[nex82] Coincident birthdays

(a) In a group of n children whose birthdays are uniformly distributed throughout a year of 365 days, what is the probability P(n) that at least two kids have their birthday on the same day? (b) What is the minimum size of the group for which that probability exceeds 10%, 50%, 90%? (c) For what value of n does the probability for no coincident birthdays drop below one part in a million?

(d) Plot P(N) versus n for $n = 1, \ldots, 100$.

Solution: