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In Class Exercise #9: Counting and Probability Distributions

1. **Balls in urn**

An urn contains 10 balls that are identical except for color: 4 green balls, 5 blue balls and 1 red ball. Two balls are drawn from the urn, one after another and without replacement.

- (a) Draw a tree diagram that includes probabilities to map out the possible results for the two draws and their associated probabilities. Use exact fractions. Check that the probabilities sum to 1.

- (b) Let x be the number of green balls drawn. Use your answer in part a) to create a probability distribution for x in a small table. Use exact fractions. Check that the probabilities sum to 1.

- (c) Find the mean and standard deviation for x from part b)

2. **Deck of Cards**

A standard deck of 52 cards contains 4 suits (heart, diamonds, clubs, spades), and each suit has 13 cards of each of the 13 ranks (10 number cards, and 3 face cards: J, K, Q)

Answer in fractions, and show your steps. When drawing cards without replacement from the deck...

- (a) What is the probability that when drawing 3 cards, all 3 are hearts?

- (b) What is the probability that when drawing 2 cards, one is a heart and one is a spade?

- (c) In a certain game, you draw 2 cards, and you will win if both are hearts or both are faces. What is the probability of winning?

3. **Counting**

An activities club has 12 members.

- (a) How many different committees can they make consisting of 4 members?

- (b) How many different committees can they make consisting of 1 president, 1 vice-president, 1 treasurer and 1 secretary?