

Infinity and Random Variables

1. Recall the experiment from Lecture 4 which was as follows.
 1. We flip three coins.
 2. If all three coins are different, we record the occurrence of events as follows: 1st event for the sequence (T, H, H) , 2nd event for (H, T, H) , 3rd event for (H, H, T) , 4th event for (H, T, T) , 5th event for (T, H, T) and 6th event for (T, T, H) .
 3. All three coins are the same, then we go back to step 1 and continue!

Calculate the probability of getting the result (T, H, H) using the limit law for probability.

2. We repeatedly roll a pair of dice until the sum is *not* 7. Find the probability of each possible sum (from 2 to 12).
3. Given a real-valued random variable X , what is the relation between $P(X \leq 0)$ and the probabilities $P(X \leq 1/n)$ for all positive integer values of n . Is there anything special about 0 in this example?
4. Given a real-valued random variable X what is the relation between $P(X \leq 0)$ and the probabilities $P(X \leq -1/n)$ for all positive integer values of n . Is there anything special about 0 in this example?
5. In a repeatable experiment Σ there are events A and B which can be observed. Assume that $P(B) > 0$. We now carry out Σ repeatedly until B is observed. What is the probability that A is also observed at the same time as B ?
6. We know that 40% of the fish in a pond are female. We repeatedly catch and release fish until we find one that is female; in that case we record its species before releasing it. After 100 such recordings we find that 20 of these females were pomfret fish. What is a reasonable estimate of the percentage of female pomfret in the pond? Can we conclude the 20% of the fish are pomfret?