

Solutions 2

Ch 1 theoretical exercises

13. Show, for $n > 0$
$$\sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \binom{n}{i} = 0$$

Use Binomial theorem
$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i y^{n-i} = (x+y)^n$$

Plug in $x = -1$ and $y = 1$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i (1)^{n-i} = (-1+1)^n = 0^n = 0$$

$(1)^{n-i} = 1$ so get
$$\sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} (-1)^i = 0 \quad \text{QED}$$

14. From set of n people committee of size j and a subcommittee of size i are chosen.

(a) choose committee: $\binom{n}{j}$
then choose subcommittee one of: $\binom{j}{i}$

so get $\binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i}$

choose smaller subcommittee first $\binom{n}{i}$

then choose rest of committee $\binom{n-i}{j-i}$

so get $\binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j-i}$

Thus
$$\binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} = \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j-i}$$

(b) Prove $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} = \binom{n}{i} 2^{n-i} \quad (i \leq n)$

Consider $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} = \sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j-i}$ by part (a)

$$= \binom{n}{i} \sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n-i}{j-i} \quad \text{since } \binom{n}{i} \text{ is independent of } j$$

Now $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n-i}{j-i} = \binom{n-i}{0} + \binom{n-i}{1} + \dots + \binom{n-i}{n-i}$

so $= \sum_{k=0}^{n-i} \binom{n-i}{k}$ (reindexing)

But $\sum_{k=0}^{n-i} \binom{n-i}{k} = 2^{n-i}$

In general $\sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k} = 2^N$
 by binomial theorem see
 p. 9, Example 4e

So get $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} = \binom{n}{i} 2^{n-i} \quad \text{QED.}$

(c) Prove $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} (-1)^{n-j} = 0$

$$\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{j} \binom{j}{i} (-1)^{n-j} = \sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j-i} (-1)^{n-j} \quad \text{by (a)}$$

$$= \binom{n}{i} \sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n-i}{j-i} (-1)^{n-j}$$

So Need To Show $\sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n-i}{j-i} (-1)^{n-j} = 0$

This is true by exercise 13

set $N = n - i$, $K = j - i$, then $n - j = N - K$

$$\text{so } \sum_{j=i}^n \binom{n-i}{j-i} (-1)^{n-j} = \sum_{K=0}^N \binom{N}{K} (-1)^{N-K}$$

$$= \sum_{K=0}^N \binom{N}{K} (-1)^{N-K} (1)^K = (1-1)^N = 0. \quad \text{QED.}$$

Ch 2 problems

1. Box with 1 red, 1 green, 1 blue marble

Experiment I: draw marble, replace, draw again

$$S = \text{all pairs of colors} = \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} (R,R) & (R,G) & (R,B) \\ (G,R) & (G,G) & (G,B) \\ (B,R) & (B,G) & (B,B) \end{array} \right\}$$

$3^2 = 9$ points in S .

Experiment II: draw marble, don't replace, draw again

$$S = \text{all pairs of distinct colors} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (R,G) & (R,B) \\ (G,R) & (G,B) \\ (B,R) & (B,G) \end{array} \right\}$$

$3 \cdot 2 = 6$ points in S .

2. Die is rolled until a 6 appears, then stop

$S = \{ \text{any sequence of digits chosen from 1-5, and end on a 6} \}$

eg. 121351426 or 115436
or 1111... (just 1's forever)
or 123123123... forever.

$E_n = \text{event that experiment lasts } n \text{ rolls}$
 $= \{ \text{sequences of length } n \}$

eg. 115436 is in E_6

$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n = \text{event that experiment eventually ends}$

$\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n \right)^c = \text{event that experiment never ends}$
 $= \text{event that we never get a 6.}$

3. Two dice thrown $E = \text{sum of dice is odd}$
 $F = \text{at least one die is 1}$
 $G = \text{sum of dice is 5.}$

$EF = \text{sum is odd and at least one die is 1}$

$E \cup F = \text{sum is odd or one die is 1 or both}$

$FG = \text{sum of dice is 5 and at least one is 1}$
 $= \text{one die is 1 and the other is 4.}$

$EF^c = \text{sum is odd and neither die is 1.}$

$EFG = \text{sum is 5 and one die is 1} = FG$ (since 5 implies odd)
 $G \subseteq E$

4. A, B, C take turns flipping a coin (A first, B second, C third) first to get heads wins.

Sample space is $S = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1, 01, 001, 0001, \dots \\ 000\dots \end{array} \right.$

(a) Interpret sample space:

0 represents tails, 1 heads, sequence is A's flip, B's flip, C's flip, A's flip, etc.

(b) Define events of S:

$$(i) A \text{ wins} = \{1, 0001, 0000001, \dots\}$$

$$= \{3k \text{ 0's, followed by 1, for any } k=0,1,2,\dots\}$$

$$(ii) B \text{ wins} = \{01, 00001, 00000001, \dots\}$$

$$= \{3k+1 \text{ 0's, followed by 1, for any } k=0,1,\dots\}$$

$$(iii) (A \cup B)^c = A^c B^c$$

$$= \{001, 000001, \dots\} \cup \{000\dots\}$$

$$= \{3k+2 \text{ 0's, followed by 1}\} \cup \{\text{infinitely many 0's}\}$$

$$= C \text{ wins or game never ends.}$$

(d) Outcomes in AW: look at list for (b), see which end in 00:

11100 2 outcomes in AW.
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Prove the relation:

1. $EF \subset E \subset E \cup F$

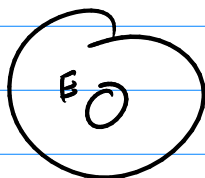
if E and F occur, then E occurs so $EF \subset E$

If E occurs, then E or F or both occur so $E \subset E \cup F$

(could also use Venn diagram)

2. If $E \subset F$, then $F^c \subset E^c$

If E occurs, then F occurs. So if F does not occur, then E cannot occur, so $F^c \subset E^c$.

Venn:  outside F implies outside E

3. $F = FE \cup FE^c$ and $E \cup F = E \cup E^c F$

Proof. $F = FS = F(E \cup E^c) = FE \cup FE^c$ (distributive law)
QED

For second part, use $F = FE \cup FE^c$ and take union with E

$$E \cup F = E \cup (FE \cup FE^c) = (E \cup FE) \cup FE^c$$

Now, $E \cup FE = E$, since $FE \subseteq E$ (by exercise 1).

$$\text{so } E \cup F = E \cup FE^c \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

6. E, F, G three events

(a) only $E = EF^cG^c$

(b) both E & G , not $F = EGF^c$

(c) at least one = $E \cup F \cup G$

(d) at least two = $EF \cup EG \cup FG$

(e) all three = EFG

(f) none = $E^cF^cG^c = (E \cup F \cup G)^c$

(g) at most one = $(\text{at least two})^c = (EF \cup EG \cup FG)^c$
= at least two of $E^c, F^c, G^c = E^cF^c \cup E^cG^c \cup F^cG^c$

(h) at most two = $(\text{all three})^c = (IFG)^c$
= $E^c \cup F^c \cup G^c = \text{at least one of } E^c, F^c, G^c$.

(i) exactly two = $EFG^c \cup EF^cG \cup E^cFG$

(j) At most 3 = S

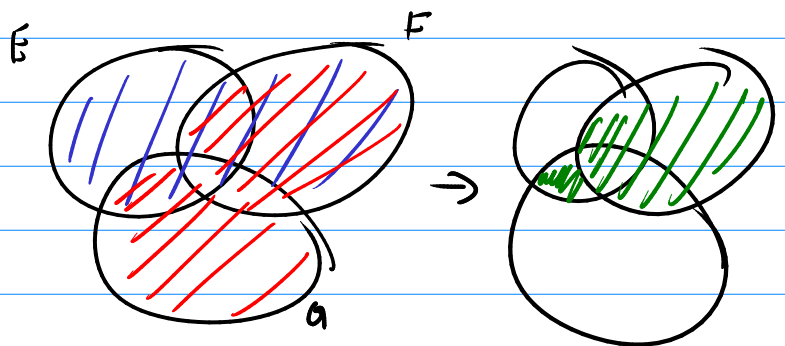
7. Simplify:

$$(a) (E \cup F)(E \cup F^c) = EE \cup EF \cup EF^c \cup FF^c \quad (\text{distributive law})$$
$$= E \cup EF \cup EF^c \cup \emptyset = \boxed{E} \quad \text{since } EF \text{ and } EF^c \text{ are contained in } E.$$

$$(b) (E \cup F)(E^c \cup F)(E \cup F^c)$$
$$= (E \cup F)(E \cup F^c)(E^c \cup F) \quad \text{commutative law}$$
$$= \underbrace{E}_{E} (E^c \cup F) \quad \text{by (a)}$$
$$= EE^c \cup EF = \emptyset \cup EF = EF$$

$$(c) (E \cup F)(F \cup G) = EF \cup FF \cup EG \cup FG \quad \text{distributive}$$
$$= \underbrace{EF \cup FG}_{\text{these are contained in } F} \cup F \cup EG = F \cup EG$$

these are contained in F.



9. Run experiment n times, get out cases x_1, \dots, x_n

for event E , define $n(E)$ number of times E occurred in these trials = # of x_i such that x_i is in E

Define $f(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n}$. We show it satisfies Axioms 1, 2, 3:

Axiom 1: By definition $0 \leq n(E) \leq n$ so

$$0 \leq \frac{n(E)}{n} \leq 1$$

Axiom 2: Since S occurred n times, $n(S) = n$

$$\text{so } f(S) = 1$$

Axiom 3: E_1, E_2, E_3, \dots mutually exclusive $E_i E_j = \emptyset$

$n\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} n(E_i)$ since each time E_i occurs in the sequence x_1, \dots, x_n , the other E_j do not occur.

$$\text{so } f\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \frac{n\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right)}{n} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{n(E_i)}{n} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f(E_i) \quad \square$$