

Problem 1. Assume that we are flipping a fair coin 6 times. What is the probability of the event "There is an even number of heads or there is exactly 3 heads and 3 tails"?

Problem 2. A standard deck of 52 cards is dealt out to 4 players so that each player gets 4 cards. What is the probability that none of the 4 players have cards of all four suits? You do not need to simplify the binomial symbols.

Problem 3. Suppose $m > 1$ begonias and $n > 1$ fuchsias are randomly arranged on a window sill. All orderings of the $m + n$ flowers are equally likely. What is the probability that to the right of the leftmost begonia there is another begonia?

Problem 4. A nonnegative integer solution of $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 11$ is picked uniformly at random. What is the probability that $x_1 \leq 3, x_2 \leq 4$, and $x_3 \leq 6$ in the chosen solution?

Problem 5. Let (Ω, P) be a probability space and B an event. Consider a function $P' : 2^B \rightarrow [0, 1]$ defined as $P'(X) = P(X)/P(B)$. Prove that (B, P') forms a probability space.

Problem 6. (*) A set of events A_1, \dots, A_i is said to be independent if $P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_i) = \prod_{j=1}^i P(A_j)$. Now take a probability space with 8 elements where each event, i.e., equally likely and in it 4 events A, B, C, D such that each triple of events is independent but all 4 events aren't.

Problem 7. Let π be a permutation of the set $\{1, \dots, n\}$. For $1 \leq i \leq n$, we call i a fixed point of π if $\pi(i) = i$. A permutation is called a derangement if it has no fixed points.

1. List all derangements of $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$.
2. Compute the number of derangements of $\{1, \dots, n\}$.
3. What is the probability that a permutation of $\{1, \dots, n\}$, picked uniformly at random, is a derangement as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Problem 8. (HW) Let R be a relation over a set X . Consider the relation \preceq_R defined over $X \times X$ as follows: $(a_1, b_1) \preceq_R (a_2, b_2)$ if either $a_1 \neq a_2 \wedge (a_1, a_2) \in R$ or $a_1 = a_2 \wedge (b_1, b_2) \in R$. Prove that \preceq_R is an order over $X \times X$ if and only if R is an order over X .

Problem 9. (HW) Let X be a set and let R be a relation over X that is both reflexive and transitive. Define the relation \sim_R over X as follows: $a \sim_R b$ iff $(a, b) \in R \wedge (b, a) \in R$.

1. Prove that \sim_R is an equivalence relation over X .
2. Let \mathcal{X}_R be the set of equivalence classes of \sim_R . Define the relation \preceq_R over \mathcal{X}_R as follows: $A \preceq_R B$ iff $\exists a \in A, b \in B : (a, b) \in R$. Prove that \preceq_R defines an order over \mathcal{X}_R .