# Homework 4-Solution (ECE 313/317, Fall 2023):

## Problem 1: (4.5 points)

An urn contains 9 white and 5 black balls. We draw 5 balls **simultaneously** (i.e; without replacement and we do not take into consideration the order).

• We have 14 balls (9 W + 5 B). We draw 5 balls simultaneously  $\Rightarrow$  the number of all possibilities is

$$|\Omega| = C_5^{14} = \frac{14!}{5!9!} = 2002$$
 possible sets of 5 balls (0.25)

 $\rightarrow$  There is no repetition (I'm not returning back the ball)+The order doesn't matter

a) What is the probability of getting 3 whites and 2 blacks? - Event A: {Getting 3 W and 2 B}  $\rightarrow$  (3W, 2B)

$$|A| = C_3^9 \times C_2^5 = \frac{9!}{3!6!} \times \frac{5!}{2!3!} = 84 \times 10 = 840 \implies \mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{840}{2002} = 0.42$$
(01)

b) What is the probability that all the 5 balls are of the same color?
- Event B: {getting all the 5 balls in the same color}
→ (5 W, 0B) OR (0 W, 5B).

$$|B| = C_5^9 + C_5^5 = \frac{9!}{5!4!} + \frac{5!}{0!5!} = 127 \implies \mathbb{P}(B) = \frac{|B|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{127}{2002} = 0.064.25$$
(01)

c) What is the probability of getting 1 white and 4 black balls? - Event C: {getting 1 white and 4 black}  $\rightarrow$  (1 W, 4 B)

$$|C| = C_1^9 \times C_4^5 = \frac{9!}{1!8!} \times \frac{5!}{4!1!} = 9 \times 5 = 45 \implies \mathbb{P}(C) = \frac{|C|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{45}{2002} = 0.0225$$
(01)

- d) What is the probability of getting 2 white and 3 black knowing that at least one of the 5 balls is black?
  - Event E: {At least one of the 5 balls is in black}

$$\{(1 B, 4 W) \text{ or } (2 B, 3 W) \text{ or } (3 B, 2 W) \text{ or } (4 B, 1 W) \text{ or } (5 B, 0 W)\}$$

$$|E| = (C_1^5 \times C_4^9) + (C_2^5 \times C_3^9) + (C_3^5 \times C_2^9) + (C_4^5 \times C_1^9) + (C_5^5 \times C_0^9)$$
  
=  $\left(\frac{5!}{1!4!} \times \frac{9!}{4!5!}\right) + \left(\frac{5!}{2!3!} \times \frac{9!}{3!6!}\right) + \left(\frac{5!}{3!2!} \times \frac{9!}{2!7!}\right) + \left(\frac{5!}{4!1!} \times \frac{9!}{1!8!}\right) + \left(\frac{5!}{5!0!} \times \frac{9!}{0!9!}\right)$   
 $(5 \times 126) + (10 \times 84) + (10 \times 36) + (5 \times 9) + (1 \times 1) = 1876 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(E) = \frac{|E|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{1876}{2002} = 0.9371 \qquad (0.25)$ 

- Remark: We can compute this probability through the complement.
- $E^C = \{\text{There are no black balls}\} \Leftrightarrow |E^c| = C_5^9 = 126$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{P}(E^c) = \frac{|E|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{126}{2002} = 0.0629 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(E) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(E^c) = 1 - 0.0629 = 0.9371$$

• Event D: {getting 2 white and 3 black balls}  $\rightarrow$  (2 W, 3 B)

$$|D| = C_2^9 \times C_3^5 = \frac{9!}{2!7!} \times \frac{5!}{3!2!} = 36 \times 10 = 360 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(D) = \frac{|D|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{360}{2002} = 0.1789 \qquad (0.25)$$

• Event D|E: getting (2 W, 3 B) knowing that at least one of the 5 balls is black  $\rightarrow$  We have  $D \cap E = D$  since  $D \subset E$ 

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(D|E) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(D \cap E)}{\mathbb{P}(E)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(D)}{\mathbb{P}(E)} = \frac{0.1789}{0.9371} = 0.1919 = \frac{|D|}{|E|} = \frac{360}{1876}$$
(0.75)

## Problem 2: (3 points)

In an urn, there are 2 white balls and 3 black balls. Two balls are drawn successively without replacement.

• We have 5 balls (2 W + 3 B). We draw 2 balls successively without replacement  $\Rightarrow$  It is an arrangement without repetition  $\Rightarrow$  the # of possibilities is

$$|\Omega| = \mathbb{A}_2^5 = \frac{5!}{(5-2)!} = \frac{5!}{3!} = 20 \text{ possible sets of 2 balls where the order matters} \qquad (0.5)$$

- Calculate the probabilities of the following two events:

1) Event A: {getting 2 balls of the same color}  $\rightarrow$  (1W, 1W) or (1B,1B)

$$|A| = \mathbb{A}_2^2 + \mathbb{A}_2^3 = \frac{2!}{(2-2)!} + \frac{3!}{(3-2)!} = 2 + 6 = 8 \implies \mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{8}{20} = 0.4$$
(1.25)

2) Event B: {getting two balls of different colors}  $\to$  (1W, 1B) or (1B, 1W)  $\to$  since the order matters

## • Method 1:

$$|B| = (\mathbb{A}_1^2 \times \mathbb{A}_1^3) + (\mathbb{A}_1^3 \times \mathbb{A}_1^2) = \left(\frac{2!}{(2-1)!} \times \frac{3!}{(3-1)!}\right) + \left(\frac{3!}{(3-1)!} \times \frac{2!}{(2-1)!}\right) = 2(2 \times 3) = 12$$
  
$$\Rightarrow \ \mathbb{P}(B) = \frac{|B|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{12}{20} = 0.6 \qquad (1.25)$$

• Method 2: consider it as a combination of getting (1W, 1B) but we should take into consideration all the possible permutations since the order matters

$$|B| = 2! \times (\mathbb{C}_1^2 \times \mathbb{C}_1^3) = 2! \times \frac{2!}{1!(2-1)!} \times \frac{3!}{1!(3-1)!} = 2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12 \implies \mathbb{P}(B) = \frac{|B|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{12}{20} = 0.6$$

We are multiplying by 2! since the order matters: If I will draw the W first and the B second is different from I'm drawing the B first and the W second.
Method 3: We can go through the complement. We have B = A<sup>c</sup>

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(B) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - 0.4 = 0.6$$

#### Problem 3: (1.5 points)

You want to order a pizza. If you have a choice of 5 different toppings, how many different pizzas can be ordered?

# of pizza = 
$$C_0^5 + C_1^5 + C_2^5 + C_3^5 + C_4^5 + C_5^5 = 32 = 2^5$$
 (1.5)

#### Problem 4: (4.5 points)

- How many 5-digit numbers where 0 occurs once and only once?

• We will take 5 numbers from  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ , where the order matters and we have right to repeat the numbers (an arrangement with repetition).

- The first number should not be 0 We have 9 possibilities for the first number.
- We will take 0 only one time  $\Rightarrow$  0 have 4 possibilities to be placed.
- Each of the three remaining numbers have 9 possibilities.

 $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$  $\downarrow$ 9 0 9 9  $9 \leftarrow \text{possibilities when } 0 \text{ is placed in the 2nd position}$ 9  $9 \leftarrow$  possibilities when 0 is placed in the 3rd position 9 0 9 9 0  $9 \leftarrow \text{possibilities when } 0 \text{ is placed in the 4th position}$ 9 9 9 9 9 9  $0 \leftarrow \text{possibilities when } 0 \text{ is placed in the 5th position}$ 

 $P = 9 \times 4 \times 9 \times 9 \times 9 = 26244.$ (0.75)

- How many ways to order the letters of MISSISSIPPI?

• It is a permutation with repetition: There are 11 letters. "S" is repeated 4 times, "I" is repeated 4 times and "P" is repeated 2 times

$$P = \frac{11!}{4!4!2!} = 34650 \qquad (0.75)$$

- How many ways are there to permute the letters of the word FORMULA?
- It is a permutation without repetition: There are 6 letters.

$$P = 7! = 5040. \qquad (0.75)$$

- How many ways are there to permute the letters of the word HAPPY?

• It is a permutation with repetition: There are 5 letters, "P" is repeated 2 times

$$P = \frac{5!}{2!} = 60. \qquad (0.75)$$

- How many ways can the letters of the word TRIANGLE be arranged if the first three letters must be RAN (in any order)?

• Let the case1: RAN  $\underbrace{\{T \ I \ G \ L \ E\}}_{\text{permutes these letters}}$ .

$$P = 1 \times 5! = 120. \tag{0.75}$$

• Let the case 2:  $\underbrace{\{R, A, N\}}_{\text{permute these letters}} \times \underbrace{\{T \ I \ G \ L \ E\}}_{\text{permute these letters}}.$ 

 $P = 3! \times 5! = 720$ Try to consider this answer as a correct one too

- How many different sets of four letters can be formed from the word TRIAN-GLE

• It is a combination of 4 elements from 8 elements.

$$P = C_4^8 = \frac{8!}{4!(8-4)!} = \frac{8!}{4!4!} = 70.$$
(0.75)

### Problem 5: (2 points)

In a Christmas lottery, 300 tickets are sold; 4 tickets are winners. If I buy 10 tickets, what is the probability that I will win at least one prize?

 $\bullet$  There are  $C^{10}_{300}$  possible outcomes by buying 10 tickets from 300

$$\Rightarrow |\Omega| = C_{10}^{300} = \frac{300!}{10!(300 - 10)!} = \frac{300!}{10!290!} \to \text{ It is a huge number} \qquad (0.5)$$

• Let the event A: I will win at least 1 prize

$$\rightarrow A = \{(1W, 9L) \text{ or } (2W, 8L) \text{ or } (3W, 7L) \text{ or } (4W, 6L)\}$$

• Method 1: We have 4 Winners and 296 Losing tickets

$$\begin{split} |A| &= (C_1^4 \times C_9^{296}) + (C_2^4 \times C_8^{296}) + (C_3^4 \times C_7^{296}) + (C_4^4 \times C_6^{296}) \\ \mathbb{P}(A) &= \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{(C_1^4 \times C_9^{296}) + (C_2^4 \times C_8^{296}) + (C_3^4 \times C_7^{296}) + (C_4^4 \times C_6^{296})}{C_{10}^{300}} \\ &= \frac{C_1^4 \times C_9^{296}}{C_{10}^{300}} + \frac{C_2^4 \times C_8^{296}}{C_{10}^{300}} + \frac{C_3^4 \times C_7^{296}}{C_{10}^{300}} + \frac{C_4^4 \times C_6^{296}}{C_{10}^{300}} = 0.12 \quad (1.5) \end{split}$$

- Method 2: We can go through the complement.

- We have 4 W and 296 L  $\Rightarrow$  The event  $A^c$  = "All the 10 tickets are losing tickets"

$$|A^{c}| = C_{10}^{296} \implies \mathbb{P}(A^{c}) = \frac{C_{10}^{296}}{C_{10}^{300}} = \frac{\frac{296!}{10!286!}}{\frac{300!}{10!290!}} = \frac{296!290!}{286!300!} = 0.8726.$$

 $\rightarrow$  Less computation than the first method.

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A^c) = 1 - 0.8726 = 0.12.$$

- Method 3: We can use the binomial probability:

- Consider that we have 10 experiments with two possible results (W,L)  $\rightarrow$  $\mathbb{P}(W) = \frac{4}{300} \text{ and } \mathbb{P}(L) = \frac{296}{300}$ Let X:{the number of the winner tickets}

$$\mathbb{P}(X=0) = C_0^{10} [\mathbb{P}(W)]^0 [\mathbb{P}(L)]^{10} = 1 \times 1 \times [\frac{296}{300}]^{10} = [\frac{296}{300}]^{10} = 0.8744$$
$$\mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X=0) = 1 - 0.8744 = 0.12$$

#### **Problem 6: (1.5 points)** (Hoosier Lottery)

When you buy a Powerball ticket, you select 5 different white numbers from among the numbers 1 through 59 (order of selection does not matter), and one red number from among the numbers 1 through 35. How many different Powerball tickets can you buy?

• If you check out the Powerball you will see that you need to select 5 distinct white numbers  $\rightarrow$  you can do this as follow

$$C_5^{59} = \frac{59!}{5!(59-5)!} = \frac{59!}{5!54!} = 5006386$$
 ways.

- Then you can pick the red number

$$C_1^{35} = \frac{35!}{1!(35-1)!} = \frac{35!}{1!34!} = 35$$
 ways.

 $\Rightarrow$  The total number of tickets is

$$C_5^{59} \times C_1^{35} = 5006386 \times 35 = 175223510.$$
 (1.5)

#### Problem 7: (3 points)

One person is playing 10 times a game with only two possibilities success or failure. The probability that this person succeeds in the game is p = 0.7 and the probability of failure is 1 - p = 0.3.

- Let the event  $A = \{ \text{The person succeeds the game 6 times} \}$ 

1) What is the probability that this person will succeed 6 times in the game? - A typical outcome :  $\{SFFSSFSFSS\} \rightarrow$  This is a binomial probability.

$$\mathbb{P}(X=6) = C_6^{10} p^6 (1-p)^4 = \frac{10!}{6!4!} (0.7)^6 (0.3)^4 = 210 \times 0.1176 \times 0.0081 = 0.2 \quad (01)$$

- 2) If the probability of success is p = 0.5, compute in two different ways the probability that this person succeeds 6 times the game.
  - Method1: We can use the binomial probability

$$\mathbb{P}(X=6) = C_6^{10} p^6 (1-p)^4 = \frac{10!}{6!4!} (0.5)^6 (0.5)^4 = 210 \times 0.1176 \times 0.0081 = 0.2051 \quad (01)$$

• **Method2:** We can use the cardinal since the success and the failure are equally likely.

$$|\Omega| = 2^{10} = 1024, \quad |A| = C_6^{10} = \frac{10!}{6!4!} = 210$$
  
 $\mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{210}{1024} = 0.2051$  (01)