

Math 463/563
Homework #2 - Due Wednesday, October 14

1. How many 5-digit numbers can be formed with digits $1, 2, \dots, 9$ if no digit can appear exactly once? (For instance, 43443 and 88888 are OK, while 43413 is not counted.)
2. We shuffle a deck of six cards $\boxed{1}$, $\boxed{2}$, $\boxed{3}$, $\boxed{4}$, $\boxed{5}$, and $\boxed{6}$ so that each of the $6!$ possible configurations (orderings) has equal probability of $\frac{1}{6!}$. Let A be the event that card $\boxed{1}$ is among the top three cards in the deck, and let B be the event that card $\boxed{5}$ ends up being second from the top. Find the probability of the event $A \cup B$.
3. Simplify $(E \cup F) \cap (E \cup \bar{F})$, and $(E \cup F) \cap (\bar{E} \cup F) \cap (E \cup \bar{F})$
4. Consider events E , F , and G . Find the expressions in E , F and G for the following events.
 - (a) At least one of the three events occurs.
 - (b) At most one of the three events occurs.
 - (c) Exactly two of them occur.
 - (d) At most two of the three events occur.
 - (e) All three events occur.
 - (f) None of the three events occurs.
 - (g) At most three of the events occur.
 - (h) E or F , but not G occur.
 - (i) Both E and F , but not G occur.
 - (j) Exactly one of the three events occurs.

Example: The event that “only G occurs” is expressed as $\bar{E} \cap \bar{F} \cap G$.

5. Prove that

$$P(E \cup F \cup G) = P(E) + P(F) + P(G) - P(\bar{E} \cap F \cap G) - P(E \cap \bar{F} \cap G) - P(E \cap F \cap \bar{G}) - 2P(E \cap F \cap G)$$

6. Prove that

$$P(\bar{E} \cap \bar{F} \cap \bar{G}) = 1 - P(E) - P(F) - P(G) + P(E \cap F) + P(E \cap G) + P(F \cap G) - P(E \cap F \cap G)$$

7. Given events E , F and G , such that $P(F) > P(F \cap G) > 0$. Prove directly that

$$P(E|F) = P(E|F \cap G) \cdot P(G|F) + P(E|F \cap \bar{G}) \cdot P(\bar{G}|F)$$

8. Use induction to generalize Bonferroni's inequality to n events:

$$P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots \cap E_n) \geq P(E_1) + P(E_2) + \dots + P(E_n) - (n - 1)$$

9. Prove that if E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n are independent events, then

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - P(E_i))$$

10. In a video game, you have a choice between two roads, "Road 1" and "Road 2". Suppose you don't know where the roads will take you, and select a road at random with probability $1/2$ for each choice. Road 1 takes you to a castle, where your character defeats the dragon and wins the game with probability $2/3$ or loses to the dragon with probability $1/3$. Road 2 takes you to a cave, where your character defeats the goblin and wins the game with probability $2/5$ or loses to the goblin with probability $3/5$. Find the probability of winning the game. Conditioned on the event that the game was won, what is the probability that you took Road 1?