

APMA 1650 Problem Set 1

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1. (a) $S = \{\text{turn left, turn right, continue straight}\}$
(b) $2/3$
(c) $(2/3)^2 = 4/9$
2. (a) i. $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.4 + 0.12 - 0.12 = 0.4$
ii. $P(A \cap B) = P(B) = 0.12$
iii. $P((A \cap B)^c) = 1 - P(A \cap B) = 1 - 0.12 = 0.88$
(b) i. $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) = 0.4 + 0.12 = 0.52$
ii. $P(A \cap B) = 0$ (disjointness implies $A \cap B = \emptyset$, $P(\emptyset) = 0$)
iii. $P((A \cap B)^c) = 1 - P(A \cap B) = 1$
3. (a) $31/366$
(b) $12/366 = 2/61$
(c) $1/366$
4. (a) $S = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (1, 5), (1, 6), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (2, 6), (3, 1), (3, 2), (3, 3), (3, 4), (3, 5), (3, 6), 4, 5, 6\}$
(b) 21 elements
(c) $A = \{(1, 5), (2, 4), (2, 6), (3, 3), (3, 5), 6\}$
(d) 6 elements
(e) $P(A) = 5(\frac{1}{36}) + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{11}{36}$
(f) $3/36 = 1/12$

5. (a) *Proof.* Let $A \subseteq S$. By the definition of a complement, we have that $A \cup A^c = S$ and $A \cap A^c = \emptyset$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= P(S) && (P(S) = 1) \\ &= P(A \cup A^c) && (\text{definition of complement}) \\ &= P(A) + P(A^c) && (A \text{ and } A^c \text{ disjoint}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that $P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$

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