Problems for Lecture 19

3.

Let ${\cal E}$ denote the integers can be divided by 3, and ${\cal F}$ denote the integers can be divided by 7. Then

$$P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(EF) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{21} = \frac{3}{7}$$

8.

To prove the identity, we start with the definition of variance:

$$\sigma^2 = E[(X - E[X])^2]$$

Expanding the square, we get:

$$\sigma^2 = E[X^2 - 2XE[X] + E[X]^2]$$

Since ${\cal E}[X]$ is simply the mean m, we can write this as:

$$\sigma^2 = E[X^2] - 2mE[X] + m^2$$

Now, we can use the definition of the expected value:

$$E[X] = \sum_{i} p_i x_i$$

$$E[X^2] = \sum_i p_i x_i^2$$

Substituting these expressions into the equation for σ^2 , we get:

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_i p_i x_i^2 - 2m \sum_i p_i x_i + m^2$$

Using the expression for m, we get:

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_i p_i x_i^2 - 2(\sum_i p_i x_i)^2 + (\sum_i p_i x_i)^2$$
 = $\sum_i p_i x_i^2 - m^2$