

MATH221: Mathematics for Computer Science

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Chapter 1:

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Which are statements?

- ① There are 10 people in this classroom.
- ② Is it lunchtime?
- ③ $3 + 4 = 7$
- ④ $x < 2$
- ⑤ There exists x such that $x < 2$.
- ⑥ This sentence is false.

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There are 5 connectives.

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Disjunction: $p \vee q$ " p or q ."

Conditional: $p \rightarrow q$ " p implies q ."

Biconditional: $p \leftrightarrow q$ " p if and only if q ."

- An expression of simple statements and connectives is called a *compound statement*.
- Each simple statement has a *truth value*: T for true, F for false.
- The truth value of a compound statement is determined by logic, using the simple statement values and the connectives. We do this by constructing truth tables.

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Note. To change priority, use parentheses/brackets/braces.

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Therefore, we accept it as true.

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- 2 I get wet if and only if it is raining.

Example. Complete the table.

p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	$q \rightarrow p$	$p \leftrightarrow q$	$(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$
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Notice that the last two columns are identical. This means that $p \leftrightarrow q$ and $(p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \rightarrow p)$ are logically equivalent.

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Identifying Tautologies/Fallacies

A tautology has all T values in a truth table and a fallacy has all F values, but since 2^n rows are required for a table with n variables, this method gets impractical very quickly (4 variables means 16 rows, 5 variables means 32 rows, etc.). We will see a quicker method now.

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Predicate Logic

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is correct, but we cannot determine its validity with the tools we have so far. We need to be able to manage words such as “all” and “some”.

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- The *domain* of a variable is the set of all possible values it can be. The *truth set* is the subset of the domain that makes the predicate true.
- Predicates of one variable x are denoted by $p(x)$, $q(x)$, etc.

Notation

- \mathbb{R} : the set of all real numbers
- \mathbb{Q} : the set of rational numbers (fractions)
- \mathbb{Z} : the set of integers (whole numbers)
- \mathbb{N} : the set of natural numbers
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Testing Validity

To test an argument for validity, follow these steps.

- 1 Identify the assumptions and conclusion.
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The set of rationals \mathbb{Q} is the set of numbers q that can be written $q = \frac{a}{b}$, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $b \neq 0$. We can construct \mathbb{Q} from \mathbb{Z} as the set of quotients

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Dedekind cuts

To construct the set of real numbers \mathbb{R} is a much more difficult task. We will use \mathbb{Q} and the Dedekind cuts. A Dedekind cut of \mathbb{Q} is a pair of subsets (A, B) of \mathbb{Q} that satisfy the following.

- 1 A and B are nonempty.
- 2 $A \cup B = \mathbb{Q}$
- 3 A is closed downwards: if $q \in A$ and $r < q$, then $r \in A$.
- 4 B is closed upwards: if $q \in B$ and $r > q$, then $r \in B$.
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Mathematical Induction

Recall the induction principle: If $\text{dom } p = \mathbb{N}$ such that

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By the laws of addition, we have the following properties.

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Recursive Sequences

A sequence of numbers a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots is defined *recursively* if each a_n for $n \geq n_0$ is defined in terms of some or all of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n_0} .

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Modular Arithmetic

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Properties of \mathbb{Z}_n

- 1 $+$ and \cdot are closed binary operators
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- 3 \cdot is distributive over $+$
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- 6 Multiplicative inverses exist only for $\gcd(x, n) = 1$

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If a and n are coprime, then there exists $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$. We call b the multiplicative inverse of a modulo n ; it is unique and we write

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Chapter 4:

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Set Theory

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Some important sets of numbers are

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$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0 \right\} \quad (\text{rational})$$

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Definition

Let A and B be sets. We say A is a **subset** of B , written $A \subseteq B$, iff every element of A is also an element of B .

$$A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \forall x \in U, x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B$$

Then B is called a **superset** of A .

We also say that A is contained in B and that B contains A . If at least one element of A is not in B , then A is not a subset of B .

$$A \not\subseteq B \Leftrightarrow \exists x \in U \text{ s.t. } x \in A \wedge x \notin B$$

Example. Decide true or false.

- 1 $\{1, 2\} \subseteq \{1, 2, 3\}$
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- 3 $-1 \in \{x \in \mathbb{N} : x^2 = 1\}$
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To prove that two sets are equal, prove both contentions.

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$$C = \{n \in \mathbb{Z} : n = 2q - 2, q \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$D = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} : k = 3r + 1, r \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

(a) Is $A = B$? (b) Is $A = D$? (c) Is $A = C$?

Set Theory

Operations on Sets. Let A, B be subsets of a universe U .

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$$A \cup B = \{x \in U : x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

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- 3 The *complement* of A , written \bar{A} or A' , is the set of all elements that are not in A .

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- 4 The *difference* $B - A$ or $B \setminus A$ is the set of all elements that are in B and not in A .

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The *power set* of U , denoted by $P(U)$, is the set of all subsets of U .

Example. Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Then

$$P(A) = \{\emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\}, A\}$$

If $|A| = n$, then $|P(A)| = 2^n$.

The operations of set theory are equivalent to their counterpart connectives in logic theory.

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\cap intersection	\wedge and
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Exercise. Prove or disprove $(A \subseteq C) \wedge (B \subseteq C) \Rightarrow A \cap B \subseteq C$

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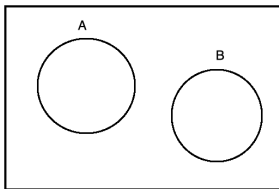
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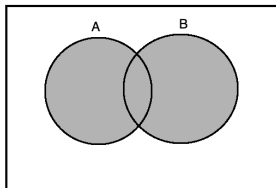
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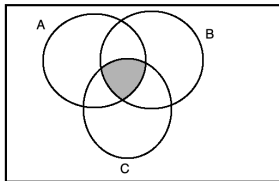
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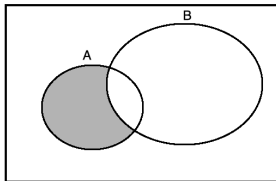
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Chapter 5:

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The case $n = 0$ is easily verified by hand. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, the expansion of $(x + y)^n$ is the sum of all 2^n words of length n in the alphabet $\{x, y\}$. By the previous theorem, the number of such words that consist of k x 's and $n - k$ y 's is $\binom{n}{k}$. □

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Chapter 6:

Relations and Functions

Definition

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$$(a, b) = (c, d) \Leftrightarrow a = c \wedge b = d.$$

Note. The open interval $(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$ uses the same notation, but context makes it clear.

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- (a) What is a simpler expression for R (without using z)?
- (b) List all the elements of R .
- (c) Sketch $X \times X$ and circle the elements of R .

Example. Let R on $\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ be given by

$$R = \{(x, y) : \exists z \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } xz = y\}.$$

- (a) Describe R .
- (b) True or false?
 - $(2, -4) \in R$
 - $-3R0$
 - $(3, 5) \in R$

Example. Let R on \mathbb{Z} be given by

$$R = \{(m, n) : m - n \text{ is even}\}.$$

- (a) Which are elements of R ? $(0, 3), (-5, -6), (2, -11), (17, 1)$
- (b) Prove that $n \text{ odd} \Rightarrow nR1$.

Union and Intersection of Relations

Relations are sets, so the set operators can be applied.

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- 2 On \mathbb{R} , the identity relation.
- 3 On \mathbb{Z} , $R = \{(x, y) : x < y\}$.
- 4 On \mathbb{R} , $R = \{(x, y) : y = x^2\}$.
- 5 On the set P of all people in the world,
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Example. Sketch the relations and determine which are functions.

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Example. Which are functions?

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 $R = \{(x, y) : x + 1 = y\}$.
- 3 On \mathbb{Z} , $F = \{(x, y) : x + 1 = y\}$.
- 4 On \mathbb{R} , $R = \{(x, y) : y = 1\}$.

Definition

Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a function. Then f is **injective (one-to-one)** iff for all $x_1, x_2 \in A$,

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \Rightarrow x_1 = x_2.$$

That is, each element of the range is the image of only one element of the domain.

Note. An injective function satisfies the horizontal line test.

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Chapter 7:

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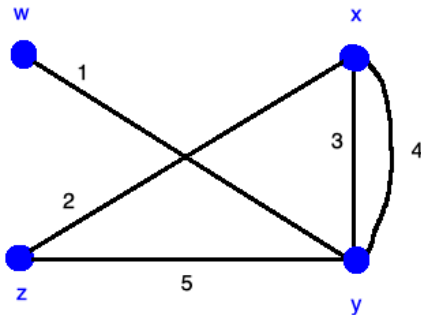
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A **graph** consists of a pair of finite sets: a nonempty set V of vertices and a set E of edges, where each edge is associated to a subset of V of either 1 or 2 vertices, called the endpoints of the edge.

- An edge with just one endpoint is called a loop.
- Two edges with the same endpoints are called parallel edges.
- An edge is said to connect its endpoints and be incident on each endpoint.
- A vertex on which no edge is incident is called isolated.
- Two vertices connected by an edge are called adjacent.

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Example. Write down V and E for the following graph. List any loops and parallel edges.



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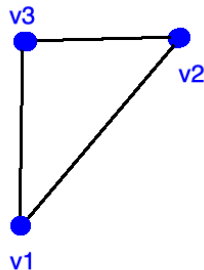
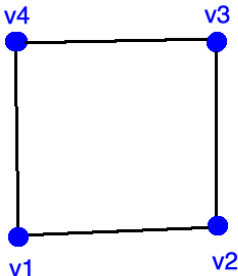
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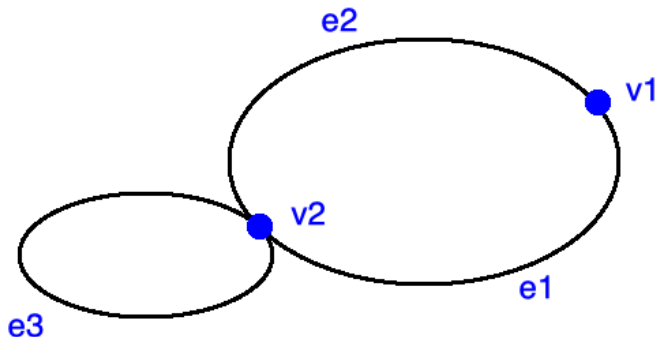
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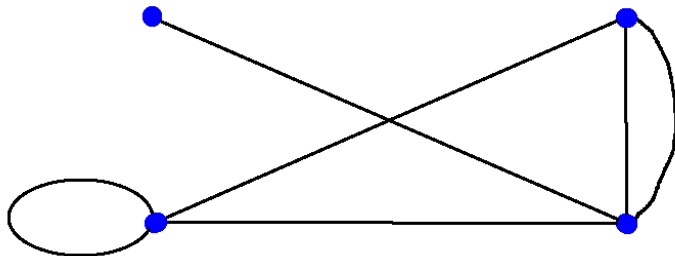
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Example. Draw all the subgraphs of the graph below.



Example. From the following graph, draw

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- 2 a non-simple subgraph with 1 vertex;
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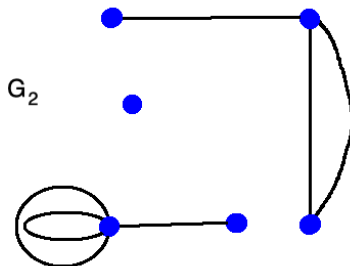
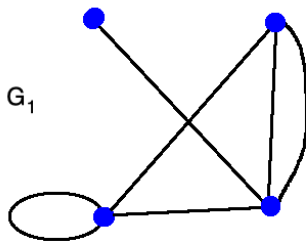
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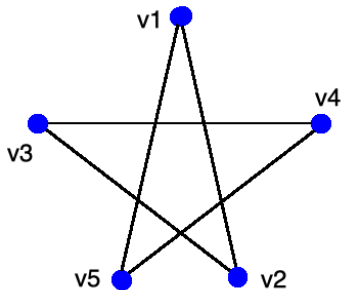
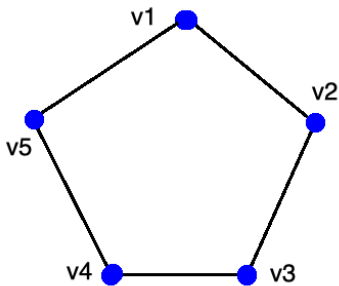
The degree of a graph is twice the number of its edges.

This holds because each edge has 2 endpoints. So the degree of a graph is always even. A graph with 4 vertices of degrees 1,1,2,3 is impossible.

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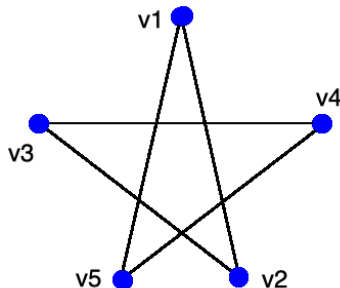
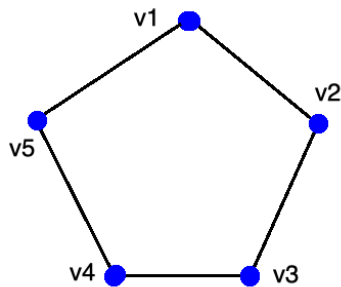
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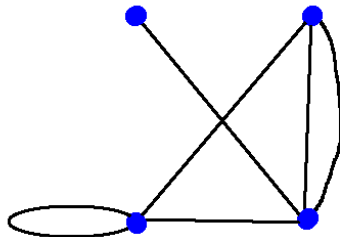
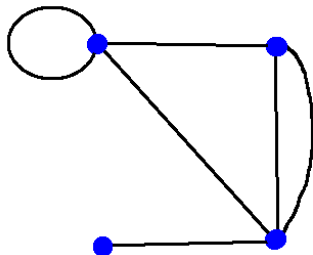


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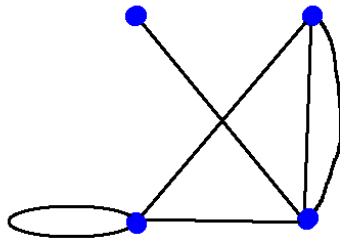
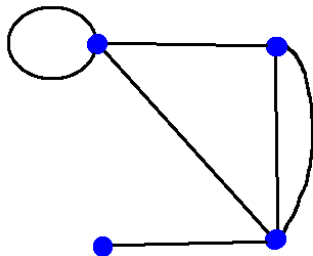
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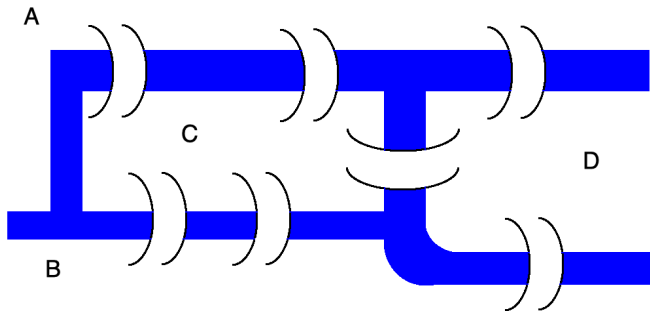


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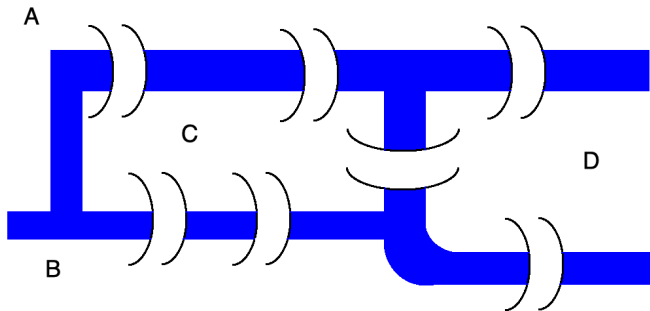
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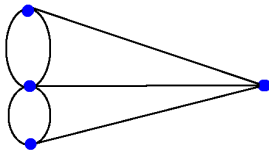
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The problem can be translated to a graph: bridges are edges and regions A, B, C, D are vertices.



Is it possible to find a route through the graph that starts and ends at the same vertex and traverses each edge exactly once?

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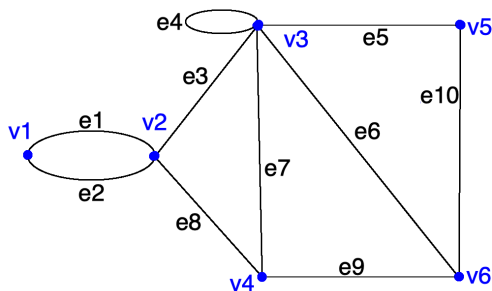
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Note. If it is not ambiguous, a walk can be denoted by a sequence of only vertices or only edges.

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Example. Are the following walks, trails, paths, circuits or simple circuits?



(1) $v_1 e_1 v_2 e_3 v_3 e_4 v_3 e_5 v_5$

(2) $e_1 e_3 e_4 e_4 e_6$

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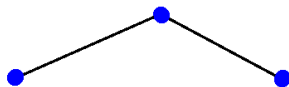
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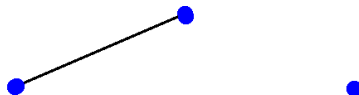
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Vertices v, w in G are **connected** if there exists a walk from v to w . The graph G is **connected** if there exists a walk between every pair of vertices. Otherwise, G is **disconnected**.

Connected



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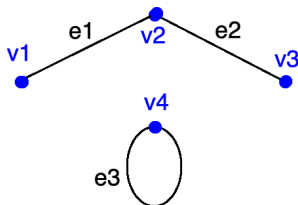
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Definition

- 1 An **Eulerian circuit** of G is a simple circuit that contains every edge and every vertex. If such a circuit exists, G is an **Eulerian graph**.
- 2 An **Eulerian path** from v to w is a path from v to w that passes through every vertex at least once and every edge exactly once.

Theorem

If G is an Eulerian graph, then every vertex of G has even degree.

Corollary

If some vertex of G has odd degree, then G is not an Eulerian graph.

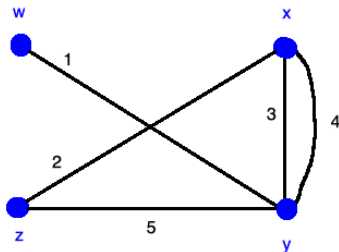
Proof.

- G has an Eulerian circuit, which uses each edge exactly once.
- Beginning at vertex v , follow the circuit. As the circuit passes through a vertex w , it uses 2 edges: one to arrive at w and another to leave. Each edge is used only once, so w uses an even number of incident edge endpoints.
- The starting point v has even degree as well, since the circuit begins by leaving v , then uses v an even number of times as above, then ends by arriving at v .
- The corollary is the contrapositive of the theorem.



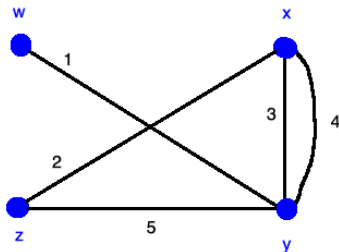
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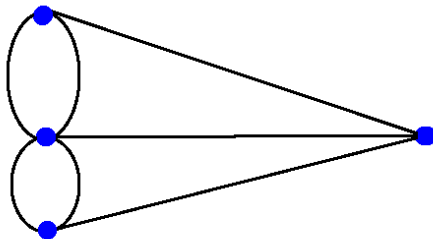
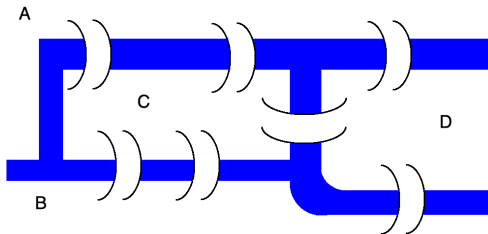


Theorem (Euler's Theorem)

In a connected graph, the degree of every vertex is even and positive iff the graph is Eulerian.

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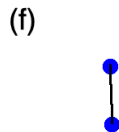
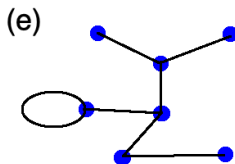
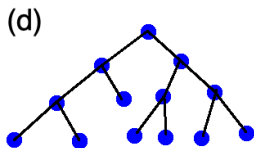
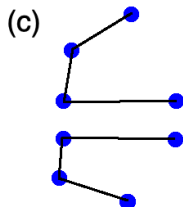
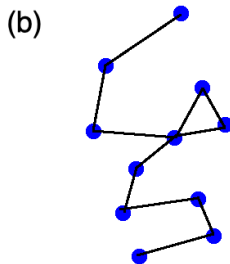
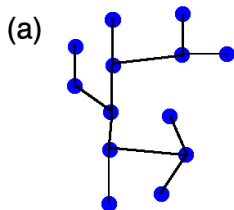
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- Example.** (a) Draw a tree with 5 vertices and 4 edges.
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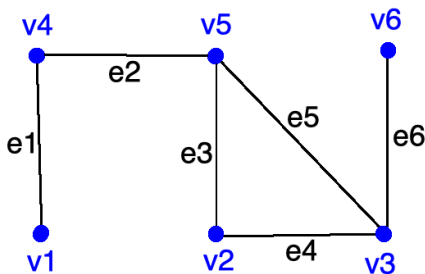
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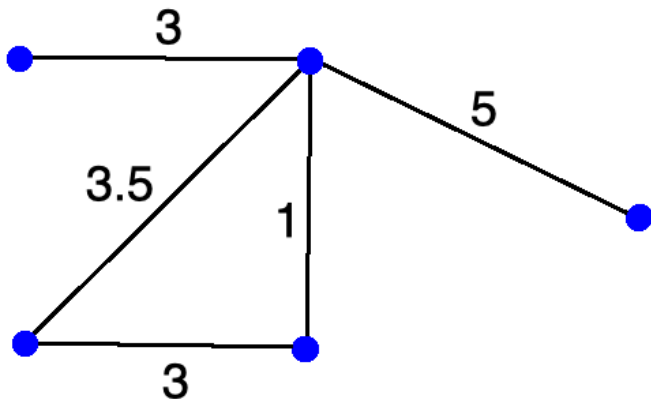
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Example. Let the edges represent telephone lines, the numbers represent the cost in thousands of installation. Determine the minimum cost of installing the network.



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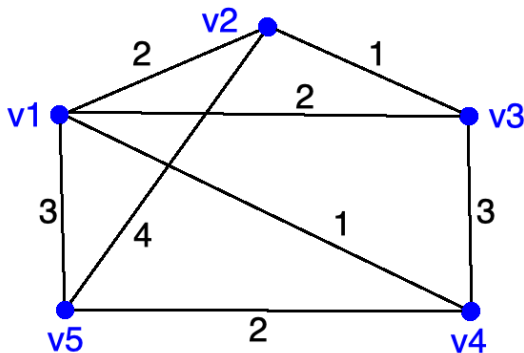
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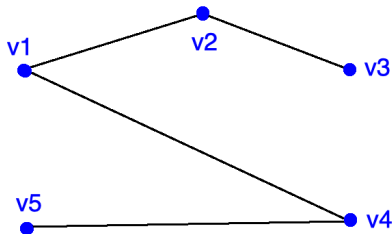
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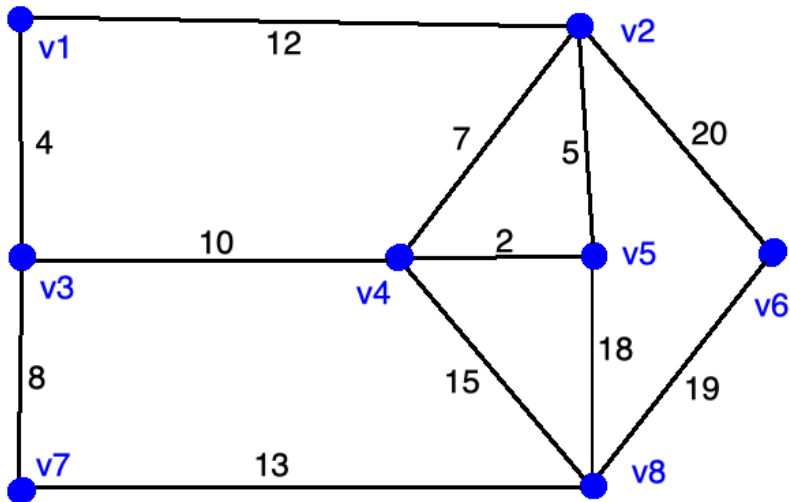
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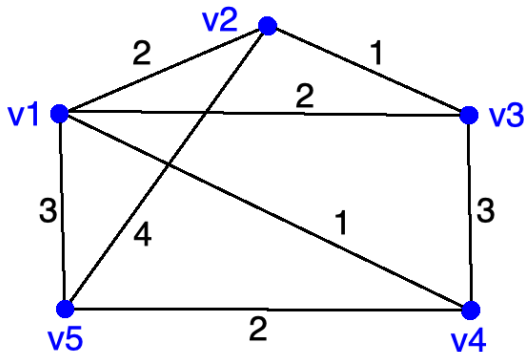
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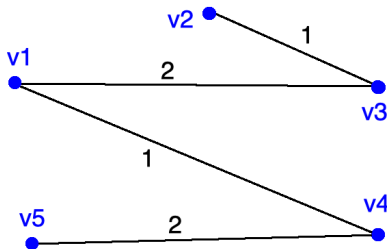
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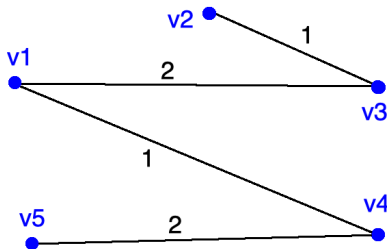
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Exercise. Repeat the last exercise with Prim's Algorithm.

Chapter 8:

Probability

Probabililty

- **Random phenomenon:** cannot be predicted with certainty.
- **Outcome:** single observed result of random phenomenon.
- **Sample space:** set of all possible outcomes.
- **Empty set:** set containing no outcomes.
- **Event:** subset of sample space.

Definition

The **probability** of an event is a number $0 \leq p \leq 1$ that describes how likely it is that the event occurs. An event of probability 1 will happen for sure; an event of probability 0 will certainly not happen.

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$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|} = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

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This is valid because events $\{C\}, \{D\}$ and $\{HD\}$ are disjoint (non-overlapping).

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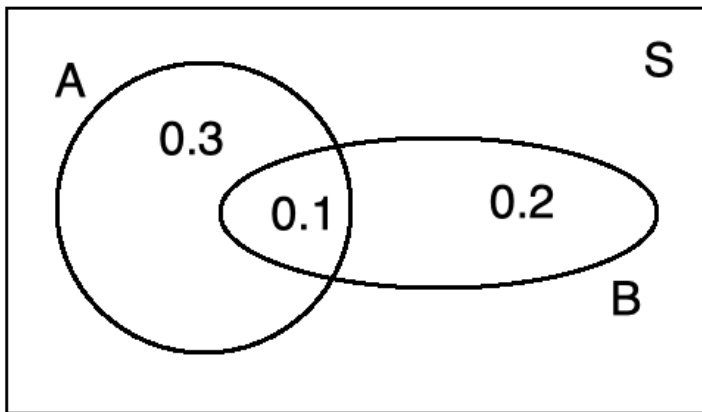
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5	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
6	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
Total	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	1

All 36 outcomes have equal probability, and 3 of them meet our needs. Let $E = \{(1, 3), (2, 2), (3, 1)\}$. Then

$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|} = \frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{12}.$$

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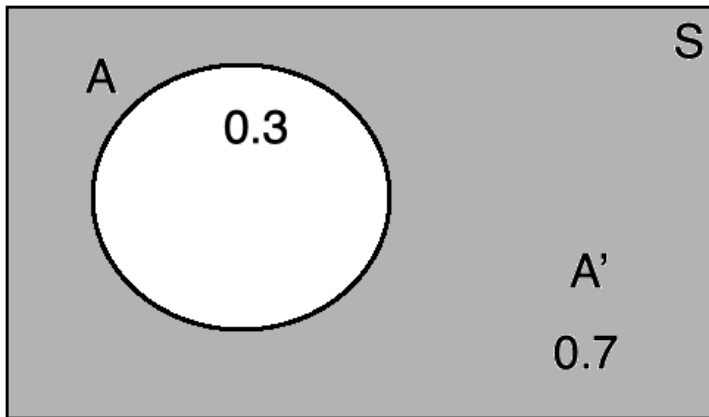
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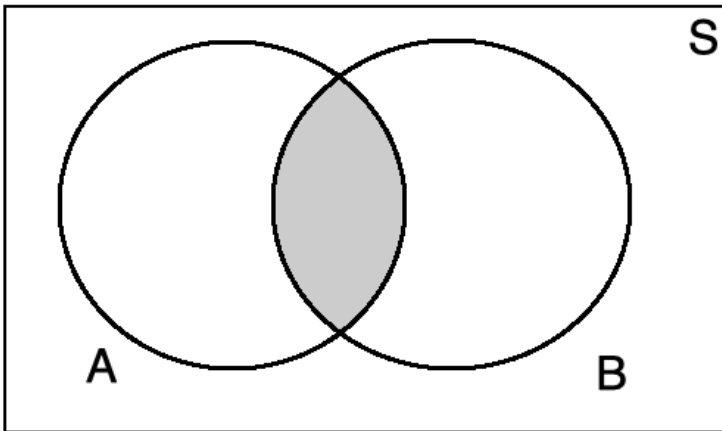
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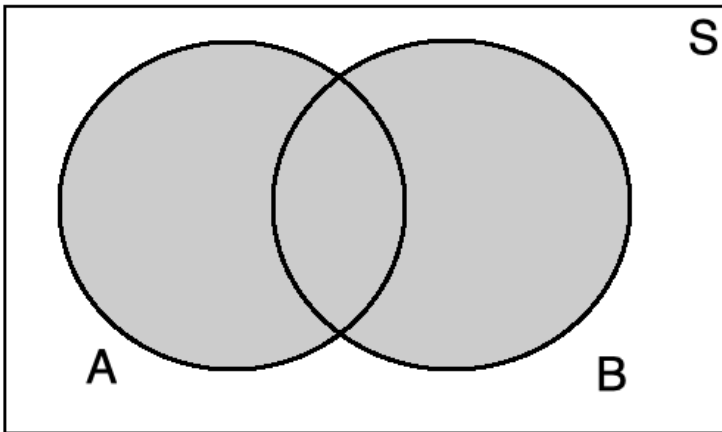


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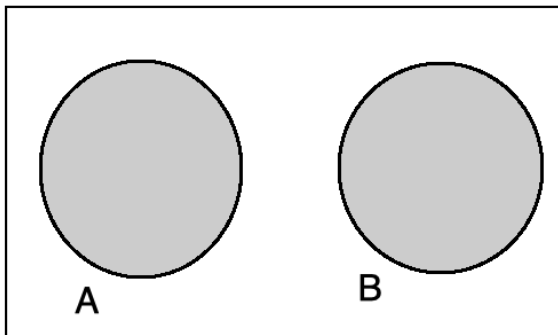


Union: the union $A \cup B$ is the event that A or B (or both) occurs.



Probability

Two events are disjoint (cannot occur simultaneously) if $A \cap B = \emptyset$.



For disjoint events A and B ,

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B),$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 0.$$

The *conditional probability* of event A given that event B has occurred is denoted by $P(A|B)$. In general (disjoint or not),

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B)P(A|B) = P(A)P(B|A).$$

That is, for A and B both to happen, one event happens and then given that, the other event happens. This gives us a formula for conditional probability:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}.$$

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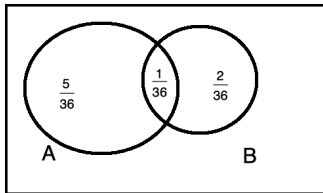
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$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{1/36}{1/12} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

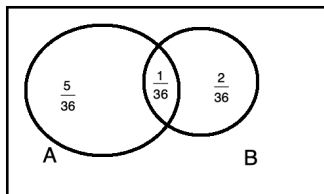
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There are 3 out of 36 possibilities that sum to 4, with one of them being a double. There are 6 doubles altogether. Then to find $P(A|B)$, consider B as the entire sample space and find $P(A \cap B)$ in that reduced space.

$$P(A|B) = \frac{\frac{1}{36}}{\frac{1}{36} + \frac{2}{36}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Probability Rules

- 1 $P(S) = 1, P(\emptyset) = 0.$
- 2 $P(E) \geq 0$ for any event $E \subseteq S.$
- 3 If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B).$
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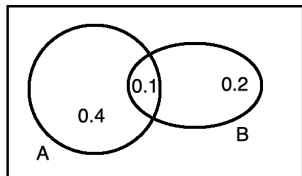
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Example: using the previous Venn diagram,

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A	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$
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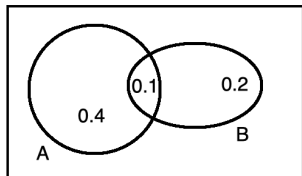
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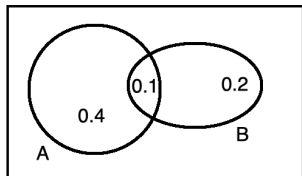


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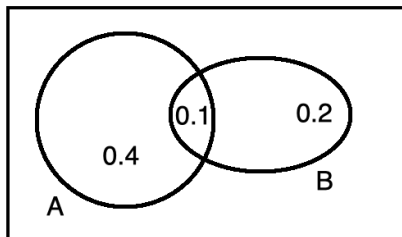
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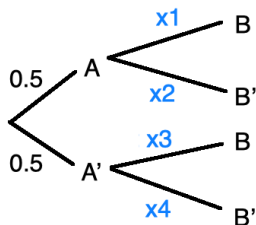
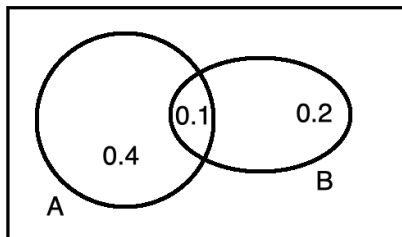
Exercise: verify the table values.

Conditional probabilities correspond to second-level (or higher) branches in a *tree diagram*.

- Multiply probabilities of all branches along a path to find the intersection probability.
- Add probabilities of all paths leading to an event to find its probability.

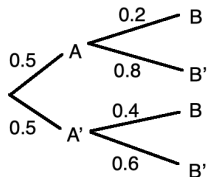
Example: use the previous Venn diagram to build a tree diagram and calculate all conditional probabilities branching on *A* first.





The x_i values are the conditional probabilities. First, figure out the intersection probabilities using the Venn diagram. We have $P(A \cap B) = 0.1$, etc. Then find the conditional probabilities with the formula.

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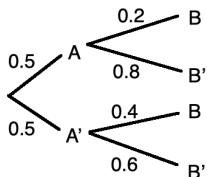
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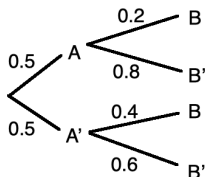
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Law of Total Probability

$P(A)$ can be found by decomposing A into disjoint pieces, then using the sum and product rules:

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Example: for the previous example:

$$P(B) = P(A)P(B|A) + P(A')P(B|A') = 0.5(0.2) + 0.5(0.4) = 0.3$$

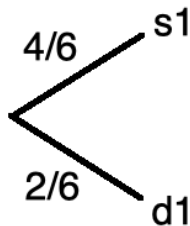
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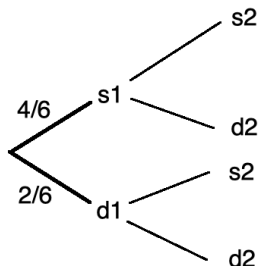
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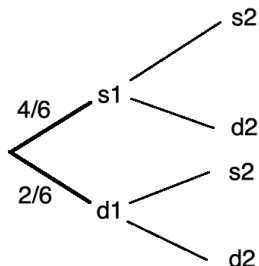


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OR

$$1 - P(\text{no defectives}) = 1 - P(s_1 \cap s_2) = 1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

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- Successive coin tosses are not affected by previous results. Results of different tosses are independent.
- The events "drug is present" and "positive test result" are not independent, as a drug test is much more likely to be positive if the drug is present.

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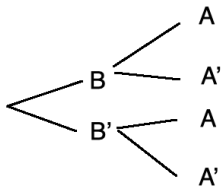
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A'			
Total	0.5		1

Find the remaining entries by subtraction.

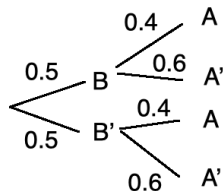
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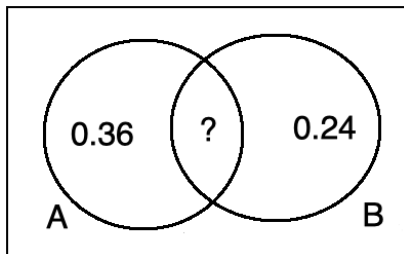
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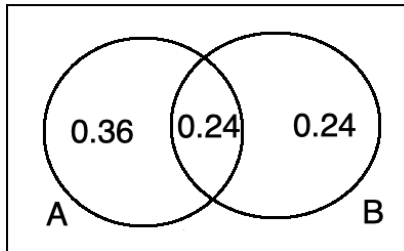
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So a positive test result on a random athlete is 91% likely to be false!!

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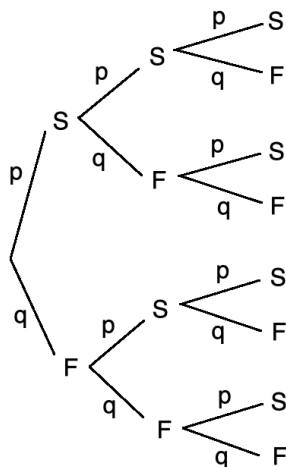
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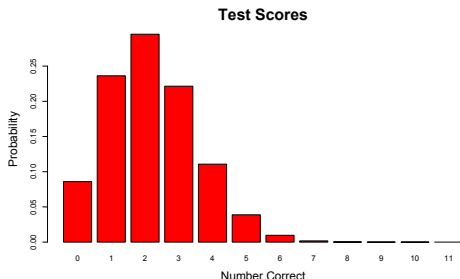
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Be careful with $<$ and \leq for discrete variables, eg.:

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Ans. Recall that $\mu = 1$ and $E(X^2) = 2$, so $\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = 1$.
Or the longer way:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= E[(X - \mu)^2] = \sum_x (x - 1)^2 f(x) \\ &= (0 - 1)^2 0.4 + (1 - 1)^2 0.3 + (2 - 1)^2 0.2 + (3 - 1)^2 0.1 = 1\end{aligned}$$

Properties of Variance

- $\text{Var}(X) \geq 0 \forall X$, and $\text{Var}(X) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X$ is constant.
- $\text{Var}(X + a) = \text{Var}(X) \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\text{Var}(aX) = a^2 \text{Var}(X) \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\sigma_{a+bX} = |b|\sigma_X$

If a R has large variance, it means that observations are expected to vary greatly.

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- 2 $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X) = np(1 - p)$
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Ans. Binomial distribution, $n = 100$, $p = 0.5$.

$$\mu = np = 50$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = 5$$

This means that although X will be about 50 on average, it would not be uncommon to observe values between 45 and 55 ($\mu - \sigma$ and $\mu + \sigma$).

1 Logic

- What is a statement? What are connectives?
- Simple vs. compound statements.
- Truth tables - don't skip too many steps.
- Contingencies, tautologies, fallacies and the quick method.
- Logical equivalence and substitution.
- Equivalence laws (de Morgan, distributive, negation, ...).
- Predicates, quantifiers and their negations.
- Methods of proof.
 - Argument, assumption, conclusion, validity, syllogism
 - Proof of validity by truth table.
 - Proof by regular, strong and generalised induction.
 - Proof by contradiction.
 - Direct proof.
 - Proof by cases.

2 Numbers

- What is an operation? A binary operation?
- Sets, closed sets, identity and inverse elements.
- Commutative, associative and distributive operations.
- Well-ordered sets.
- Sequences and series.
- Recursion.
- Divisibility.
- Quotient-remainder Theorem.
- Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic.
- gcd, lcm, Euclidean Algorithm, coprime numbers.
- Pigeonhole principle, generalised pigeonhole.

3 Modular Arithmetic

- Definition of congruence.
- Congruence arithmetic laws.
- Cancellation law.
- Congruence classes \mathbb{Z}_n .
- Addition and multiplication of classes.
- Multiplicative inverse.

4 Set Theory

- Empty/finite/infinite sets.
- Cardinality.
- Subsets, power sets, proper subsets.
- Prove equality of sets.
- Set operations.
- Venn diagrams.
- Set algebra laws.

5 Combinatorics

- Multiplication rule
- Permutation/combination/factorial.
- Counting strategies.
- Binomial coefficients/binomial theorem.

6 Functions and Relations

- Cartesian product
- Definition of relation.
- Reflexivity, symmetry, transitivity.
- Equivalence relations/classes.
- Inverse relations.
- Definition of function.
- Domain and range of functions.
- Injective/surjective/bijective functions.
- Inverse functions.

7 Graph Theory

- Definition of graph.
- Loops, parallel edges, isolation, adjacencies, simple graphs.
- Complete graphs.
- Bipartite graphs.
- Subgraphs.
- Degrees.
- Isomorphism.
- Walks, paths, circuits, trails.
- Connected components.
- Eulerian circuits, Euler's theorem.
- Trees, spanning trees.
- Weighted graphs.
- Minimum spanning trees, Kruskal's and Prim's algorithms.

8 Probability

- Venn diagrams, disjointness.
- Conditional probability, independence.
- Two-way tables, tree diagrams.
- Bayes' rule.
- Binomial distribution.
- Discrete probabilities.
- Cumulative functions.
- Expected value and variance/standard deviation.