

Lecture 2 Exercises

2.1 A sample space consists of seven elementary outcomes e_1, e_2, \dots, e_7 . Two events are defined as $A = \{e_2, e_4, e_5, e_7\}$ and $B = \{e_1, e_2, e_5\}$.

- a) Draw a Venn diagram to illustrate the events A and B.
- b) Determine the elements of the events
 - (i) $A \cap B$
 - (ii) B^c
 - (iii) $A \cap B^c$
 - (iv) $A \cup B$

2.2 A sample space consists of 9 elementary outcomes e_1, e_2, \dots, e_9 whose probabilities are:

$$\begin{aligned} P(e_1) = P(e_2) = 0.08 & \quad P(e_3) = P(e_4) = P(e_5) = 0.1 \\ P(e_6) = P(e_7) = 0.2 & \quad P(e_8) = P(e_9) = 0.07 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $A = \{e_1, e_5, e_8\}$ and $B = \{e_2, e_5, e_8, e_9\}$

- a) Calculate $P(A)$, $P(B)$ and $P(A \cap B)$.
- b) Using the addition law of probability, calculate $P(A \cup B)$.
- c) List the elements of the event $A \cup B$ and calculate $P(A \cup B)$ by adding the probabilities of the elementary outcomes.
- d) Calculate $P(B^c)$ from $P(B)$ and also by listing the elementary outcomes of B^c .

2.3 The following table shows the probabilities concerning two events, A and B.

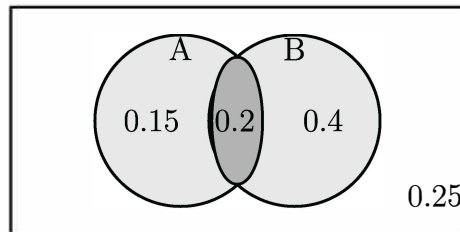
	B	B^c
A	0.25	0.12
A^c		
	0.40	

- a) Determine the missing entries.
- b) What is the probability that A occurs and B does not occur?
- c) Find the probability that either A or B occurs.
- d) Find the probability that one of these events occurs and the other does not.

2.4 If $P(A) = 0.6$ and $P(B) = 0.5$, can A and B be mutually exclusive?

2.5 From the probabilities shown in this Venn diagram, determine the probabilities of the following events,

- a) A does not occur
- b) A occurs and B does not occur
- c) Exactly one of the events A and B occurs



2.6 Fifty workers work on a production line. Of these, 5 produce work late, 6 assemble defective products and 2 produce both late work and assemble defective products. One worker is picked at random, what is the probability that,

- a) They produce work late.
- b) They produce work late and they assemble defective products.
- c) They produce work late or assemble defective products.
- d) Their work is satisfactory in both respects.

2.7 I toss a fair coin and then toss a die.

- a) Are these events independent?
- b) What is the probability I obtain a head and a 6.

2.8 A torch uses two batteries in series. Each battery works with probability 0.95, independently of the other. What is the probability that,

- a) The torch will work
- b) Both batteries fail
- c) Only one of the batteries will work

2.9 The medical records of 100 male diabetic patients reporting to a clinic during one year provided the following classification.

Age of Patient	Light Case Diabetes in Parents		Serious Case Diabetes in Parents	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Below 40	15	10	8	2
Above 40	15	20	20	10

Suppose a patient is chosen at random from this group and the events A, B and C are defined as,

A: He has a serious case

B: He is below 40.

C: His parents are diabetic.

- a) Find the probabilities $P(A)$, $P(B)$, $P(A \cap B)$, $P(B \cap C)$, $P(A \cap B \cap C)$.
- b) Describe the following events verbally and find their probabilities; $A^c \cap B^c$, $A^c \cup C^c$, $A^c \cap B \cap C^c$

Hint: imagine each patient is represented by a ticket to be drawn at random from a hat, this time with three pieces of information on each one.

- 2.10 Whether a student gets up on time depends on whether or not he has remembered to set his alarm the night before. 90% of the time he remembers, the other 10% he forgets. When the clock is set, he will get up on time 95% of occasions. If it is not set, the chance that he will oversleep is 35%.

Use a tree diagram to find the probability that he will oversleep.