

MATH 30440, SPRING 2009 Homework 1 Solutions

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1)  $S = \{RR, RB, RG, BR, BG, BB, GR, GB, GG\}$

(where "RR" means "first marble is red, second marble is red")

For the second experiment,

$$S = \{RB, RG, BR, BG, GR, GB\}$$

4)  $EF =$  first is 1, and sum is odd

$$E \cup F = \text{Either first is } \underline{1} \text{ or sum is odd (or perhaps both)}$$

$$FG = \text{first is } \underline{1} \text{ and sum is } \underline{5}$$

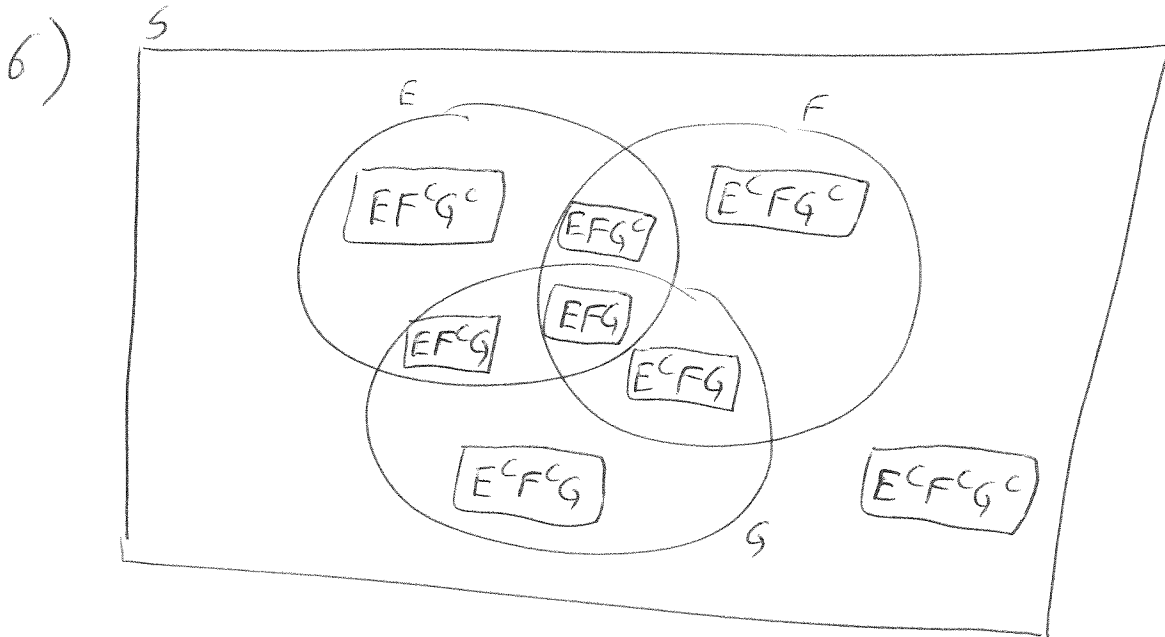
$$E F^c = \text{sum is odd and } \underline{\text{not}} \text{ first is } \underline{1}$$

$$EFG = \text{sum is odd and first is one and sum is } \underline{5}$$

5) a)  $2^4 = 16$

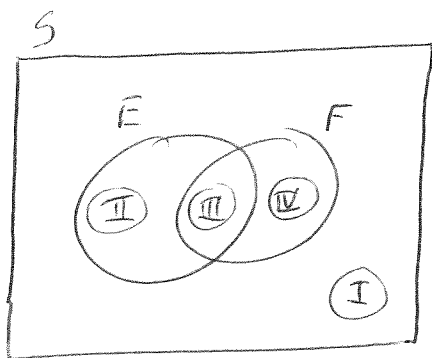
b)  $(1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1, 1)$   
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c)  $2^2 = 4$  [2 choices for each of components 2 and 4]



- a)  $EF^cG^c$
- b)  $EF^cG$
- c) Union of all of the boxed expressions above, except  $E^cFG^c$
- d)  $EFG^c \cup EF^cG \cup E^cFG \cup EFG$
- e)  $EFG$
- f)  $E^cF^cG^c$
- g)  $E^cFG^c \cup EF^cG^c \cup E^cFG^c \cup E^cFG$
- h) Union of everything except  $EFG$
- i)  $EFG^c \cup EF^cG \cup E^cFG$
- j) Union of everything

8)



a)  $EF = \text{III}$ ,  $E = \text{II} \cup \text{III}$ , so  $EF \subseteq F$

$E \cup F = \text{II} \cup \text{III} \cup \text{IV}$ , so  $E \subseteq E \cup F$

b) If  $E \subseteq F$  then there is nothing in ~~II~~  $\text{II}$

$F^c = \text{I} \cup \text{II} = \text{I}$  (if there is nothing in  $\text{II}$ )

$E^c = \text{I} \cup \text{IV}$

so  $F^c \subseteq E^c$

c)  $EF = FE = \text{III}$

$E \cup F = F \cup E = \text{everything in } \text{II}, \text{III} \text{ and } \text{IV}$

e)  $FE = \text{III}$ ,  $FE^c = \text{IV}$ , so

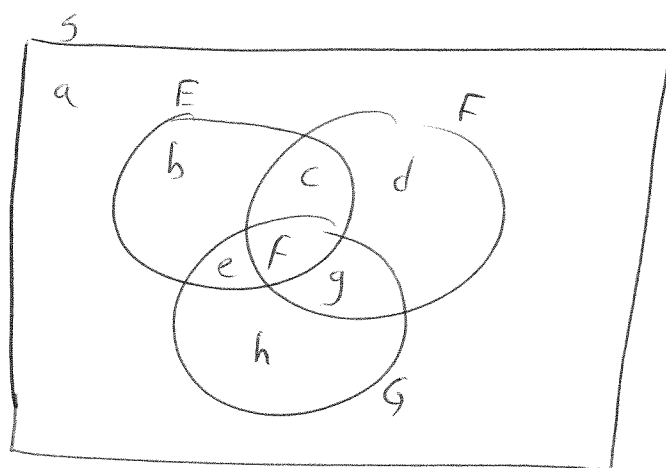
$FE \cup FE^c = \text{III} \cup \text{IV} = F$

f)  $E \cup F = \text{II} \cup \text{III} \cup \text{IV}$   
 $E \cup E^c F = \text{II} \cup \text{III} \cup \text{IV}$  } so they are equal

g)  $(E \cup F)^c = (\text{II} \cup \text{III} \cup \text{IV})^c = \text{I}$   
 $E^c F^c = \text{I}$  } so they are equal

$(EF)^c = \text{III}^c = \text{I} \cup \text{II} \cup \text{IV}$   
 $E^c \cup F^c = \text{I} \cup \text{II} \cup \text{IV}$  } so they are equal

Picture for d):



$$(E \cap F) \cap G = (c \cup f) \cap (e \cup f \cup g \cup h) = f \quad \checkmark$$

$$E \cap (F \cap G) = (b \cup c \cup e \cup f) \cap (f \cup g) = f$$

$$(E \cup F) \cap G = (b \cup c \cup d \cup e \cup f \cup g) \cap (e \cup f \cup g \cup h)$$

= Union of everything except a

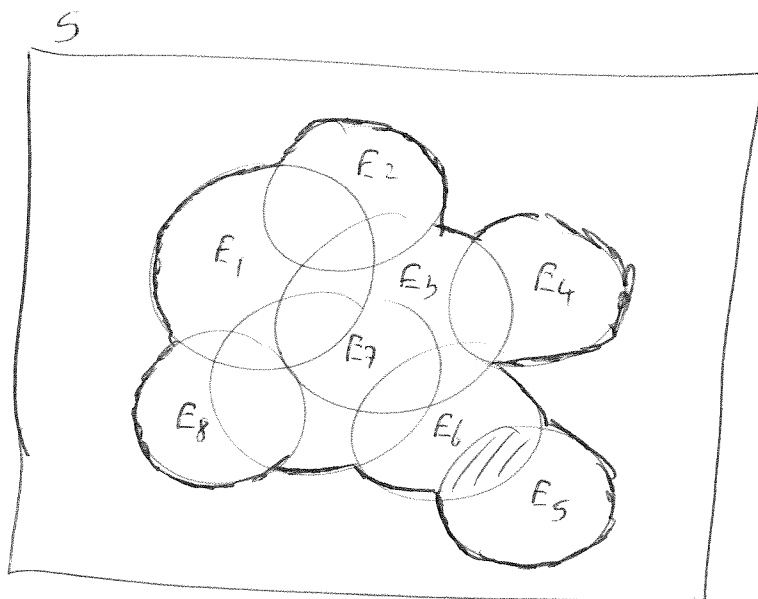
$$E \cup (F \cap G) = \text{'' '' '' '' '' ''} \quad \checkmark$$

10) If  $E \subset F$ , then  $F = E \cup E^c \cap F$ . These are mutually exclusive, so

$$P(F) = P(E) + P(E^c \cap F)$$

Since  $P(E^c \cap F) \geq 0$ , get  $P(E) \leq P(F)$

11)



$P(\cup E_i)$  adds the probabilities of all the sample points inside the outer boundary of the circles (shown by a heavy line); all points are counted once

$\sum P(E_i)$  does the same, except some of the points may be counted multiple times (eg, points in common to  $E_5$  and  $E_6$  in picture above are counted twice)

$$\text{So } P(\cup E_i) \leq \sum P(E_i)$$

$$12) P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(EF)$$

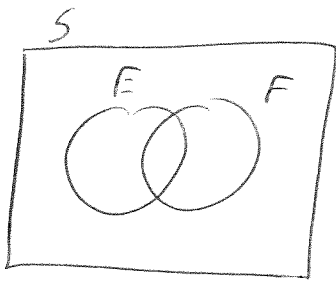
Since  $P(E \cup F) \leq 1$ , get

$$1 \geq P(E) + P(F) - P(EF), \text{ or}$$

$$P(EF) \geq P(E) + P(F) - 1$$

(in particular, if  $P(E) = P(F) = .9$ ,  $P(EF) \geq .9 + .9 - 1 = .8$ )

13)



a)  $E = EF \cup EF^c$ , and these are mutually exclusive;

so  $P(E) = P(EF) + P(EF^c)$ , and

$$P(EF^c) = P(E) - P(EF)$$

b)  $E^c F^c = (E \cup F)^c$  (De Morgan)

$$\text{so } P(E^c F^c) = P((E \cup F)^c) = 1 - P(E \cup F)$$

$$= 1 - [P(E) + P(F) - P(EF)]$$

$$= 1 - P(E) - P(F) + P(EF)$$

$$15) \binom{9}{3} = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 84$$

$$\binom{9}{6} = \frac{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4}{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 84$$

$$\binom{7}{2} = \frac{7 \cdot 6}{2 \cdot 1} = 21$$

$$\binom{7}{5} = \frac{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3}{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 21$$

$$\binom{10}{7} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4}{7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 120$$

$$16) \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!(n-(n-r))!} = \binom{n}{n-r}$$

OR: Choosing which  $r$  elements to put into a subset of size  $r$  from a set of size  $n$  is the same as choosing which  $n-r$  elements not to put in.

$$17) \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

$$\binom{n-1}{r-1} + \binom{n-1}{r} = \frac{(n-1)!}{(r-1)!(n-r)!} + \frac{(n-1)!}{r!(n-r-1)!}$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{(r-1)!(n-r)!} \left[ \frac{1}{n-r} + \frac{1}{r} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{(r-1)!(n-r-1)!} \left[ \frac{r+n-r}{r(n-r)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(n-1)!}{(r-1)!(n-r-1)!} \left[ \frac{n}{r(n-r)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} = \binom{n}{r}$$

OR :  $\binom{n}{r}$  counts # subsets of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  of size  $r$

$\binom{n-1}{r-1}$  counts # subsets of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  of size  $r$ ,  
that include  $n$  (once  $n$  is in,  
remaining  $r-1$  elements must be  
chosen from among  $n-1$ )

$\binom{n-1}{r}$  counts # subsets of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  of size  $r$ ,  
that don't include  $n$  (with  $n$   
forbidden, all  $r$  elements must  
come from among  $n-1$ )

Since each subset of size  $r$  from  $\{1, \dots, n\}$   
must either include or not include  $n$ ,  
but not both,

$$\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r-1} + \binom{n-1}{r}$$