- 1. A box contains 3 marbles, 1 red, 1 green, and 1 blue. Consider an experiment that consists of taking 1 marble from the box, then replacing it in the box and drawing a second marble from the box. Describe the sample space. Repeat when the second marble is drawn without first replacing the first marble.
- 2. A die is rolled continually until a 6 appears, at which point the experiment stops. What is the sample space of this experiment? Let  $E_n$  denote the event that n rolls are necessary to complete the experiment. What points of the sample space are contained in  $E_n$ ? What is  $\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_n\right)^c$ ?
- **9.** A retail establishment accepts either the American Express or the VISA credit card. A total of 24 percent of its customers carry an American Express card, 61 percent carry a VISA card, and 11 percent carry both. What percentage of its customers carry a credit card that the establishment will accept?
- 15. If it is assumed that all  $\binom{52}{5}$  poker hands are equally likely, what is the probability of being dealt
  - (a) a flush? (A hand is said to be a flush if all 5 cards are of the same suit.)
  - (b) one pair? (This occurs when the cards have denominations a, a, b, c, d, where a, b, c, and d are all distinct.)
  - (c) two pairs? (This occurs when the cards have denominations a, a, b, b, c, where a, b, and c are all distinct.)
  - (d) three of a kind? (This occurs when the cards have denominations a, a, a, b, c, where a, b, and c are all distinct.)
  - (e) four of a kind? (This occurs when the cards have denominations a, a, a, a, b.)
- 16. Poker dice is played by simultaneously rolling 5 dice. Show that
  - (a)  $P\{\text{no two alike}\} = .0926;$
  - **(b)**  $P\{\text{one pair}\} = .4630;$
  - (c)  $P\{\text{two pair}\} = .2315;$
  - (d)  $P\{\text{three alike}\} = .1543;$
  - (e)  $P\{\text{full house}\} = .0386;$
  - (f)  $P\{\text{four alike}\} = .0193$ ;
  - (g)  $P\{\text{five alike}\} = .0008$ .
- **20.** Suppose that you are playing blackjack against a dealer. In a freshly shuffled deck, what is the probability that neither you nor the dealer is dealt a blackjack?
- **24.** If two dice are rolled, what is the probability that the sum of the upturned faces equals i? Find it for i = 2, 3, ..., 11, 12.

n=1

26. The game of craps is played as follows: A player rolls two dice. If the sum of the dice is either a 2, 3, or 12, the player loses; if the sum is either a 7 or an 11, he or she wins. If the outcome is anything else, the player continues to roll the dice until he or she rolls either the initial outcome or a 7. If the 7 comes first, the player loses; whereas if the initial outcome reoccurs before the 7, the player wins. Compute the probability of a player winning at craps.

*Hint*: Let  $E_i$  denote the event that the initial outcome is i and the player wins. The desired probability is  $\sum_{i=2}^{12} P(E_i)$ . To compute  $P(E_i)$ , define the events  $E_{i,n}$  to be the event that

the initial sum is i and the player wins on the nth roll. Argue that  $P(E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_{i,n})$ .

- **50.** In a hand of bridge, find the probability that you have 5 spades and your partner has the remaining 8.
- **54.** Compute the probability that a bridge hand is void in at least one suit. Note that the answer is not

 $\frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{39}{13}}{\binom{52}{1}}$