Chapter 9 – Additional Problems with Solution – Helpful for the Homework, and Chapter Quiz on Chapter 9

Problem 1:

Suppose that you are taking a T/F exam and you have no idea at all about the answers to the last three questions. You choose answers randomly and therefore have a 50/50 chance of being correct on any one question.

- 1) What is the probability that you guessed right on exactly one of the three questions?
- 2) What is the probability that you guessed right on zero of the three questions?
- 3) What is the probability that you guessed right on at least two of the questions?

Solution:

- 1) Guessed right on 1st question, wrong on 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} question. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ Guessed right on 2nd question, wrong on 1^{st} and 3^{rd} question. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ Guessed right on 3rd question, wrong on 1^{st} and 2^{rd} question. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ **Total Probability** = 1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8 = 3/8
- 2) Guessed wrong on 1st question. Probability = ½
 Guessed wrong on 2nd question. Probability = ½
 Guessed wrong on 3rd question. Probability = ½
 So, the probability that you guessed right on zero of the three questions = 1/2×1/2×1/2 = 1/8
- 3) Guessed right on question 1 and question 2. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ Guessed right on question 2 and question 3. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ Guessed right on question 1 and question 3. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ Guessed right on question 1, question 2 and question 3. Probability = $1/2 \times 1/2 \times 1/2 = 1/8$ So, the overall probability = 1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8 + 1/8 = 1/2

Problem 2:

How many numbers from 1-999 do NOT have any repeated digits?

Solution:

- 9 single digits
- + 9*9 double digits
- +9*9*8 triple digits = **738**

Problem 3:

A certain college class has 100 students. The youngest is 20 years old, the oldest is 37. You want to make a bet that the class contains at least X students of the same age. How large can you make X and still be certain to win your bet?

Solution:

N = youngest age = 20 years

M = eldest age = 37 years.

So,
$$(M - N + 1) = (37 - 20 + 1) = 18$$

Therefore, X = Ceiling (100/18) = 6

Problem 4:

Normal six-sided dice have a different number of pips (dots) on each face, from 1 to 6. You roll two such dice and add the result.

What is the probability of rolling 10+ (rolling 10 and higher than 10)?

Solution:

Combinations of pips for 10+ includes (4, 6) (4 pips on die 1, and 6 pips on die 2), <math>(5, 5), (6, 4), (6, 5), (5, 6), (6, 6) – for a total of 6. The total possible combination of pips = $6 \times 6 = 36$.

So, the probability of rolling 10+=6/36=1/6.