DATA 605 - Discussion 5

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Give a possible sample space Ω for each of the following experiments:

- An election decides between two candidates A and B.
- A two-sided coin is tossed.
- A student is asked for the month of the year and the day of the week on which her birthday falls.
- A student is chosen at random from a class of ten students.
- You receive a grade in this course.
- (a) Since there are only two options, the sample space is $\Omega = \{A, B\}$.
- (b) Like in part (a), there are only two possible outcomes, so the sample space is $\Omega = \{\text{heads, tails}\}\$.
- (c) There are 12 possibilties for the month, and 7 possibilities for the day, so $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\} \times \{S, M, T, W, Tr, F, Sa\}.$
- (d) There are 10 possible students, so $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}.$
- (e) Assuming the only whole letter grades, $\Omega = \{A, B, C, D, F\}$.