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STAT 350 Worksheet #2

In set theory, we often use symbols and notation to describe collections of objects, called sets. Here are some key symbols and their meanings:

- \in : Means “**is an element of.**” For example, $x \in E$ means x belongs to the set E .
- \mathbb{Z} : Is a special symbol to denote a very specific set, the set of integers $\{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.
- \mathbb{N} : Is a special symbol to denote a very specific set, the set of natural numbers $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.
- \cap : This is referred to as a binary operator that represents the **intersection** of two sets. In English, we often associate the concept of **intersection** with the word '**and,**' as it includes only those elements that satisfy the conditions of being in both sets simultaneously.
- \cup : This is referred to as a binary operator that represents the **union** of two sets. In English, we often associate the concept of **union** with the word '**or,**' as it includes all elements that satisfy the condition of being in either one of the sets or in both.

Set-builder notation is a concise way to define a set by specifying the properties that its elements must satisfy. For example, consider the set $E = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \mid x \text{ is even and } x \leq 10\}$. This defines E as the set of all positive integers x that are both **even** and **at most 10**.

1. Let A and B be sets defined as follows: $A = \{x \in \mathbb{Z} \mid -5 \leq x \leq 5\}$ and $B = \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid x \text{ is even and } x \leq 10\}$. Further consider the sets $C = A \cap B$ and $D = A \cup B$.
 - a. Write out the expanded set of elements of A , then separately write out the expanded set of elements for B .
 - b. Determine the elements contained in C , and separately determine the elements contained in D .
 - c. Using **set-builder notation**, express the set C .
 - d. Formally describe the set D in terms of the sets A and B , combining English and the '**element of**' (\in) symbol.

Probability is a function $P(\cdot)$ that takes a set (or event) E as input and outputs a real number p in the interval $[0, 1]$.

Axioms

1. For an event E , $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$. (I should never see a probability answer given that is negative or greater than 1.)
 2. $P(\Omega) = 1$, where Ω is a special symbol denoting the entire sample space.
 3. For any event E , we have that $P(E) = \sum_{\omega \in E} P(\omega)$. In other words, we add up the probabilities of all the simple events in E to obtain the probability of the event.
 4. It follows that $P(\emptyset) = 0$, where \emptyset is a special symbol denoting the **empty set** which is the set of no outcomes.
2. Using these axioms, answer the following questions:
- a. What does it mean for P to be a function that operates on sets rather than directly on elements of the sample space or numerical values? Why must the input to $P(\cdot)$ always be a set?
 - b. Explain why the following statement is not a valid probability expression: $P(A) \cap P(B) \cap P(C)$.
 - c. If $A \subset B$, use **axiom 3** to justify why $P(A) < P(B)$.
 - d. The complement of a set E , denoted E' , is defined as $E' = \{\omega \in \Omega | \omega \notin E\}$. Using **axiom 2** and **axiom 3** to derive the complement rule $P(E') = 1 - P(E)$.

3. Let E_1 and E_2 be two events of a sample space Ω , with known probabilities:

$$P(E_1) = 0.3$$

$$P(E_2) = 0.6$$

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2) = 0.75$$

Calculate the following probabilities. Make sure to write out the probability statements explicitly before performing any calculations and include all intermediate steps.

Why Formality and Intermediate Steps Matter:

Writing probability statements explicitly and showing intermediate steps ensures:

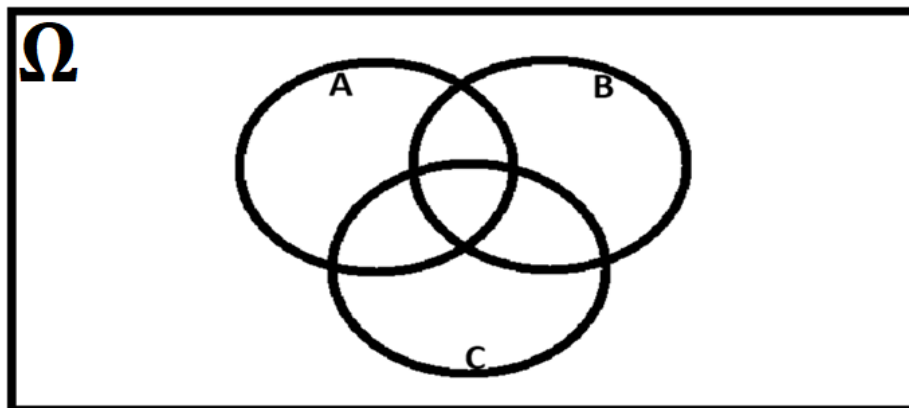
1. **Clarity:** Identifies the correct rules and logic to apply.
 2. **Accuracy:** Reduces errors, especially in multi-step calculations or when overlapping probabilities are involved.
 3. **Preparation for Complexity:** Builds habits needed for tackling more advanced probability and mathematics problems.
 4. **Communication Skills:** Clear steps and reasoning improve the ability to explain and justify your work.
- a) Calculate the probability that both E_1' and E_2' occur simultaneously.
- b) Calculate the probability that both E_1 and E_2 occur simultaneously.

c) Calculate the probability that both E_1' and E_2 occur simultaneously.

4. A festival raffle has a total of N tickets, divided into the following categories of winners:

- $|A| = 40$: Tickets that win electronics.
- $|B| = 30$: Tickets that win gift cards.
- $|C| = 20$: Tickets that win home appliances.
- $|A \cap B| = 10$: Tickets that win both electronics and gift cards.
- $|A \cap C| = 5$: Tickets that win both electronics and home appliances.
- $|B \cap C| = 3$: Tickets that win both gift cards and home appliances.
- $|A \cap B \cap C| = 2$: Tickets that win in all three categories.
- The remaining **432 tickets** do not win any prizes.

Fill in the Venn Diagram Below to help you solve the problems.



- a. **Determine N :** Utilizing the **inclusion-exclusion principle** and **additional knowledge**, calculate the total number of tickets N .
One form of the inclusion-exclusion principle for three sets states:

$$|A \cup B \cup C| = |A| + |B| + |C| - |A \cap B| - |A \cap C| - |B \cap C| + |A \cap B \cap C|$$

b. **Probabilities:**

After determining N , calculate the following probabilities:

- I. The probability of randomly selecting a ticket that wins in **exactly one category**.
- II. The probability of randomly selecting a ticket that wins in **at least two categories**.
- III. The probability of randomly selecting a ticket that wins in **exactly two categories**.
- IV. The probability of randomly selecting a ticket that does **not win electronics** and **does not win any gift cards**.