

## Tutorial 1

### Exercise 1:

Specify the following sets by the rule method.

$$A = \{1, 2, 3\}, B = \{8, 10, 12, 14\}, C = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\}$$

### Exercise 2:

State every subset of the set of letters  $\{a, b, c, d\}$ .

### Exercise 3

Two sets are given by  $A = \{-6, -4, -0.5, 0, 1.6, 8\}$  and  $B = \{-0.5, 0, 1, 2, 4\}$ . Find:

(a)  $A - B$

(b)  $B - A$

(c)  $A \cup B$

(d)  $A \cap B$

(e)  $\bar{A} \cap B$

### Exercise 4

Sketch a Venn diagram for three events where:

$$A \cap B \neq \phi, B \cap C \neq \phi, C \cap A \neq \phi \text{ but } A \cap B \cap C = \phi$$

### Exercise 5

An experiment has a sample space with 10 equally likely elements  $S = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{10}\}$ . The events are defined as  $A = \{a_1, a_5, a_9\}$ ,  $B = \{a_1, a_2, a_6, a_9\}$  and  $C = \{a_6, a_9\}$ . Find the probability of:

(a)  $A \cup C$

(b)  $A - \bar{C}$

(c)  $A \cap (B \cup C)$

(d)  $\overline{A \cup B}$

(e)  $(A \cup B) \cap C$

### Exercise 6

An experiment consists of rolling a single die. Two events are defined as:

$$A = \{6 \text{ shows up}\} \text{ and } B = \{2 \text{ or } 5 \text{ shows up}\}.$$

(a) Find  $P(A)$  and  $P(B)$ .

(b) Define a third event  $C$  that  $P(C) = 1 - P(A) - P(B)$

**Exercise 7**

In a box there are 500 colored balls: 75 black, 150 green, 175 red, 70 white and 30 blue. What are the probabilities of selecting ball of each color?

**Exercise 8**

In three boxes there are capacitors as shown in the next Table. An experiment consist first randomly selecting a box, assuming each has the same likelihood of selection, and then selecting a capacitor from the chosen box.

- (a) What is the probability of selecting a 0.01uF capacitor, given that box 2 is selected?  
 (b) If a 0.01uF capacitor is selected, what is the probability it came from box 3?

Value (uF)	Number in Box			Totals
	1	2	3	
0.01	20	95	25	140
0.1	55	35	75	165
1.0	70	80	145	295
Totals	145	210	245	600

**Exercise 9**

A missile can be accidentally launched if two relays  $A$  and  $B$  both have failed. The probabilities of  $A$  and  $B$  failing are known to be 0.01 and 0.03 respectively. It is also known that  $B$  is more likely to fail ( probability 0.06) if  $A$  has failed.

- (a) What is the probability of an accidental missile launch?  
 (b) What is the probability that  $A$  will fail if  $B$  has failed?  
 (c) Are the events " $A$  fails" and " $B$  fails" statistically independent?

**Exercise 10**

Given that two events  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are statistically independent, show that:

- (a)  $A_1$  is independent of  $\bar{A}_2$   
 (b)  $\bar{A}_1$  is independent of  $A_2$   
 (c)  $\bar{A}_1$  is independent of  $\bar{A}_2$