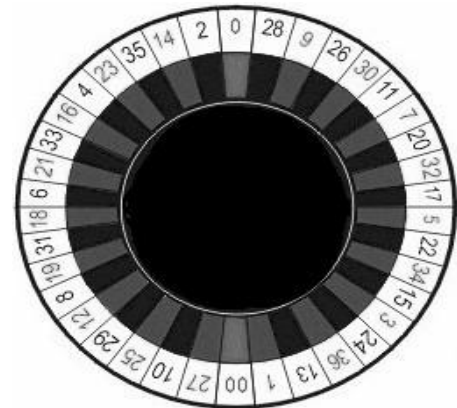


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A Progression Toward Mastery

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	b S-MD.B.7	Student does not answer based on expected number of tests between the two strategies.	Student considers the expected number of tests from (a) but does not compare to 10.	Student finds the strategy to be effective but does not clearly explain why.	Student compares the expected number of tests to 10.

5	S-MD.B.6	Student is not able to describe a fair way to decide who should be awarded the calculator.	Student describes a method that is not fair or that does not use two coins.	Student describes a fair method using two coins, but the explanation does not indicate that each student is equally likely to be awarded the calculator.	Student describes a fair method using two coins, and the explanation indicates that each student is equally likely to be awarded the calculator.
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	b S-MD.B.7	Student is not able to calculate an expected cost.	Student states an expected cost but not based on the probabilities of number of phone breaks.	Student calculates an expected cost but makes a calculation error (e.g., considers information from the plan) or does not show sufficient calculation detail.	Student calculates the expected costs based on probabilities of breaking the phone 0–4 times.
	c S-MD.B.7	Student brings in outside information, and the argument is not based on previous calculations.	Student answers based on probability distributions rather than expected costs.	Student answers based on expected costs but does not clearly compare the answers to (a) and (b).	Student compares the two expected values.

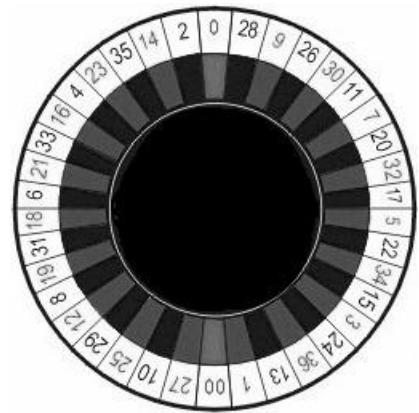
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$$P(\text{defective}) = P(\text{defective}|A)P(A) + P(\text{defective}|B)P(B) + P(\text{defective}|C)P(C) \\ = 0.6(0.03) + 0.3(0.05) + 0.1(0.08) = 0.041.$$

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- a. In this game, for each spin you win either \$2.00 or \$0.00. Determine the probabilities of winning each amount.

$$P(\$2) = \frac{18}{38} = 0.4737.$$

$$P(\$0) = \frac{20}{38} = 0.5263.$$

- b. Calculate the expected winnings in one spin of the wheel.

$$\text{expected winnings} = 2(18/38) + 0(20/38) = \frac{36}{38} = 0.9474.$$

- c. Are your expected winnings in one spin of the wheel larger or smaller than the \$1.00 bet?

This is smaller than the \$1.00 bet (about 5 cents).

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The casino's expected winnings are about 5 cents per spin. The law of large numbers states that if they can get enough people to play, the average winnings will be very close to the expected winnings. So, the casino will be pretty sure of being close to the expected winnings. Even a small amount of expected winnings will add up over a large number of spins.

- e. The slots are also numbered 0, 00, 1–36. If you bet on a number and win, you win \$36.00. Which bet is better for you: a number bet or a color bet? Explain how you are deciding.

$$\text{expected winnings} = 36\left(\frac{1}{38}\right) = \frac{36}{38}$$

The expected winnings are the same for the two bets. (So, you could argue that there isn't a difference, or you could argue in terms of the thrill vs. security of the bets.)

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expected winnings = $5\left(\frac{5}{12}\right) = \frac{25}{12}$. So, you should charge approximately \$2.08 to break even. You should also accept \$2.09 to cover the rounding from \$2.083.

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$$P(4 \text{ winning numbers and 1 Mega Ball}) = \left(\frac{1}{C(56, 5)}\right) C(35, 1).$$

The probability of correctly choosing exactly 4 of the winning numbers and the Mega Ball number is 0.00000000748 (7.48×10^{-9})

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- a. Determine the expected number of tests to screen 10 bags of donated blood using this strategy.

If none of the blood donations have the virus, then you only have to conduct one test. The probability that none of the (independent) people have the virus is $(1 - 0.05)^{10} = 0.5987$.

So, the expected number of tests is $1(0.5987) + 11(1 - 0.5987) = 5.01$.

- b. Does this appear to be an effective strategy? Explain how you know.

This expected value in part (a) is much less than 10, so this seems to be an effective strategy. In the long run, you will perform fewer tests.

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Answers will vary. One possible response is to toss the coins, and if both coins land heads up (HH), Allan gets the calculator. If the dime lands heads up and the nickel lands tails up (HT), Beth gets the calculator. If the dime lands tails up and the nickel lands heads up (TH), Carlos gets the calculator. If both coins land tails up (TT), Denesha gets the calculator. This method is fair because each of the four students has the same chance (a probability of $\frac{1}{4}$) of getting the calculator.

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- a. Calculate the expected one-year cost of this insurance plan based on the monthly cost and the expected repair costs.

If you do not break your phone, then you pay $\$7 \times 12 = \84 .

If you break your phone once, then you pay $\$200 + \$84 = \$284$.

If you break your phone twice, then you pay $\$400 + \$84 = \$484$.

If you break your phone three times, then you pay $\$484 + \$650 = \$1134$.

If you break your phone four times, then you pay $\$1134 + \$650 = \$1784$.

The probability distribution of costs is as follows:

\$84	\$284	\$484	\$1134	\$1784
0.48	0.36	0.12	0.03	0.01

Therefore, your expected costs are

$$0.48(84) + 0.36(284) + 0.12(484) + 0.03(1134) + 0.01(1784) = \$252.50.$$

- b. Determine your expected replacement costs if you do not purchase insurance.

$$0.48(0) + 0.36(650) + 0.12(1300) + 0.03(1950) + 0.01(2600) = \$474.50.$$

- c. Does this insurance plan seem to be a good deal? Explain why or why not.

Yes, the long-run average costs are considerably less with the insurance plan than without it.