

Example: 5 dice in a hat, choose die blindly (at random), roll it once.

$$S = \{ \underbrace{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4)}_{\text{1st die has 4 sides}}, \underbrace{(2,1), (2,2), \dots, (2,6)}_{\text{6 outcomes for the 6-sided die}}, \underbrace{(3,1), \dots, (3,8)}_{\text{8 sided die}}, \underbrace{(4,1), \dots, (4,12)}_{\text{12 sided die}}, \underbrace{(5,1), \dots, (5,20)}_{\text{20 sided die}} \}$$

S has 50 outcomes.

The 50 outcomes are not equally likely.

If we define the random variable $X(\omega)$ as the value appearing on outcome ω , then $X(\omega) = X((i,j)) = j$.

Or we could define $Y(\omega) = Y((i,j)) = i$ as the type of the die that appears.

Notice $1 \leq X \leq 20$,
 $1 \leq Y \leq 5$.

Often suppress the outcome in the notation,
e.g. $X = j$ and $Y = i$ if (i,j) is understood to be the outcome.