

Probability Theory

"If any little problem comes your way, I shall be happy, if I can, to give you a hint or two as to its solution."

Sherlock Holmes

The Adventure of the Three Students

- 1.1 a. Each sample point describes the result of the toss (H or T) for each of the four tosses. So, for example THTT denotes T on 1st, H on 2nd, T on 3rd and T on 4th. There are $2^4 = 16$ such sample points.
- b. The number of damaged leaves is a nonnegative integer. So we might use $S = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.
- c. We might observe fractions of an hour. So we might use $S = \{t : t \geq 0\}$, that is, the half infinite interval $[0, \infty)$.
- d. Suppose we weigh the rats in ounces. The weight must be greater than zero so we might use $S = (0, \infty)$. If we know no 10-day-old rat weighs more than 100 oz., we could use $S = (0, 100]$.
- e. If n is the number of items in the shipment, then $S = \{0/n, 1/n, \dots, 1\}$.
- 1.2 For each of these equalities, you must show containment in both directions.
- a. $x \in A \setminus B \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ and $x \notin B \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ and $x \notin A \cap B \Leftrightarrow x \in A \setminus (A \cap B)$. Also, $x \in A$ and $x \notin B \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ and $x \in B^c \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cap B^c$.
- b. Suppose $x \in B$. Then either $x \in A$ or $x \in A^c$. If $x \in A$, then $x \in B \cap A$, and, hence $x \in (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c)$. Thus $B \subset (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c)$. Now suppose $x \in (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c)$. Then either $x \in (B \cap A)$ or $x \in (B \cap A^c)$. If $x \in (B \cap A)$, then $x \in B$. If $x \in (B \cap A^c)$, then $x \in B$. Thus $(B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c) \subset B$. Since the containment goes both ways, we have $B = (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c)$. (Note, a more straightforward argument for this part simply uses the Distributive Law to state that $(B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c) = B \cap (A \cup A^c) = B \cap S = B$.)
- c. Similar to part a).
- d. From part b).
 $A \cup B = A \cup [(B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A^c)] = A \cup (B \cap A) \cup A \cup (B \cap A^c) = A \cup [A \cup (B \cap A^c)] = A \cup (B \cap A^c)$.
- 1.3 a. $x \in A \cup B \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ or $x \in B \Leftrightarrow x \in B \cup A$
 $x \in A \cap B \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ and $x \in B \Leftrightarrow x \in B \cap A$.
- b. $x \in A \cup (B \cap C) \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ or $x \in B \cap C \Leftrightarrow x \in A \cup B$ or $x \in C \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cup B) \cup C$.
(It can similarly be shown that $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup C) \cap B$.)
 $x \in A \cap (B \cap C) \Leftrightarrow x \in A$ and $x \in B$ and $x \in C \Leftrightarrow x \in (A \cap B) \cap C$.
- c. $x \in (A \cup B)^c \Leftrightarrow x \notin A$ and $x \notin B \Leftrightarrow x \in A^c$ and $x \in B^c \Leftrightarrow x \in A^c \cap B^c$
 $x \in (A \cap B)^c \Leftrightarrow x \notin A \cap B \Leftrightarrow x \notin A$ or $x \notin B \Leftrightarrow x \in A^c$ or $x \in B^c \Leftrightarrow x \in A^c \cup B^c$.
- 1.4 a. "A or B or both" is $A \cup B$. From Theorem 1.2.9b we have $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$.

- b. "A or B but not both" is $(A \cap B^c) \cup (B \cap A^c)$. Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} P((A \cap B^c) \cup (B \cap A^c)) &= P(A \cap B^c) + P(B \cap A^c) && \text{(disjoint union)} \\ &= [P(A) - P(A \cap B)] + [P(B) - P(A \cap B)] && \text{(Theorem 1.2.9a)} \\ &= P(A) + P(B) - 2P(A \cap B). \end{aligned}$$

- c. "At least one of A or B" is $A \cup B$. So we get the same answer as in a).
 d. "At most one of A or B" is $(A \cap B)^c$, and $P((A \cap B)^c) = 1 - P(A \cap B)$.
 1.5 a. $A \cap B \cap C = \{\text{a U.S. birth results in identical twins that are female}\}$
 b. $P(A \cap B \cap C) = \frac{1}{90} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$

1.6

$$p_0 = (1-u)(1-w), \quad p_1 = u(1-w) + w(1-u), \quad p_2 = uw,$$

$$p_0 = p_2 \Rightarrow u + w = 1$$

$$p_1 = p_2 \Rightarrow uw = 1/3.$$

These two equations imply $u(1-u) = 1/3$, which has no solution in the real numbers. Thus, the probability assignment is not legitimate.

1.7 a.

$$P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points}) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{\pi r^2}{A} & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \frac{\pi r^2}{A} \left[\frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2} \right] & \text{if } i = 1, \dots, 5. \end{cases}$$

b.

$$P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} | \text{board is hit}) = \frac{P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} \cap \text{board is hit})}{P(\text{board is hit})}$$

$$P(\text{board is hit}) = \frac{\pi r^2}{A}$$

$$P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} \cap \text{board is hit}) = \frac{\pi r^2}{A} \left[\frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2} \right] \quad i = 1, \dots, 5.$$

Therefore,

$$P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} | \text{board is hit}) = \frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2} \quad i = 1, \dots, 5$$

which is exactly the probability distribution of Example 1.2.7.

- 1.8 a. $P(\text{scoring exactly } i \text{ points}) = P(\text{inside circle } i) - P(\text{inside circle } i+1)$. Circle i has radius $(6-i)r/5$, so

$$P(\text{scoring exactly } i \text{ points}) = \frac{\pi(6-i)^2 r^2}{5^2 \pi r^2} - \frac{\pi((6-(i+1)))^2 r^2}{5^2 \pi r^2} = \frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2}.$$

- b. Expanding the squares in part a) we find $P(\text{scoring exactly } i \text{ points}) = \frac{11-2i}{25}$, which is decreasing in i .
 c. Let $P(i) = \frac{11-2i}{25}$. Since $i \leq 5$, $P(i) \geq 0$ for all i . $P(S) = P(\text{hitting the dartboard}) = 1$ by definition. Lastly, $P(i \cup j) = \text{area of } i \text{ ring} + \text{area of } j \text{ ring} = P(i) + P(j)$.
 1.9 a. Suppose $x \in (\cup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha})^c$, by the definition of complement $x \notin \cup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}$, that is $x \notin A_{\alpha}$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore $x \in A_{\alpha}^c$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Thus $x \in \cap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}^c$ and, by the definition of intersection $x \in A_{\alpha}^c$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. By the definition of complement $x \notin A_{\alpha}$ for all $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore $x \notin \cup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}$. Thus $x \in (\cup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha})^c$.

- b. Suppose $x \in (\cap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha})^c$, by the definition of complement $x \notin (\cap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha})$. Therefore $x \notin A_{\alpha}$ for some $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore $x \in A_{\alpha}^c$ for some $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Thus $x \in \cup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}^c$ and, by the definition of union, $x \in A_{\alpha}^c$ for some $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore $x \notin A_{\alpha}$ for some $\alpha \in \Gamma$. Therefore $x \notin \cap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}$. Thus $x \in (\cap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha})^c$.

1.10 For A_1, \dots, A_n

$$(i) \quad \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c \quad (ii) \quad \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \right)^c = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i^c$$

Proof of (i): If $x \in (\cup A_i)^c$, then $x \notin \cup A_i$. That implies $x \notin A_i$ for any i , so $x \in A_i^c$ for every i and $x \in \cap A_i^c$.

Proof of (ii): If $x \in (\cap A_i)^c$, then $x \notin \cap A_i$. That implies $x \in A_i^c$ for some i , so $x \in \cup A_i^c$.

1.11 We must verify each of the three properties in Definition 1.2.1.

- a. (1) The empty set $\emptyset \in \{\emptyset, S\}$. Thus $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}$. (2) $\emptyset^c = S \in \mathcal{B}$ and $S^c = \emptyset \in \mathcal{B}$. (3) $\emptyset \cup S = S \in \mathcal{B}$.
b. (1) The empty set \emptyset is a subset of any set, in particular, $\emptyset \subset S$. Thus $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}$. (2) If $A \in \mathcal{B}$, then $A \subset S$. By the definition of complementation, A^c is also a subset of S , and, hence, $A^c \in \mathcal{B}$. (3) If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}$, then, for each i , $A_i \subset S$. By the definition of union, $\cup A_i \subset S$. Hence, $\cup A_i \in \mathcal{B}$.
c. Let \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 be the two sigma algebras. (1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}_2$ since \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 are sigma algebras. Thus $\emptyset \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cap \mathcal{B}_2$. (2) If $A \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cap \mathcal{B}_2$, then $A \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $A \in \mathcal{B}_2$. Since \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 are both sigma algebra $A^c \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $A^c \in \mathcal{B}_2$. Therefore $A^c \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cap \mathcal{B}_2$. (3) If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cap \mathcal{B}_2$, then $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}_2$. Therefore, since \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 are both sigma algebra, $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{B}_1$ and $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{B}_2$. Thus $\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cap \mathcal{B}_2$.

1.12 First write

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) &= P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \cup \bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \\ &= P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) + P\left(\bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \quad (A_i \text{ s are disjoint}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) + P\left(\bigcup_{i=n+1}^{\infty} A_i\right) \quad (\text{finite additivity}) \end{aligned}$$

Now define $B_k = \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} A_i$. Note that $B_{k+1} \subset B_k$ and $B_k \rightarrow \emptyset$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. (Otherwise the sum of the probabilities would be infinite.) Thus

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) + P(B_{n+1}) \right] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i).$$

- 1.13 If A and B are disjoint, $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{13}{12}$, which is impossible. More generally, if A and B are disjoint, then $A \subset B^c$ and $P(A) \leq P(B^c)$. But here $P(A) > P(B^c)$, so A and B cannot be disjoint.
1.14 If $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$, then any subset of S can be constructed by either including or excluding s_i , for each i . Thus there are 2^n possible choices.
1.15 Proof by induction. The proof for $k = 2$ is given after Theorem 1.2.14. Assume true for k , that is, the entire job can be done in $n_1 \times n_2 \times \dots \times n_k$ ways. For $k + 1$, the $k + 1$ th task can be done in n_{k+1} ways, and for each one of these ways we can complete the job by performing

the remaining k tasks. Thus for each of the n_{k+1} we have $n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_k$ ways of completing the job by the induction hypothesis. Thus, the number of ways we can do the job is $\underbrace{(1 \times (n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_k)) + \cdots + (1 \times (n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_k))}_{n_{k+1} \text{ terms}} = n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_k \times n_{k+1}$.

1.16 a) 26^3 . b) $26^3 + 26^2$. c) $26^4 + 26^3 + 26^2$.

1.17 There are $\binom{n}{2} = n(n-1)/2$ pieces on which the two numbers do not match. (Choose 2 out of n numbers without replacement.) There are n pieces on which the two numbers match. So the total number of different pieces is $n + n(n-1)/2 = n(n+1)/2$.

1.18 The probability is $\frac{\binom{n}{2}n!}{n^n} = \frac{(n-1)(n-1)!}{2n^{n-2}}$. There are many ways to obtain this. Here is one. The denominator is n^n because this is the number of ways to place n balls in n cells. The numerator is the number of ways of placing the balls such that exactly one cell is empty. There are n ways to specify the empty cell. There are $n-1$ ways of choosing the cell with two balls. There are $\binom{n}{2}$ ways of picking the 2 balls to go into this cell. And there are $(n-2)!$ ways of placing the remaining $n-2$ balls into the $n-2$ cells, one ball in each cell. The product of these is the numerator $n(n-1)\binom{n}{2}(n-2)! = \binom{n}{2}n!$.

1.19 a. $\binom{6}{4} = 15$.

b. Think of the n variables as n bins. Differentiating with respect to one of the variables is equivalent to putting a ball in the bin. Thus there are r unlabeled balls to be placed in n unlabeled bins, and there are $\binom{n+r-1}{r}$ ways to do this.

1.20 A sample point specifies on which day (1 through 7) each of the 12 calls happens. Thus there are 7^{12} equally likely sample points. There are several different ways that the calls might be assigned so that there is at least one call each day. There might be 6 calls one day and 1 call each of the other days. Denote this by 6111111. The number of sample points with this pattern is $7\binom{12}{6}6!$. There are 7 ways to specify the day with 6 calls. There are $\binom{12}{6}$ to specify which of the 12 calls are on this day. And there are $6!$ ways of assigning the remaining 6 calls to the remaining 6 days. We will now count another pattern. There might be 4 calls on one day, 2 calls on each of two days, and 1 call on each of the remaining four days. Denote this by 4221111. The number of sample points with this pattern is $7\binom{12}{4}\binom{6}{2}\binom{8}{2}\binom{6}{2}4!$. (7 ways to pick day with 4 calls, $\binom{12}{4}$ to pick the calls for that day, $\binom{6}{2}$ to pick two days with two calls, $\binom{8}{2}$ ways to pick two calls for lowered numbered day, $\binom{6}{2}$ ways to pick the two calls for higher numbered day, $4!$ ways to order remaining 4 calls.) Here is a list of all the possibilities and the counts of the sample points for each one.

pattern	number of sample points
6111111	$7\binom{12}{6}6! = 4,656,960$
5211111	$7\binom{12}{5}6\binom{7}{2}5! = 83,825,280$
4221111	$7\binom{12}{4}\binom{6}{2}\binom{8}{2}\binom{6}{2}4! = 523,908,000$
4311111	$7\binom{12}{4}6\binom{8}{3}5! = 139,708,800$
3321111	$\binom{7}{2}\binom{12}{3}\binom{9}{3}5\binom{6}{2}4! = 698,544,000$
3222111	$7\binom{12}{3}\binom{6}{3}\binom{9}{3}\binom{7}{2}\binom{5}{2}3! = 1,397,088,000$
2222211	$\binom{7}{5}\binom{12}{2}\binom{10}{2}\binom{8}{2}\binom{6}{2}\binom{4}{2}2! = 314,344,800$
	<hr/> 3,162,075,840

The probability is the total number of sample points divided by 7^{12} , which is $\frac{3,162,075,840}{7^{12}} \approx .2285$.

1.21 The probability is $\frac{\binom{n}{2r}2^{2r}}{\binom{2n}{2r}}$. There are $\binom{2n}{2r}$ ways of choosing $2r$ shoes from a total of $2n$ shoes.

Thus there are $\binom{2n}{2r}$ equally likely sample points. The numerator is the number of sample points for which there will be no matching pair. There are $\binom{n}{2r}$ ways of choosing $2r$ different shoes

1.20: My telephone rings 12 times each week, the calls being randomly distributed among the 7 days. What is the probability that I get at least one call each day?

Solution: The problem statement is somewhat vague. To be precise, let us assume this person has 12 friends, each of whom calls exactly once each week on a randomly chosen day. We assume each friend is equally likely to call on any of the 7 days of the week and chooses the day independently of the other friends.

We switch to the complementary event and then use the principle of inclusion-exclusion.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{at least one call each day}) \\ &= 1 - P(\text{at least one day without any calls}) \\ &= 1 - P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5 \cup A_6 \cup A_7) \end{aligned}$$

where we define $A_i = \{\text{no calls on day } i\}$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, 7$.

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5 \cup A_6 \cup A_7) \\ &= \sum_i P(A_i) - \sum_{i < j} P(A_i \cap A_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) - \dots + P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_7) \\ &= \binom{7}{1} P(A_1) - \binom{7}{2} P(A_1 \cap A_2) + \binom{7}{3} P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3) - \dots + \binom{7}{7} P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_7) \\ &= \binom{7}{1} \left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{12} - \binom{7}{2} \left(\frac{5}{7}\right)^{12} + \binom{7}{3} \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^{12} - \dots + \binom{7}{7} 0^{12} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^7 (-1)^{i-1} \binom{7}{i} \left(\frac{7-i}{7}\right)^{12} \\ &\approx .7715 \end{aligned}$$

To better understand this formula consider

$$\sum_{i < j < k} P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k).$$

The event $A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k$ is the event that there are no calls on days i , j , and k . The probability of this event is clearly the same for any choice of three days so that

$$P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) = P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3)$$

for all choices of i, j, k . There are $\binom{7}{3}$ choices of 3 days i, j, k out of 7, so that the sum above reduces to $\binom{7}{3} P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3)$. The event $A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3$ occurs only if all 12 friends call during days 4, 5, 6, or 7. The probability that a given friend calls on one of these four days is $4/7$. By independence, the probability that all 12 friends call during these 4 days is $P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3) = (4/7)^{12}$.

Our final answer is now approximately

$$1 - .7715 = .2285.$$

styles. There are two ways of choosing within a given shoe style (left shoe or right shoe), which gives 2^{2r} ways of arranging each one of the $\binom{n}{2r}$ arrays. The product of this is the numerator $\binom{n}{2r} 2^{2r}$.

$$1.22 \text{ a) } \frac{\binom{31}{15} \binom{29}{15} \binom{31}{15} \binom{30}{15} \cdots \binom{31}{15}}{\binom{366}{180}} \quad \text{b) } \frac{\binom{336}{30}}{\binom{366}{30}}$$

1.23

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{same number of heads}) &= \sum_{x=0}^n P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ tosses } x, 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ tosses } x) \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^n \left[\binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-x} \right]^2 = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n \sum_{x=0}^n \binom{n}{x}^2. \end{aligned}$$

1.24 a.

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \text{ wins}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A \text{ wins on } i^{\text{th}} \text{ toss}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \cdots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2i+1} = 2/3. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b. } P(A \text{ wins}) = p + (1-p)^2 p + (1-p)^4 p + \cdots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} p(1-p)^{2i} = \frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2}.$$

$$\text{c. } \frac{d}{dp} \left(\frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2} \right) = \frac{p^2}{[1-(1-p)^2]^2} > 0. \text{ Thus the probability is increasing in } p, \text{ and the minimum is at zero. Using L'Hôpital's rule we find } \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2} = 1/2.$$

1.25 Enumerating the sample space gives $S' = \{(B, B), (B, G), (G, B), (G, G)\}$, with each outcome equally likely. Thus $P(\text{at least one boy}) = 3/4$ and $P(\text{both are boys}) = 1/4$, therefore

$$P(\text{both are boys} \mid \text{at least one boy}) = 1/3.$$

An ambiguity may arise if order is not acknowledged, the space is $S' = \{(B, B), (B, G), (G, G)\}$, with each outcome equally likely.

1.27 a. For n odd the proof is straightforward. There are an even number of terms in the sum $(0, 1, \dots, n)$, and $\binom{n}{k}$ and $\binom{n}{n-k}$, which are equal, have opposite signs. Thus, all pairs cancel and the sum is zero. If n is even, use the following identity, which is the basis of Pascal's triangle: For $k > 0$, $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1}$. Then, for n even

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} &= \binom{n}{0} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} + \binom{n}{n} \\ &= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{n} + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (-1)^k \left[\binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1} \right] \\ &= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{n} - \binom{n-1}{0} - \binom{n-1}{n-1} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

b. Use the fact that for $k > 0$, $k \binom{n}{k} = n \binom{n-1}{k-1}$ to write

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} = n \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{n-1}{k-1} = n \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{j} = n 2^{n-1}.$$

c. $\sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} k \binom{n}{k} = \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^{k+1} \binom{n-1}{k-1} = n \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (-1)^j \binom{n-1}{j} = 0$ from part a).

1.28 The average of the two integrals is

$$\begin{aligned} [(n \log n - n) + ((n+1) \log(n+1) - n)]/2 &= [n \log n + (n+1) \log(n+1)]/2 - n \\ &\approx (n+1/2) \log n - n. \end{aligned}$$

Let $d_n = \log n! - [(n+1/2) \log n - n]$, and we want to show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m d_n = c$, a constant. This would complete the problem, since the desired limit is the exponential of this one. This is accomplished in an indirect way, by working with differences, which avoids dealing with the factorial. Note that

$$d_n - d_{n+1} = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) - 1.$$

Differentiation will show that $((n + \frac{1}{2}) \log(1 + \frac{1}{n}))$ is increasing in n , and has minimum value $(3/2) \log 2 = 1.04$ at $n = 1$. Thus $d_n - d_{n+1} > 0$. Next recall the Taylor expansion of $\log(1+x) = x - x^2/2 + x^3/3 - x^4/4 + \dots$. The first three terms provide an upper bound on $\log(1+x)$, as the remaining adjacent pairs are negative. Hence

$$0 < d_n - d_{n+1} < \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n^2} + \frac{1}{3n^3}\right) - 1 = \frac{1}{12n^2} + \frac{1}{6n^3}.$$

It therefore follows, by the comparison test, that the series $\sum_1^\infty d_n - d_{n+1}$ converges. Moreover, the partial sums must approach a limit. Hence, since the sum telescopes,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_1^N d_n - d_{n+1} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} d_1 - d_{N+1} = c.$$

Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d_n = d_1 - c$, a constant.

	Unordered	Ordered
1.29 a.	{4,4,12,12}	(4,4,12,12), (4,12,12,4), (4,12,4,12) (12,4,12,4), (12,4,4,12), (12,12,4,4)
	Unordered	Ordered
	{2,9,9,12}	(2,9,9,12), (2,9,12,9), (2,12,9,9), (9,2,9,12) (9,2,12,9), (9,9,2,12), (9,9,12,2), (9,12,2,9) (9,12,9,2), (12,2,9,9), (12,9,2,9), (12,9,9,2)

b. Same as (a).

c. There are 6^6 ordered samples with replacement from $\{1, 2, 7, 8, 14, 20\}$. The number of ordered samples that would result in $\{2, 7, 7, 8, 14, 14\}$ is $\frac{6!}{2!2!1!1!} = 180$ (See Example 1.2.20). Thus the probability is $\frac{180}{6^6}$.

d. If the k objects were distinguishable then there would be $k!$ possible ordered arrangements. Since we have k_1, \dots, k_m different groups of indistinguishable objects, once the positions of the objects are fixed in the ordered arrangement permutations within objects of the same group won't change the ordered arrangement. There are $k_1!k_2! \dots k_m!$ of such permutations for each ordered component. Thus there would be $\frac{k!}{k_1!k_2! \dots k_m!}$ different ordered components.

e. Think of the m distinct numbers as m bins. Selecting a sample of size k , with replacement, is the same as putting k balls in the m bins. This is $\binom{k+m-1}{k}$, which is the number of distinct bootstrap samples. Note that, to create all of the bootstrap samples, we do not need to know what the original sample was. We only need to know the sample size and the distinct values.

1.31 a. The number of ordered samples drawn with replacement from the set $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is n^n . The number of ordered samples that make up the unordered sample $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is $n!$. Therefore the outcome with average $\frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_n}{n}$ that is obtained by the unordered sample $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

has probability $\frac{n!}{n^n}$. Any other unordered outcome from $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, distinct from the unordered sample $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, will contain m different numbers repeated k_1, \dots, k_m times where $k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_m = n$ with at least one of the k_i 's satisfying $2 \leq k_i \leq n$. The probability of obtaining the corresponding average of such outcome is

$$\frac{n!}{k_1!k_2!\dots k_m!n^n} < \frac{n!}{n^n}, \text{ since } k_1!k_2!\dots k_m! > 1.$$

Therefore the outcome with average $\frac{x_1+x_2+\dots+x_n}{n}$ is the most likely.

b. Stirling's approximation is that, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} n^{n+(1/2)} e^{-n}$, and thus

$$\left(\frac{n!}{n^n}\right) / \left(\frac{\sqrt{2n\pi}}{e^n}\right) = \frac{n!e^n}{n^n\sqrt{2n\pi}} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi n} n^{n+(1/2)} e^{-n} e^n}{n^n\sqrt{2n\pi}} = 1.$$

c. Since we are drawing with replacement from the set $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$, the probability of choosing any x_i is $\frac{1}{n}$. Therefore the probability of obtaining an ordered sample of size n without x_i is $(1 - \frac{1}{n})^n$. To prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{n})^n = e^{-1}$, calculate the limit of the log. That is

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \log \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)}{1/n}.$$

L'Hôpital's rule shows that the limit is -1 , establishing the result. See also Lemma 2.3.14.

1.32 This is most easily seen by doing each possibility. Let $P(i)$ = probability that the candidate hired on the i th trial is best. Then

$$P(1) = \frac{1}{N}, \quad P(2) = \frac{1}{N-1}, \quad \dots, \quad P(i) = \frac{1}{N-i+1}, \quad \dots, \quad P(N) = \frac{1}{1}.$$

1.33 Using Bayes rule

$$P(M|CB) = \frac{P(CB|M)P(M)}{P(CB|M)P(M) + P(CB|F)P(F)} = \frac{.05 \times \frac{1}{2}}{.05 \times \frac{1}{2} + .0025 \times \frac{1}{2}} = .9524.$$

1.34 a.

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Brown Hair}) &= P(\text{Brown Hair}|\text{Litter 1})P(\text{Litter 1}) + P(\text{Brown Hair}|\text{Litter 2})P(\text{Litter 2}) \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{19}{30}. \end{aligned}$$

b. Use Bayes Theorem

$$P(\text{Litter 1}|\text{Brown Hair}) = \frac{P(BH|L1)P(L1)}{P(BH|L1)P(L1) + P(BH|L2)P(L2)} = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\frac{19}{30}} = \frac{10}{19}.$$

1.35 Clearly $P(\cdot|B) \geq 0$, and $P(S|B) = 1$. If A_1, A_2, \dots are disjoint, then

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \middle| B\right) &= \frac{P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (A_i \cap B))}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i \cap B)}{P(B)} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i|B). \end{aligned}$$

- 1.37 a. Using the same events A , B , C and \mathcal{W} as in Example 1.3.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathcal{W}) &= P(\mathcal{W}|A)P(A) + P(\mathcal{W}|B)P(B) + P(\mathcal{W}|C)P(C) \\ &= \gamma \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 0 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 1 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{\gamma+1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $P(A|\mathcal{W}) = \frac{P(A \cap \mathcal{W})}{P(\mathcal{W})} = \frac{\gamma/3}{(\gamma+1)/3} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1}$ where,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1} = \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } \gamma = \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1} < \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } \gamma < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1} > \frac{1}{3} & \text{if } \gamma > \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

- b. By Exercise 1.35, $P(\cdot|\mathcal{W})$ is a probability function. A , B and C are a partition. So

$$P(A|\mathcal{W}) + P(B|\mathcal{W}) + P(C|\mathcal{W}) = 1.$$

But, $P(B|\mathcal{W}) = 0$. Thus, $P(A|\mathcal{W}) + P(C|\mathcal{W}) = 1$. Since $P(A|\mathcal{W}) = 1/3$, $P(C|\mathcal{W}) = 2/3$. (This could be calculated directly, as in Example 1.3.4.) So if A can swap fates with C , his chance of survival becomes $2/3$.

- 1.38 a. $P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c)$ from Theorem 1.2.11a. But $(A \cap B^c) \subset B^c$ and $P(B^c) = 1 - P(B) = 0$. So $P(A \cap B^c) = 0$, and $P(A) = P(A \cap B)$. Thus,

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)}{1} = P(A)$$

- b. $A \subset B$ implies $A \cap B = A$. Thus,

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(A)} = 1.$$

And also,

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)}.$$

- c. If A and B are mutually exclusive, then $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$ and $A \cap (A \cup B) = A$. Thus,

$$P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{P(A \cap (A \cup B))}{P(A \cup B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(A) + P(B)}.$$

- d. $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A \cap (B \cap C)) = P(A|B \cap C)P(B \cap C) = P(A|B \cap C)P(B|C)P(C)$.

- 1.39 a. Suppose A and B are mutually exclusive. Then $A \cap B = \emptyset$ and $P(A \cap B) = 0$. If A and B are independent, then $0 = P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$. But this cannot be since $P(A) > 0$ and $P(B) > 0$. Thus A and B cannot be independent.

- b. If A and B are independent and both have positive probability, then

$$0 < P(A)P(B) = P(A \cap B).$$

This implies $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$, that is, A and B are not mutually exclusive.

- 1.40 a. $P(A^c \cap B) = P(A^c|B)P(B) = [1 - P(A|B)]P(B) = [1 - P(A)]P(B) = P(A^c)P(B)$, where the third equality follows from the independence of A and B .

- b. $P(A^c \cap B^c) = P(A^c) - P(A^c \cap B) = P(A^c) - P(A^c)P(B) = P(A^c)P(B^c)$.

1.41 a.

$$\begin{aligned}
& P(\text{dash sent} \mid \text{dash rec}) \\
&= \frac{P(\text{dash rec} \mid \text{dash sent})P(\text{dash sent})}{P(\text{dash rec} \mid \text{dash sent})P(\text{dash sent}) + P(\text{dash rec} \mid \text{dot sent})P(\text{dot sent})} \\
&= \frac{(2/3)(4/7)}{(2/3)(4/7) + (1/4)(3/7)} = 32/41.
\end{aligned}$$

- b. By a similar calculation as the one in (a) $P(\text{dot sent} \mid \text{dot rec}) = 27/43$. Then we have $P(\text{dash sent} \mid \text{dot rec}) = \frac{16}{43}$. Given that dot-dot was received, the distribution of the four possibilities of what was sent are

Event	Probability
dash-dash	$(16/43)^2$
dash-dot	$(16/43)(27/43)$
dot-dash	$(27/43)(16/43)$
dot-dot	$(27/43)^2$

1.43 a. For Boole's Inequality,

$$P(\cup_{i=1}^n A_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - P_2 + P_3 + \cdots \pm P_n \leq \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$$

since $P_i \geq P_j$ if $i \leq j$ and therefore the terms $-P_{2k} + P_{2k+1} \leq 0$ for $k = 1, \dots, \frac{n-1}{2}$ when n is odd. When n is even the last term to consider is $-P_n \leq 0$. For Bonferroni's Inequality apply the inclusion-exclusion identity to the A_i^c , and use the argument leading to (1.2.10).

- b. We illustrate the proof that the P_i are increasing by showing that $P_2 \geq P_3$. The other arguments are similar. Write

$$\begin{aligned}
P_2 &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} P(A_i \cap A_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n P(A_i \cap A_j) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left[\sum_{k=1}^n P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) + P(A_i \cap A_j \cap (\cup_k A_k)^c) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Now to get to P_3 we drop terms from this last expression. That is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left[\sum_{k=1}^n P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) + P(A_i \cap A_j \cap (\cup_k A_k)^c) \right] \\
& \geq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left[\sum_{k=1}^n P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) \right] \\
& \geq \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^n P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) = \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq n} P(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) = P_3.
\end{aligned}$$

The sequence of bounds is improving because the bounds $P_1, P_1 - P_2 + P_3, P_1 - P_2 + P_3 - P_4 + P_5, \dots$, are getting smaller since $P_i \geq P_j$ if $i \leq j$ and therefore the terms $-P_{2k} + P_{2k+1} \leq 0$. The lower bounds $P_1 - P_2, P_1 - P_2 + P_3 - P_4, P_1 - P_2 + P_3 - P_4 + P_5 - P_6, \dots$, are getting bigger since $P_i \geq P_j$ if $i \leq j$ and therefore the terms $P_{2k+1} - P_{2k} \geq 0$.

- c. If all of the A_i are equal, all of the probabilities in the inclusion-exclusion identity are the same. Thus

$$P_1 = nP(A), \quad P_2 = \binom{n}{2}P(A), \quad \dots, \quad P_j = \binom{n}{j}P(A),$$

and the sequence of upper bounds on $P(\cup_i A_i) = P(A)$ becomes

$$P_1 = nP(A), \quad P_1 - P_2 + P_3 = \left[n - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{3} \right] P(A), \dots$$

which eventually sum to one, so the last bound is exact. For the lower bounds we get

$$P_1 - P_2 = \left[n - \binom{n}{2} \right] P(A), \quad P_1 - P_2 + P_3 - P_4 = \left[n - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{3} - \binom{n}{4} \right] P(A), \dots$$

which start out negative, then become positive, with the last one equaling $P(A)$ (see Schwaiger 1984 for details).

$$1.44 \quad P(\text{at least 10 correct|guessing}) = \sum_{k=10}^{20} \binom{20}{k} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^k \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{20-k} = .01386.$$

- 1.45 \mathcal{X} is finite. Therefore \mathcal{B} is the set of all subsets of \mathcal{X} . We must verify each of the three properties in Definition 1.2.4. (1) If $A \in \mathcal{B}$ then $P_X(A) = P(\cup_{x_i \in A} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) \geq 0$ since P is a probability function. (2) $P_X(\mathcal{X}) = P(\cup_{i=1}^m \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) = P(S) = 1$. (3) If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}$ and pairwise disjoint then

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(\cup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k) &= P\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{\cup_{x_i \in A_k} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}\}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(\cup_{x_i \in A_k} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_X(A_k), \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows from the fact the P is a probability function.

- 1.46 This is similar to Exercise 1.20. There are 7^7 equally likely sample points. The possible values of X_3 are 0, 1 and 2. Only the pattern 331 (3 balls in one cell, 3 balls in another cell and 1 ball in a third cell) yields $X_3 = 2$. The number of sample points with this pattern is $\binom{7}{2} \binom{7}{3} \binom{4}{3} 5 = 14,700$. So $P(X_3 = 2) = 14,700/7^7 \approx .0178$. There are 4 patterns that yield $X_3 = 1$. The number of sample points that give each of these patterns is given below.

pattern	number of sample points
34	$7 \binom{7}{3} 6 = 1,470$
322	$7 \binom{7}{3} \binom{6}{2} \binom{4}{2} \binom{2}{2} = 22,050$
3211	$7 \binom{7}{3} 6 \binom{4}{2} \binom{5}{2} 2! = 176,400$
31111	$7 \binom{7}{3} \binom{6}{4} 4! = 88,200$
	<hr/> 288,120 <hr/>

So $P(X_3 = 1) = 288,120/7^7 \approx .3498$. The number of sample points that yield $X_3 = 0$ is $7^7 - 288,120 - 14,700 = 520,723$, and $P(X_3 = 0) = 520,723/7^7 \approx .6322$.

- 1.47 All of the functions are continuous, hence right-continuous. Thus we only need to check the limit, and that they are nondecreasing

a. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{-\pi}{2}\right) = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$, and $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \tan^{-1}(x)\right) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} > 0$, so $F(x)$ is increasing.

b. See Example 1.5.5.

c. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-e^{-x}} = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-e^{-x}} = 1$, $\frac{d}{dx} e^{-e^{-x}} = e^{-x} e^{-e^{-x}} > 0$.

d. $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - e^{-x}) = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-x}) = 1$, $\frac{d}{dx} (1 - e^{-x}) = e^{-x} > 0$.

e. $\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} = 0$, $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} \epsilon + \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} = 1$, $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} \right) = \frac{(1-\epsilon)e^{-y}}{(1+e^{-y})^2} > 0$ and $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\epsilon + \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} \right) > 0$, $F_Y(y)$ is continuous except on $y = 0$ where $\lim_{y \downarrow 0} \left(\epsilon + \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} \right) = F(0)$. Thus is $F_Y(y)$ right continuous.

1.48 If $F(\cdot)$ is a cdf, $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$. Hence $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} P(X \leq x) = 1$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} P(X \leq x) = 0$. $F(x)$ is nondecreasing since the set $\{x : X \leq x\}$ is nondecreasing in x . Lastly, as $x \downarrow x_0$, $P(X \leq x) \rightarrow P(X \leq x_0)$, so $F(\cdot)$ is right-continuous. (This is merely a consequence of defining $F(x)$ with " \leq ".)

1.49 For every t , $F_X(t) \leq F_Y(t)$. Thus we have

$$P(X > t) = 1 - P(X \leq t) = 1 - F_X(t) \geq 1 - F_Y(t) = 1 - P(Y \leq t) = P(Y > t).$$

And for some t^* , $F_X(t^*) < F_Y(t^*)$. Then we have that

$$P(X > t^*) = 1 - P(X \leq t^*) = 1 - F_X(t^*) > 1 - F_Y(t^*) = 1 - P(Y \leq t^*) = P(Y > t^*).$$

1.50 Proof by induction. For $n = 2$

$$\sum_{k=1}^2 t^{k-1} = 1 + t = \frac{1-t^2}{1-t}.$$

Assume true for n , this is $\sum_{k=1}^n t^{k-1} = \frac{1-t^n}{1-t}$. Then for $n+1$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n+1} t^{k-1} = \sum_{k=1}^n t^{k-1} + t^n = \frac{1-t^n}{1-t} + t^n = \frac{1-t^n+t^n(1-t)}{1-t} = \frac{1-t^{n+1}}{1-t},$$

where the second inequality follows from the induction hypothesis.

1.51 This kind of random variable is called hypergeometric in Chapter 3. The probabilities are obtained by counting arguments, as follows.

x	$f_X(x) = P(X = x)$
0	$\frac{\binom{5}{0}\binom{25}{4}}{\binom{30}{4}} \approx .4616$
1	$\frac{\binom{5}{1}\binom{25}{3}}{\binom{30}{4}} \approx .4196$
2	$\frac{\binom{5}{2}\binom{25}{2}}{\binom{30}{4}} \approx .1095$
3	$\frac{\binom{5}{3}\binom{25}{1}}{\binom{30}{4}} \approx .0091$
4	$\frac{\binom{5}{4}\binom{25}{0}}{\binom{30}{4}} \approx .0002$

The cdf is a step function with jumps at $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$ and 4 .

1.52 The function $g(\cdot)$ is clearly positive. Also,

$$\int_{x_0}^{\infty} g(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{\infty} \frac{f(x)}{1-F(x_0)} dx = \frac{1-F(x_0)}{1-F(x_0)} = 1.$$

1.53 a. $\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F_Y(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} 0 = 0$ and $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_Y(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} 1 - \frac{1}{y^2} = 1$. For $y \leq 1$, $F_Y(y) = 0$ is constant. For $y > 1$, $\frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = 2/y^3 > 0$, so F_Y is increasing. Thus for all y , F_Y is nondecreasing. Therefore F_Y is a cdf.

b. The pdf is $f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 2/y^3 & \text{if } y > 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } y \leq 1. \end{cases}$

c. $F_Z(z) = P(Z \leq z) = P(10(Y-1) \leq z) = P(Y \leq (z/10) + 1) = F_Y((z/10) + 1)$. Thus,

$$F_Z(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z \leq 0 \\ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{[(z/10)+1]^2} \right) & \text{if } z > 0. \end{cases}$$

1.54 a. $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin x dx = 1$. Thus, $c = 1/1 = 1$.

b. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x|} dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^x dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = 1 + 1 = 2$. Thus, $c = 1/2$.

1.55

$$P(V \leq 5) = P(T < 3) = \int_0^3 \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-t/1.5} dt = 1 - e^{-2}.$$

For $v \geq 6$,

$$P(V \leq v) = P(2T \leq v) = P\left(T \leq \frac{v}{2}\right) = \int_0^{\frac{v}{2}} \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-t/1.5} dt = 1 - e^{-v/3}.$$

Therefore,

$$P(V \leq v) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\infty < v < 5 \\ 1 - e^{-2} & 5 \leq v < 6 \\ 1 - e^{-v/3} & 6 \leq v \end{cases}.$$

Miscellaneous Exercises

[1.19] A function of n variables (call them x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) has $\binom{n+r-1}{r}$ partial derivatives of order r . This follows by an application of one of the counting rules given in Table 1.2.1 on page 16 (unordered with replacement). One way to see this is that every time you select a variable to differentiate with respect to, you are sampling an “object” from the set of n objects $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. You are allowed to differentiate repeatedly with respect to the same variable, so the sampling is with replacement. Also, the order of differentiation does not matter, so the sampling is unordered. Thus, you are counting the number of ways to select r objects from n where order does not matter and the sampling is with replacement.

Another way to view this situation is given in the solution manual. You can think of the n variables as bins, and differentiating with respect to one of the variables is equivalent to putting a ball in that bin. Differentiating r times is like placing r balls in n bins. The only thing that matters about the final arrangement of balls is the number of balls in each bin; the order the balls were placed in the bins does not matter since the order of differentiation does not matter. Let b_i denote the number of balls in bin i . The final arrangement of balls is described by the n -tuple (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) . Since the total number of balls is r , the number of possible arrangements is just the number of n -tuples of nonnegative integers which sum to r . The number of such n -tuples is given by $\binom{n+r-1}{r} = \binom{n+r-1}{n-1}$. This can be seen by the “walls and markers” argument on page 15 of the text. Here is a rewording of that argument: The n -tuple must sum to r . We can break r into n groups of size b_1, \dots, b_n by inserting $n - 1$ markers (or dividers) among r counters (coins) laid out in a line. Thus the number of n -tuples is the number of ways to place $n - 1$ markers among r counters. Viewing the markers and counters as occupying $n + r - 1$ positions, we must choose $n - 1$ of these positions to be markers, and the other r positions to be counters. This can be done in $\binom{n+r-1}{n-1}$ ways.

For example, in part (a) we must count the number of 3-tuples (since there are $n = 3$ variables) which sum to $r = 4$ (the number of derivatives). These 3-tuples and the corresponding arrangements of markers and counters are given below.

$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y \partial z}$	(2, 1, 1)	oo o o
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x \partial y^2 \partial z}$	(1, 2, 1)	o oo o
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x \partial y \partial z^2}$	(1, 1, 2)	o o oo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^3 \partial y}$	(3, 1, 0)	ooo o
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^3 \partial z}$	(3, 0, 1)	ooo o
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x \partial y^3}$	(1, 3, 0)	o ooo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^3 \partial z}$	(0, 3, 1)	ooo o
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x \partial z^3}$	(1, 0, 3)	o ooo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial y \partial z^3}$	(0, 1, 3)	o ooo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial y^2}$	(2, 2, 0)	oo oo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^2 \partial z^2}$	(2, 0, 2)	oo oo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^2 \partial z^2}$	(0, 2, 2)	oo oo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial x^4}$	(4, 0, 0)	oooo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial y^4}$	(0, 4, 0)	oooo
$\frac{\partial^4}{\partial z^4}$	(0, 0, 4)	oooo

[1.22(b)] The answer given in the text is right, but the solution manual is wrong. You can compute the answer in two different ways. If you view the sample space as being all possible **unordered** choices of 30 days out of 366 (with all possibilities equally likely), then you get $\binom{336}{30} / \binom{366}{30}$. If you use an urn model, or if you view the sample space as being all possible **ordered** choices of 30 days out of 366 (with all possibilities equally likely), then you get $\frac{336}{366} \frac{335}{365} \dots \frac{307}{337}$. These two answers are equal, of course.

[1.41(b)] The old student solution I handed out is overly long. A sketch of a shorter argument follows. I assume you have already done the first part of the problem and know how to calculate $P(\text{dot sent} \mid \text{dot received}) = 27/43$ and $P(\text{dash sent} \mid \text{dot received}) = 16/43$.

Two signals are sent. The signals are independent of each other. Let A_i denote the event that the i -th signal sent is a dot, and let B_i denote the event that the i -th signal received is a dot. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P(\text{dot-dot sent} \mid \text{dot-dot received}) \\
 &= P(A_1 \cap A_2 \mid B_1 \cap B_2) \\
 &= \frac{P((A_1 \cap A_2) \cap (B_1 \cap B_2))}{P(B_1 \cap B_2)} \\
 &= \frac{P((A_1 \cap B_1) \cap (A_2 \cap B_2))}{P(B_1 \cap B_2)} \\
 &= \frac{P(A_1 \cap B_1)P(A_2 \cap B_2)}{P(B_1)P(B_2)} \\
 &\quad (\text{because the first and second signals are independent}) \\
 &= \frac{P(A_1 \cap B_1)}{P(B_1)} \frac{P(A_2 \cap B_2)}{P(B_2)} \\
 &= P(A_1 \mid B_1)P(A_2 \mid B_2) = (27/43)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

In a similar fashion, you show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P(\text{dash-dash sent} \mid \text{dot-dot received}) \\
 &= P(A_1^c \cap A_2^c \mid B_1 \cap B_2) \\
 &= P(A_1^c \mid B_1)P(A_2^c \mid B_2) = (16/43)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

etc.

Exercises 1.26 and 1.36

1.26:

$$\begin{aligned} &P(\text{more than 5 tosses to get a 6}) \\ &= P(\text{no 6's in the first 5 tosses}) \\ &= P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_4 \cap A_5) \\ &\quad \text{where } A_i = \{\text{the } i\text{-th toss is not a 6}\} \\ &= P(A_1) \times P(A_2) \times \cdots \times P(A_5) \\ &= \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5 \end{aligned}$$

1.36: Ten shots are fired independently. Let X be the number of times the target is hit. Then $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n = 10, p = 1/5)$ which has pmf given by

$$f(x) = \binom{10}{x} (1/5)^x (4/5)^{10-x} \quad \text{for } x = 0, 1, \dots, 10.$$

Thus

$$P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - f(0) - f(1) = 1 - (4/5)^{10} - 10 \cdot (1/5) \cdot (4/5)^9$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 2 | X \geq 1) &= \frac{P(\{X \geq 2\} \cap \{X \geq 1\})}{P(X \geq 1)} = \frac{P(X \geq 2)}{P(X \geq 1)} \\ &= \frac{1 - f(0) - f(1)}{1 - f(0)} = \frac{1 - (4/5)^{10} - 10 \cdot (1/5) \cdot (4/5)^9}{1 - (4/5)^{10}}. \end{aligned}$$

1.32

Candidates arrive in Random order. (n total)

We rank candidates as they arrive.

Suppose the i^{th} candidate is the best so far (best among the first i).

What is prob he/she is best overall?

Counting Solution: ($1 = \text{worst}$, $n = \text{best}$)!

Let $r_i =$ the final ranking of candidate i (among all n candidates).

Note: r_i is only known after looking at all n candidates.

(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) is a permutation of the values $1, 2, \dots, n$.

$\Omega =$ the set of $n!$ different permutations (r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n) .

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_w$

All w equally likely.

Define $A = \{i^{\text{th}} \text{ candidate is best so far}\}$
 $= \{r_i > r_j \text{ for } j < i\}$

(1.32)

$B = \{i^{\text{th}} \text{ candidate is best overall}\}.$

Goal: $P(B|A) = ?$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{\#(A \cap B) / \#(\Omega)}{\#(A) / \#(\Omega)} \\ = \frac{\#(A \cap B)}{\#(A)}$$

$$\#(A) = \binom{n}{i} (i-1)! (n-i)! = n! / i$$

Choose i candidates from n to be the group of first i candidates

Put the remaining $n-i$ candidates in positions $i+1$ to n . (Arbitrary order.)

Put the best of this group in position i .

Arbitrarily order the other $i-1$ in positions $1, 2, \dots, i-1$.

(1.32)

Note $A \cap B = B$. Thus

$$\#(A \cap B) = \#(B) = (n-1)!$$

Put the best candidate
in position i .
Arbitrarily place the
remaining $n-1$ candidates
in the other positions.

$$\text{Answer} = \frac{(n-1)!}{n!/i} = \frac{i}{n} \quad (\text{Hmmm!})$$

Probability solution: (Somewhat heuristic.)

$A = \{i^{\text{th}} \text{ candidate is best so far.}\}$
 $B = \{i^{\text{th}} \text{ candidate is best overall.}\}$) Reminder

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(1.32 continued)

Note that event B implies event A .
Thus $B \subset A$ and $A \cap B = B$.

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(B)}{P(A)}.$$

The "best overall" candidate is equally likely to be in any position in the ordering, so

$$P(B) = \frac{1}{n}. \quad (\text{This is intuitive.})$$

Similarly, the best candidate among the first i is equally likely to be anywhere in the first i positions, so

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{i}. \quad (\text{This is intuitive.})$$

The answer is now

$$\frac{P(B)}{P(A)} = \frac{1/n}{1/i} = \frac{i}{n}.$$

Transformations and Expectations

- 2.1 a. $f_x(x) = 42x^5(1-x)$, $0 < x < 1$; $y = x^3 = g(x)$, monotone, and $\mathcal{Y} = (0, 1)$. Use Theorem 2.1.5.

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_x(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right| = f_x(y^{1/3}) \frac{d}{dy}(y^{1/3}) = 42y^{5/3}(1-y^{1/3}) \left(\frac{1}{3} y^{-2/3} \right) \\ &= 14y(1-y^{1/3}) = 14y - 14y^{4/3}, \quad 0 < y < 1. \end{aligned}$$

To check the integral,

$$\int_0^1 (14y - 14y^{4/3}) dy = 7y^2 - 14 \frac{y^{7/3}}{7/3} \Big|_0^1 = 7y^2 - 6y^{7/3} \Big|_0^1 = 1 - 0 = 1.$$

- b. $f_x(x) = 7e^{-7x}$, $0 < x < \infty$, $y = 4x + 3$, monotone, and $\mathcal{Y} = (3, \infty)$. Use Theorem 2.1.5.

$$f_Y(y) = f_x\left(\frac{y-3}{4}\right) \left| \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{y-3}{4}\right) \right| = 7e^{-(7/4)(y-3)} \left| \frac{1}{4} \right| = \frac{7}{4} e^{-(7/4)(y-3)}, \quad 3 < y < \infty.$$

To check the integral,

$$\int_3^\infty \frac{7}{4} e^{-(7/4)(y-3)} dy = -e^{-(7/4)(y-3)} \Big|_3^\infty = 0 - (-1) = 1.$$

- c. $F_Y(y) = P(0 \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) = F_X(\sqrt{y})$. Then $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} f_X(\sqrt{y})$. Therefore

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} 30(\sqrt{y})^2(1-\sqrt{y})^2 = 15y^{1/2}(1-\sqrt{y})^2, \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

To check the integral,

$$\int_0^1 15y^{1/2}(1-\sqrt{y})^2 dy = \int_0^1 (15y^{1/2} - 30y + 15y^{3/2}) dy = 15\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - 30\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 15\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = 1.$$

- 2.2 In all three cases, Theorem 2.1.5 is applicable and yields the following answers.

- a. $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2}y^{-1/2}$, $0 < y < 1$.
- b. $f_Y(y) = \frac{(n+m+1)!}{n!m!} e^{-y(n+1)}(1-e^{-y})^m$, $0 < y < \infty$.
- c. $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \frac{\log y}{y} e^{-(1/2)((\log y)/\sigma)^2}$, $1 < y < \infty$.

- 2.3 $P(Y = y) = P\left(\frac{X}{X+1} = y\right) = P\left(X = \frac{y}{1-y}\right) = \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{y/(1-y)}$, where $y = 0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4}, \dots, \frac{x}{x+1}, \dots$.

- 2.4 a. $f(x)$ is a pdf since it is positive and

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{\lambda x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1.$$

- b. Let X be a random variable with density $f(x)$.

$$P(X < t) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{\lambda x} dx & \text{if } t < 0 \\ \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{\lambda x} dx + \int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

where, $\int_{-\infty}^t \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{\lambda x} dx = \frac{1}{2} e^{\lambda x} \Big|_{-\infty}^t = \frac{1}{2} e^{\lambda t}$ and $\int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^t = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-\lambda t} + \frac{1}{2}$.
Therefore,

$$P(X < t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{\lambda t} & \text{if } t < 0 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-\lambda t} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- c. $P(|X| < t) = 0$ for $t < 0$, and for $t \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X| < t) &= P(-t < X < t) = \int_{-t}^0 \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{\lambda x} dx + \int_0^t \frac{1}{2} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1 - e^{-\lambda t}] + \frac{1}{2} [-e^{-\lambda t} + 1] = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}. \end{aligned}$$

- 2.5 To apply Theorem 2.1.8. Let $A_0 = \{0\}$, $A_1 = (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$, $A_3 = (\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2})$ and $A_4 = (\frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi)$. Then $g_i(x) = \sin^2(x)$ on A_i for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Therefore $g_1^{-1}(y) = \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})$, $g_2^{-1}(y) = \pi - \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})$, $g_3^{-1}(y) = \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y}) + \pi$ and $g_4^{-1}(y) = 2\pi - \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right| + \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| -\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{y(1-y)}}, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

To use the cdf given in (2.1.6) we have that $x_1 = \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})$ and $x_2 = \pi - \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})$. Then by differentiating (2.1.6) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= 2f_X(\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})) \frac{d}{dy}(\sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})) - 2f_X(\pi - \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})) \frac{d}{dy}(\pi - \sin^{-1}(\sqrt{y})) \\ &= 2\left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) - 2\left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-y}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{y(1-y)}} \end{aligned}$$

- 2.6 Theorem 2.1.8 can be used for all three parts.

- a. Let $A_0 = \{0\}$, $A_1 = (-\infty, 0)$ and $A_2 = (0, \infty)$. Then $g_1(x) = |x|^3 = -x^3$ on A_1 and $g_2(x) = |x|^3 = x^3$ on A_2 . Use Theorem 2.1.8 to obtain

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{3} e^{-y^{1/3}} y^{-2/3}, \quad 0 < y < \infty$$

- b. Let $A_0 = \{0\}$, $A_1 = (-1, 0)$ and $A_2 = (0, 1)$. Then $g_1(x) = 1 - x^2$ on A_1 and $g_2(x) = 1 - x^2$ on A_2 . Use Theorem 2.1.8 to obtain

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{3}{8} (1-y)^{-1/2} + \frac{3}{8} (1-y)^{1/2}, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

Note: This is the same as

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{3}{16} \frac{(1-\sqrt{1-y})^2 + (1+\sqrt{1-y})^2}{\sqrt{1-y}}, \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

- c. Let $A_0 = \{0\}$, $A_1 = (-1, 0)$ and $A_2 = (0, 1)$. Then $g_1(x) = 1 - x^2$ on A_1 and $g_2(x) = 1 - x$ on A_2 . Use Theorem 2.1.8 to obtain

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{3}{16}(1 - \sqrt{1-y})^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-y}} + \frac{3}{8}(2-y)^2, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

2.7 Theorem 2.1.8 does not directly apply.

a. Theorem 2.1.8 does not directly apply. Instead write

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y \leq y) &= P(X^2 \leq y) \\ &= \begin{cases} P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) & \text{if } |x| \leq 1 \\ P(1 \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx & \text{if } |x| \leq 1 \\ \int_1^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Differentiation gives

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} & \text{if } y \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{9\sqrt{y}} & \text{if } y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

See following page.

b. If the sets B_1, B_2, \dots, B_K are a partition of the range of Y , we can write

$$f_Y(y) = \sum_k f_Y(y) I(y \in B_k)$$

and do the transformation on each of the B_k . So this says that we can apply Theorem 2.1.8 on each of the B_k and add up the pieces. For $A_1 = (-1, 1)$ and $A_2 = (1, 2)$ the calculations are identical to those in part (a). (Note that on A_1 we are essentially using Example 2.1.7).

2.8 For each function we check the conditions of Theorem 1.5.3.

- a. (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} F(x) = 1 - e^{-0} = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 1 - e^{-\infty} = 1$.
 (ii) $1 - e^{-x}$ is increasing in x .
 (iii) $1 - e^{-x}$ is continuous.
 (iv) $F_x^{-1}(y) = -\log(1 - y)$.
- b. (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = e^{-\infty}/2 = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1 - (e^{1-\infty}/2) = 1$.
 (ii) $e^{-x/2}$ is increasing, $1/2$ is nondecreasing, $1 - (e^{1-x}/2)$ is increasing.
 (iii) For continuity we only need check $x = 0$ and $x = 1$, and $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} F(x) = 1/2$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} F(x) = 1/2$, so F is continuous.
 (iv)

$$F_X^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} \log(2y) & 0 < y \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 - \log(2(1-y)) & \frac{1}{2} < y < 1 \end{cases}$$

- c. (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = e^{-\infty}/4 = 0$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1 - e^{-\infty}/4 = 1$.
 (ii) $e^{-x}/4$ and $1 - e^{-x}/4$ are both increasing in x .
 (iii) $\lim_{x \downarrow 0} F(x) = 1 - e^{-0}/4 = \frac{3}{4} = F(0)$, so F is right-continuous.
 (iv) $F_X^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} \log(4y) & 0 \leq y < \frac{1}{4} \\ -\log(4(1-y)) & \frac{1}{4} \leq y < 1 \end{cases}$

2.7(a) For $y > 0$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) &= P(X^2 \leq y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) = \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} f_X(x) dx \\
 &= \begin{cases} \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{2}{9}(x+1) dx & \text{for } 0 < y \leq 1 \\ \int_{-1}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{2}{9}(x+1) dx & \text{for } 1 < y \leq 4 \\ \int_{-1}^2 \frac{2}{9}(x+1) dx & \text{for } y > 4 \end{cases} \quad (*) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{4}{9}\sqrt{y} & \text{for } 0 < y \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{9}(y+1+2\sqrt{y}) & \text{for } 1 < y \leq 4 \\ 1 & \text{for } y > 4 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

so that differentiation gives the pdf as

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{9}y^{-1/2} & \text{for } 0 < y \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{9}(1+y^{-1/2}) & \text{for } 1 < y \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The density can also be found by directly differentiating the integrals in (*) above.

2.7(b) Using the approach from lecture, we divide the interval $(-1, 2)$ (which is the range of X) into $A_1 = (-1, 0)$ and $A_2 = (0, 2)$ on which the function $g(x) = x^2$ is monotonic. Let g_i denote the function g restricted to $x \in A_i$ for $i = 1, 2$. The range of the function g_1 is $B_1 = (0, 1)$, and the range of g_2 is $B_2 = (0, 4)$. Clearly $g_1^{-1}(y) = -\sqrt{y}$ and $g_2^{-1}(y) = \sqrt{y}$. By the result in lecture

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= f_X(g_1^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g_1^{-1}(y) \right| I_{B_1}(y) + f_X(g_2^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g_2^{-1}(y) \right| I_{B_2}(y) \\
 &= \frac{2}{9}(-\sqrt{y}+1) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} I_{(0,1)}(y) + \frac{2}{9}(\sqrt{y}+1) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} I_{(0,4)}(y) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{9}(-\sqrt{y}+1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} + \frac{1}{9}(\sqrt{y}+1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} & \text{for } 0 < y < 1 \\ \frac{1}{9}(\sqrt{y}+1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} & \text{for } 1 < y < 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

which (after a little simplification) agrees with the answer found in part (a).

- 2.9 From the probability integral transformation, Theorem 2.1.10, we know that if $u(x) = F_x(x)$, then $F_x(X) \sim \text{uniform}(0, 1)$. Therefore, for the given pdf, calculate

$$u(x) = F_x(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ (x-1)^2/4 & \text{if } 1 < x < 3 \\ 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq x \end{cases}$$

- 2.10 a. We prove part b), which is equivalent to part a).

- b. Let $A_y = \{x : F_x(x) \leq y\}$. Since F_x is nondecreasing, A_y is a half infinite interval, either open, say $(-\infty, x_y)$, or closed, say $(-\infty, x_y]$. If A_y is closed, then

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(F_x(X) \leq y) = P(X \in A_y) = F_x(x_y) \leq y.$$

The last inequality is true because $x_y \in A_y$, and $F_x(x) \leq y$ for every $x \in A_y$. If A_y is open, then

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(F_x(X) \leq y) = P(X \in A_y),$$

as before. But now we have

$$P(X \in A_y) = P(X \in (-\infty, x_y)) = \lim_{x \uparrow y} P(X \in (-\infty, x]),$$

Use the Axiom of Continuity, Exercise 1.12, and this equals $\lim_{x \uparrow y} F_X(x) \leq y$. The last inequality is true since $F_x(x) \leq y$ for every $x \in A_y$, that is, for every $x < x_y$. Thus, $F_Y(y) \leq y$ for every y . To get strict inequality for some y , let y be a value that is “jumped over” by F_x . That is, let y be such that, for some x_y ,

$$\lim_{x \uparrow y} F_X(x) < y < F_X(x_y).$$

For such a y , $A_y = (-\infty, x_y)$, and $F_Y(y) = \lim_{x \uparrow y} F_X(x) < y$.

- 2.11 a. Using integration by parts with $u = x$ and $dv = xe^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$ then

$$EX^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[-xe^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi} (2\pi) = 1.$$

Using example 2.1.7 let $Y = X^2$. Then

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}}.$$

Therefore,

$$EY = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{y}{\sqrt{2\pi y}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left[-2y^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} dy \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} (\sqrt{2\pi}) = 1.$$

This was obtained using integration by parts with $u = 2y^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $dv = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{y}{2}}$ and the fact the $f_Y(y)$ integrates to 1.

- b. $Y = |X|$ where $-\infty < x < \infty$. Therefore $0 < y < \infty$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) = P(|X| \leq y) = P(-y \leq X \leq y) \\ &= P(x \leq y) - P(X \leq -y) = F_X(y) - F_X(-y). \end{aligned}$$