

**Math 463/563**  
**Homework #2 - Due Friday, October 16**

1. How many 5-digit numbers can be formed with digits  $1, 2, \dots, 9$  if no digit can appear exactly once? (For instance, 43443 and 88888 are OK, while 43413 is not counted.)
2. We shuffle a deck of six cards  $\boxed{1}$ ,  $\boxed{2}$ ,  $\boxed{3}$ ,  $\boxed{4}$ ,  $\boxed{5}$ , and  $\boxed{6}$  so that each of the  $6!$  possible configurations (orderings) has equal probability of  $\frac{1}{6!}$ . Let  $A$  be the event that card  $\boxed{1}$  is among the top three cards in the deck, and let  $B$  be the event that card  $\boxed{5}$  ends up being second from the top. Find the probability of the event  $A \cup B$ .
3. Simplify  $(E \cup F) \cap (E \cup \overline{F})$ , and  $(E \cup F) \cap (\overline{E} \cup F) \cap (E \cup \overline{F})$
4. Consider events  $E$ ,  $F$ , and  $G$ . Find the expressions in  $E$ ,  $F$  and  $G$  for the following events.
  - (a) At least one of the three events occurs.
  - (b) At most one of the three events occurs.
  - (c) Exactly two of them occur.
  - (d) At most two of the three events occur.
  - (e) All three events occur.
  - (f) None of the three events occurs.
  - (g) At most three of the events occur.
  - (h)  $E$  or  $F$ , but not  $G$  occur.
  - (i) Both  $E$  and  $F$ , but not  $G$  occur.
  - (j) Exactly one of the three events occurs.

*Example:* The event that “only  $G$  occurs” is expressed as  $\overline{E} \cap \overline{F} \cap G$ .

5. Prove that

$$P(E \cup F \cup G) = P(E) + P(F) + P(G) - P(\overline{E} \cap F \cap G) - P(E \cap \overline{F} \cap G) - P(E \cap F \cap \overline{G}) - 2P(E \cap F \cap G)$$

6. Prove that

$$P(\overline{E} \cap \overline{F} \cap \overline{G}) = 1 - P(E) - P(F) - P(G) + P(E \cap F) + P(E \cap G) + P(F \cap G) - P(E \cap F \cap G)$$

7. Given events  $E$ ,  $F$  and  $G$ , such that  $P(F) > P(F \cap G) > 0$ . Prove directly that

$$P(E|F) = P(E|F \cap G) \cdot P(G|F) + P(E|F \cap \overline{G}) \cdot P(\overline{G}|F)$$

8. Use induction to generalize Bonferroni's inequality to  $n$  events:

$$P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots \cap E_n) \geq P(E_1) + P(E_2) + \dots + P(E_n) - (n - 1)$$

9. Prove that if  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$  are independent events, then

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - P(E_i))$$

10. In a video game, you have a choice between two roads, "Road 1" and "Road 2". Suppose you don't know where the roads will take you, and select a road at random with probability  $1/2$  for each choice. Road 1 takes you to a castle, where your character defeats the dragon and wins the game with probability  $2/3$  or loses to the dragon with probability  $1/3$ . Road 2 takes you to a cave, where your character defeats the goblin and wins the game with probability  $2/5$  or loses to the goblin with probability  $3/5$ . Find the probability of winning the game. Conditioned on the event that the game was won, what is the probability that you took Road 1?