Probability

1. A box contains 3 baseballs, 7 softballs and 11 tennis balls.

i) What is the probability that a ball selected at random will be:

a) a tennis ball?, $T = \frac{11}{21}$ b) a baseball?, $B = \frac{3}{21}$ c) a softball? $S = \frac{7}{21}$

ii) If two balls are selected at random, what would be the probability that:

- a) the first is a softball and the second a tennis ball? $ST = \frac{7}{21} \cdot \frac{11}{20}$
- b) the first is a softball and the second is a baseball? $SB = \frac{7}{21} \cdot \frac{3}{20}$
- c) that both balls are tennis balls? $TT = \frac{11}{21} \cdot \frac{10}{20}$
- d) that a softball and baseball are drawn? $SB + BS = \frac{7}{21} \cdot \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{21} \cdot \frac{7}{20}$
- 2. Two cards are drawn at random from a standard deck of 52 cards. What is the probability that:
 - a) both are hearts? $HH = \frac{13}{52} \cdot \frac{12}{51}$
 - b) both are tens? $10 \circ 10 = \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{3}{51}$

c) both are black?
$$BB = \frac{20}{52} \cdot \frac{23}{51}$$

- d) the first card is a two and the second a five? $2 \circ 5 = \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{51}$
- e) the first is a prime number and the second a face card? Prime = 2,3,5,7 and Face = $J,Q,K \Rightarrow PF = \frac{16}{52} \cdot \frac{12}{51}$
- f) the first card is between two and six and the second is between seven and nine inclusively?\

between 2 and 6 = 3, 4, 5 and between 7 and 9 = 8 \Rightarrow 2 - 6 \circ 7 - 9 = $\frac{12}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{51}$

- 3. A collection of 15 transistors contains 3 that are defective. If 2 transistors are selected at random, what is the probability that:
 - a) both are good? $GG = \frac{12}{15} \cdot \frac{11}{14}$
 - b) both are defective? $DD = \frac{3}{15} \cdot \frac{2}{14}$
 - c) that at least one is defective?

$$GD + DG + DD = \frac{12}{15} \cdot \frac{3}{14} + \frac{3}{15} \cdot \frac{12}{14} + \frac{3}{15} \cdot \frac{2}{14}$$

or $1 - GG = 1 - \frac{12}{15} \cdot \frac{11}{15}$ (complement of the event)

- 4. A number is picked at random from the integers 1 through 50. Find the probability of each of the following:
 - a) an odd integer? $P(O) = \frac{25}{50}$ b) an integer divisible by 5? $P(5) = \frac{10}{50}$ c) a multiple of four? $P(4) = \frac{12}{50}$ d) a perfect square? $P(PS) = \frac{7}{50}$ e) a prime number? $P(prime) = \frac{11}{50}$ f) a number between 1 and 50, inclusively? $P(1-50, incl) = \frac{50}{50}$ g) the number $60 P(60) = \frac{0}{50}$
- 5. A new phone is being installed. Find the probability that the final three digits in the telephone number will be even?

 $P(\text{final 3 digits even}) = \frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{10} \text{ (with replacement)}$ $P(\text{final 3 digits even}) = \frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{10} \cdot \frac{3}{10} \text{ (without replacement)}$

6. Fifty tickets, numbered consecutively from 1 to 50 are placed in a box. What is the probability that in 4 separate drawings, the following selections will occur?

a) 4 odd numbers, if replacement occurs $P(4 \text{ odd numbers}) = \frac{25}{50} \cdot \frac{25}{50} \cdot \frac{25}{50} \cdot \frac{25}{50}$ b) 4 odd numbers, if no replacement occurs $P(4 \text{ odd numbers}) = \frac{25}{50} \cdot \frac{24}{50} \cdot \frac{23}{50} \cdot \frac{22}{50}$ c) 4 prime number $P(4 \text{ prime numbers}) = \frac{11}{50} \cdot \frac{10}{50} \cdot \frac{9}{50} \cdot \frac{8}{50}$ d) 4 even numbers $P(4 \text{ even numbers}) = \frac{25}{50} \cdot \frac{24}{50} \cdot \frac{23}{50} \cdot \frac{22}{50}$