

weekly worksheet (from textbook)

Probability and Statistics 1, Math 440.

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section 2.2.

1. Three dice are tossed, one red, one blue, and one green. What outcomes make up the event A that the sum of the three faces showing equals 5?
2. Let P be the set of right triangles with a 5" hypotenuse and whose height and length are a and b , respectively. Characterize the outcomes in P .
3. Find $A \cap B \cap C$ if $A = \{x : 0 \leq x \leq 4\}$, $B = \{x : 2 \leq x \leq 6\}$, and $C = \{x : x = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.
4. Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k be any set of events defined on a sample space S . What outcomes belong to the event $(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_k) \cup (A_1^c \cap A_k^c)$.
5. Let A and B be any two events. Use Venn diagrams to show that
 - (a) the complement of their intersection is the union of their complements:
$$(A \cap B)^C = A^C \cup B^C$$
 - (b) the complement of their union is the intersection of their complements: $(A \cup B)^C = A^C \cap B^C$

(These two results are known as DeMorgan's laws.)

section 2.3

1. Let A and B be any two events defined on S . Suppose that $P(A) = 0.4$, $P(B) = 0.5$, and $P(A \cap B) = 0.1$. What is the probability that A or B but not both occur?
2. Draw the Venn diagrams that would correspond to the equations (a) $P(A \cap B) = P(B)$ and (b) $P(A \cup B) = P(B)$.
3. Two dice are tossed. Assume that each possible outcome has a $\frac{1}{36}$ probability. Let A be the event that the sum of the faces showing is 6, and let B be the event that the face showing on one die is twice the face showing on the other. Calculate $P(A \cap B^C)$.

Rather than reflecting on each problem separately, try to reflect on growth mindset, productive failure, and grit, in general.