$\therefore P(E_3) = \frac{4}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Q7.

Number of possible outcomes = 100

- (i) Let E_1 be the event of getting a number divisible by 9 and is a perfect square.

\therefore Favourable outcomes = {9, 36, 81}

Number of favourable outcomes = 3

$$\therefore P(E_1) = \frac{3}{100}$$

- (ii) Let E_2 be the event of getting a prime number greater than 80.

\therefore Favourable outcomes = {83, 89, 97}

Number of favourable outcomes = 3

$$\therefore P(E_2) = \frac{3}{100}$$

Q8.

Total number of possible outcomes = 25

- (i) Let E_1 be the event of getting a number divisible by 3 or 5.

Favourable outcomes = {3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 5, 10, 20, 25}

\therefore Number of favourable outcomes = 12

$\therefore P(\text{getting a no. divisible by 3 or 5})$

$$P(E_1) = \frac{12}{25}$$

- (ii) Let E_2 be the event of getting a perfect square number.

Favourable outcomes = {1, 4, 9, 16, 25}

\therefore Number of favourable outcomes = 5

$\therefore P(\text{getting a perfect square number})$

$$P(E_2) = \frac{5}{25} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Q9.

Let S be the sample space of drawing a card from a well-shuffled deck

Then, $S = 52$

(i) There are 13 spade cards and 4 aces in a deck. As an ace of spade is included in 13 spade cards

So, there are 13 spade cards and 3 aces
A card of spade or an ace can be drawn in
 $13 + 4 - 1 = 16$ (ways)

Probability of drawing a card of spade or an ace

$$P = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}$$

(ii) There are 2 black king cards in a deck.

Probability of drawing a black king

$$P = \frac{2}{52}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{26}$$

Probability of drawing a queen

$$P = \frac{4}{52}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{13}$$

Q10.

Solution:

No. of all possible outcomes = 7

The numbers whose square is ≤ 1 are -1, 0, 1

No. of favourable outcomes = 3

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{3}{7}$$