Introductory Probability

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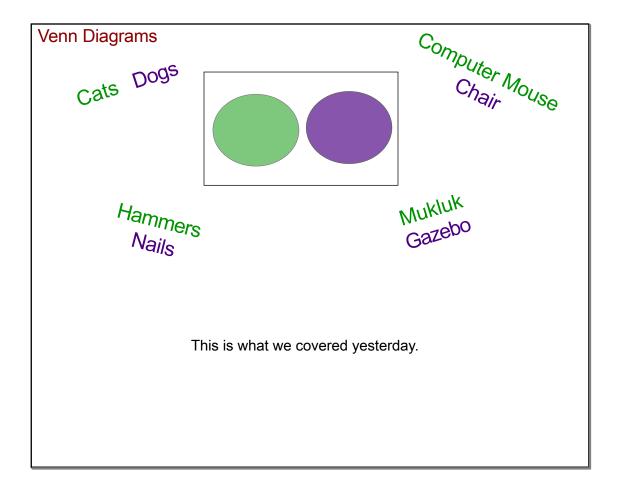
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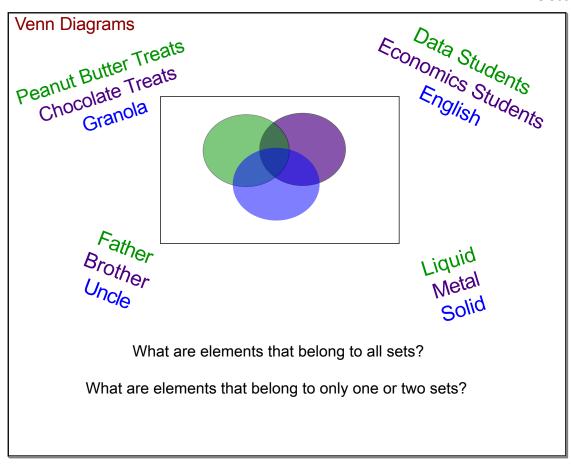


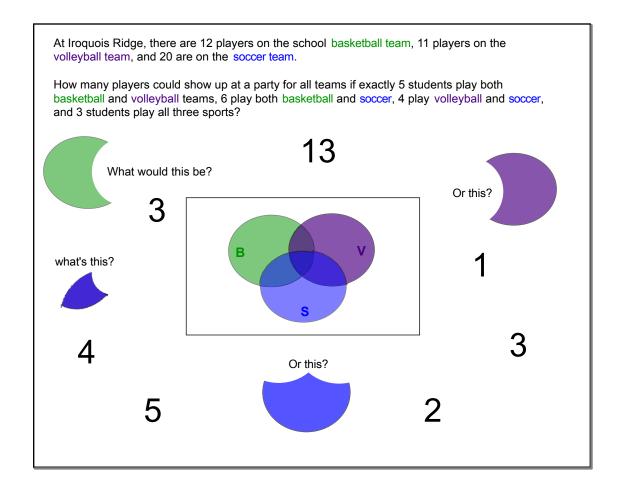
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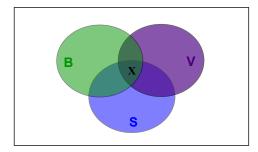
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What if you don't know the middle number?



Apply the principle of inclusion and exclusion.

$$n (total) = \frac{n(B) + n(V) + n(S)}{n(B&V) - n(B&S) - n(S&V)} + n(B&V&S)$$

1. At the year-end math clinic party, toppings for the 50-foot party sub must be chosen. The options being considered are green peppers, tomatoes and lettuce. On the sign-up lists (one list for each item), 36 students want lettuce, 27 want tomatoes, and 32 want green peppers. The students include 16 who want green peppers and tomatoes, 19 who want tomatoes and lettuce, 18 who want green peppers and lettuce, and 11 who want all three. How many students are attending the party?

2.	A grade 12 student is selected at random to sit on a university liaison committee. Of the students enrolled in the grade 12 university-preparation mathematics courses,
	28 are enrolled in data management only 40 are enrolled in calculus only 15 are enrolled in functions only 16 are enrolled in both data management and calculus 12 are enrolled in both calculus and functions 6 are enrolled in both functions and data management 3 are enrolled in all three of data management, calculus and functions Draw a Venn diagram to illustrate this situation Determine the probability that the student selected will be enrolled in either data management or calculus Determine the probability that the student selected will be enrolled in only one of the three courses.
	C) Determine the probability that the student selected will be enfolied in only one of the three courses.
3.	Jeffrey works as a DJ at a local radio station. On occasion, he chooses some of the songs he will play based on the phone-in requests received by the switchboard the previous day. Jeffrey's list of 200 possible selections includes All the songs in the top 100 134 hard-rock songs 50 phone-in requests 45 hard-rock songs in the top 100 20 phone-in requests in the top 100 21 phone-in requests for hard-rock songs

Use a Venn Diagram to determine
a) how many phone-in requests were for hard-rock songs in the top 100
b) how many of the songs in the top 100 were neither phone-in requests nor hard-rock selections

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- a) If enemy soldiers are predominantly unmarried men under the age of 30, how many were killed?
- b) If it is also known that 200 enemy fighters were thought to be in the area, what is the probability that they were all eliminated?
- c) Would knowing the size of the village be important?

Quiz

http://www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities/vdiagram/

Answer Clues

1.53

2b). ~86.1%

c). ~76.9%

3. a). 5

b). 40

4a). 10