

# Midterm Exam 2

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This exam contains 6 pages and 9 questions, for a total of 100 points.

You have 75 minutes to complete this exam.

Solve all problems to the best of your ability in the distributed blue book. Begin each question on a new page, and try to keep the questions in order. Try to explain how you solved (or tried to solve) each problem, and put a box around your final answer. Your explanation may be composed of pictures, formulas, calculations, and/or sentences.

You are not required to simplify your answers. Answers can be left as expressions involving factorials, combinations, and/or permutations.

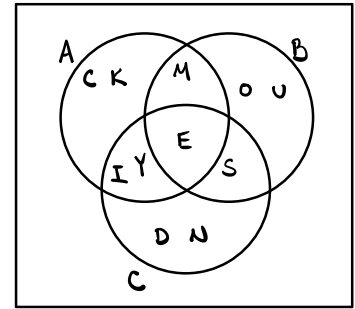
1. Let  $U$  be the universal set and let  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  be subsets of  $U$  defined as follows.

$$A = \{M, I, C, K, E, Y\}$$

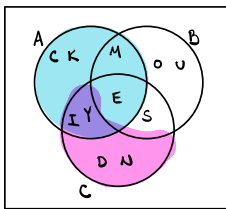
$$B = \{M, O, U, S, E\}$$

$$C = \{D, I, S, N, E, Y\}$$

$$U = A \cup B \cup C$$



(a) (5 points) Find  $A \cup (B' \cap C)$ .



$$\hookrightarrow = A \cup \{I, Y, D, N\}$$

$$= \{M, I, C, K, E, Y, D, N\}$$

(b) (4 points) How many non-empty subsets of  $A$  exist?

$$2^{n(A)} - 1 = 2^6 - 1 = 64 - 1 = 63$$

2. A company of 12 people must select 4 people from among themselves to work on a team.

(a) (5 points) How many ways can this be done if each team member is assigned the same role?

$${}_{12}C_4 = 495$$

(b) (5 points) How many ways can this be done if each team member is assigned a different role?

$${}_{12}P_4 = 11,880$$

(c) (5 points) How many ways can this be done if two team members are given one role and the other two team members are given a second role?

$$\boxed{{}_{12}C_2} \times \boxed{{}_{10}C_2} = 2,970$$

CHOOSE 2 PEOPLE OUT OF 12 FOR 1<sup>st</sup> ROLE      THEN      CHOOSE 2 PEOPLE OUT OF 10 FOR 2<sup>nd</sup> ROLE

3. Suppose a valid password must contain 6 distinct letters (chosen from 26 lowercase letters:  $a, b, c, \dots, z$ ) and 3 distinct digits (chosen from 10 digits:  $0, 1, 2, \dots, 9$ ).
- (a) (5 points) How many valid passwords are there?

$$\frac{{}^{26}C_6 \times {}^{10}C_3 \times 9!}{\text{CHOOSE 6 LETTERS out of 26} \quad \text{THEN} \quad \text{CHOOSE 3 DIGITS out of 10} \quad \text{THEN} \quad \text{ARRANGE THE 9 CHOSEN CHARACTERS}}$$

- (b) (5 points) How many valid passwords begin with  $a$  and end with 4?

$$\frac{{}^{25}C_5 \times {}^9C_2 \times 7!}{\text{CHOOSE 5 LETTERS out of 25} \quad \text{THEN} \quad \text{CHOOSE 2 DIGITS out of 9} \quad \text{THEN} \quad \text{ARRANGE THE 7 CHOSEN CHARACTERS}}$$

4. Four socks are randomly selected from a drawer that contains 8 identical white socks, 10 identical grey socks, 12 identical black socks, and 14 identical navy socks.
- (a) (6 points) Find the probability that the socks are all different colors.

$$\frac{\text{* WAYS TO CHOOSE ALL 4 SOCKS DIFFERENT COLORS}}{\text{* WAYS TO CHOOSE 4 SOCKS}} = \frac{{}^8C_1 \cdot {}^{10}C_1 \cdot {}^{12}C_1 \cdot {}^{14}C_1}{{}^{44}C_4} = \frac{8 \cdot 10 \cdot 12 \cdot 14}{{}^{44}C_4} \approx .0990$$

- (b) (6 points) Find the probability that the socks are all the same color.

$$\frac{\text{* WAYS TO CHOOSE 4 WHITE OR 4 GREY OR 4 BLACK OR 4 NAVY SOCKS}}{\text{* WAYS TO CHOOSE 4 SOCKS}} = \frac{{}^8C_4 + {}^{10}C_4 + {}^{12}C_4 + {}^{14}C_4}{{}^{44}C_4} \approx .0131$$

5. Suppose  $P(A) = .6$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = .4$  and  $P(A \cup B) = .7$ .

(a) (4 points) Find  $P(B)$ .

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$.7 = .6 + P(B) - .4 \Rightarrow P(B) = .7 + .4 - .6 = .5$$

(b) (4 points) Find  $P(B|A)$ .

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{.4}{.6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

6. An experiment is composed of rolling two fair dice. Define the events  $A$  and  $B$  as follows.

$A =$  at least one 3 is rolled

$B =$  the sum of the dice is a multiple of 3

(a) (5 points) Find  $P(A|B)$ .

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{3/36}{12/36} = \frac{3}{12}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

S	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

(b) (5 points) Find  $P(B|A)$ .

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{3/36}{11/36}$$

$$= \frac{3}{11}$$

(c) (5 points) Are  $A$  and  $B$  independent events? Why or why not?

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) ?$$

$$\frac{3}{36} = \left(\frac{11}{36}\right)\left(\frac{12}{36}\right) ?$$

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$$\frac{1}{12} = \left(\frac{11}{36}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) ?$$

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

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

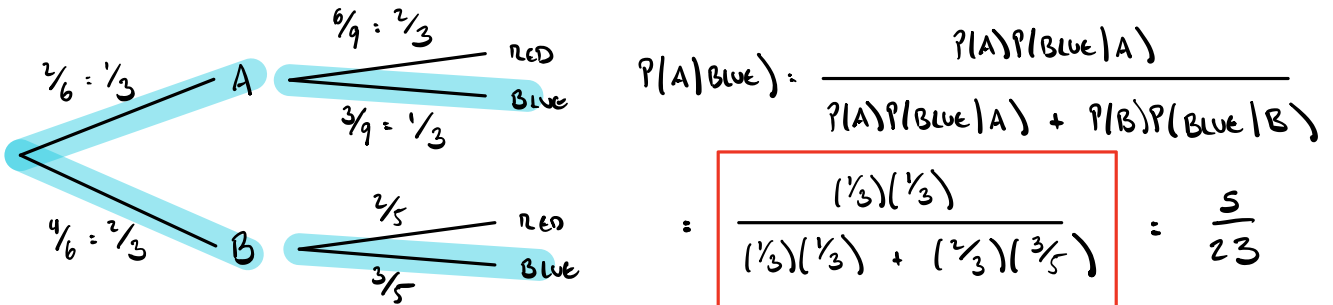
$$\frac{1}{12} = \frac{11}{108} ?$$

$$\frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{4} ? \text{ No}$$

$$\frac{12}{36} = \frac{3}{11} ? \text{ No}$$

$$108 = 132 ? \text{ No}$$

7. (6 points) Jar  $A$  contains 6 red marbles and 3 blue marbles. Jar  $B$  contains 2 red marbles and 3 blue marbles. A single fair dice is rolled and if 1 or 2 comes up, a marble is drawn from jar  $A$ . Otherwise, it is drawn from jar  $B$ . If the drawn marble is blue, what is the probability that it comes from jar  $A$ ?



8. Survey data collected from Amazon shoppers by a marketing agency is summarized below.

- 50% of shoppers live in an urban area, and 60% of these shoppers subscribe to Amazon Prime.
- 30% of shoppers live in a suburban area, and 80% of these shoppers subscribe to Amazon Prime.
- 20% of shoppers live in a rural area, and 30% of these shoppers subscribe to Amazon Prime.

- (a) (5 points) What is the probability that a randomly selected Amazon shopper subscribes to Amazon Prime?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{PRIME}) &= P(\text{URBAN} \cap \text{PRIME}) + P(\text{SUBURBAN} \cap \text{PRIME}) + P(\text{RURAL} \cap \text{PRIME}) \\
 &= P(\text{URBAN})P(\text{PRIME}|\text{URBAN}) + P(\text{SUBURBAN})P(\text{PRIME}|\text{SUBURBAN}) + P(\text{RURAL})P(\text{PRIME}|\text{RURAL}) \\
 &= (.5)(.6) + (.3)(.8) + (.2)(.3) \\
 &= .3 + .24 + .06 = .6
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (5 points) What is the probability that a randomly selected Amazon Prime subscriber lives in a rural area?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{RURAL}|\text{PRIME}) &= \frac{P(\text{RURAL})P(\text{PRIME}|\text{RURAL})}{P(\text{PRIME})} \\
 &= \frac{(.2)(.3)}{.6} = \frac{.06}{.6} = .10
 \end{aligned}$$

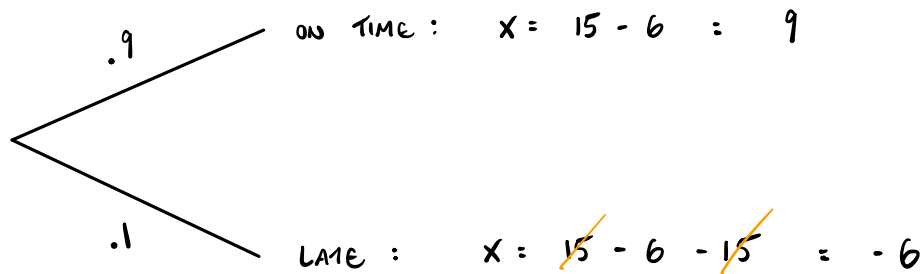
- (c) (5 points) Are the two events “an amazon shopper lives in an urban area” and “an Amazon shopper subscribes to Amazon Prime” independent events? Why or why not?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{URBAN} \cap \text{PRIME}) &= P(\text{URBAN})P(\text{PRIME})? \\
 P(\text{URBAN})P(\text{PRIME}|\text{URBAN}) &= P(\text{URBAN})P(\text{PRIME})? \\
 (.5)(.6) &= (.5)(.6)? \quad \text{Yes} \\
 (\text{NOTICE THAT } P(\text{PRIME}|\text{URBAN}) &= P(\text{PRIME}))
 \end{aligned}$$

9. A delivery company charges a flat rate of \$15 to deliver any small package within 2 days, and they guarantee on-time delivery. That is, if a package is not delivered on-time, the company refunds the charge of \$15 to the customer. Suppose it costs the company \$6 to deliver each package (regardless of whether it is delivered on time or not), and 90% of packages are delivered on time. Define the random variable  $x$  to be the net gain/loss experienced by this company on each delivery.

(a) (6 points) Describe the probability distribution for  $x$  by filling in a table like the one below.

$x$	9	-6
$p(x)$	.9	.1



(b) (4 points) Find the expected value  $E(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(x) &= x_1 p(x_1) + x_2 p(x_2) \\
 &= (9)(.9) + (-6)(.1) \\
 &= 8.10 - .6 = \text{\$7.50}
 \end{aligned}$$