Answer on Question #55990 - Math - Statistics and Probability

A and B play a game in which A's probability of winning is 2/3 in a series of seven games. What is probability that, A will win

- (i) 6 or more games
- (ii) From 3 to 4 games

Solution

A and B play a game in which A's probability of winning is 2/3 in a series of seven games.

(i) Probability that A will win 6 or more games is

$$P(\ge 6) = P(6) + P(7) = \binom{7}{6} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 + \binom{7}{7} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^7 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 = 7 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \frac{1}{3} + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^7 = 0.263.$$

(ii) Probability that A will win from 3 to 4 games is

P(3 or 4) = P(3) + P(4) =
$$\binom{7}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 + \binom{7}{4} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{7!}{3!4!} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 + \frac{7!}{4!3!} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 = 0.384.$$