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Problem 0-1.

$$A = \left\{ i + {5 \choose i} \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}, \ 0 \le i \le 4 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ 0 + {5 \choose 0}, \ 1 + {5 \choose 1}, \ 2 + {5 \choose 2}, \ 3 + {5 \choose 3}, \ 4 + {5 \choose 4} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ 1, 6, 12, 13, 8 \right\}$$
(1)

$$B = \{3i \mid i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}\}\$$

= \{3, 6, 9, 12, 15\}

(a)
$$A \cap B = \{6, 12\}$$

(b)
$$|A \cup B| = 7$$

(c)
$$|A - B| = 3$$

Problem 0-2.

$$X = \{ \text{# of heads in three coin flips} \}$$

$$= \{ \text{HHH, HHT, HTH, THH, THT, HTT, TTT} \}$$

$$= \{ 3, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0 \}$$

$$(3)$$

$$Y = \{ \text{products of two six-sided dice} \}$$

$$= \{ 1*1, 1*2, 2*1, \dots 6*5, 6*6 \}$$

$$\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \\
2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, \\
= \frac{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, }{4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, }
5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, \\
6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36 \},$$

$$(4)$$

(a)
$$E[X] = (3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 3 + 1 \cdot 3)/8 = 12/8 = 1.5$$

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(b)
$$E[Y] = 426/36 = 11.8\overline{33}$$

(c)
$$E[{X + Y}] = 438/44 = 9.9\overline{54}$$

Problem 0-3.

$$A = 600/6 = 100 \tag{5}$$

$$B = 60 \bmod 42 = 17 \tag{6}$$

(a)
$$A \mod 2 = 0, \ B \mod 2 = 0, \ A \equiv B \pmod{2}$$

(b)
$$A \mod 3 = 1, \ B \mod 3 = 0, \ \therefore A \not\equiv B \pmod 3$$

(c)
$$A \mod 4 = 0$$
, $B \mod 4 = 2$, $A \not\equiv B \pmod 4$

Problem 0-4. Prove by induction that $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$, for any $n \ge 1$.

Proof. Let $P(n): \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$.

Base case, P(1):

$$\sum_{i=1}^{1} i^3 = 1 \tag{7}$$

$$\left[\frac{1(1+1)}{2}\right]^2 = 1\tag{8}$$

Hence, base case is true. For the induction step, assuming P(n) is true, we get P(n+1):

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} i^3 = (n+1)^3 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^3 \tag{9}$$

$$= (n+1)^3 + \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2 \tag{10}$$

$$=\frac{4(n+1)^3+n^2(n+1)^2}{4}=\frac{(4(n+1)+n^2)(n+1)^2}{4}$$
(11)

$$=\frac{(n^2+4n+1)(n+1)^2}{4}=\frac{(n+2)^2(n+1)^2}{4}$$
 (12)

$$= \left[\frac{(n+1)((n+1)+1)}{2} \right]^2 \tag{13}$$

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Problem 0-5.

Problem 0-6. Submit your implementation to alg.mit.edu.