

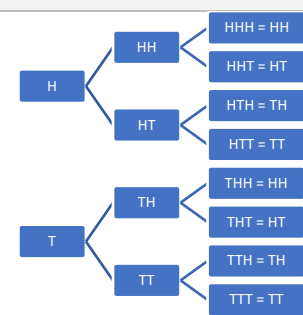
| Basic Principle of Counting  |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
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| How many diff mobile phone nums in SG? (1st digit either 8 or 9)   |  |  |  |  |  | 2 x 10 x 10 x 10 x 10 x 10 x 10 x 10              |  |  |   |             |
| Num of 7-place license plates if 1st 2 letters are SF?   |  |  |  |  |  | 26 x 10 x 10 x 10 x 10                            |  |  |   |             |
| Num of committee of 1 Chinese, 1 M, 1 I from 6C, 4M, 2I  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 x 4 x 2   |  |  |   |             |
| Permutations or Arrangement  |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Form 4-digit num using 1357  |  | 4!   | Form 4-digit num using 1355  |  |  | 4!/2!   |  | Form 8-digit num using 23445555                      |   | 8! / (2!4!) |
| 4M, 6W seated in a row if 4M must sit tgt  |  |  | 7!4!   |  |  | 2M, 4W seated in a row if 2M must not sit tgt     |  |  | 6!-5!2! OR 4!2! $\binom{5}{2}$                          |             |
| Arrangements of 123455 if 2 5's not tgt  |  |  | 6!/2!  |  | Select r objs from set of n if order of selection is impt  |   |  | n x (n-1) x... x (n-r+1) = $\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$       |   |             |
| Combinations   |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Committee of 2 from 4 men  |  |  | Num of ways to select 2M if order impt = 4 x 3<br>Num of ways to select 2M if order not impt = (4x3)/2!  |  |  |   | $\frac{4 \times 3}{2!} = \binom{4}{2}$   |  |   |             |
| Select 6 num from 1,2,..., 45  |  |  | $\binom{45}{6}$  |  | 5-card poker hands   |   | $\binom{52}{5}$  |  | Divide 4 men into 2 teams of 2 each $\binom{4}{2} / 2!$ |             |
| Form committees of 3M, 2W from 6M, 5W  |  |  | $\binom{6}{3}\binom{5}{2}$   |  | Form committees of 3M, 2W from 6M, 5W if 1 of the M must be in committee $\binom{5}{2}\binom{5}{2}$  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Form committees of 3M, 2W from 6M, 5W if 2 of the W cannot serve tgt   |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{6}{3}\binom{2}{0}\binom{3}{2} + \binom{6}{3}\binom{2}{1}\binom{3}{1}$  |  |   |             |
| Form committees of 3M, 2W from 6M, 5W if 2 of the W must be in committee if 1 of them is in  |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{6}{3}\binom{2}{0}\binom{3}{2} + \binom{6}{3}\binom{2}{2}\binom{3}{0}$  |  |   |             |
| 4M, 3W seated in a row if no 2 women tgt   |  |  | $\binom{5}{3}4!3!$   |  |  | 4 black, 3 white marble in a row if no 2W are tgt |  |  | $\binom{5}{3}$  |             |
| Expand (x + y) <sup>4</sup>  |  | $\binom{4}{0}x^0y^4 + \binom{4}{1}x^1y^3 + \binom{4}{2}x^2y^2 + \binom{4}{3}x^3y + \binom{4}{4}x^4y^0$ |  |  |  | Num of subsets of a set consisting of n elems     |  |  | $\sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$                       |             |
| Binomial Theorem.<br>$(x + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^k y^{n-k}$<br><br>#Let i = k+1 and let i = k   |  |  | Proof. By MI, n = 1: LHS = x + y. RHS = $\binom{1}{0}x^0y^1 + \binom{1}{1}x^1y^0 = y + x$ . Suppose result true for n-1.<br>Then $(x + y)^n = (x+y)(x+y)^{n-1} = (x + y) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^k y^{n-1-k} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^{k+1} y^{n-1-k} + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{k} x^k y^{n-k} =$<br>$\sum_{i=1}^n \binom{n-1}{i-1} x^i y^{n-i} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{i} x^i y^{n-i} = x^n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{i-1} x^i y^{n-i} + y^n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{i} x^i y^{n-i} = x^n + y^n +$<br>$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} [\binom{n-1}{i-1} + \binom{n-1}{i}] x^i y^{n-i} = x^n + y^n + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{i} x^i y^{n-i} = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i y^{n-i}$ |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Multinomial Coefficients   |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Divide 9 ppl into 3 grps of size 2,3,4   |  |  | $\frac{9!}{2!3!4!} = \binom{9}{2}\binom{7}{3}\binom{4}{4}$   |  | Divide 9 ppl into 3 eql grps A,B and C   |   | $\frac{9!}{3!3!3!}$  |  | Divide 9 ppl into 3 eql grps $(\frac{9!}{2!3!4!}) / 3!$ |             |
| Expand (x <sub>1</sub> + x <sub>2</sub> + x <sub>3</sub> ) <sup>2</sup>  |  |  |  |  | $\binom{2}{2,0,0}x_1^2 + \binom{2}{0,2,0}x_2^2 + \binom{2}{0,0,2}x_3^2 + \binom{2}{1,1,0}x_1x_2 + \binom{2}{1,0,1}x_1x_3 + \binom{2}{0,1,1}x_2x_3$   |   |  |  |   |             |
| Num of Integer solns of Eqns   |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Num of distinct +ve integer valued vectors (x <sub>1</sub> , x <sub>2</sub> , x <sub>3</sub> , x <sub>4</sub> ) satisfying x <sub>1</sub> + x <sub>2</sub> + x <sub>3</sub> + x <sub>4</sub> = 9                               |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{9-1}{4-1}$   |  |   |             |
| Divide 10 scouts into 5 teams A, B, C, D, E  |  |  | 5 <sup>10</sup>  |  | Divide 10 scouts into 5 teams A, B, C, D, E if each team must receive 2 scouts   |   |  | $\binom{10}{2,2,2,2,2} = \frac{10!}{2!2!2!2!2!}$     |   |             |
| Divide 10 marbles into 5 boxes A, B, C, D, E   |  |  | $\binom{10+5-1}{5-1}$  |  | Divide 10 marbles into 5 boxes A, B, C, D, E if each box ≥ 1 marble  |   |  | $\binom{10-1}{5-1}$                                  |   |             |
| Extra  |  |  |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |             |
| Committee of 6 ppl from 7M, 8W. Need ≥ 3W, ≥2M.  |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{7}{2}\binom{8}{4} + \binom{7}{3}\binom{8}{3}$  |  |   |             |
| Diff linear arrangement of letters A,B,C for which A is before B   |  |  |  |  |  |   | 3!/2   |  |   |             |
| 8 ppl seated in a row if there are 4M, 4W and no 2M or 2W can sit tgt  |  |  |  |  |  |   | 4!4! x 2   |  |   |             |
| 8 ppl seated in a row if there are 4 married couple and each couple must sit tgt   |  |  |  |  |  |   | 4!2!2!2!2!   |  |   |             |
| 5 awards given to class of 30. How many outcomes if student can receive any num of awards?   |  |  |  |  |  |   | 30 <sup>5</sup>  |  |   |             |
| 5 awards given to class of 30. How many outcomes if student can receive ≤ 1 award?   |  |  |  |  |  |   | 30 x 29 x 28 x 27 x 26   |  |   |             |
| Num of vectors (x <sub>1</sub> , ..., x <sub>n</sub> ) s.t. x <sub>i</sub> is either 0 or 1 and $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \geq k$  |  |  |  |  | For $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = k$ , vector must have k 1's and n-k 0's, num of such vector = $\binom{n}{k}$<br>For $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \geq k$ , $\binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{k+1} + \dots + \binom{n}{n}$ |   |  |  |   |             |
| Num of vectors (x <sub>1</sub> , ..., x <sub>n</sub> ) s.t. 1 ≤ x <sub>i</sub> ≤ n and x <sub>1</sub> < x <sub>2</sub> < ... < x <sub>k</sub>  |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{n}{k}$ (choose k distinct integers for x <sub>i</sub> and then only 1 way to arrange it)                                   |  |   |             |
| Select committee of any size and chairperson for committee from n ppl  |  |  | SUM (Select committee of size k and chairperson from this k ppl) = select chairperson from n ppl, remaining n-1 ppl either in or not in committee  |  |  |   |  | $\sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} = n \times 2^{n-1}$     |   |             |
| Select committee of any size and chairperson and secretary (can same person as chairperson) for committee from n ppl   |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n}{k} k^2 = n \times 2^{n-1} + n(n-1)2^{n-2} = n(n+1)2^{n-2}$   |  |   |             |
| Committee has 8 members. How many way to choose p, t, s if member can take one role only.  |  |  | 8 x 7 x 6  |  | Num of way to choose p, t, s if A and B must serve tgt if either one selected. Member can take one role only   |   |  | 6 x 5 x 4 + 6 x 3! OR $\binom{6}{3}3! + 6 \times 3!$ |   |             |
| Arrangements of A, B, C, D, E, F if A must be btw 2 F's  |  |  |  |  |  |   | 5!   |  |   |             |
| 1st experiment can result in m diff outcomes. Suppose 1st experiment has outcome i, 2nd experiment can result in n <sub>i</sub> diff outcomes. Total outcomes of 2 experiments?  |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\sum_{i=1}^m n_i$   |  |   |             |
| 10 W, 12M. If 5M, 5W chosen and paired off, how many diff pairs  |  |  |  |  | $\binom{12}{5}\binom{10}{5}5!$   |   | 20 ppl shake hands. How many handshakes  |  | $\binom{20}{2}$   |             |
| Start from point A to go to point B. Only can move up or right. How many paths from A to B   |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{7}{3}$ (total 7 moves of up and right, 3 right)  |  |   |             |
| Go from A to B but must pass through certain point at 2U2R from A  |  |  |  |  |  |   | $\binom{4}{2}\binom{3}{1}$   |  |   |             |
| Prove $\binom{n+m}{r} = \binom{n}{0}\binom{m}{r} + \binom{n}{1}\binom{m}{r-1} + \dots + \binom{n}{r}\binom{m}{0}$<br>Let m = r = n and $\binom{2n}{n} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}\binom{n}{n-k} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k}^2$ |  |  |  |  |  |   | There are $\binom{n+m}{r}$ grps of size r. There are $\binom{n}{i}\binom{m}{r-i}$ grps of size r consisting of i men and r-i women |  |   |             |
| 8 teachers divided among 4 schools, how many divisions possible?   |  |  |  |  | 4 <sup>8</sup>   |   | What if each sch need 2 teachers?  |  | $\binom{8}{2}\binom{6}{2}\binom{4}{2}\binom{2}{2}$      |             |
| 3 weightlifters from US, 4 from Russia, 2 from China, 1 from Canada. If only considering countries of lifters, how many diff outcome possible.   |  |  |  |  | $\frac{10!}{3!4!2!}$   |   | How many outcomes if US has 1 in top 3 and 2 in bottom 3?  |  | $\binom{3}{1}\binom{3}{2}\frac{7!}{4!2!}$               |             |

| Sample Space  |  |   |   |  |
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| Diff types of sample spaces   | S = {abcd: a,b,c,d = 0,1,...,9} (4D draw)  | S = {x: 0≤ x < ∞} (lifespan)  | S = {(H,H), (H,T), (T,H), (T,T)} (coin tossed 2 times)  |  |
| DeMorgan's Laws Proof.<br>Proof. Let $x \in (\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^C \Rightarrow x \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i \Rightarrow x \notin E_1$ and $x \notin E_2$ and ... $x \notin E_n$<br>$\Rightarrow x \in E_1^C$ and $x \in E_2^C$ and ... $x \in E_n^C \Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^C \Rightarrow (\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^C \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^C$<br>Let $x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^C \Rightarrow x \in E_1^C$ and $x \in E_2^C$ and ... $x \in E_n^C \Rightarrow x \notin E_1$ and $x \notin E_2$ and ... $x \notin E_n \Rightarrow x \notin \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i \Rightarrow x \in (\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^C \Rightarrow (\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^C \supset \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^C$ . Thus $(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)^C = \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i^C$ |  |   | ii. $(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i)^C = \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i^C$<br>Proof. Using 1st law of DeMorgan,<br>$(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i^C)^C = \bigcap_{i=1}^n (E_i^C)^C = \bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i$ (since $(E^C)^C = E$ )<br>Thus, $(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i)^C = \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i^C$ |  |
| Some simple propositions  |  |   |   |  |
| 60% of students wear neither ring nor necklace. 20% wear ring and 30% wear necklace. Prob that a student wearing ring or necklace, P(RUN)<br>Prob that student wearing ring and necklace, P(RN)   |  | Let R = {ring}, N = {necklace}. $P((RUN)^C) = 0.6$ , $P(R) = 0.2$ , $P(R) = 0.3$<br>$P(RUN) = 1 - P((RUN)^C) = 0.4$<br>$P(RUN) = P(R) + P(N) - P(RN)$ . $P(RN) = 0.2 + 0.3 - 0.4$   |   |  |
| 1. $P(\emptyset) = 0$   |  | Proof. Let $E_1 = S$ , $E_i = \emptyset$ for $i > 1$ , then $S = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$ and $E_i$ are mutually exclusive.<br>Using axiom 3, $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$ . $P(S) = P(S) + P(E_2) + P(E_3) + \dots = P(S) + P(\emptyset) + P(\emptyset) + \dots \Rightarrow P(\emptyset) = 0$   |   |  |
| 2. $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$ (when sample space is finite)   |  | Proof. Let $E_i = \emptyset$ fpr $i > n$ and apply axiom 3  |   |  |
| 7. $P(E^C) = 1 - P(E)$  |  | Proof. $1 = P(S) = P(E \cup E^C) = P(E) + P(E^C)$   |   |  |
| 8. If $E \subset F$ , then $P(E) \leq P(F)$   |  | Proof. Let $F = E \cup E^C F$ . $P(F) = P(E) + P(E^C F)$ . Since $P(E^C F) \geq 0, \dots$   |   |  |
| 9. $P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(E \cap F)$  |  | Proof. Let $E \cup F = E \cup E^C F$ . $P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(E^C F) - (1)$ . $F = EF \cup E^C F$ . $P(F) = P(EF) + P(E^C F) - (2)$<br>Substitute 2 into 1, $P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(EF)$  |   |  |
| 11. Inclusion-exclusion identity Proof<br>$P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n) =$<br>$\sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$<br>$- \sum_{i_1 < i_2} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2})$<br>$+ \dots$<br>$+ (-1)^{r+1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \dots E_{i_r})$<br>$+ \dots$<br>$+ (-1)^{n+1} P(E_1 E_2 \dots E_n)$  |  | If outcome is not in any $E_i$ , then its prob don't contribute to either side of eqn<br>Suppose outcome is in m of events $E_i$ , $m > 0$ , let prob of outcome = w, then<br>i. outcome is in $E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n$ and w will be counted once on LHS<br>ii. outcome is in m of $E_i$ and w will be counted $\binom{m}{1}$ times in $\sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$<br>iii. outcome is in $\binom{m}{2}$ subsets of $E_{i_1} E_{i_2}$ and w counted $\binom{m}{2}$ times in $\sum_{i_1 < i_2} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2})$ and so on...<br>$w = \binom{m}{1} w - \binom{m}{2} w + \binom{m}{3} w - \dots \pm \binom{m}{m} w \Rightarrow \binom{m}{0} = 1 = \binom{m}{1} - \binom{m}{2} + \binom{m}{3} - \dots \pm \binom{m}{m}$<br>$\sum_{i=0}^m \binom{m}{i} (-1)^i = 0$ (always true, by using binomial theorem and let $x = -1$ , $y = 1$ ) |   |  |
| 12i. $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$ Proof.<br><br>Note $P(E_i) = P(E_1^C \dots E_{i-1}^C E_i) + P((E_1^C \dots E_{i-1}^C)^C E_i)$<br>$P(E_1^C \dots E_{i-1}^C E_i) = P(E_i) - P(E_i (\bigcup_{j<i} E_j))$ - sub this result in   |  | $\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = E_1 \cup E_1^C E_2 \cup E_1^C E_2^C E_3 \cup \dots \cup E_1^C E_2^C \dots E_{n-1}^C E_n$<br>$P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) = P(E_1) + P(E_1^C E_2) + P(E_1^C E_2^C E_3) + \dots + P(E_1^C E_2^C \dots E_{n-1}^C E_n)$<br>$= P(E_1) + \sum_{i=2}^n P(E_1^C \dots E_{i-1}^C E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{i=2}^n P(E_i \bigcup_{j<i} E_j)$<br>Since $\sum_{i=2}^n P(E_i \bigcup_{j<i} E_j) \geq 0$ , thus $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i)$  |   |  |
| 12ii. $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{j<i} P(E_i E_j)$ Proof.<br>Note $\sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (E_i E_j) = [P(E_2 E_1)$<br>$+ P(E_3 E_1) + P(E_3 E_2) + \dots$<br>$+ P(E_n E_1) + P(E_n E_2) + \dots + P(E_n E_{n-1})] =$<br>$\sum_{j<i} P(E_i E_j)$   |  | $P(E_i \bigcup_{j<i} E_j) = P(E_i E_1 \cup E_i E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_i E_{i-1}) =$<br>$P(\bigcup_{j<i} E_i E_j) \leq \sum_{j<i} P(E_i E_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} P(E_i E_j)$ (from 9i.)<br>$P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{i=2}^n P(E_i \bigcup_{j<i} E_j)$ (from proof of 9i.)<br>$\geq \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} P(E_i E_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{j<i} P(E_i E_j)$   |   |  |
| Sample Spaces having equally likely outcomes  |  |   |   |  |
| Prob sum of 2 dice = 4  | 3/36   | Select 8 chips from 10 defective and 90 non-defective. Prob ≤ 1 chip is defective   |   | $\frac{\binom{80}{0} \binom{90}{8}}{\binom{100}{8}} + \frac{\binom{10}{1} \binom{90}{7}}{\binom{100}{8}}$  |
| Form committee of 5 from 6M and 9W. P(A), Prob John, 2M and 2W are selected?<br>P(B), Prob 3M (no John) and 2W selected?  |  |   | $P(A) = \frac{\binom{5}{2} \binom{9}{2}}{\binom{15}{5}}$ $P(B) = \frac{\binom{5}{3} \binom{9}{2}}{\binom{15}{5}}$   |  |
| Suppose 3 red and 2 blue balls arranged s.t. all 5! possible orderings are equally likely. If we now record result by listing colors of balls, show that all possible results remain equally likely.  |  |   | total arrangements of rrrbb = $\frac{5!}{3!2!}$ , prob = $1 / \frac{5!}{3!2!} = \frac{3!2!}{5!}$  |  |
| A box contains n balls of which 1 is special. If k balls are withdrawn 1 at a time, prob that special ball is chosen?   |  | Mtd 1: prob = $\frac{\binom{n-1}{k-1}}{\binom{n}{k}} = \frac{\frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!}}{\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}} = \frac{k}{n}$<br><br>Mtd 2: Let $A_i$ = event that special ball = i <sup>th</sup> ball chosen, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$<br>Since any of n balls is equally likely to be i <sup>th</sup> ball chosen, $P(A_i) = 1/n$<br>OR Total num of outcomes = $n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$<br>Num of outcomes of $A_i = (n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-i+1)(1)(n-i)\dots(n-k+1) = \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-k)!}$<br>$P(A_i) = \frac{\frac{(n-1)!}{(n-k)!}}{\frac{n!}{(n-k)!}} = \frac{(n-1)!}{n!} = 1/n$<br>$P(\{\text{special ball chosen}\}) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(A_i) = k/n$  |   |  |
| $P(\text{full house}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}}$  | $P(\text{straight}) = \frac{10 \binom{4^5 - 4}{5}}{\binom{52}{5}}$ (A2345, 23456,...,10JQKA) x (4 suits) <sup>5</sup> - 4 outcomes with all same suit(straight flush))   |   | $P(4 \text{ of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{4} \binom{48}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$   | $P(\text{flush}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \left[ \binom{13}{5} - 10 \right]}{\binom{52}{5}}$<br>4 suits x (any 5 cards - 10 possible straight)   |
| $P(2 \text{ pairs}) = \frac{\binom{13}{2} \binom{4}{2} \binom{4}{2} \binom{44}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{2} \binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{2} \binom{44}{1}}{\binom{52}{5} (2!)}$ (since 2 grps)  |  | $P(1 \text{ pair}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{2} \binom{12}{3} \binom{4}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$  |   | $P(3 \text{ of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{2} \binom{4}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$  |
| birthday problem. If n ppl are in a room, prob that no 2 of them have the same b.d.   |  |   | $\frac{(365)(364)(363)\dots(365-n+1)}{365^n}$ . If $n \geq 23$ , prob is less than 1/2  |  |
| Cards are turned up 1 at a time until 1st ace appears. Is the next card more likely to be ace of spades or 2 clubs?   |  | $P(\text{ace}) = \frac{51!}{52!} = \frac{1}{52}$ (arrange the 51 cards 1st: 51!. Then put ace spades after 1st ace: only 1 way)<br>$P(2 \text{ clubs}) = 1/52$ also   |   |  |
| Football team has 20 offensive and 20 defensive players. Players are paired in grps of 2.   |  | $P(\text{no O-D pair}) = \frac{\frac{\binom{20}{2} \binom{20}{2}}{10!} \cdot \frac{\binom{2,2,\dots,2}{10!}}{\frac{\binom{40}{2,2,\dots,2}}{20!}}}{\frac{\binom{40}{2,2,\dots,2}}{20!}}$<br><br>$P(2 \text{ O-D pair}) = \frac{\binom{20}{2} \binom{20}{2} 2! \left[ \frac{\binom{18}{2,2,\dots,2}}{9!} \right]^2}{\frac{\binom{40}{2,2,\dots,2}}{20!}}$ , choose 2 O, 2 D, then 2! to arrange these grps   |   |  |
| Suppose N men randomly select a hat.  | Prob that none select their own hat?<br>Let $E_i$ = event i <sup>th</sup> man select own hat, $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$<br>$P(\geq 1 \text{ man select own hat}) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^N P(E_i) - \sum_{i_1 < i_2} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2})$<br>$+ \dots + (-1)^{r+1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r} P(E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \dots E_{i_r}) + \dots + (-1)^{N+1} P(E_1 E_2 \dots E_N)$ (point 11)<br>For event $E_{i_1} E_{i_2} \dots E_{i_r}$ , let the r men ( $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_r$ ) select own hats first, other (N-r) men have (N-r)! ways of selecting remaining (N-r) hats |   |   | Prob exactly k men select their own hat?<br>num of ways only k men select own hats =<br>N choose k men * $[P(N - k \text{ don't select own hat})]$ * total num of ways N - k men select hat =<br>$\binom{N}{k} [1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + (-1)^{N-k} \frac{1}{(N-k)!}] (N - k)!$ |

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| $P(E_{i_1}E_{i_2}\dots E_{i_r}) = \frac{(N-r)!}{N!}$ $\sum_{i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r} P(E_{i_1}E_{i_2}\dots E_{i_r}) = \binom{N}{r} \frac{(N-r)!}{N!} = \frac{1}{n!}, \text{ where } \binom{N}{r} = \text{num of terms}$ $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i) = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} - \dots + (-1)^{N+1} \frac{1}{N!}$ $P\left(\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right)^C\right) = 1 - 1 + \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + (-1)^N \frac{1}{N!} \rightarrow e^{-1} \approx 0.37 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$  |  | $\begin{aligned} \text{P(only k men select own hat)} &= \frac{\binom{N}{k}(N-k)! \left[1 - \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{N-k}}{(N-k)!}\right]}{N!} = \\ &= \frac{\frac{N!}{k!(N-k)!}(N-k)! \left[1 - \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{N-k}}{(N-k)!}\right]}{N!} = \\ &= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{N-k}}{(N-k)!}}{k!} \rightarrow e^{-1}/k! \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$  |
| Prob as a cts set fn  |  |  |
| Incr seq: $E_1 \subset E_2 \subset E_3 \subset \dots \subset E_n \subset E_{n+1} \dots$ . Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$<br>Decr seq: $E_1 \supset E_2 \supset \dots \supset E_n \supset E_{n+1} \supset \dots$ . And $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$<br>If $\{E_n, n \geq 1\}$ is either incr or decr seq, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n)$   |  | Proof. Suppose $\{E_n, n \geq 1\}$ is incr seq. Let $F_1 = E_1, F_2 = E_2 E_1^C \dots$<br>$F_n = E_n \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i\right)^C = E_n E_{n-1}^C$ since $E_{n-1} = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} E_i$<br>Note $F_n$ are mutually exclusive events and $\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i \forall n \geq 1$<br>$P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i) = P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(F_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n P(F_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n)$   |
| Extra   |  |  |
| Deck of 20 cards numbered 1,2,3,..., 20 shuffled. Card selected 1 at a time without replacement until all 20 selected.  |  | $P(3^{\text{rd}} \text{ card is } 9) = 1/20 \text{ OR } 19!/20!$<br>$P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ 3 cards all odd num}) = \frac{10}{20} \times \frac{9}{19} \times \frac{8}{18} \text{ OR } \frac{\binom{10}{3} 3! 17!}{20!}$  |
| Roll 5 dice.  | $P(\text{no two same}) = \frac{\binom{6}{5} 5!}{6^5}$                        | $P(1 \text{ pair}) = \frac{6 \binom{5}{3} 5! / 2!}{6^5}$   |
|   | $P(2 \text{ pair}) = \frac{\binom{6}{2} \binom{4}{1} \frac{5!}{2! 2!}}{6^5}$ | $P(3 \text{ same}) = \frac{6 \binom{5}{2} 5! / 3!}{6^5}$   |
|   | $P(\text{full house}) = \frac{6 \binom{5}{1} \frac{5!}{2! 3!}}{6^5}$         | $P(4 \text{ same}) = \frac{6 \binom{5}{1} 5! / 4!}{6^5}$   |
| $P(\text{neither you nor dealer has blackjack}).$ Let $A = \{\text{you have blackjack}\}, B = \{\text{dealer has blackjack}\}.$ Ans = $1 - P(A \cup B)$   |  | $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 2 \times \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{16}{1}}{\binom{52}{2}} - \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{16}{1} \binom{3}{1} \binom{15}{1}}{\binom{52}{2} \binom{50}{2}}$  |
| P(2nd die higher value than 1st)  |  | $1 = P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ is higher}) + P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ is higher}) + P(\text{same})$<br>$1 = 2 \times P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ is higher}) + 6/36$<br>$P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ is higher}) = 5/12$  |
| Woman has n keys, of which 1 will open door. Tries opening door, discarding those that don't work, P(open on k <sup>th</sup> try)   |  | $P(\text{open on } k^{\text{th}} \text{ try}) = \frac{(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)}{n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1)} = \frac{1}{n}$<br>$P(\text{open on } k^{\text{th}} \text{ try without discarding key}) = \frac{(n-1)^{k-1}}{n^k}$  |
| Num of ppl in room for P(at least 2 of them have same birthday month) to be $\geq 0.5$  |  | $P(\text{all months diff}) = \frac{12 \times 11 \times \dots \times (13-n)}{12 \times 12 \times \dots \times 12}$ . When $n = 5$ , this prob $< 0.5$   |
| Closet contains 10 pairs of shoes. If 8 shoes randomly selected,  |  | $P(\text{no complete pair}) = \frac{\binom{10}{8} \binom{2}{1}^8}{\binom{20}{8}}$  |
| $(\bigcap_1^{\infty} E_i) \cup F = \bigcap_1^{\infty} (E_i \cup F)$<br>Let $x \in (\bigcap_1^{\infty} E_i) \cup F \Rightarrow x \in (\bigcap_1^{\infty} E_i)$ or $x \in F \Rightarrow x \in E_1$ and $x \in E_2$ and .... or $x \in F \Rightarrow x \in E_1$ or $x \in F$ and $x \in E_2$ or $x \in F$ and .... $\Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_1^{\infty} (E_i \cup F)$<br>Let $x \in (\bigcap_1^{\infty} E_i \cup F) \Rightarrow x \in E_1 \cup F$ and $x \in E_2 \cup F$ and .... $\Rightarrow x \in E_1$ and $x \in E_2$ and .... or $x \in F \Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_1^{\infty} (E_i) \cup F$ |  | $(\bigcup_1^{\infty} E_i)F = \bigcup_1^{\infty} E_i F$ can be proven similarly   |
| $P(EF^C \cup E^C F) = P(EF^C) + P(E^C F)$ (disjoint events). $P(E) = P(EF^C \cup EF) = P(EF^C) + P(EF)$ and $P(F) = P(E^C F) + P(EF)$<br>$P(EF^C \cup E^C F) = P(E) - P(EF) + P(F) - P(EF)$   |  |  |
| Consider matching problem, Let $A_N =$ num of ways N men can select hats so no man select own<br>Let $B_N =$ num of ways N men can select among N hats that does not contain the hat of 1 of these men  |  | $A_N = (N-1)B_{N-1} \Rightarrow B_{N-2} = A_{N-1}/(N-2)$<br>$A_N = (N-1)[A_{N-2} + (N-2)B_{N-2}]$ {N-1: num of ways 1st man select a hat not his own, $A_{N-2}$ : extra man choose hat of 1st man, N-2: num of ways extra man choose hat that is not the 1st man hat<br>$A_N = (N-1)[A_{N-2} + A_{N-1}]$   |
| Parallel sys with n components. P(component work) = 0.5. P(component 1 works sys working)   |  | $P(\text{component 1 works}   \text{sys working}) = \frac{P(\text{component 1 working})}{1 - P(\text{all component not working})} = \frac{1/2}{1 - (1/2)^n}$   |
| 4 freshman boys, 6 freshman girls, 6 sophomore boys. How many sophomore girls for sex and class to be indep when student selected at random?  |  | $P(\text{Boy}, F) = \frac{4}{16+x'}$ , $P(\text{Boy}) = \frac{10}{16+x'}$ , $P(F) = \frac{10}{16+x'}$ . For independence, $P(\text{Boy}, F) = P(\text{Boy})P(F)$<br>$\frac{4}{16+x} = \frac{10}{16+x} \frac{10}{16+x}$ . $4x = 36$ and $x = 9$ .   |
| Stock price moves up by 1 unit with prob p, down 1 unit with prob 1-p. P(original price after 2 days)<br>P(up by 1 after 3 days)<br>P(up on 1st day up by 1 after 3 days)   |  | $P(\text{original price after 2 days}) = p(1-p) + (1-p)p = 2p(1-p).$<br>$P(\text{up by 1 after 3 days}) = \binom{3}{2} p^2(1-p) = 3p^2(1-p)$<br>$P(\text{up on 1st day}   \text{up by 1 after 3 days}) = \frac{P(\text{up on 1st day, original after 2nd and 3rd day})}{P(\text{up by 1 after 3 days})} = \frac{p[2p(1-p)]}{3p^2(1-p)} = \frac{2}{3}$  |
| P(heads) = p. P(HHHH), P(THHH), P(THHH before HHHH)   |  | $P(\text{HHHH}) = p^4$ . $P(\text{THHH}) = (1-p)p^3$ . $P(\text{THHH before HHHH}) = 1 - P(\text{HHHH})$ (since HHHH can only appear in 1st 4 flips) $= 1 - p^4$   |
| Suppose E and F are mutually exclusive events. If indep trials are performed, show E will occur before F with prob P(E)/[P(E)+P(F)]   |  | $P(E \text{ before } F) = P(E \text{ before } F   E \text{ 1st})P(E \text{ 1st}) + P(E \text{ before } F   F \text{ 1st})P(F \text{ 1st}) + P(E \text{ before } F   E \text{ and } F \text{ not 1st})(1-P(E \text{ 1st})-P(F \text{ 1st})) = P(E \text{ 1st}) + P(E \text{ before } F)(1-P(E \text{ 1st})-P(F \text{ 1st})) = P(E) + P(E \text{ b f})[1-P(E)-P(F)].$ So $P(E \text{ b } F) = P(E)/[P(E)+P(F)]$   |
| Die A has 4r, 2w faces. Die B has 2r, 4w faces. Fair coin is flipped. If head, die A is used, else die B. Show P(red) = 0.5. P(r on 3rd 1st 2 r). P(A 1st 2 r)  |  | $P(\text{red}) = (1/2)(4/6) + (1/2)(2/6) = 1/2$ . $P(r \text{ on 3rd}   1^{\text{st}} 2 r) = \frac{P(rrr)}{P(rr)} = \frac{(1/2)(4/6)^3 + (1/2)(2/6)^3}{(1/2)(4/6)^2 + (1/2)(2/6)^2} = \frac{3}{5}$<br>$P(A   rr) = \frac{P(rr A)P(A)}{P(rr)} = \frac{(4/6)^3(1/2)}{(1/2)(4/6)^2 + (1/2)(2/6)^2} = \frac{4}{5}$   |
| Let $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Suppose A and B are independently, equally likely to be any of the $2^n$ subsets (including null set and S itself) of S. Show $P(A \subset B) = (3/4)^n$ . Show $P(AB = \emptyset) = (3/4)^n$  |  | $P(A \subset B) = \sum_{i=0}^n P(A \subset B    B  = i)P( B  = i) = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{2^i}{2^n} \frac{\binom{n}{i}}{2^n} = \frac{1}{4^n} \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 2^i 1^{n-i} = \frac{1}{4^n} (2+1)^n = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$<br>$P(AB = \emptyset) = P(A \subset B^c) = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$ since $B^c$ also equally likely to be any of the subsets.   |
| Person is declared guilty if at least 2 out of 3 judges vote guilty. Suppose person is in fact guilty, each judge will vote guilty w prob 0.7. If person actually innocent, prob vote guilty = 0.2. If 70% of people are guilty, P(judge 3 vote guilty j1 and 2 vote guilty)<br>P(j3 vote guilty j1 and 2: 1 guilty and not guilty vote)<br>P(j3 vote guilty j1 and 2 both vote not guilty)   |  | $P(\text{judge 3 vote guilty}   j1 \text{ and } 2 \text{ vote guilty}) = \frac{0.7(0.7)^3 + 0.3(0.2)^3}{0.7(0.7)^2 + 0.3(0.2)^2} = \frac{97}{142}$<br>$P(j3 \text{ vote guilty}   j1 \text{ and } 2: 1 \text{ guilty and not guilty vote}) = \frac{0.7(0.7)^2 2(0.3) + 0.3(0.2)^2 2(0.8)}{0.7(2)(0.7)(0.3) + 0.3(2)(0.2)(0.8)} = \frac{15}{26}$<br>$P(j3 \text{ vote guilty}   j1 \text{ and } 2 \text{ both vote not guilty}) = \frac{0.7(0.7)(0.3)^2 + 0.3(0.2)(0.8)^2}{0.7(0.3)^2 + 0.3(0.8)^2} = \frac{33}{102}$<br>$P(E_1) = P(E_2) = 0.7(0.7) + 0.3(0.2) = 0.55$<br>$P(E_1 E_2) = 0.7(0.7)^2 + 0.3(0.2)^2 = 0.355 \neq P(E_1)P(E_2)$ . Similarly, all 3 events are not indep.<br>$P(E_1 E_2 E_3   \text{guilty}) = P(E_1   \text{guilty})P(E_2   \text{guilty})P(E_3   \text{guilty})$ |

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| Let $E_i$ be event judge i cast guilty. Are events indep? Are they conditionally indep?  |  | $P(E_1E_2 \text{guilty}) = P(E_1 \text{guilty})P(E_2 \text{guilty})\dots$ show for $E_1E_3$ and $E_2E_3$ , so conditionally indep.   |  |
| Prove if $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$ are indep, then $P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n [1 - P(E_i)]$   |  | $P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n) = 1 - P(\cap_{i=1}^n E_i^C) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n [1 - P(E_i)]$   |  |
| Fair coin tossed 2 times. $A = \{1\text{st toss heads}\}$ . $B = \{2\text{nd toss head}\}$ . $C = \{\text{both toss on same side}\}$ . Show A, B, C are pairwise indep, but not indep.                                   |  | $P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = 1/2$ . $P(AB) = P(AC) = P(BC) = 1/4$ . So $P(AB) = P(A)P(B)\dots$<br>However, $P(ABC) = 1/4 \neq P(A)P(B)P(C)$ . So pairwise indep, but not indep  |  |
| If $0 \leq a_i \leq 1$ , $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , show $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} [a_i \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} (1 - a_j)] + \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - a_i) = 1$   |  | Suppose want to calculate prob of flipping coin until head appears. $a_i \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} (1 - a_j) = P(\text{1st head on } i^{\text{th}} \text{ flip})$ . $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - a_i) = P(\text{all tails})$ .   |  |
| Weather tmr will be same as weather tdy with prob p. If weather is dry on Jan 1, show $P_n = \text{prob dry } n \text{ days later satisfies } P_n = (2p-1)P_{n-1} + (1-p)$ , $P_0 = 1$ . Prove $P_n = 1/2 + 1/2(2p-1)^n$ |  | $P_n = pP_{n-1} + (1-p)(1-P_{n-1}) = (2p-1)P_{n-1} + (1-p)$ .<br>Using MI, suppose $P_{n-1}$ is true. $P_n = (2p-1)P_{n-1} + (1-p) = (2p-1)[1/2 + (1/2)(2p-1)^{n-1}] + 1-p = (2p-1)/2 + (2p-1)^n/2 + 1-p = 1/2 + (1/2)(2p-1)^n$  |  |
| Chessboard has 64 squares. Prob placing 8 rooks wont all be in same row or col.  | $\frac{64 \times 49 \times 36 \times 25 \times 16 \times 9 \times 4 \times 1}{64 \times 63 \times 62 \times 61 \times 60 \times 59 \times 58 \times 57}$ | P(blackjack)   | $\frac{4 \times 16 \times 2}{52 \times 51}$ (order matters) OR $\frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{16}{1}}{\binom{52}{2}}$ (order dont matter) |
| 2 symmetric dice both have 2 sides R, 2B, 1Y, 1W. P(both same color)   |  | $P(RR) + P(BB) + P(YY) + P(WW) = \frac{2 \times 2}{6 \times 6} + \frac{2 \times 2}{6 \times 6} + \frac{1 \times 1}{6 \times 6} + \frac{1 \times 1}{6 \times 6}$  |  |
| 20 families. 4 have 1 child. 8 have 2 child. 5 have 3 child. 2 have 4 child. 1 has 5 child. Total 48 children  |  | P(child chosen come from family with i children)?, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ . Let B = no of children in child family. $P(B = 1) = 4/48$ , $P(B = 2) = 16/48$ , $P(B = 3) = 15/48$ , $P(B = 4) = 8/48$ , $P(B = 5) = 5/48$   |  |
| 2 sch chess club contain 8, 9 players. 4 members from each club randomly chosen to join contest. Random player from 1 team paired with those from other team. Suppose R and E are in diff sch.                           |  | $P(R \text{ and } E \text{ paired}) = \frac{\binom{7}{3}\binom{8}{3}3!}{\binom{8}{4}\binom{9}{4}4!} = \frac{1}{18}$ . $P(R \text{ and } E \text{ chosen but not paired}) = \frac{\binom{7}{3}\binom{8}{3}}{\binom{8}{4}\binom{9}{4}} - \frac{1}{18} = \frac{1}{6}$<br>$P(\text{exactly one of } R \text{ and } E \text{ chosen}) = \frac{\binom{7}{3}\binom{8}{4} + \binom{7}{4}\binom{8}{3}}{\binom{8}{4}\binom{9}{4}}$ |  |
| Urn contains 3R, 7B balls. A and B select balls consecutively w/o replacement until R ball chosen  |  | $P(A \text{ select } R) = \frac{3 \times 9! + 7 \times 6 \times 3 \times 7! + 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 5! + 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 1}{10!}$  |  |
| Forest has 20 elk, of which 5 are captured, tagged and then released. 4 elk then captured.   | P(2 of these 4 are tagged) = $\frac{\binom{5}{2}\binom{15}{2}}{\binom{20}{4}}$   |  | Bridge: 13 cards, Yarborough: bridge with no cards higher than 9 (exclude ace)   |
| Teacher gives class 10 qns. Test contain 5 of those qns. If student knows how to ans 7 qns.  |  | $P(\text{all 5 qns correct}) = \frac{\binom{7}{5}\binom{3}{0}}{\binom{10}{5}}$ . $P(\text{at least 4 correct}) = \frac{\binom{7}{5}\binom{3}{0}}{\binom{10}{5}} + \frac{\binom{7}{4}\binom{3}{1}}{\binom{10}{5}}$  |  |
| n socks, 3R in drawer. Value of n if when 2 socks chosen, $P(RR) = .5$   |  | $\frac{\binom{3}{2}}{\binom{n}{2}} = .5$ . $n = 4$   | 5 hotels. If 3 ppl check into hotels in a day, P(all diff hotel)?  |
| A B C D E arranged in linear order.  | $P(1 \text{ person btw A and B}) = \frac{\binom{3}{1}3!2!}{5!}$ . $P(2 \text{ ppl btw}) = \frac{\binom{3}{2}2!2!2!}{5!}$ . $P(3 \text{ ppl btw}) = 3!2!$ |  | 6M, 6W divided into 2 groups of 6 each. P(both grp same num of men)?   |
| P(bridge is void of at least 1 suit). S: void of spade, H, D, C...   |  | $P(\text{SUH} \cup \text{DUC}) = [P(S) + P(H) + P(D) + P(C)] - [P(SH) + P(SD) + P(SC) + P(HD) + P(HC) + P(DC)] + [P(SHD) + P(SHC) + P(SDC) + P(HDC)] - P(SHDC) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{39}{13}}{\binom{52}{13}} - \frac{\binom{4}{2}\binom{26}{13}}{\binom{52}{13}} + \frac{\binom{4}{3}\binom{13}{13}}{\binom{52}{13}} - 0$  |  |

| Conditional Prob and Reduced Sample Space   |  |   |  |
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| Draw cards one at a time without replacement from deck. Let A = {1 <sup>st</sup> card = ace}, B = {2 <sup>nd</sup> card = ace}  |  | P(A) = 4/52. P(B A) = 3/51. P(B) = 4/52   |  |
| Toss fair die twice. Given 1st die is 5, what is conditional prob that sum of 2 dice is even?   |  | P(E F) = 3/6 (since 1 <sup>st</sup> already 5, 6 outcomes for 2 <sup>nd</sup> die)<br>P(E) = 18/36 (consider whole sample space for unconditional prob)   |  |
| Toss fair die twice. Given 1 <sup>st</sup> die is num < 3, prob sum of 2 dice is > 7  |  | P(E F) = 1/12 (only 1 possible outcome; (2,6))/<br>(1st die 1: 6 outcomes + 1st die 2: 6 outcomes)  |  |
| Take 8 balls from 4 black and 6 white balls sequentially. Given 5 of the 8 chosen are white, prob that 1st ball chosen is white?  | P(1 <sup>st</sup> ball W 5 of 8 balls are W) = 5/8<br>(since 1st ball equally likely to be any of 8 chosen balls)  | OR Let B = {1st ball chosen W}. B <sub>5</sub> = {5 W balls chosen}. P(B) = $\frac{6}{10}$ .<br>$P(B_5) = \frac{\binom{6}{5}\binom{4}{3}}{\binom{10}{8}}$ . $P(B_5 B) = \frac{\binom{6-1}{4}\binom{4}{3}}{\binom{10-1}{7}}$ . $P(B B_5) = \frac{P(BB_5)}{P(B_5)} = \frac{P(B)P(B_5 B)}{P(B_5)} = \frac{5}{8}$ |  |
| P(first 2 cards are aces). Let A = {1st card ace}, B = {2nd card ace}   |  | $P(BA) = P(A)P(B A) = \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51}$   |  |
| Divide 52 cards into 4 piles of 13 each. Prob each pile has exactly one ace?<br>Note P(E <sub>4</sub> ) = P(E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> E <sub>3</sub> E <sub>4</sub> )   | Let E <sub>1</sub> = {ace spades in any pile}, E <sub>2</sub> = {ace spades, ace hearts in diff pile},<br>E <sub>3</sub> = {ace spades, hearts diamonds diff pile}, E <sub>4</sub> = {all aces diff pile}<br>$P(E_1) = 1$ . $P(E_2 E_1) = \frac{39}{12+39}$ . $P(E_3 E_1E_2) = \frac{26}{26+12+12}$ . $P(E_4 E_1E_2E_3) = \frac{13}{12+12+12+13}$<br>$P(E_1E_2E_3E_4) = P(E_1)P(E_2 E_1)P(E_3 E_1E_2)P(E_4 E_1E_2E_3) = 0.105$   | OR $P(E_4) = \frac{4! \binom{48}{12,12,12,12} / 4!}{\binom{52}{13,13,13,13} / 4!} = 0.105$  |  |
| Multiplication rule: P(E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> ...E <sub>n</sub> ) = P(E <sub>1</sub> ) P(E <sub>2</sub>  E <sub>1</sub> )P(E <sub>3</sub>  E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> )...P(E <sub>n</sub>  E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> ...E <sub>n-1</sub> ) |  | Proof. RHS = P(E <sub>1</sub> ) x $\frac{P(E_1E_2)}{P(E_1)}$ x $\frac{P(E_1E_2E_3)}{P(E_1E_2)}$ x... x $\frac{P(E_1E_2...E_n)}{P(E_1E_2...E_{n-1})}$ = P(E <sub>1</sub> E <sub>2</sub> ...E <sub>n</sub> )  |  |
| Thrm of Total Prob and Bayes' Thrm  |  |   |  |
| Blood Test is 95% TP. 1% FP.<br>6% of pop has disease   | P(test +ve) = 0.06 x 0.95 + (1-0.06) x 0.01 = 0.0664   | P(disease test +ve) = (0.06 x 0.95) / 0.0664 = 0.06<br>P(no disease test -ve) = (1-0.06) x (1-0.01) / (1-0.664) = 0.94  |  |
| Urn 1 initially has n red balls and urn 2 has n blue balls. Remove 1 ball from urn 1, take 1 ball from urn 2 and put in urn 1. Repeat until all molecules removed from both urn.<br>Let R = {last ball removed from urn 1 is red}                         | Let 1 of the n red balls be a special one. F = {s ball is final one selected}. N <sub>i</sub> = {s ball not i <sup>th</sup> ball removed}<br>$P(N_1) = \frac{n-1}{n}$ . $P(N_2 N_1) = \frac{n-1}{n}$ ... $P(F N_1N_2...N_n) = \frac{1}{n}$ . Note $F \subset N_1N_2...N_n$ . $P(F) = P(N_1N_2...N_nF) = P(N_1)P(N_2 N_1)...$<br>$P(N_1)P(N_2 N_1)...$ $P(N_n N_1N_2...N_{n-1})P(F N_1N_2...N_n)$ (multiplication rule) = $\frac{n-1}{n} \times \frac{n-1}{n} \times \dots \times \frac{1}{n} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \frac{1}{n}$<br>Since special ball can be any of n red balls, $P(R) = P(F) \times n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^{-1}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$   |   |  |
| If urn 1 now has r <sub>1</sub> red balls and b <sub>1</sub> blue balls, urn 2 has r <sub>2</sub> red balls and b <sub>2</sub> blue balls. Find P(R)  | Let 1 of the balls in urn 1 be special one. Now $P(F) = P(N_1N_2...N_{r_2+b_2}F) = P(N_1)P(N_2 N_1)...$ $P(N_{r_2+b_2} N_1N_2...N_{r_2+b_2-1})P(F N_1N_2...N_{r_2+b_2}) = \frac{r_1+b_1-1}{r_1+b_1} \times \dots \times \frac{r_1+b_1-1}{r_1+b_1} \times \frac{1}{r_1+b_1} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}\right)^{r_2+b_2} \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}$<br>Let O = {last ball removed is one of the ball originally in urn 1}<br>$P(O) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}\right)^{r_2+b_2} \frac{1}{r_1+b_1} \times (r_1 + b_1) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}\right)^{r_2+b_2}$<br>$P(R) = P(R O)P(O) + P(R O^c)P(O^c) = \frac{r_1}{r_1+b_1} \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}\right)^{r_2+b_2} + \frac{r_2}{r_2+b_2} \times \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{r_1+b_1}\right)^{r_2+b_2}\right]$ |   |  |
| Plant A, B, C produce 20%, 30%, 50% of RAM chips. % of defective chips by A, B and C are 1%, 2%, 4% respectively.   |  | P(defective) = 0.2(0.01) + 0.3(0.02) + 0.5(0.04) = 0.028<br>P(plant A defective) = 0.2(0.01)/0.028 = 0.071  |  |

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| Couple with 2 children. Suppose we encounter mother walking with one of her child. If child is a girl, prob that both are girls?  |  | Let $G_1 = \{1st\ child\ girl\}$ , $G_2 = \{2nd\ child\ girl\}$ , $G = \{child\ seen\ with\ mom\ is\ girl\}$ ...for boys also...  |  |
| So actually prob depends on how mom choose child to walk with her   |  | $P(G_1G_2 G) = \frac{P(G_1G_2G)}{P(G)} = \frac{P(G_1G_2)}{P(G)}$ since $G_1G_2 \subset G$   |  |
| If mom only chose elder child, then $P(G G_1B_2) = 1$ , $P(G B_1G_2) = 0$ and $P(G_1G_2 G) = \frac{1}{2}$   |  | $P(G) = 0.25 * 1 + 0.25 * P(G G_1B_2) + 0.25 * P(G B_1G_2) + 0.25 * 0$  |  |
| If mom only choose girl, then $P(G G_1B_2) = 1$ , $P(G B_1G_2) = 1$ and $P(G_1G_2 G) = \frac{1}{3}$   |  | $P(G_1G_2 G) = \frac{0.25}{0.25+0.25P(G G_1B_2)+0.25P(G B_1G_2)} = \frac{1}{1+P(G G_1B_2)+P(G B_1G_2)}$   |  |
| Conditioning formula: $P(E) = P(E F)P(F) + P(E F^c)P(F^c)$  |  | Proof. $E = EF^c \cup EF$ . $P(E) = P(EF^c) + P(EF) = P(E F^c)P(F^c) + P(E F)P(F)$  |  |
| Independent Events  |  |   |  |
| Draw cards from 52 cards without replacement. $C = \{2nd\ card\ is\ ace\}$ . $A = \{1st\ card\ ace\}$<br>$C = \{2nd\ card\ is\ ace\}$ . $A = \{1st\ card\ red\ color\}$<br>$C = \{2nd\ card\ is\ ace\}$ . $B = \{1st\ card\ diamond\}$  |  | $P(C) = 4/52$ . $P(C A) = 3/51$ . So A and C not indep<br>$P(C) = 4/52$ . $P(C A) = \frac{2 \times 3 + 24 \times 4}{26 \times 51} = P(C)$ . A and C indep<br>$P(C) = 4/52$ . $P(C B) = \frac{1 \times 3 + 12 \times 4}{13 \times 51} = P(C)$ . B and C indep  |  |
| Toss 2 fair dice. $A = \{1st\ die\ 3\}$ , $B = \{sum\ is\ 5\}$ , $C = \{sum\ is\ 8\}$ , $D = \{sum\ is\ 7\}$<br>$P(D) = 6/36$ . $P(D A) = 1/6$ . A and D indep  |  | $P(B) = 4/36 = 1/9$ . $P(B A) = 1/6$ . A and B not indep<br>$P(C) = 5/36$ . $P(C A) = 1/6$ . A and C not indep  |  |
| E, F and G are indep $\Rightarrow$ E and $F \cup G$ are indep   |  | E.g. $P(E(F \cup G)) = P(EF \cup EG) = P(EF) + P(EG) - P(EFG) = P(E)P(F) + P(E)P(G) - P(E)P(F)P(G)$ ( $\because$ indep) = $P(E)[P(F) + P(G) - P(F)P(G)] = P(E)P(F \cup G)$  |  |
| Seq of Bernoulli trials(Binomial). Infinite seq of indep. trials are performed. Success has prob p, failure: 1-p.   |  | $P(\text{at least 1 success occur in 1st n trials}) = 1 - (1-p)^n$<br>$P(\text{exactly k success occur in 1st n trials}) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$<br>$P(\text{all trials are success}) = pppp... = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p^n = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq p < 1 \\ 1, & p = 1 \end{cases}$  |  |
| Sys contains 3 components arranged in parallel. If component i functions with prob $p_i$ , $i = 1, 2, 3$  |  | $P(\text{sys functions}) = 1 - P(\text{sys don't fn})$ (since need $\geq 1$ component functioning) = $1 - (1-p_1)(1-p_2)(1-p_3)$<br>$P(\text{sys functions in series}) = p_1p_2p_3$   |  |
| Box contains 5 balls, 2 are W. A draw first, then B with replacement. Winner is 1st to draw W   |  | $P(A\ wins) = \frac{2}{5} + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 \frac{2}{5} + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4 \frac{2}{5} + \dots = \frac{2}{5} \left[ 1 + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4 + \dots \right] = \frac{2}{5} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2} \right] = \frac{5}{8}$<br>$P(A\ wins) \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 \right] = \frac{2}{5}$   |  |
| Player A picks one of the following: HHH, HHT, HTH, HTT, THH, TTH, THT, TTT<br>Player B then picks one of the remaining 7 patters. A fair coin is tossed until either A or B pattern appears<br>If A picks HHH, B THH. $P(A\ wins) = 1/8$ (only 1 route). A picks HHT, B picks THH. $P(A\ wins) = 1/4$ (HHH or HHT)<br>A picks HTH, B picks HHT, $P(B\ wins) = 2/3$ . $P(B\ wins HH) = .5P(B\ wins HH) + .5(1)$ . $P(B\ wins HH) = 1 - (1)$ .<br>$P(B\ wins HT) = .5(0) + .5P(B\ wins TT)$ . $P(B\ wins TT) = 2P(B\ wins HT) - (2)$<br>$P(B\ wins TH) = .5P(B\ wins HH) + .5P(B\ wins HT) = .5 + .5P(B\ wins HT)$ (from (1)). $2P(B\ wins TH) = 1 + P(B\ wins HT) - (3)$<br>$P(B\ wins TT) = .5P(B\ wins TH) + .5P(B\ wins TT)$ . $P(B\ wins TT) = P(B\ wins TH) - (4)$<br>Sub (4) into (3): $2P(B\ wins TT) = 1 + P(B\ wins HT) - (5)$<br>Sub (2) into (5): $4P(B\ wins HT) = 1 + P(B\ wins HT)$ . $P(B\ wins) = 1/3 - (6)$<br>Sub (6) into (5): $P(B\ wins TT) = 2/3 - (7)$ . Sub (7) into (4): $P(B\ wins TH) = 2/3$<br>$P(B\ wins) = .25P(B\ wins HH) + .25P(B\ wins HT) + .25P(B\ wins TH) + .25P(B\ wins TT) = 2/3$ |  |   |  |
| Problem of the points - Fermat and Pascal. Independent trials, with Success prob p, failure: 1-p. Probability n success before m failures?  |  | Pascal: Let $P_{n,m} = P(n\ success\ before\ m\ failures)$<br>$P_{n,m} = pP_{n-1,m} + (1-p)P_{n,m-1}$ , $n \geq 1$ , $m \geq 1$<br>$P_{n,0} = 0$ . $P_{0,m} = 1$ . $P_{1,1} = pP_{0,1} + (1-p)P_{1,0} = p$<br>Femat: winner must emerge after m+n-1 trials<br>For n success before m failures, need at least n success in n+m-1 trials<br>$P_{n,m} = \sum_{k=n}^{m+n-1} \binom{m+n-1}{k} p^k (1-p)^{m+n-1-k}$   |  |
| Gambler's ruin problem. A with \$M, B with \$N. $P(\text{success}) = p$ , $P(\text{failure}) = 1-p$ . Success: B gives A \$1. Failure: A gives B \$1. Game stops when either A or B wins  |  | Let $P_i = P(\text{someone wins all } M+N \text{ starting with } \$i)$ . $P_0 = 0$ , $P_{M+N} = 1$<br>$P_1 = 0.5P_{i-1} + 0.5P_{i+1} \Rightarrow P_{i+1} = 2P_i - P_{i-1}$<br>$P_2 = 2P_1 - P_0 = 2P_1$ . $P_3 = 2P_2 - P_1 = 3P_1$ . $P_i = 2P_{i-1} - P_{i-2} = iP_1$<br>So $P_{M+N} = (M+N)P_1 = 1 \Rightarrow P_1 = 1/(M+N)$<br>$P(A\ wins) = P_M = MP_1 = M/(M+N)$ . $P(B\ wins) = P_N = NP_1 = N/(M+N)$   |  |
| E and F are independent $P(E F) = P(E)$   |  | $P(E F) = \frac{P(EF)}{P(F)} = \frac{P(E)P(F)}{P(F)}$ if E and F are indep = $P(E)$   |  |
| E and F indep $\Rightarrow$ E and $F^c$ indep   |  | $E = EF \cup EF^c$ . $P(E) = P(EF) + P(EF^c) = P(E)P(F) + P(EF^c)$ (since E, F indep) $P(EF^c) = P(E) - P(E)P(F) = P(E)(1-P(F)) = P(E)P(F^c)$   |  |
| P(E F) is a prob  |  |   |  |
| Seq of Bernoulli trials. $P(\text{success}) = p$ , $P(\text{failure}) = 1-p$ . $P(n\ consecutive\ success\ before\ m\ consecutive\ failures)$ ?<br>Let $E = \{n\ consecutive\ successes\ before\ m\ consecutive\ failures\}$<br>$H = \{first\ trial\ is\ success\}$ . $F = \{trials\ 2\ to\ n\ all\ success\}$<br>$G = \{trials\ 2\ to\ m\ all\ failures\}$   |  | $P(E) = P(H)P(E H) + P(H^c)P(E H^c) = pP(E H) + (1-p)P(E H^c)$<br>$P(E H) = P(E FH)P(F H) + P(E F^cH)P(F^c H)$<br>$= 1 * p^{n-1} + P(E H^c)(1-p^{n-1})$ (since once fail, restart from beginning)<br>$P(E H^c) = P(E GH^c)P(G H^c) + P(E G^cH^c)P(G^c H^c)$<br>$= 0(1-p)^{m-1} + P(E H)[1 - (1-p)^{m-1}]$ –solve simultaneous eqn and sub into $P(E)$   |  |
| k+1 coins in box. $P(i^{th}\ coin = heads) = i/k$ , $i = 0, 1, \dots, k$ . Coin randomly selected from box and then repeatedly flipper. $P(n+1\ flip = head first\ n\ flips\ all\ head)$<br>Let $c_i = \{i^{th}\ coin\ selected\}$ . $F_n = \{1st\ n\ flips\ all\ heads\}$ . $H = \{n+1\ flip = head\}$   |  | $P(H F_n) = \sum_{i=0}^k P(H F_n c_i) P(c_i F_n)$<br>$P(H F_n c_i) = P(H c_i) = i/k$<br>$P(c_i F_n) = \frac{P(c_i F_n)}{P(F_n)} = \frac{P(F_n c_i)P(c_i)}{\sum_{j=0}^k P(F_n c_j)P(c_j)} = \frac{\left(\frac{i}{k}\right)^n \frac{1}{k+1}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \left(\frac{j}{k}\right)^n \frac{1}{k+1}} = \frac{\left(\frac{i}{k}\right)^n}{\sum_{j=0}^k \left(\frac{j}{k}\right)^n}$<br>$P(H F_n) = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{\left(\frac{i}{k}\right)^n}{\sum_{j=0}^k \left(\frac{j}{k}\right)^n} = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{i}{k}\right)^{n+1}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \left(\frac{j}{k}\right)^n} \approx \frac{\int_0^1 x^{n+1} dx}{\int_0^1 x^n dx} = \frac{1/(n+2)}{1/(n+1)} = \frac{(n+1)}{(n+2)}$ |  |
| If $k = 3$ , $\int_0^1 x^{n+1} dx \approx \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n+1} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n+1} + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{3}\right)^{n+1}$ (use rectangle to estimate area) = $\frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=0}^3 \left(\frac{i}{3}\right)^{n+1}$  |  | Extra   |  |
| Deck of cards numbered 1,2,..., 20 selected 1 at a time w/o replacement until all 20 selected.  |  | $P(3rd, 4th\ card\ are\ odd 1st, 2nd\ card\ are\ odd) = \frac{8}{18} \frac{7}{17} = \frac{28}{153}$<br>$P(1st, 2nd\ card\ are\ odd 3rd, 4th\ card\ are\ odd) = \frac{28}{153}$<br>$P(card\ numbered\ 10\ is\ among\ last\ 5\ cards 1st, 2nd\ card\ are\ odd) = \frac{5 \times 17!}{18!} = \frac{5}{18}$   |  |
| Urn A contains 2W, 4R balls; urn B contains 8W, 4R balls; urn C contains 1W, 3R balls. 1 ball is selected from each urn.  |  | $P(A = W 2W) = \frac{P(A=W, 2W)}{P(2W)} = \frac{P(A=W, B=W, C=R) + P(A=W, B=R, C=W)}{P(2W)} = \frac{\frac{2}{6} \frac{3}{4} \frac{2}{4} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{6} \frac{1}{4} \frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{2}{6} \frac{3}{4} \frac{2}{4} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{6} \frac{1}{4} \frac{4}{3} \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{7}{11}$   |  |
| Divide 52 cards into 4 piles of 13 each. Prob each pile has exactly one ace? Let $E_i =$ event $i^{th}$ hand has exactly 1 ace. Find $p = P(E_1E_2E_3E_4)$  |  | $P(E_1) = \binom{48}{12} / \binom{52}{13}$ , $P(E_2 E_1) = \binom{36}{12} / \binom{39}{13}$ , $P(E_3 E_1E_2) = \binom{24}{12} / \binom{26}{13}$ , $P(E_4 E_1E_2E_3) = 1$ . $p = P(E_1)P(E_2 E_1)P(E_3 E_1E_2)P(E_4 E_1E_2E_3)$ (by multiplication rule)   |  |

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| 48% of the women and 37% of the men of a class remained nonsmokers for at least 1 year. These ppl attended a success party. If 62% of original class were male,   |                  |                  | $P(\text{women} \text{attending party}) = \frac{P(\text{women and attending party})}{P(\text{attending party})} = \frac{0.48 \cdot 0.38}{0.37 \cdot 0.62 + 0.48 \cdot 0.38} \approx 0.443$ $P(\text{attending party}) = 0.48 \cdot 0.38 + 0.37 \cdot 0.62 = 0.4118$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Urn I contains 2W, 4R balls, urn II contains 1W, 1R ball. Ball randomly chosen from urn I and put into urn II and ball then randomly selected from urn II.  |                  |                  | $P(\text{ball selected from urn II is white}) = P(W W \text{ transferred}) + P(W W \text{ not transferred}) = \frac{2}{6} + \frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{9}$ $P(W \text{ transferred}   W \text{ selected}) = \frac{P(W \text{ selected and } W \text{ transferred})}{P(W)} = \frac{\frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{2}{3}}{\frac{4}{9}} = 1/2$  |                                      |  |                        |
| 2 balls are either painted black or gold with prob = 0.5 and placed in a box.   |                  |                  | $P(\text{both gold}   \text{at least 1 gold}) = \frac{1/4}{1 - 1/4} = \frac{1}{3}$ <p>If box tips over and 1 gold ball falls out. P(both gold) = 1/2 since no other info about ball in box.</p>   |                                      |  |                        |
| 5% of M and 0.25% of W are color blind. Assume there are equal num of M and F. What is there were twice as many M as F  |                  |                  | $P(M   \text{color blind}) = \frac{P(C M)P(M)}{P(C M)P(M) + P(C F)P(F)} = \frac{0.05p}{0.05p + 0.0025(1-p)}$ <p>When p = 1/2, P(M C) = 0.9524. If p = 2/3, P(M C) = 0.9756</p>  |                                      |  |                        |
| Deck of cards turned over 1 at a time until 1st ace appears. Let E = 1st ace is 20 <sup>th</sup> card, A = {21st card is ace spades}, D = {21st card is ace}, C = {2 clubs in 1st 20 card}, B = {21st card is 2 clubs}  |                  |                  | $P(A E) = P(D E)P(A DE) + P(D^c E)P(A D^cE) = \frac{3}{32} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{29}{32} \cdot \frac{0}{4} = \frac{3}{128}$ $P(B E) = P(C E)P(B CE) + P(C^c E)P(B C^cE) = \frac{19}{48} \cdot \frac{0}{4} + \frac{29}{48} \cdot \frac{1}{32} = \frac{29}{1536}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| 3 coins in a box. One is 2-headed coin; another is fair coin; third is biased coin with P(head) = 75%.  |                  |                  | $P(2\text{-headed coin}   \text{head}) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{4}{9}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| 10 coins, coin i P(head) = i/10, i = 1,2,..., 10.   |                  |                  | $P(5\text{th coin}   \text{head}) = \frac{\frac{1}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{1010}}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} \frac{1}{1010} \cdot \frac{i}{10}} = \frac{5}{11}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| 2 identical cabinets has 2 drawers. A contains a silver coin in each drawer, B contains silver coin in 1 drawer and gold coin in the other.   |                  |                  | $P(\text{other drawer has silver coin}   \text{drawer has silver coin}) = \frac{1/2}{1(1/2) + 1/2(1/2)} = 2/3$  |                                      |  |                        |
| Prob that good, ave, bad risk person would be in accident is 0.05, 0.15, 0.30. If 20% of pop is good, 50% is ave, 30% is bad, what proportion of ppl have accident?   |                  |                  | $P(\text{accident}) = 0.2 \cdot 0.05 + 0.5 \cdot 0.15 + 0.3 \cdot 0.3 = 0.175$ $P(\text{good}   \text{no accident}) = \frac{0.95 \cdot 0.2}{1 - 0.175} = \frac{0.85 \cdot 0.5}{0.825}$  |                                      |  |                        |
| Day   | P(mail accepted) | P(mail rejected) | $P(M) = P(M A)P(A) + P(M R)P(R) = .15(.6) + .05(.4) = .11$ $P(T M^c) = \frac{.2(.6) + .1(.4)}{1 - .11} = \frac{.16}{.89}$ $P(A M^cT^cW^c) = \frac{P(M^cT^cW^c A)P(A)}{P(M^cT^cW^c)} = \frac{(1 - .15 - .2 - .25)(.6)}{(1 - .15 - .2 - .25)(.6) + (1 - .1 - .1 - .05)(.4)} = \frac{12}{27}$ $P(A Th) = \frac{P(Th A)P(A)}{P(Th)} = \frac{.15(.6)}{.15(.6) + (.15)(.4)} = \frac{3}{5}$ $P(A \text{no mail}) = \frac{P(\text{no mail} A)P(A)}{P(\text{no mail})} = \frac{(1 - 0.15 - 0.2 - 0.25 - 0.15 - 0.1)(0.6)}{(1 - 0.15 - 0.2 - 0.25 - 0.15 - 0.1)(0.6) + (1 - 0.5 - 0.1 - 0.1 - 0.15 - 0.2)(0.4)} = \frac{9}{25}$ |                                      |  |                        |
| M   | .15              | .05              |   |                                      |  |                        |
| T   | .20              | .1               |   |                                      |  |                        |
| W   | .25              | .1               |   |                                      |  |                        |
| Th  | .15              | .15              |   |                                      |  |                        |
| F   | .1               | .20              |   |                                      |  |                        |
| P(accepted) = .6  |                  |                  |   |                                      |  |                        |
| Box 1 contains 2W, 3B balls. Box 2 contains 4W, 3B balls. Fair die is tossed, if num is 1 or 2, ball is randomly selected from box 1. Else, ball selected from box 2.   |                  |                  | $P(W) = \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{2}{5} + \frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{4}{7} = \frac{18}{35}$ $P(\text{box 2}   W) = \frac{P(W \text{box 2})P(\text{box 2})}{P(W)} = \frac{(4/7)(4/6)}{18/35} = \frac{20}{27}$ <p>Same experiment carried out twice. P(both same color) = P(WW) + P(BB) = <math>\frac{18}{35} \cdot \frac{18}{35} + \frac{17}{35} \cdot \frac{17}{35} = \frac{613}{1225}</math></p>  |                                      |  |                        |
| 2 fair dice are rolled. P(one 6 dice lands on diff num)?  |                  |                  | P(one 6 dice lands on diff num) = 10/(36-6)   |                                      |  |                        |
| P(1st die 6 sum = 7) = (1/36)/(6/36). P(1st die 6 sum = 8) = (1/36)/(5/36). P(1st die 6 sum = 9) = (1/36)/(4/36). P(1st die 6 sum = 10) = (1/36)/(3/36). P(1st die 6 sum = 11) = (1/36)/(2/36). P(1st die 6 sum = 12) = (1/36)/(1/36)   |                  |                  |   |                                      |  |                        |
| 2 cards chosen without replacement. B = {both cards aces}. A <sub>s</sub> = {ace spades chosen}. A = {at least 1 ace chosen}  |                  |                  | $P(B A_s) = \frac{\binom{1}{1}\binom{3}{1}/\binom{52}{2}}{\binom{1}{1}\binom{51}{1}/\binom{52}{2}} = \frac{1}{17}$ $P(B A) = \frac{P(B)}{P(A)}$ (since B subset of A) = $\frac{\binom{4}{2}/\binom{52}{2}}{\left[\binom{4}{1}\binom{48}{1} + \binom{4}{2}\right]/\binom{52}{2}} = \frac{1}{33}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Urn contains 5W, 7B balls. Each time ball is selected, its color is noted and replaced in the urn along with 2 other balls of the same color.   |                  |                  | $P(1\text{st } 2 \text{ balls are B and next } 2 \text{ W}) = \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{9}{14} \cdot \frac{5}{16} \cdot \frac{7}{18}$ <p>P(of the 1st 4 balls selected, only 2 are black) = P(WWBB, WBWB, WBBW, BWWB, BWBW, BBWW)</p>  |                                      |  |                        |
| 36% own dog. 22% of families that own dog also cat. 30% own cat. P(D) = 0.36. P(C D) = 0.22. P(C) = 0.3. P(C) = P(CD) + P(CD <sup>c</sup> ) = P(C D)P(D) + P(C D <sup>c</sup> )P(D <sup>c</sup> ). P(C D <sup>c</sup> ) = (0.3-0.22*0.36)/0.64 = 0.345  |                  |                  | $P(\text{random selection own dog and cat}) = P(CD) = P(C D)P(D) = 0.22 \cdot 0.36 = 0.0792$ $P(D C) = \frac{P(DC)}{P(C)} = \frac{0.0792}{P(CD) + P(C D^c)P(D^c)} = \frac{0.0792}{0.0792 + 0.345 \cdot 0.64} = 0.264$   |                                      |  |                        |
| 46% independents. 30% liberals. 24% conservative. In an election, 35% of I, 62% of L, and 58% of C voted.   |                  |                  | $P(V) = 0.35 \cdot 0.46 + 0.62 \cdot 0.3 + 0.58 \cdot 0.24 = 0.4862$ $P(I V) = 0.35 \cdot 0.46 / 0.4862 = 0.331$ $P(L V) = 0.3 \cdot 0.62 / 0.4862 = 0.383$ $P(C V) = 0.24 \cdot 0.58 / 0.4862 = 0.286$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Let E = {1st ace is 20th card}. A = {21st card is ace of spade}. D = {20th card is ace of spades}. C = {2 of club among 1st 20 cards}. B = {21st card is 2 club}  |                  |                  | $P(A E) = P(A DE)P(D E) + P(A D^cE)P(D^c E) = 0 + \frac{1}{32} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{128}$ $P(B E) = P(B CE)P(C E) + P(B C^cE)P(C^c E) = 0 \cdot \frac{19}{48} + \frac{1}{32} \cdot \frac{29}{48} \text{ (29 position to place 2 clubs)}$  |                                      |  |                        |
| B hits target with prob p <sub>1</sub> . D hits target with prob p <sub>2</sub> . Suppose they shoot simultaneously at same target. Assume both shots are indep   |                  |                  | $P(\text{both hit}   \text{at least 1 hit}) = \frac{P(\text{both hit})}{P(\text{at least 1 hit})} = \frac{p_1 p_2}{1 - (1 - p_1)(1 - p_2)}$ $P(B \text{ hit}   \text{at least 1 hit}) = \frac{p_1}{1 - (1 - p_1)(1 - p_2)}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Current score: B (87wins, 72lost), G (86, 73), D (86, 73) G has 3 more games to play against D. B has 3 more games to play againsts P. (P cannot win division). Given prob of winning a game is .5. If 2 teams tie for 1st place, have additional game with same prob.  |                  |                  | $P(B \text{ wins } 3) = 1/8$ $P(B \text{ wins } 2) = 3(1/8) = 3/8$ $P(B \text{ wins } 1) = 3/8$ $P(B \text{ wins } 0) = 1/8$ $P(G \text{ wins } 3) = 1/8 = P(G \text{ wins } 0)$ $P(G \text{ wins } 2) = 3/8 = P(D \text{ wins } 1) \dots$ $P(B \text{ wins division}) = P(B \text{ wins } 3) + P(B \text{ wins } 2)[P(G \text{ wins } 3) \cdot .5 + P(G \text{ wins } 2) + P(G \text{ wins } 1) + P(G \text{ wins } 0) \cdot .5] + P(B \text{ wins } 1)[P(G \text{ wins } 2) \cdot .5 + P(G \text{ wins } 1) \cdot .5] = 1/8 + 3/8 \cdot [1/16 + 3/8 + 3/8 + 1/16] + 3/8 \cdot [3/16 + 3/16] = 38/64$                |                                      |  |                        |
| Council contains 7 members, of which 3 members are in a steering committee. A legislation is first revied by committee members, and then by whole council if at least 2 of 3 committee approve. At council, at least 4 of 7 approve for legislation to pass. Prob of approval is p. P(given steering committee member vote is decisive)? Decisive if person vote is reversed, legislature reversed. |                  |                  | Given member  | Other 2 member of steering committee |  | Other 4 council member |
|   |                  |                  | for   | both for                             |  | 3 against              |
|   |                  |                  | for   | 1 for, 1 against                     |  | at least 2 for         |
|   |                  |                  | against   | 1 for, 1 against                     |  | at least 2 for         |
|   |                  |                  | against   | both for                             |  | 3 against              |
|   |                  |                  | $P(\text{decisive}) = (p^3)4p(1-p)^3 + [p^2 2p(1-p)][6p^2(1-p)^2 + 4p^3(1-p) + p^4] + [(1-p) \cdot 2p(1-p)][6p^2(1-p)^2 + 4p^3(1-p) + p^4] + [(1-p)p^2][4p(1-p)^3]$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Urn contains 12 balls, of which 4 are W. A, B, C draw from urn successively. Winner is 1st 1 to draw W ball.  |                  |                  | $\text{If ball is put back after drawing. } P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{4}{12} + \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{8}{12} P(A \text{ wins}). P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{4/12}{[1 - (8/12)^3]}$ $\text{If balls not replaced after drawing. } P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{4}{12} + \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{6}{11} \cdot \frac{4}{10} + \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{6}{11} \cdot \frac{5}{10} \cdot \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{3}{8}$   |                                      |  |                        |
| Urn contains n W and m B balls. Balls withdrawn 1 at a time until only those of the same color are left. Show P(W left) is n/(n+m)<br><br>Pond contains R,B,G fish. r R, b B, g G fishes. Fish randomly removed. P(R fish 1st to be completely removed).  |                  |                  | $\text{Balls left all W if last ball drawn is W. Any of the } n+m \text{ balls could be the last ball, so } P = n/(n+m)$ $P(R) = P(RBG) + P(RGB)$ $P(RBG) + P(G \text{ last})P(RBG G \text{ last}) = \frac{g}{r+b+g} \cdot \frac{r}{r+b}$ $P(RGB) = P(B \text{ last})P(RGB B \text{ last}) = \frac{b}{r+b+g} \cdot \frac{g}{r+g}$   |                                      |  |                        |

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| If $E_1$ and $E_2$ are indep. then they are conditionally independent given F. Prove or give counterexample. | $E_1$ and $E_2$ indep $\Rightarrow P(E_1 E_2   F) = P(E_1   F)P(E_2   F)$<br>Suppose fair die is tossed twice, Let $E_1 = \{1\text{st toss } 1\}$ , $E_2 = \{2\text{nd toss } 2\}$ , $F = \{\text{sum} = 4\}$<br>$P(E_1 E_2   F) = 0$ . But $P(E_1   F)$ and $P(E_2   F) > 0$ . So statement is false |
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| Applications of r.v.   |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| John claims to have extrasensory perception. Card is randomly drawn from 4 cards. Test is done 10 times. If Joh gets 7 out of 10 correct, does he have ESP?<br>Let X = num of times out of 10 guess correctly  |  | X is binomial dist with n = 10, p = 0.25<br>$P(X \geq 7) = \sum_{k=7}^{10} \binom{10}{k} 0.25^k 0.75^{10-k} = 0.0035$<br>Very unlikely, so John most likely has ESP  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Channel transmits digits 0 and 1. P(digit incorrectly received) = 0.2. To reduce error, 00000 is transmitted instead of 0 and 11111 instead of 1. Receivers uses 'majority' decoding, e.g. 1 = 11111 -> 10111 = 1 (true), 1 = 11111 -> 10100 = 0 (false). Let X = num of digits out of 5 that are received incorrectly.  |  | X is binomial dist with n = 5 and p = 0.2<br>$P(\text{digit wrong when decoded}) = P(X \geq 3) = \sum_{k=3}^5 \binom{5}{k} 0.2^k 0.8^{5-k} = 0.058$<br>If only 1 digit was sent $P(\text{wrong}) = 0.2$ , so improved accuracy   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Coupon problem. There are N distinct types of coupons and selection is random. Let T = num of coupons that need to be collect until 1 obtain complete set of each type. Let $A_j$ = event no type j coupon is obtained in first n coupons collected. $P(T = n)$ ?<br>Note $P(T > n) = 1$ if $n < N$<br>For $1 \leq n \leq N$ , $\sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (-1)^{i+1} \binom{N}{i} \left(\frac{N-i}{N}\right)^n = 1$<br>Now, let $D_n$ = num of distinct types of coupons obtained in 1st n selections. $P(D_n = k)$ ?. Let A = event coupon is one of these k types; B = event all k types appear at least once |  | Consider $P(T > n-1) = P(T \geq n) = P(T = n) + P(T > n)$ . $P(T = n) = P(T > n-1) - P(T > n)$<br>By inclusion-exclusion identity, $P(T > n) = P(\cup_{j=1}^N A_j) = \sum_j P(A_j) - \sum_{j_1 < j_2} P(A_{j_1} A_{j_2}) + \dots + (-1)^{k+1} \sum_{j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_k} P(A_{j_1} A_{j_2} \dots A_{j_k}) + \dots + (-1)^{N+1} P(A_1 A_2 \dots A_N)$<br>$P(A_j) = \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^n$ (i.e. none of the n coupons are j)<br>$P(A_{j_1} A_{j_2}) = \left(\frac{N-2}{N}\right)^n$ , $P(A_{j_1} A_{j_2} \dots A_{j_k}) = \left(\frac{N-k}{N}\right)^n$ , $^1 P(A_1 A_2 \dots A_N) = 0$<br>$P(T > n) = N \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^n - \binom{N}{2} \left(\frac{N-2}{N}\right)^n + \dots + (-1)^N \binom{N}{N-1} \left(\frac{1}{N}\right)^n + 0 = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (-1)^{i+1} \binom{N}{i} \left(\frac{N-i}{N}\right)^n$<br>$P(A) = \left(\frac{k}{N}\right)^n$ . $P(B A) = P(T \leq n; \text{from k types instead of N}) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (-1)^{i+1} \binom{k}{i} \left(\frac{k-i}{N}\right)^n$<br>$P(D_n = k) = \binom{N}{k} P(AB) = \binom{N}{k} \left(\frac{k}{N}\right)^n [1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (-1)^{i+1} \binom{k}{i} \left(\frac{k-i}{N}\right)^n]$ |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Pmf & Cdf  |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Find cdf of discrete r.v.  | <table><tr><td>a</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>P(X=a)</td><td>0.5</td><td>0.25</td><td>0.25</td></tr></table>   | a  | 1    | 2   | 4    | P(X=a) | 0.5 | 0.25   | 0.25 | $F(a) = \begin{cases} 0, & a < 1 \\ 0.5, & 1 \leq a < 2 \\ 0.75, & 2 \leq a < 4 \\ 1, & a \geq 4 \end{cases}$ | $E(X) = \sum a P(X = a) = 1(0.5) + 2(0.25) + 4(0.25) = 2$<br>OR $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq i) = P(X \geq 1) + P(X \geq 2) + P(X \geq 3) + P(X \geq 4) + P(X \geq 5) + \dots = 1 + 0.5 + 0.25 + 0.25 + 0 + \dots = 2$ |     |      |  |  |
| a  | 1  | 2  | 4    |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| P(X=a)   | 0.5  | 0.25   | 0.25 |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| E(X)   |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Find E(X) of indicator variable I. $I = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if event A occurs} \\ 0, & \text{if event A}^c \text{ occurs} \end{cases}$  |  | $P(I = 1) = P(A)$ . $P(I = 0) = P(A^c)$ . $E(I) = 1P(I = 1) + 0P(I = 0) = P(A) + 0 = P(A)$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| E[g(X)]  |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Let X be discrete r.v. with pmf:<br>Find $E(X^2)$  | <table><tr><td>x</td><td>-2</td><td>-1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>P(X=x)</td><td>0.05</td><td>0.1</td><td>0.3</td><td>0.2</td><td>0.35</td></tr></table>   | x  | -2   | -1  | 0    | 1      | 2   | P(X=x) | 0.05 | 0.1   | 0.3  | 0.2 | 0.35 | $\text{Let } Y = X^2. P(Y=0) = P(X=0) = 0.3$<br>$P(Y=1) = P(X=-1 \text{ or } X=1) = 0.1+0.2 = 0.3$<br>$P(Y=4) = P(X=-2 \text{ or } X=2) = 0.05+0.35 = 0.4$<br>$E(X^2) = E(Y) = 0(0.3) + 1(0.3) + 4(0.4) = 1.9$ | OR $E(X^2) = (-2)^2(0.05) + (-1)^2(0.1) + 0^2(0.3) + 1^2(0.2) + 2^2(0.35) = 1.9$ |
| x  | -2   | -1   | 0    | 1   | 2    |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| P(X=x)   | 0.05   | 0.1  | 0.3  | 0.2 | 0.35 |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Discrete r.v. $E[g(X)] = \sum_i g(x_i) p(x_i)$   |  | Proof. $\sum_i g(x_i) p(x_i) = \sum_j \sum_{i: g(x_i)=y_j} g(x_i) p(x_i) = \sum_j y_j \sum_{i: g(x_i)=y_j} p(x_i) = \sum_j y_j * P(g(X) = y_j) = E(g(X))$  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Variance   |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Find Var(X) and Var(Y). $P(X = 50) = 1$ . $P(Y = 0) = P(Y = 100) = 0.5$  |  | Hence $E(X) = E(Y) = 50$ . $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = 50^2(1) - 50^2 = 0$<br>$\text{Var}(Y) = E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2 = 0^2(0.5) + 100^2(0.5) - 50^2 = 2500$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| $\text{Var}(X) = E(X - \mu)^2 = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$   | Proof. $\text{Var}(X) = E(X - \mu)^2 = \sum_x (x - \mu)^2 p(x) = \sum_x (x^2 - 2\mu x + \mu^2) p(x) = \sum_x x^2 p(x) - 2\mu \sum_x x p(x) + \mu^2 \sum_x p(x) = E(X^2) - 2\mu^2 + \mu^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$ |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| $\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$   | Proof. $\text{Var}(aX+b) = E\{[(aX+b) - E(aX+b)]^2\} = E\{[a(X-\mu)]^2\} = E\{a^2(X-\mu)^2\} = a^2 E(X-\mu)^2 = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$   |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Applications   |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Pepys problem. More likely to get at least an ace in 6 rolls of a die or at least 2 aces in 12 rolls of a die  |  | $P(\geq 1 \text{ ace in 6 roll}) = 1 - (5/6)^6 = 0.67$<br>$P(\geq 2 \text{ ace in 12 rolls}) = 1 - (5/6)^{12} - 12(1/6)(5/6)^{11} = 0.62$  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Multiple choice test contains 20 qns with 5 choices for each qn. If guess randomly...<br>Let X = num of correct ans, then $X \sim \text{Binomial}(20, 0.2)$  |  | $P(X > 10) = \sum_{i=11}^{20} \binom{20}{i} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{20-i} = 0.0006$<br>$E(X) = 20(0.2) = 4$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Person buys a particular 4D number 3 times a week. How long will the person need to strike 1st prize? Let X = num of trials until person strikes 1st prize. $X \sim \text{Geometric}(1/10000)$   |  | $E(X) = 1/(1/10000) = 10000$<br>$10000/3 = 3333 \text{ weeks} = 3333/52 = 64 \text{ years}$  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| 10 ppl are tested for certain disease. Their blood samples are pooled and analysed tgt. If test = -ve, only 1 test required. If test = +ve, all 10 ppl need to be individually tested. Assume $P(\text{disease}) = p$ , let T = num of test needed for 10 ppl  |  | $P(T = 1) = (1-p)^{10}$ . $P(T = 11) = 1 - (1-p)^{10}$<br>$E(T) = 1(1-p)^{10} + 11[1-(1-p)^{10}]$<br>If $p = 0.5$ , $E(T) = 10.99$ , (in this case dont pool blood tgt)  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| St petersburg paradox. Toss a fair coin until tail appears. If tail appear on $n^{\text{th}}$ flip, then win $\$2^n$<br>Let X = winnings of a player. Need to pay \$1000000 to play once. Let P = profit. $P = X - 10000$  |  | $E(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n P(\text{tail on } n\text{th flip}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n = \infty$<br>$E(P) = E(X) - 10000000 = \infty$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Coupon problem. How many coupons need to obtain a complete set? Suppose $N = 8$ . Let X = num of coupons collected until complete set is obtained. $X_i$ = num of additional coupons needed after i distinct types have been obtained in order to obtain another distinct type, $i = 0, 1, \dots, 7$ . $X = X_0 + X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_7$   |  | $X_0 \sim \text{Geometric}(1)$ , $X_1 \sim \text{Geometric}(7/8)$ , $X_2 \sim \text{Geometric}(6/8)$ , ... $X_7 \sim \text{Geometric}(1/8)$<br>$E(X) = E(X_0) + E(X_1) + E(X_2) + \dots + E(X_7) = 1 + 8/7 + 8/6 + \dots + 8/1 = 21.7$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| If $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$ and $Y \sim \text{Binomial}(n-1, p)$ , then $E(X^k) = np * E[(Y + 1)^{k-1}]$   |  | Proof. $E(X^k) = \sum_{i=0}^n i^k \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} = \sum_{i=1}^n i^k \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} = \sum_{i=1}^n i^k \frac{n(n-1)\dots(n-i+1)}{i!} p^i (1-p)^{n-i}$<br>$= np \sum_{i=1}^n i^{k-1} \frac{(n-1)\dots(n-i+1)}{(i-1)!} p^{i-1} (1-p)^{n-i} = np \sum_{i=1}^n i^{k-1} \binom{n-1}{i-1} p^{i-1} (1-p)^{n-i} = np \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (j+1)^{k-1} \binom{n-1}{j} p^j (1-p)^{n-1-j} = np * E[(Y + 1)^{k-1}]$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Let $k = 2$ , then $E(X^2) = npE[Y+1] = np[E(Y) + 1] = np[(n-1)p + 1]$   |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| If $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$ , $P(X = k) = \frac{(n-k+1)p}{k(1-p)} P(X = k-1)$ , $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$   |  | Proof. $\frac{P(X=k)}{P(X=k-1)} = \frac{\frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}{\frac{n!}{(n-k+1)!(k-1)!} p^{k-1} (1-p)^{n-k+1}} = \frac{n-k+1}{k} \frac{p}{1-p}$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Poisson r.v  |  |  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| Errors on a page has Poisson dist w $\lambda = 0.25$ . Let X = num of errors on given page. $X \sim \text{Poisson}(0.25)$  |  | $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - e^{-0.25} = 0.22$  |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |
| 500000 ppl spend \$1 each on a 4D num of their choice. Expected num of ppl win. 1st prize? $P(> N \text{ ppl win 1st prize})$ ? Let X = num of ppl strike 1st prize. $X \sim \text{Binomial}(500000, 1/10000) \approx X \sim \text{Poisson}(500000/10000 = 50)$  |  | $E(X) = 50$ . $P(X > N) = \sum_{k=N+1}^{500000} \frac{e^{-50} 50^k}{k!}$   |      |     |      |        |     |        |      |   |  |     |      |  |  |

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| Hat matching problem. n men randomly select hat.<br>P(none of the men select own hat)?<br>P(X = 0) ≈ e <sup>-1</sup> ≈ 0.37 using inclusion-exclusion identity  |  | Note that X = I <sub>E<sub>1</sub></sub> + I <sub>E<sub>2</sub></sub> + ... + I <sub>E<sub>n</sub></sub> , where I <sub>E</sub> = $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ happens} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ and E <sub>i</sub> = i <sup>th</sup> man select own hat<br>P(E <sub>i</sub> ) = 1/n. P(E <sub>i</sub>   E <sub>j</sub> ) = 1/(n-1) ≠ P(E <sub>i</sub> ). Thus E <sub>1</sub> , E <sub>2</sub> , ..., E <sub>n</sub> not indep. But their dependence is weak for large n. So X ~ Poisson(λ) where λ = nP(E <sub>i</sub> ) = 1. P(X = i) = $\frac{1^i}{i!} e^{-1} = e^{-1}/i!$ , i = 0,1,2,... And P(X = 0) = e <sup>-1</sup>  |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Birthday problem. n ppl in a room.<br>P(no two of them have same bd)<br>$\frac{(365)(364)(363) \dots (365-n+1)}{365^n}$ . If n ≥ 23, prob is less than 1/2  |  | Consider $\binom{n}{2}$ pairs of person i and j, i ≠ j. E <sub>ij</sub> = {person i and j have same bd}<br>Let X = num of pairs with same bd = $\sum_{i < j} I_{E_{ij}}$ where $I_{E_{ij}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E_{ij} \text{ happens} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$<br>P(E <sub>ij</sub> ) = 1/365, P(E <sub>ij</sub>   E <sub>jk</sub> ) = 1/365. But P(E <sub>ij</sub>   E <sub>jk</sub> E <sub>ik</sub> ) = 1. So E <sub>ij</sub> only pair-wise indep but dependence is weak. So<br>X ~ Poisson(λ) where $\lambda = \frac{\binom{n}{2}}{365} = \frac{n(n-1)}{730}$ . P(X = i) ≈ $\frac{e^{-\frac{n(n-1)}{730}} \left(\frac{n(n-1)}{730}\right)^i}{i!}$ . P(X = 0) = $e^{-\frac{n(n-1)}{730}}$ . And P(X = 0) ≤ 0.5 when n ≥ 23  |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Road accidents happen at rate of 5 per day. Let Y = num of accidents that occur in next 2 days. Y ~ Poisson(5*2 = 10)<br>Let W = num of accidents in next 3 days. W ~ Poisson(15)<br>Find dist of time starting from now, until next accident   |  | P(Y ≥ 10) = $\sum_{k=10}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-10}(10)^k}{k!} = 1 - \sum_{k=0}^9 \frac{e^{-10}(10)^k}{k!}$ . P(W = 0) = e <sup>-15</sup><br>Let X = time (in days) until next accident. V = num of accidents in interval [0,t], V ~ Poisson(5t)<br>P(X > t) = P(no accident in interval [0,t]) = P(V = 0) = e <sup>-5t</sup> . P(X ≤ t) = 1 - e <sup>-5t</sup>   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Poisson approximation of binomial: If X ~ Binomial(n,p), n is large and p is small, then X ~ Poisson(λ) approximately, where λ = np   |  | Proof. P(X = i) = $\frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} p^i (1-p)^{n-i} = \frac{n!}{(n-i)!i!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^i \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-i} = \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-i+1)}{i!} \frac{\lambda^i}{n^i} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n = \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-i+1)}{n^i} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n$<br>For large n, small p, $\left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^i \approx 1$ , $\frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-i+1)}{n^i} = 1\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{i-1}{n}\right) \approx 1$<br>$\left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n = 1 + n\left(-\frac{\lambda}{n}\right) + \frac{n!}{(n-2)!2!} \left(-\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^2 + \dots$ (Binomial theorem) = 1 - λ + $\frac{\lambda^2}{2!} \frac{n!}{(n-2)!n^2} + \dots = 1 - \lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} \frac{n-1}{n} + \dots \approx e^{-\lambda}$ .<br>P(X = i) ≈ $\frac{\lambda^i}{i!} e^{-\lambda}$   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Binomial(n,p), n is large and p is small, then X ~ Poisson(λ) approximately, where λ = np<br>E(X) = λ. Var(X) = λ   |  | Proof. E(X) = $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} iP(X = i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{i-1}}{(i-1)!} = \lambda e^{-\lambda} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^j}{j!} = \lambda$<br>E(X <sup>2</sup> ) = $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i^2 P(X = i) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} i^2 \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!} = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{i-1}}{(i-1)!} = \lambda \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(j+1)e^{-\lambda} \lambda^j}{j!} = \lambda[E(X + 1)] = \lambda(\lambda + 1)$<br>Var(X) = E(X <sup>2</sup> ) - [E(X)] <sup>2</sup> = λ(λ + 1) - λ <sup>2</sup> = λ   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Let N(t) = num of events occurring in time interval [0,t]. If the 3 assumptions are true, then N(t) ~ Poisson(λt), where λ is rate of occurrences of events per unit time.<br>Divide timeline into n subintervals of length h, then nh = λt<br>Note $n\left[\frac{\lambda t}{n} + o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right] = \lambda t + t\left[\frac{o(t/n)}{t/n}\right] \rightarrow \lambda t$ as n → ∞<br>So, $\frac{\lambda t}{n} + o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) = \frac{\lambda t}{n}$ for large n and<br>$1 - \frac{\lambda t}{n} - o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) = 1 - \frac{\lambda t}{n}$ |  | Proof. Let {N(t) = k} = A ∪ B. A = {k of n subintervals contain exactly 1 event and other n-k subintervals contain 0 events}. B = {N(t) = k and at least 1 subinterval contain ≥ 2 events}<br>P(B) = P({N(t) = k} ∩ {at least 1 subinterval contain ≥ 2 events}) ≤ P(at least 1 subinterval contain ≥ 2 events) = P( $\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{i^{th} \text{ subinterval contains } \geq 2 \text{ events}\}$ ) ≤ $\sum_{i=1}^n P\{i^{th} \text{ subinterval contains } \geq 2 \text{ events}\} = \sum_{i=1}^n o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)$ (from assumption 2) = n o( $\frac{t}{n}$ ) = t $\frac{o(t/n)}{t/n} \rightarrow 0$ as n → ∞ for a fixed t.<br>P(0 events in interval of length h) = 1 - [λh + o(h)] - o(h) #from assumption 1 & 2 = 1 - λh - o(h) # since o(h) + o(h) = o(h)<br>P(A) = $\binom{n}{k} \left[\frac{\lambda t}{n} + o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right]^k \left[1 - \frac{\lambda t}{n} - o\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right]^{n-k}$ . So this become like a binomial problem where n is large, so P(A) → $e^{-\lambda t} \frac{(\lambda t)^k}{k!}$ as n → ∞. Thus, P(N(t) = k) = $\frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^k}{k!}$ , k = 0,1,2,... |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Expected Value of Sum of r.v.   |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| E(X) = $\sum_i x_i P(X = x_i) = \sum_{s \in S} X(s) p(s)$ , where S <sub>i</sub> = {s: X(s) = x <sub>i</sub> }  |  | Proof. Suppose that distinct values of X are x <sub>i</sub> , i ≥ 1. For each i, let S <sub>i</sub> be event X = x <sub>i</sub> , i.e. S <sub>i</sub> = {s: X(s) = x <sub>i</sub> }<br>E(X) = $\sum_i x_i P(S_i) = \sum_i x_i \sum_{s \in S_i} p(s) = \sum_i \sum_{s \in S_i} x_i p(s) = \sum_i \sum_{s \in S_i} X(s) p(s) = \sum_{s \in S_i} X(s) p(s)$  |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| 2 indep flips of a coin with prob p. Let X = num of heads obtained.   |  | S = {(t,t), (h,t), (t,h), (h,h)}. X(t,t) = 0. P(X(t,t)) = (1-p) <sup>2</sup> . X(h,t) = 1. P(X(h,t)) = p(1-p).<br>X(t,h) = 1. P(X(t,h)) = (1-p)p. X(h,h) = 2. P(X(h,h)) = p <sup>2</sup><br>E(X) = $\sum_i x_i P(X = x_i) = 0(1-p)^2 + 1(2p)(1-p) + 2p^2$<br>$\sum_{s \in S} X(s) p(s) = 0(1-p)^2 + 1p(1-p) + 1(1-p)p + 2p^2$   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| For r.v. X <sub>1</sub> , X <sub>2</sub> , ..., X <sub>n</sub> , E( $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ ) = $\sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i)$  |  | Let Z = $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$ . E(Z) = $\sum_{s \in S} Z(s) p(s) = \sum_{s \in S} (X_1(s) + X_2(s) + \dots + X_n(s)) p(s) = \sum_{s \in S} X_1(s) p(s) + \dots + \sum_{s \in S} X_n(s) p(s) = E(X_1) + \dots + E(X_n)$   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| X ~ Binomial(n, p)<br>E(X) = np<br>Var(X) = np(1-p)   | Let X = X <sub>1</sub> + X <sub>2</sub> + ... + X <sub>n</sub> where $x_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if trial } i \text{ is success} \\ 0, & \text{if trial } i \text{ is failure} \end{cases}$ . P(success) = p. P(failure) = 1-p<br>E(X <sub>i</sub> ) = 1p + 0(1-p) = p. Then E(X) = E(X <sub>1</sub> ) + E(X <sub>2</sub> ) + ... + E(X <sub>n</sub> ) = p + p + ... + p = np<br>E(X <sup>2</sup> ) = E[( $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ )( $\sum_{j=1}^n X_j$ )] = E[ $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j$ ] = E[ $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ ] + E[ $\sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j$ ] = $\sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i^2) + \sum_{i \neq j} E(X_i X_j)$<br>$E(X_i^2) = E(X_i) = p$ (∵ X <sub>i</sub> <sup>2</sup> = X <sub>i</sub> ). X <sub>i</sub> X <sub>j</sub> = $\begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X_i = 1 \text{ and } X_j = 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ . E(X <sub>i</sub> X <sub>j</sub> ) = 1P(X <sub>i</sub> = 1, X <sub>j</sub> = 1) + 0 = 1P(X <sub>i</sub> = 1)P(X <sub>j</sub> = 1) (∵ indep) = p*p = p <sup>2</sup><br>E(X <sup>2</sup> ) = $\sum_{i=1}^n p + \sum_{i \neq j} p^2 = np + (n^2 - n)p^2$ . Var(X) = E(X <sup>2</sup> ) - [E(X)] <sup>2</sup> = np + n(n-1)p <sup>2</sup> - [np] <sup>2</sup> = np(1-p) |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Extra   |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Given 10 pokeballs to catch pokemon. P(catch) = 0.2. Let X = num of balls to catch pokemon. X ~ Geo(0.2)  |  | P(X = 3) = 0.8 <sup>2</sup> (0.2) = 0.128. P(X = 10   1st 7 balls fail to catch) = P(X = 3) = 0.128. (since balls are thrown independently). P(catch within 10 balls) = 1 - 0.8 <sup>10</sup> ≈ 0.89.   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| 2 balls chosen randomly from urn containing 8W, 4B, 2O balls. Suppose we win \$2 for each B ball selected and lose \$1 for each W ball selected. Let X denote our winnings.   |  | X can take values -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 4. pmf of X: <table><tr><td>O</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>B</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>1</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>W</td><td>2</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>X = x</td><td>-2</td><td>-1</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>4</td></tr><tr><td>P(X = x)</td><td><math>\frac{\binom{8}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{28}{91}</math></td><td><math>\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{16}{91}</math></td><td><math>\frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{1}{91}</math></td><td><math>\frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{32}{91}</math></td><td><math>\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{4}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{8}{91}</math></td><td><math>\frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{6}{91}</math></td></tr></table>  |   | O  | 0   | 1   | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | W | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | X = x | -2 | -1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | P(X = x) | $\frac{\binom{8}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{28}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{16}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{1}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{32}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{4}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{8}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{6}{91}$ |
| O   | 0  | 1   | 2   | 0  | 1   | 0   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| B   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 1  | 1   | 2   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| W   | 2  | 1   | 0   | 1  | 0   | 0   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| X = x   | -2   | -1  | 0   | 1  | 2   | 4   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| P(X = x)  | $\frac{\binom{8}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{28}{91}$   | $\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{16}{91}$  | $\frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{1}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{8}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{32}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{2}{1}\binom{4}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{8}{91}$ | $\frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{6}{91}$ |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| Let X = diff btw num of heads and tails when coin tossed n times.<br>What are the possible values of X. If coin is fair, what is the pmf of X?  |  | X = n <sub>H</sub> - n <sub>T</sub> = (n - n <sub>T</sub> ) - n <sub>T</sub> = n - 2n <sub>T</sub> , where 0 ≤ n <sub>T</sub> ≤ n.<br>If coin is fair, P(X = n-2i) = P(n <sub>T</sub> = i) = $\frac{1}{2^n} \binom{n}{i}$ for 0 ≤ i ≤ n   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |
| 5 distinct nums are randomly distributed to players numbered 1 to 5. When 2 players compare their nums, one with higher num wins. Player 1 and 2 compare; winner compare with player 3 and so on. Let X = num of times 1 is winner. Find P(X = i), i = 0,1,2,3,4  |  | P(X = 0) = P(1 loses to 2) = 1/2. (of the 2 cards btw 1 and 2, 1 has the smaller one)<br>P(X = 1) = P(of 1,2,3: 3 has largest, then 1, then 2) = $\frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}{3!} = \frac{1}{6}$<br>P(X = 2) = P(of 1,2,3,4: 4 has largest, 1 has next largest) = $\frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}{4!} = \frac{1}{12}$<br>P(X = 3) = P(of 1,2,3,4,5: 5 has largest then 1) = $\frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1}{5!} = \frac{1}{20}$ . P(X = 4) = P(1 has largest) = $\frac{1 \cdot 4!}{5!} = \frac{1}{5}$  |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |    |    |   |   |   |   |          |  |  |   |  |   |   |



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| $F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ x/4, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ .5 + (x-1)/4, & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 11/12, & 2 \leq x < 3 \\ 1, & 3 \leq x \end{cases}$  | $P(X=1) = P(X \leq 1) - P(X < 1) = 1/2 - 1/4$<br>$P(X=2) = P(X \leq 2) - P(X < 2) = 11/12 - [1/2 + 1/4] = 1/6$<br>$P(X=3) = P(X \leq 3) - P(X < 3) = 1 - 11/12 = 1/12$<br>$P(1/2 < X < 3/2) = P(X < 3/2) - P(X < 1/2) = [1/2 + 1/8] - 1/8 = 1/2$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| 4 buses carrying total of 148 students arrives. Buses carry 40,33,25,50 students. One of the student is randomly selected. Let X = num of students on bus carrying randomly selected student. 1 of the 4 bus drivers also randomly selected. Let Y = num of students on selected bus driver bus.                  | E(X) or E(Y) is bigger? Prob of selecting student on bus is proportional to num of students on that bus but prob a selecting bus driver is 1/4. So E(X) should be larger)<br>Calculate. $P(X=i) = i/148$ for $i = 40,33,25,50$ . $P(Y=i) = 1/4$<br>$E(X) = \sum_x xP(X=x) = [40^2 + 33^2 + 25^2 + 50^2]/148 \approx 39.28$<br>$E(y) = [40+33+25+50]/4 = 37$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Sample of 3 items selected at random from box containing 20 items of which 4 is defective. Find expected num of defective items in sample.  | num of defective items D is a hypergeometric dist with $(n,N,m) = (3,20,4)$ . $E(D) = nm/N = 3/5$<br>$OR \sum_x xP(X=x) = 0 \frac{\binom{4}{0}\binom{16}{3}}{\binom{20}{3}} + 1 \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{16}{2}}{\binom{20}{3}} + 2 \frac{\binom{4}{2}\binom{16}{1}}{\binom{20}{3}} + 3 \frac{\binom{4}{3}\binom{16}{0}}{\binom{20}{3}} = 3/5$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Newsboy purchase newspapers at 10cents and sell at 15. He is not allowed to return unsold papers. If daily demand is binomial r.v. w $n = 10$ , $p = 1/3$ . How many papers should he purchase to maximise expected profit?   | Let m be num of copies ordered. $1 \leq m \leq 10$ .<br>Let X be r.v. for demand and $G_m$ be r.v. of profit when his order is m copies. (k is num sold)<br>$E(G_m) = \sum_{k=0}^m [15k - 10m]P(X=k) + 5mP(X \geq m+1) = 15 \sum_{k=0}^m kP(X=k) - 10mP(X \leq m) + 5m - 5mP(X \leq m) = 15 \sum_{k=0}^m kP(X=k) - 15mP(X \leq m) + 5m$<br>For $1 \leq m \leq 9$ , $E(G_{m+1}) - E(G_m) = \{15 \sum_{k=0}^{m+1} kP(X=k) - 15(m+1)P(X \leq m+1) + 5(m+1)\} - \{15 \sum_{k=0}^m kP(X=k) - 15mP(X \leq m) + 5m\} = 15(m+1)P(X=m+1) - 15(m+1)[P(X \leq m) + P(X=m+1)] + 15mP(X \leq m) + 5 = 5 - 15P(X \leq m)$<br>Thus $E(G_{m+1}) - E(G_m)$ iff $P(X, m) \leq 1/3$ <table><tr><td>m</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td><math>P(X=m)</math></td><td>0.017342</td><td>0.086708</td><td>0.195092</td><td>0.260123</td></tr><tr><td><math>P(X \leq m)</math></td><td>0.017342</td><td>0.104049</td><td>0.299141</td><td>0.559264</td></tr></table><br>So optimal order is 3 copies. | m        | 0        | 1        | 2 | 3 | $P(X=m)$ | 0.017342 | 0.086708 | 0.195092 | 0.260123 | $P(X \leq m)$ | 0.017342 | 0.104049 | 0.299141 | 0.559264 |
| m   | 0   | 1        | 2        | 3        |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
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| Let X be r.v. taking values 1 and -1 with $P(X=1) = p = 1 - P(X=-1)$ . Find $c \neq 1$ s.t. $E[c^X] = 1$  | $E(c^X) = c^1P(X=1) + c^{-1}P(X=-1) = cp + (1-p)/c = \frac{c^2p+(1-p)}{c}$ . Since $E(c^X) = 1$ . $c^2p - c + (1-p) = 0$ . $c = (1-p)/p$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Suppose 4 fair dice are rolled. Let M = min of 4 numbers. What are the possible values of M? Find E(M)  | Find $P(M \geq k)$ , where $k = 1,2,..., 6$ . Let $X_i$ = num on die i. $P(M \geq k) = P(X_1 \geq k)P(X_2 \geq k)P(X_3 \geq k)P(X_4 \geq k)$ (by independence) $= \frac{6-(k-1)}{6} \frac{6-(k-1)}{6} \frac{6-(k-1)}{6} \frac{6-(k-1)}{6} = \left(\frac{7-k}{6}\right)^4$<br>$E(M) = \sum_{k=1}^6 P(M \geq k) = \sum_{k=1}^6 \left(\frac{7-k}{6}\right)^4 = \frac{1^4+2^4+...+6^4}{6^4} = 1.755$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Let $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$ , $P(X=k) = pq^{k-1}$ . Show $P(X > n) = q^n$ for $n \geq 1$ and $P(X > n+k   X > n) = P(X > k)$ for all $n,k \geq 1$  | $P(X > n) = \text{first } n \text{ trials all failures} = q^n$<br>$P(X > n+k   X > n) = \frac{P(X > n+k)}{P(X > n)} = \frac{q^{n+k}}{q^n} = q^k = P(X > k)$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Ball is drawn from urn containing 3W, 3B balls with replacement.  | $P(\text{of 1st 4 balls drawn, exactly 2 are W}) = \binom{4}{2} (3/6)^2 (3/6)^2 = 3/8$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Suppose airplane engines will fail w prob 1-p. If airplane needs majority of engines to operate to fly, for what values of p is a 5-engine plane preferable to 3-engine plane?  | For 3-engine: $P(X \geq 2) = 3p^2(1-p) + p^3 = p^2(3-2p)$<br>For 5-engine: $P(X \geq 3) = \binom{5}{3}p^3(1-p)^2 + \binom{5}{4}p^4(1-p) + p^5 = p^3(10-15p+6p^2)$<br>We need $p^3(10-15p+6p^2) > p^2(3-2p)$ ....simplify... $p > 1/2$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Suppose biased coin lands on heads w prob p is flipped 10 times. Given that there are 6 heads. Find conditional p that first 3 outcomes are h,t,t. Find conditional p that first 3 outcomes are t,h,t.  | $P(h,t,t   6 \text{ heads}) = \frac{P(6 \text{ heads}   h,t,t)P(h,t,t)}{P(6 \text{ heads})} = \frac{pq^2 \binom{7}{5} p^5 q^2}{\binom{10}{6} p^6 q^4} = 1/10$<br>$P(t,h,t   6 \text{ heads}) = \frac{P(6 \text{ heads}   t,h,t)P(t,h,t)}{P(6 \text{ heads})} = \frac{pq^2 \binom{7}{5} p^5 q^2}{\binom{10}{6} p^6 q^4} = 1/10$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Integer N selected at random from {1,2,..., $10^3$ }. What happens when $10^3$ replaced by $10^k$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$   | $P(N \text{ divisible by } 3) = 333/1000 \rightarrow 1/3$<br>$P(N \text{ divisible by } 7) = 142/1000 \rightarrow 1/7$<br>$P(N \text{ divisible by } 15) = 66/1000 \rightarrow 1/15$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Roulette (0, 00: green; 1,2,...36: 1/2 red, 1/2 black). Gambler bet \$1 on red. If red appears, take \$1 profit and quit. If lost, make additional \$1 bet on red for next 2 spins and then quit. Let X = winnings  | $P(X > 0) = 18/38 + 20/38 * 18/38 * 18/38 \approx 0.5918$<br>$E(X) = 1(0.5918) - 1(2*20/38*20/38*18/38) - 3(20/38*20/38*20/38) \approx -0.108$ . So strategy is bad   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| You have \$1000 and a good sells for \$2 per ounce. After 1 week, the good will either be \$1 or \$4 an ounce, with equal prob.   | Maximise expected amt of money at end of week: Buy 500 ounces now and then sell. $E(\text{money}) = (1/2)(500) + (1/2)(2000) = 1250$<br>Maximise expected amt of good at end of week: Buy after 1 week. $E(\text{amt}) = (1/2)(1000) + (1/2)(250) = 625$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| \$A must be paid if event E occur with prob p. How much to charge customer so that expected profit is 10% of A?   | Let C = amt charged to customer. $E(\text{profit}) = C - [Ap + 0(1-p)] = C - Ap$<br>For $E(\text{profit}) = A/10$ , $C - Ap = A/10$ . $C = A(p + 1/10)$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| $E(X) = 1$ and $\text{Var}(X) = 5$ .  | $E[(2+X)^2] = \text{Var}(2+X) + [E(2+X)]^2 = \text{Var}(X) + [2+E(X)]^2 = 14$ . $\text{Var}(4+3X) = 9\text{Var}(X) = 45$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| 4-sided fair die numbered 1,2,3,4 tossed 2 times. Let X = 1st num, Y = 2nd num  | $P(X - Y = 0) = P(X = Y) = 4/16 = 1/4$ . $E(X - Y) = 0$<br>$E[(X-Y)^2] = (-3)^2(1/16) + (-2)^2(2/16) + (-1)^2(3/16) + 1^2(3/16) + 2^2(2/16) + 3^2(1/16) = 5/2$<br>$\text{Var}(X - Y) = 5/2 - 0^2 = 5/2$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Approx 80,000 marriages took place. Estimate prob that for at least 1 of these couples<br>a) both partners born on April 30<br>b) both partners celebrated bd on same day   | Assuming independence of bd and equal chance of being born on any date,<br>$P(\text{both born on April 30}) = 1/365^2$ . Let X = num of couples born on this date. $X \sim \text{Binomial}(80,000, 1/365^2) \approx \text{Poisson}(80000/365^2 \approx 0.6)$ . $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - e^{-0.6}$<br>$P(\text{same day}) = 1/365$ . $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(80000/365 \approx 219.18)$ . $P(Y = 1) = 1 - e^{-219.18} \approx 1$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Suppose average num of typos on page document is 1. P(no typos on a page). P(no typos in 5-page document)   | Let Z = num of typos on page. $Z \sim \text{Poisson}(1)$ . $P(Z = 0)$<br>Let Y = num of typos on 5 pages. $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(5)$ . $P(Y = 0) = e^{-5}$ OR $P(Y = 0) = P(Z = 0)^5 = (e^{-1})^5 = e^{-5}$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| Num of times person contracts cold in a year is a Poisson r.v. with $\lambda = 5$ . Suppose a new drug is marketed as reducing $\lambda$ to 3 for 75% of the pop. For the other 25%, no effect. If an individual tries the drug for a year and has 2 colds, how likely is it that the drug is beneficial for him? | $P(\text{beneficial}   2 \text{ cold}) = \frac{P(2 \text{ cold}   \text{beneficial})P(\text{beneficial})}{P(2 \text{ cold}   \text{beneficial})P(\text{beneficial}) + P(2 \text{ cold}   \text{not B})P(B)} = \frac{e^{-3}3^2/2! * 0.75}{e^{-3}3^2/2! * 0.75 + e^{-5}5^2/2! * 0.25} \approx 0.8886$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| $P(\text{full house}) \approx 0.0014$ . Find an approximation for prob that in 1000 hands of poker you will be dealt at least 2 full houses.  | Use poisson approx to binomial. $X \sim \text{Poisson}(1000*0.0014 = 1.4)$ . $P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X = 0) - P(X = 1) = 1 - e^{-1.4} - e^{-1.4}(1.4) \approx 0.4082$  |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |
| There are 3 highways. Num of daily accident on these highways are Poisson r.v. w $\lambda$ 0.3, 0.5 and 0.7. Find expected num of accidents that will happend on any of these highways today.   | Let $X_i$ = num of accidents on highway i. $E[X_1 + X_2 + X_3] = E[X_1] + E[X_2] + E[X_3] = .3 + .5 + .7 = 1.5$   |          |          |          |   |   |          |          |          |          |          |               |          |          |          |          |

Suppose 10 balls are put into 5 boxes, w ea ball indep being put in box i w prob  $p_i$ . Find expected num of boxes that do not have any balls.  
Find expected num of boxes that have exactly 1 ball.

Let  $X_i = 1$  if box  $i$  don't have any balls, 0 otherwise. Then  $E\left[\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^5 E[X_i] = \sum_{i=1}^5 P(X_i = 1) = \sum_{i=1}^5 (1 - p_i)^{10}$ . (ball not in  $i^{\text{th}}$  box)<sup>10</sup>  
Let  $Y_i = 1$  if box  $i$  have exactly 1 ball and 0 otherwise. Then  $E\left[\sum_{i=1}^5 Y_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^5 E[Y_i] = \sum_{i=1}^5 P(Y_i = 1) = \sum_{i=1}^5 10p_i(1 - p_i)^9$ . (10 balls, only 1 in box  $i$ )