

1. (10 points) A standard deck of 52 playing cards contains 4 suits  $\{\clubsuit, \diamondsuit, \heartsuit, \spadesuit\}$ , with 13 cards in each suit. How many cards must be drawn (at random) to guarantee 3 cards from the same suit. *Justify your claim.*

**Solution:**

We must draw 9 cards. Let  $r = 2$  and notice that we have  $k = 4$  suits. If we draw only 8 cards, we could end up with two  $\clubsuit$ 's, two  $\diamondsuit$ 's, two  $\heartsuit$ 's, and two  $\spadesuit$ 's. On the other hand, since  $9 > 2 \cdot 4$ , we must have chosen at least 3 cards in a one suit, by the Pigeonhole Principle.

2. (10 points) Let  $\mathfrak{J} \subset 2^{[n]} \times 2^{[n]}$  denote the set of all ordered pairs  $(A, B)$  with  $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$ . For example, for  $n = 8$ , we let  $A = \{1, 2, 5\}$  and  $B = \{1, 5\}$ . Then  $A \cap B = \{1, 5\}$  so that  $(A, B)$  and  $(B, A)$  are distinct elements in  $\mathfrak{J}$ . Find  $|\mathfrak{J}|$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $n \in \mathbb{P}$ . We claim that

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{J}| &= 4^n - \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^{n-k} = 4^n - \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^{n-k} (1)^k \\ &= 4^n - (1 + 2)^n \\ &= 4^n - 3^n \end{aligned}$$

Here the second line follows from the Binomial Theorem.

To justify the claim, observe that  $|2^{[n]} \times 2^{[n]}| = 2^n \times 2^n$ . Now we enumerate the ordered pairs  $(A, B) \in \mathfrak{J}^c$  by indexing on  $k = |A|$ . If  $k = 0$  then  $A = \emptyset$  and  $B$  can be any subset of  $[n]$ , so there are  $1 \cdot 2^n = \binom{n}{0} 2^n$  ordered pairs in this case. If  $k = 1$  there are  $\binom{n}{1}$  ways to choose  $A = \{j\}$ ,  $j \in [n]$  and  $B$  can be any one of the  $2^{n-1}$  subsets of  $[n] \setminus \{j\}$ . So by the product rule, there  $\binom{n}{1} 2^{n-1}$  ordered pairs in  $\mathfrak{J}^c$  when  $A$  is a singleton. It follows that the general term is of the form  $\binom{n}{k} 2^{n-k}$ , with  $k = |A|$ . Now since the indexed cases are mutually disjoint, we have

$$|\mathfrak{J}^c| = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^{n-k}$$

It now follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathfrak{J}| &= 2^n \times 2^n - |\mathfrak{J}^c| \\ &= 4^n - \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} 2^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

as desired.