

## 15.2 ILLUSTRATIONS

**Ex.1** A box contains 5 red balls, 4 green balls and 7 white balls. A ball is drawn at random from the box. Find the probability that the ball drawn is

- (i) white (ii) neither red nor white

**Sol.** Total number of balls in the bag =  $5 + 4 + 7 = 16$

$\therefore$  Total number of elementary events = 16

(i) There are 7 white balls in the bag.

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 7

$$\text{Hence, } P(\text{Getting a white ball}) = \frac{\text{Total No. favourable elementary events}}{\text{Total No. of elementary events}} = \frac{7}{16}$$

(ii) There are 4 balls that are neither red nor white

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 4

$$\text{Hence, } P(\text{Getting neither red nor white ball}) = \frac{4}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$$

**Ex.2** All the three face cards of spades are removed from a well-shuffled pack of 52 cards. A card is then drawn at random from the remaining pack. Find the probability of getting [CBSE - 2007]

- (i) black face card (ii) a queen (iii) a black card.

**Sol.** After removing three face cards of spades (king, queen, jack) from a deck of 52 playing cards, there are 49 cards left in the pack. Out of these 49 cards one card can be chosen in 49 ways.

$\therefore$  Total number of elementary events = 49

(i) There are 6 black face cards out of which 3 face cards of spades are already removed. So, out of remaining 3 black face cards one black face card can be chosen in 3 ways.

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 3

$$\text{Hence, } P(\text{Getting a black face card}) = \frac{3}{49}$$

(ii) There are 3 queens in the remaining 49 cards. So, out of these three queens, one queen can be chosen in 3 ways

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 3

$$\text{Hence } P(\text{Getting a queen}) = \frac{3}{49}$$

(iii) There are 23 black cards in the remaining 49 cards. So, out of these 23 black cards, one black card can be chosen in 23 ways

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 23

$$\text{Hence, } P(\text{Getting a black card}) = \frac{23}{49}$$

**Ex.3** A die is thrown, Find the probability of

- (i) prime number (ii) multiple of 2 or 3 (iii) a number greater than 3

**Sol.** In a single throw of die any one of six numbers 1,2,3,4,5,6 can be obtained. Therefore, the total number of elementary events associated with the random experiment of throwing a die is 6.

(i) Let A denote the event "Getting a prime no". Clearly, event A occurs if any one of 2,3,5 comes as outcome.

$\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 3

- Hence,  $P(\text{Getting a prime no.}) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$
- (ii) An multiple of 2 or 3 is obtained if we obtain one of the numbers 2,3,4,6 as out comes  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 4  
Hence,  $P(\text{Getting multiple of 2 or 3}) = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$
- (iii) The event "Getting a number greater than 3" will occur, if we obtain one of number 4,5,6 as an out come.  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of out comes = 3  
Hence, required probability =  $\frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$

**Ex.4** Two unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously. Find the probability of getting  
(i) two heads (ii) at least one head (iii) at most one head.

**Sol.** If two unbiased coins are tossed simultaneously, we obtain any one of the following as an out come :

- HH, HT, TH, TT  
 $\therefore$  Total number of elementary events = 4  
(i) Two heads are obtained if elementary event HH occurs.  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of events = 1  
Hence,  $P(\text{Two heads}) = \frac{1}{4}$
- (ii) At least one head is obtained if any one of the following elementary events happen :  
HH, HT, TH  
 $\therefore$  favorable number of events = 3  
Hence  $P(\text{At least one head}) = \frac{3}{4}$
- (iii) If one of the elementary events HT, TH, TT occurs, than at most one head is obtained  
 $\therefore$  favorable number of events = 3  
Hence,  $P(\text{At most one head}) = \frac{3}{4}$

**Ex.5** A box contains 20 balls bearing numbers, 1,2,3,4,.....20. A ball is drawn at random from the box. What is the probability that the number of the ball is  
(i) an odd number (ii) divisible by 2 or 3 (iii) prime number

**Sol.** Here, total numbers are 20.

- $\therefore$  Total number of elementary events = 20  
(i) The number selected will be odd number, if it is elected from 1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 10

$$\text{Hence, } P(\text{An odd number}) = \frac{10}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

- (ii) Number divisible by 2 or 3 are 2,3,4,6,8,9,10,12,14,15,16,18,20  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 13

$$P(\text{Number divisible by 2 or 3}) = \frac{13}{20}$$

- (iii) There are 8 prime number from 1 to 20 i.e., 2,3,5,7,11,13,17,19  
 $\therefore$  Favorable number of elementary events = 8

$$P(\text{prime number}) = \frac{8}{20} = \frac{2}{5}$$

**Ex.6** A die is drop at random on the rectangular region as shown in figure. What is the probability that it will land inside the circle with diameter 1m ?

**Sol.** Area of rectangular region =  $3\text{m} \times 2\text{m} = 6\text{m}^2$

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi r^2$$

$$= \pi \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} \text{m}^2$$

$\therefore$  Probability that die will land inside the circle

$$= \frac{\pi/4}{6}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{24}$$

