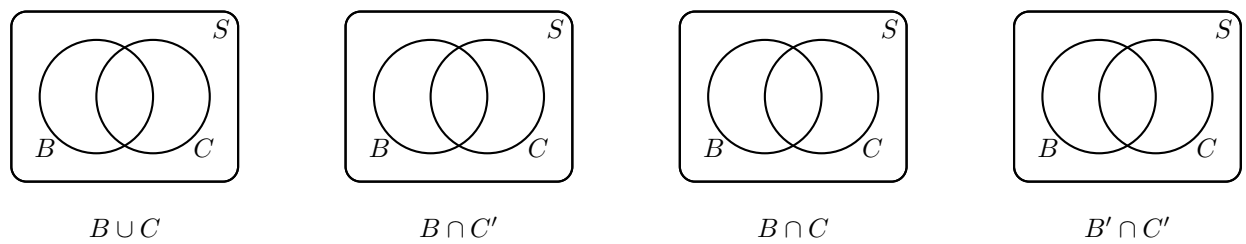


Solutions to In Class Exercise # 7: Introduction to Probability

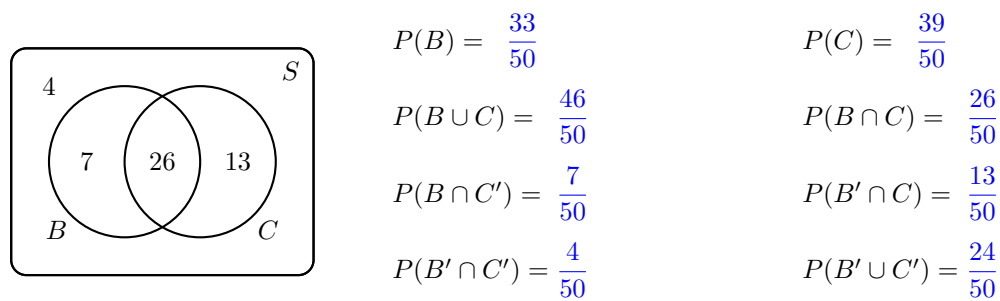
1. Military Hardware for Dairy Products

According to a book on New Zealand farming, Moscow offered to give NZ a nuclear submarine, MiG jets and tanks to help settle Russia’s debt for dairy products. When told that NZ had a nuclear-free policy, Moscow’s response was: “tie it up in some port and connect it to the national grid”¹.

Residents in Auckland were asked if they had purchased NZ butter, or NZ cheese, or both within the last week. Let B and C represent the events that a resident bought butter or cheese respectively. Shade in the areas which match the set notation.



We are now given that there are 50 inhabitants in total and they responded as follows:



2. Swiss Army

Shortly before World War I, the German Kaiser was the guest of the Swiss government to observe military maneuvers. The Kaiser asked a Swiss militiaman: “You are 500,000 and you shoot well, but if we attack with 1,000,000 men what will you do?” The soldier replied: “Shoot twice and go home”².

At the beginning of their training, all army recruits for the Swiss Army are given a test on marksmanship. The score out of 100 for a group of recruits is shown in the table below.

| Score on Test | Number of Recruits |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| $0 \leq x < 20$ | 12 |
| $20 \leq x < 40$ | 18 |
| $40 \leq x < 60$ | 23 |
| $60 \leq x < 80$ | 37 |
| $80 \leq x \leq 100$ | 10 |
| | 100 |

- (a) What is the probability that a randomly selected recruit earned at least 60 on the test? $\frac{47}{100}$
- (b) What is the probability that a randomly selected recruit scored less than 40 on the test? $\frac{30}{100}$
- (c) What is the probability that a randomly selected recruit earned either less than 20 or at least 80 on the test? $\frac{22}{100}$

¹<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2013/oct/15/russia-offered-newzealand-military-hardware>
²<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-swiss-bunkers-widerimage/a-room-without-a-view-second-life-for-swiss-army-bunkers-idUSKBN0UL1I220160107>

3. **Dice**

The dots on a die are called “pips”, and certain combinations have specific names attached to them. If you roll two dice, and get a ones on both of them, then you would have hit “snake eyes”; a double six is known as “midnight”, while matching fives are “puppy paws”. Roll two fours and you’ll have a square pair, two times three are “Brooklyn forest”, and matching twos are called ballerinas (because they wear tutus)!³

Two fair dice are rolled together, and the sum of their dots are observed. To help you work it out the sums, fill out the table below:

| + | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

- (a) How many elements are in the sample space, S ? 36
- (b) What is the probability the sum of the two dice is seven? $\frac{6}{36}$
- (c) What is the probability the sum of the two dice is two or twelve? $\frac{2}{36}$
- (d) What is the probability the sum of the two dice is five and ten? 0

³<https://vitalvegas.com/colorful-nicknames-dice-combinations-craps/>