

## Problem 1

(a) For any set  $A, B$ , we have  $A \cup B = (A - B) \cup (A \cap B) \cup (B - A)$ . Then, by the axiom,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A - B) + P(A \cap B) + P(B - A)$ .

Also,  $P(A - B) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$ . Thus,  $P(A \cup B) - P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B)$ .

(b) In using non-negativity part,  $P(A \cup B) \geq P(A) + P(B)$  is not correct. We know  $P(A \cup B) + P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B)$ , which means

$P(A) + P(B) \geq P(A \cup B)$ . Also, in the last part of inductive step, it should be  $\sum_{i=1}^k P(A_i) + P(A_{k+1}) - \sum_{i=1}^k (A_i \cap A_{k+1}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} P(A_i)$

## Problem 2

(a) Let  $S = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n$ ,  $T = \{x \mid x \in S_n \text{ for infinitely many } n\}$

( $\Rightarrow$ )  $S \subseteq T$

This means for every  $k \geq 1$ ,  $x \in \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n$ . Therefore, for each  $k \geq 1$ , there exists  $n_k \geq k$  s.t.  $x \in S_{n_k}$ . Since  $n_k \geq k$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the sequence  $\{n_k\}$  tends to infinity. Thus,  $x$  belongs to  $S_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ , which means  $x \in T$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ )  $T \subseteq S$

Let  $x \in T$ , then  $x \in S_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ . Let  $N = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid x \in S_n\}$ . Since  $N$  is infinite, therefore for every  $k \geq 1$ ,  $x \in \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n$ . Since this holds for all  $k$ , we have  $x \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n = S$ . Thus,  $x \in S$ .

Since  $S \subseteq T$  and  $T \subseteq S$ , we conclude that  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n = \{x \mid x \in S_n \text{ for infinitely many } n\}$

(b) Let  $S = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n$ ,  $H = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcap_{k=1}^m \bigcup_{n=k}^m S_n$

( $\Rightarrow$ )  $S \subseteq H$

If  $x \in S$ , then  $x \in S_n$  for infinitely many  $n$ . This is equivalent that if  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , we can choose a  $k \geq 1$ , and there exists an  $i$  s.t.  $k \leq i \leq m$  and  $x \in S_i$ , which means  $x \in H$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ )  $H \subseteq S$

If  $x \in H$ , then  $x \in \bigcup_{n=m}^m S_n = S_m$ . Since we can choose a  $k \geq 1$ , and there exists an  $n_k \geq k$  s.t.  $x \in S_{n_k}$ , which means  $x \in S$ .

Since  $S \subseteq T$  and  $T \subseteq S$ , we conclude that  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcap_{k=1}^m \bigcup_{n=k}^m S_n$  is equivalent to  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} S_n$ .

(c)  $A_1 = A_2 = A_3 = B - C$ ,  $A_4 = C - B$

$$(1) \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = (B - C) \cap (B - C) \cap (B - C) \cap (C - B) \dots = (B - C) \cap (C - B) = \emptyset$$

$$(2) \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = (B - C) \cup (B - C) \cup (B - C) \cup (C - B) \dots = (B - C) \cup (C - B) = (B \cup C) - (B \cap C)$$

$$(3) \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n = (\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \cup (\bigcap_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n) \cup (\bigcap_{n=3}^{\infty} A_n) \cup \dots = \emptyset \cup \dots = \emptyset$$

$$(4) \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n = (\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) \cap (\bigcup_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n) \cap (\bigcup_{n=3}^{\infty} A_n) \cap \dots = ((B \cup C) - (B \cap C)) \cap ((B \cup C) - (B \cap C)) \cap ((B \cup C) - (B \cap C)) \cap \dots = (B \cup C) - (B \cap C)$$

(d) Assume there are countably infinite real numbers in  $(0, 1)$ , which means we can list all of them in sequence  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots$

Each number  $x_i$  in  $(0, 1)$  can be represent by  $x_i = 0.d_{i1}d_{i2}d_{i3}\dots$ , where  $d_{ij} \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ .

Let  $y = 0.y_1y_2y_3\dots$ , where  $y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i = 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } x_i \neq 1 \end{cases}$ . Suppose that  $y = x_k$  for some  $k$ , but at the  $k$ -th decimal place, by our construction,  $y_k \neq d_{kk}$ , which means  $y$  is a real number in  $(0, 1)$  but not included in  $\{x_i\}$ . Therefore, the set of real number in  $(0, 1)$  is uncountable.

### Problem 3

(a) (1) We know that  $B_k = \bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n$  is decreasing sequence,  $B_1 \supseteq B_2 \supseteq B_3 \dots$ , which means  $P(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(B_k)$ . Next, apply the union bound  $P(B_k) = P(\bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n) \leq \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} P(A_n)$ . Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$ ,  $\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} P(A_n)$  approach 0 as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(B_k) \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} P(A_n) = 0. \text{ Thus, } P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(B_k) = 0.$$

(2) Assume that  $P(\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} A_k) > 0$ , then  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(\bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n) \geq P(\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} A_k) > 0$ . However, if  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$ , then

$\sum_{n=k}^{\infty} P(A_n)$  approach 0 as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Also, by the union bound  $P(\bigcap_{n=k}^{\infty} A_n) \leq \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} P(A_n) = 0$ . This contradiction implies  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty$ .

(b) (1)  $N > 1$

$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(A_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{10} \cdot (2k)^{-N} = \frac{1}{10} \cdot 2^{-N} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-N}$ . Since  $N > 1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-N}$  converges. Therefore,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(A_k) < \infty$ , which means  $P(I) = 0$ .

(2)  $0 < N \leq 1$

Compute  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(A_k) = \frac{1}{10} \cdot 2^{-N} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-N}$ . Since  $N \leq 1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{-N}$  diverges. Since  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(A_k) = \infty$  and  $A_k$  are independent,  $P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = 1$ . Therefore,  $P(I) = 1$ .

### Problem 4

(a)  $\Omega = \{\text{Option}\#1, \text{Option}\#2, \text{Option}\#3, \dots, \text{Option}\#N\}$

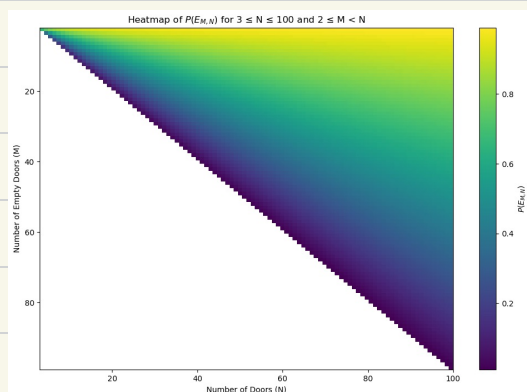
(b) Let  $A$ : Bill's initial choice is a prize;  $W$ : Bill wins.

$$P(A) = \frac{N-M}{N}. \quad P(W|A) = \frac{\text{Remaining Prizes}}{\text{Remaining Doors}} = \frac{N-M-1}{N-2}$$

$$P(A') = \frac{M}{N}. \quad P(W|A') = \frac{\text{Remaining Prizes}}{\text{Remaining Doors}} = \frac{N-M}{N-2}$$

$$\therefore P(E_{M,N}) = P(A) \cdot P(W|A) + P(A') \cdot P(W|A') = \frac{N-M}{N} \cdot \frac{N-M-1}{N-2} + \frac{M}{N} \cdot \frac{N-M}{N-2}$$

(c)



For a fixed  $N$ , as the number of empty door  $M$  increases,  $P(E_{M,N})$  decreases. Also, for large  $N$  and fixed  $M$ ,  $P(E_{M,N})$  approaches a certain value.

### Problem 5

$$(a) \quad P(C|A_1) = (0.25)^6 \qquad N_1 = P(C|A_1) \cdot P(A_1) = \frac{1}{4096} \times \frac{1}{2} \approx 0.00012207$$

$$P(C|A_2) = (0.5)^3 \cdot (0.2)^2 \cdot (0.1) \qquad N_2 = P(C|A_2) \cdot P(A_2) = 0.0005 \times \frac{1}{4} = 0.000125$$

$$P(C|A_3) = (0.2)^3 \cdot (0.5) \cdot (0.2) \cdot (0.1) \qquad N_3 = P(C|A_3) \cdot P(A_3) = 0.00008 \times \frac{1}{4} = 0.00002$$

$$P(C) = N_1 + N_2 + N_3 = 0.00012207 + 0.000125 + 0.00002 = 0.00026707$$

$$P(A_1|C) = \frac{N_1}{P(C)} = \frac{0.00012207}{0.00026707} \approx 0.45699$$

$$P(A_2|C) = \frac{N_2}{P(C)} = \frac{0.000125}{0.00026707} \approx 0.46828$$

$$P(A_3|C) = \frac{N_3}{P(C)} = \frac{0.00002}{0.00026707} \approx 0.07473$$

(b) Since  $P(A_2|C)$  is the highest, the most probable value for  $\theta$  is  $(0.5, 0.2, 0.2, 0.1)$ .