

MATH40005 Probability and Statistics

Midterm [20 points]

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Please remember to define your notation and justify all your answers.

Question 1: Consider the experiment, where we first flip a fair coin and then roll a fair die.

- (a) (2 points) Find the sample space for this experiment.
- (b) (2 points) What is the probability that one obtains heads followed by either a 2 or a 4?

Question 2: If the letters I, I, I, I, I, N, N, C, O, M, P, R, E, E, E, H, S, S, B, L, T are arranged at random, what is the probability that

- (a) (2 points) the arrangements spell the word INCOMPREHENSIBILITIES?
- (b) (2 points) the arrangements have three adjacent E's?

Question 3: (4 points) Consider a standard well-shuffled 52-card deck comprising of 13 ranks in the four suits clubs, diamonds, hearts and spades. Suppose that four players play a game, where, at the start, each player gets 13 cards. What is the probability that each player has one ace?

Question 4: (4 points) Consider a standard domino game. Each domino is a rectangular tile, usually with a line dividing its face into two square ends. Each of the two ends is marked with a number of n spots, where $n \in \{0 \text{ (blank)}, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. In a standard set of dominos, each possible combination of spots occurs on exactly one domino, e.g. there is exactly one domino that has an end with 5 spots and the other end with 3 spots, and exactly one domino that has 6 spots on each end. How many dominos are in a standard set of dominos?

Question 5: (4 points) Let Ω be a non-empty set and let \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} denote σ -algebras on Ω . Is $\mathcal{H} := \mathcal{F} \cup \mathcal{G}$ a σ -algebra on Ω ? If so, prove it, otherwise, provide a counterexample.