

**Probability and Statistics Problems - Solutions**

1. You have some trick coins that land heads 60% of the time and tails 40%. Use the binomial expansion to calculate the probabilities of HH, HT, and TT. If you flip 2 coins 175 times, what are the numbers of each?

	HH	HT	TT
probability	$H^2$ $(0.6)^2$ 0.36	$2HT$ $2(0.6)(0.4)$ 0.48	$T^2$ $(0.4)^2$ 0.16
175 times	$0.36 \times 175 = 63$	$0.48 \times 175 = 84$	$0.16 \times 175 = 28$
230 times	$0.36 \times 230 = 82.8$	$0.48 \times 230 = 110.4$	$0.16 \times 230 = 36.8$

2. A trick penny lands heads 35% of the time and a trick nickel lands heads 55% of the time. Use the binomial expansion to find the probabilities of the various combinations of heads and tails. What would be the numbers if you flipped them 275 times? 465 times?

Trick Penny: H = 35% T = 65% Trick Nickel: h = 55% t = 45% (H+T) x (h+t):

	P H	N H	P H	N T	P T	N H	P T	N H
probability	$(0.35)(0.55)$ 0.193		$(0.35)(0.45)$ 0.158		$(0.65)(0.55)$ 0.358		$(0.65)(0.45)$ 0.29	
275 times	$0.193 \times 275 =$ 53		$0.158 \times 275 =$ 43.5		$0.358 \times 275 =$ 98.5		$0.29 \times 275 =$ 79.8	
465 times	$0.193 \times 465 =$ 89.8		$0.158 \times 465 =$ 73.5		$0.358 \times 465 =$ 166.5		$0.29 \times 465 =$ 134.9	

The remaining questions have to do with the frequencies of marbles in the following Jars

**Jar 1**

80 blue = 0.8  
20 red = 0.8

**Jar 2**

70 green = 0.7  
30 yellow = 0.3

**Jar 3**

50 black = 0.5  
50 white = 0.5

**Jar 4**

50 orange = 0.5  
50 brown = 0.5

3. Use the binomial expansion to calculate the probabilities and combinations by drawing from the jars as indicated:

Jars 3 + 4 (Bl + W) (O + Br)	combinations	BIO	BIBr	WO	WBr
	probabilities	$0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$	$0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$	$0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$	$0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$

Jars 1 + 3 (B + R) (Bl + W)	combinations	BBI	BW	RBI	RW
	probabilities	$0.8 \times 0.5 = 0.4$	$0.8 \times 0.5 = 0.4$	$0.2 \times 0.5 = 0.1$	$0.2 \times 0.5 = 0.1$

Jars 1 + 2 + 3 (B+R)(G+Y)(Bl+W)	combinations	probabilities
	BGBI	$0.8 \times 0.7 \times 0.5 = 0.28$
	BGW	$0.8 \times 0.7 \times 0.5 = 0.28$
	BYBI	$0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.5 = 0.12$
	BYW	$0.8 \times 0.3 \times 0.5 = 0.12$
	RGBI	$0.2 \times 0.7 \times 0.5 = 0.07$
	RGW	$0.2 \times 0.7 \times 0.5 = 0.07$
	RYBI	$0.2 \times 0.3 \times 0.5 = 0.03$
	RYW	$0.2 \times 0.3 \times 0.5 = 0.03$

4. Calculate the probabilities for each event below:

pulling 10 blue and 10 red from jar 1

$$P = \frac{n!}{X!(n-X)!} p^X q^{(n-X)} = \frac{20!}{10! \times 10!} 0.8^{10} \times 0.2^{10} = \frac{2.43 \times 10^{16}}{1.32 \times 10^{13}} (1.07 \times 10^{-1}) \times (1.07 \times 10^{-1}) = 0.0018$$

pulling 25 green and 18 yellow from jar 2

$$P = \frac{n!}{X!(n-X)!} p^X q^{(n-X)} = \frac{43!}{25! \times 18!} 0.7^{25} \times 0.3^{18} = \frac{6.04 \times 10^{52}}{1.02 \times 10^{41}} (1.3 \times 10^{-4}) \times (3.87 \times 10^{-10}) = 0.03$$

pulling 6 black and 15 white from jar 3

$$P = \frac{n!}{X!(n-X)!} p^X q^{(n-X)} = \frac{21!}{6! \times 15!} 0.5^6 \times 0.5^{15} = \frac{5.1 \times 10^{19}}{9.36 \times 10^{14}} (0.016 \times 10^{-1}) \times (3.05 \times 10^{-5}) = 0.027$$

pulling 10 orange and 10 brown from jar 4

$$P = \frac{n!}{X!(n-X)!} p^X q^{(n-X)} = \frac{20!}{10! \times 10!} 0.5^{10} \times 0.5^{10} = \frac{2.43 \times 10^{16}}{1.3 \times 10^{13}} (9.7 \times 10^{-4}) \times (9.7 \times 10^{-4}) = 0.176$$

5. You draw from jars 2 and 4 200 times and get the results below. Use  $\chi^2$  to determine whether or not this result is expected.

Results	Observed	Expected	Obs - Exp	(Obs - Exp) <sup>2</sup>	÷ Exp
green + orange Ex = 0.7 x 0.5 x 200	65	70	-5	25	0.357
green + brown Ex = 0.7 x 0.5 x 200	75	70	5	25	0.357
yellow + orange Ex = 0.3 x 0.5 x 200	28	30	-2	4	0.133
yellow + brown Ex = 0.3 x 0.5 x 200	32	30	2	4	0.133
Totals	200	200		$\chi^2 = 0.98$	

Null Hypothesis = There is no difference between observed and expected results

Degrees of Freedom = 3

Probability Level = 0.05

Critical  $\chi^2$  = 7.815

Accept  $H_0$   
 Reject  $H_0$

6. You draw from jars 1 and 2 450 times and get the results below. Use  $\chi^2$  to determine whether or not this result is expected.

Results	Observed	Expected	Obs - Exp	(Obs - Exp) <sup>2</sup>	÷ Exp
blue + green Ex = 0.8 x 0.7 x 450	230	252	-22	484	1.92
red + yellow Ex = 0.2 x 0.3 x 450	38	27	11	121	4.48
blue + yellow Ex = 0.8 x 0.3 x 450	115	108	7	49	0.45
red + green Ex = 0.2 x 0.7 x 450	67	63	4	16	0.25
Totals	450	450		$\chi^2 = 7.1$	

Null Hypothesis = There is no difference between observed and expected results

Degrees of Freedom = 3

Probability Level = 0.05

Critical  $\chi^2$  = 7.815

Accept  $H_0$   
 Reject  $H_0$

7. You draw from jars 1 and 3 600 times and get the results below. Use  $\chi^2$  to determine whether or not this result is expected.

Results	Observed	Expected	Obs - Exp	$(\text{Obs} - \text{Exp})^2$	$\div \text{Exp}$
blue + black Ex = $0.8 \times 0.5 \times 600$	230	240	-10	100	0.42
red + black Ex = $0.2 \times 0.5 \times 600$	70	60	10	100	1.67
blue + white Ex = $0.8 \times 0.5 \times 600$	250	240	10	100	0.42
red + white Ex = $0.2 \times 0.5 \times 600$	50	60	-10	100	1.67
Totals	600	600		$\chi^2 = 4.18$	

Null Hypothesis = There is no difference between observed and expected results

Degrees of Freedom = 3

Probability Level = 0.05

Critical  $\chi^2$  = 7.815

X	Accept $H_0$
	Reject $H_0$