# Homework Problem (Will be marked)

#### Questions

Show that if two events A and B are independent, then A and  $B^c$  are independent and so are  $A^c$  and  $B^c$ .

Please hand your answer in your Workshop Tutor Post Box, in the School of Mathematics, by Monday 22nd October, 4 pm.

### Birthday Problem

In a classroom of n students, what is the probability  $p_n$  that two (or more) students share the same birthday?

### Birthday Problem Solution

In a classroom of n students, what is the probability  $p_n$  that two (or more) students share the same birthday?

**HINTS** It's easier to compute the probability that no two students share a birthday. Let's look at the students one at a time. The first student can have any birthday he/she likes. The second student can not share the first student's birthday: 364 choices. The third student cannot share either of the first two birthdays: 363 choices. ... Etc. ... The n-th student cannot share any of the previous n-1 birthdays: 365-n+1 choices.

## R Homework: Birthday Problem R implementation

#### Instructions

Please develop a R script implementing the discussed solution of the Birthday Problem.

You can write a function that implements the solution for every  $n \le 365$ ) and a function call that prints out the solution corresponding to n=23. Upload your script as a **SURNAMEstudentid.txt** in MINERVA (you will find an assignment).