- The assignment is due at Gradescope on Monday September 13, 2021 at 10pm. Submit early and often.
- Read and sign the collaboration and honesty policy. Submit the signed policy to Gradescope before submitting any work.
- Unless otherwise specified, you can leave your answer in closed form (e.g. $1 \binom{120}{7}(0.1)^{200}$).
- *Show your work.* Answers without justification will be given little credit. Justify each step in your solutions e.g. by stating that the step follows from an axiom of probability, a definition, algebra, etc.; for example, your answer could include a line like this:

$$Pr(X \cap Y \cap Z) \cdot Pr(A \cup B) = Pr(X \cap Y \cap Z) \cdot (Pr(A) + Pr(B))$$
 (*A* and *B* are disjoint)

• The syllabus has some pointers on using LaTeX and Python.

This homework reviews material from the prerequisites for the class: discrete mathematics and proofs (CS 131), calculus (MA 123 or equivalent).

PROBLEM 1 (Combinations and Permutations). (a) There are four different bike routes between Brookline and Cambridge. In how many distinct ways can you make a round-trip from Brookline to Cambridge and back? In how many ways can you make this trip if you take a different route on the way back?

- (b) You want to arrange 4 different flower vases in a row on your shelf. How many distinct arrangements can you come up with?
- (c) You have meal prepped three types of main dishes and four types of appetizers. How many distinct meals can you have during the week, if a meal = main dish + appetizer.

Solution: Your solution here.

PROBLEM 2 (Counting). A standard deck of cards has 52 cards. Each card has a rank and a suit. There are 13 ranks: A (Ace), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, J (Jack), Q (Queen), K (King). There are 4 suits: clubs (\clubsuit), diamonds (\diamondsuit), hearts (\heartsuit), and spades (\spadesuit).

We draw 3 cards from a standard deck without replacement. How many possibilities are there if:

- (a) the cards have the same rank;
- (b) the cards have different ranks;
- (c) two of the cards have the same rank and the third has a different rank.

Solution: Your solution here.

PROBLEM 3 (Induction). Show by induction on n that

$$1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^n = \frac{r^{n+1} - 1}{r - 1}$$
,

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $r \neq 1$. (\mathbb{N} denotes the set of all natural numbers. In this class, we adopt the convention that \mathbb{N} includes 0.)

Solution: Your solution here.

PROBLEM 4 (Proofs by contradiction). Prove by contradiction that if a^2 is even then a is even.

Solution: Your solution here.

PROBLEM 5 (Set Operations). Let A, B, C be sets. Show that

$$(A \setminus B) \setminus C = (A \setminus C) \setminus (B \setminus C)$$
.

Solution: Your solution here.

PROBLEM 6 (Calculus). Consider the following function $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 2x - 1 & \text{for } x \in [0, 5] \\ 3 & \text{for } x \in [7, 10] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Sketch the graph of the function.
- (b) For each of the following intervals [a, b], evaluate the integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$: [-1, 3], [1, 8], [6, 12].
- (c) Find the derivative of f wherever it exists, and clearly identify at which points the derivative does not exist.
- (d) Let $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function and let g' be its derivative. Let h be the composition of g with f, i.e., the function $h: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ such that h(x) = g(f(x)) for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Find the derivative of h wherever it exists, expressed in terms of g'.

Solution: Your solution here.