

# hw1-S25-pt1

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## 1 Homework 1 Part 1

part 1 total 50pt. Partial answers or answers without essential steps receive partial or no points.

This is an individual assignment.

- homework includes two parts: A **graded** part and **ungraded** part. The ungraded part is for your own exercise.

### 1.1 Description

Provide analytical solutions to the problems below and upload your answers as a PDF. (There is no need to type your answers – just scan your handwritten solutions with an app like [CamScanner](#) or [Scannable](#).)

### 1.2 Problem 1

[TOTAL 16 PT]

Let  $\{\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P\}$  be a probability space with  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $C \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.3$ ,  $P(C) = 0.2$ , and  $P(\overline{A \cup B}) = 0.35$ . Compute the following probabilities:

1. [4pt] Either  $A$  or  $B$  occurs.
2. [3pt] Both  $A$  and  $B$  occur.
3. [3pt]  $A$  occurs but  $B$  does not occur.
4. [2pt] Are  $A$  and  $B$  mutually exclusive?
5. [2pt] Is this claim correct? give your reasoning: If  $C$  is independent of  $A$ , then  $C^c$  is independent of  $A$ .
6. [2pt] If  $C$  is independent of  $A$ , compute  $P(A \cap C)$  and  $P(A \cap C^c)$ .

Hint: using the axioms of probability.

### 1.3 Problem 2

[total 14 pt.]

onsider a card drawn randomly from a standard deck of 52 cards. Let:

- $A$  be the event “the card is a spade,”
- $B$  be the event “the card is a face card (Jack, Queen, King).”

Solve the following two questions:

- 1 [6pt, 2pt each]. compute  $P(A)$ ,  $P(B)$  and  $P(A \cap B)$
- 2 [4pt]. Are  $A$  and  $B$  independent?
- 3 [4pt]. Are  $A$  and  $B$  exclusive?

#### 1.4 Problem 3 (probability calculation)

[Total 20 pt]

Consider repeatedly rolling a fair 6-sided die.

- 1 [5pt]. What is the probability that the top face will be 4 at least once on 10 rolls of the die?
- 2 [5pt]. What is the probability that the top face will be 4 at least once on 20 rolls of the die?
- 3 [10pt]. How many rolls of the die would you have to do to be 90% confident that you would see at least one 4? In other words, how many rolls of the die would you have to be able to say, with a probability at least 90%, you will see at least one 4 appears.

hint: For 1, consider to solve the probability of the top face be any number except 4 in one roll. And then use two axioms: 1) the probability of the complement of an event; 2) the independence rule.

For 3, use the answer of 1 and 2 to find a function that takes the number of die rolls to the probability of seeing at least one 4. Then, solve an equation when the probability is 90%, what is the number of die rolls.

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#### 1.5 The following questions are ungraded exercises:

1. Suppose  $P(A) = 0.3$  and  $P(B) = 0.5$ , where  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ .
  - What is  $P(A \cup B)$ ?
  - What is  $P(A \cup B^c)$ ?
2. A fair six-sided die is rolled. Let  $A$  be the event “roll is an odd number” and  $B$  be the event “roll is less than 4.” Compute:
  - $P(A)$
  - $P(B)$
  - $P(A \cup B)$
3. A coin is flipped three times. Define the events:
  - $A$ : The first flip is heads.
  - $B$ : The second flip is heads.
  - $C$ : The third flip is heads.
  - Are  $A, B$ , and  $C$  mutually exclusive? Justify your answer.

- Are  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  independent? Justify your answer.
4. A single card is drawn from a standard deck of 52 cards. Let:
- $A$ : The card is a heart.
  - $B$ : The card is a queen.
  - Calculate  $P(A^c)$ ,  $P(B^c)$ , and  $P(A \cap B)$ .