

Statistics 120

Spring Quarter 2008

Answer to First Midterm

1) (i) It is given that  $P(A)=0.3$ ,  $P(B)=0.5$ ,  $P(A \cap B)=0.2$ .  
Then  $P(\text{at least one of } A \text{ or } B \text{ occur}) = P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.3 + 0.5 - 0.2 = 0.6$ .

(ii)  $P(\text{none of } A \text{ or } B \text{ occurs}) = P(A^c \cap B^c) = P((A \cup B)^c) = 1 - P(A \cup B)$ , so that  $0.27 = 1 - P(A \cup B)$ , and  $P(A \cup B) = 1 - 0.27 = 0.73$ .

2) number letters numbers

- (i)  $10 \times 26^3 \times 10^3 = 26^3 \times 10^4 = 17576 \times 10,000 = 175,760,000$ .
- (ii)  $10 \times 26 \times 25 \times 24 \times 10^3 = 15,600 \times 10,000 = 156,000,000$ .
- (iii)  $10 \times 26 \times 25 \times 24 \times 10 \times 9 \times 8 = 15,600 \times 7,200 = 112,320,000$ .
- (iv)  $1 \times 23^3 \times 10 \times 1 \times 10 = 12,167 \times 100 = 1,216,700$ .

3) (i)  $x + \frac{1}{2} \geq 0 \iff x \geq -\frac{1}{2}$  which is true;

$$\int_0^1 (x + \frac{1}{2}) dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}(1+1) = \frac{2}{2} = 1.$$

$$(ii) P(\frac{1}{2} < X < \frac{3}{4}) = \int_{1/2}^{3/4} (x + \frac{1}{2}) dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x \Big|_{1/2}^{3/4} = \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + x) \Big|_{1/2}^{3/4} =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{9}{16} + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{9+12-4-8}{16} = \frac{9}{32} = 0.28125.$$

4) With obvious notation:

$$(i) P(S) = P(S \cap M) + P(S \cap F) = P(S|M)P(M) + P(S|F)P(F) \\ = (0.30 \times 0.45) + (0.25 \times 0.55) = 0.135 + 0.1375 = \underline{0.2725}$$

$$(ii) P(F|S) = \frac{P(F \cap S)}{P(S)} = \frac{P(S|F)P(F)}{P(S)} = \frac{0.1375}{0.2725} = \frac{1375}{2725} \approx \underline{0.5046}$$

5) In the first place, the assumptions imply that the events  $E_1, E_2, E_3$  are independent. Then so are the events we get if any number of the three events is replaced by their complements. Then, we have:

$$(i) P(F_3) = P(E_1^c \cap E_2^c \cap E_3^c) = P(E_1^c)P(E_2^c)P(E_3^c) = (1-p)^3 \\ P(F_2) = P[(E_1^c \cap E_2^c \cap E_3) \cup (E_1^c \cap E_2 \cap E_3^c) \cup (E_1 \cap E_2^c \cap E_3^c)] \\ = P(E_1^c \cap E_2^c \cap E_3) + P(E_1^c \cap E_2 \cap E_3^c) + P(E_1 \cap E_2^c \cap E_3^c) \\ = P(E_1^c)P(E_2^c)P(E_3) + P(E_1^c)P(E_2)P(E_3^c) + P(E_1)P(E_2^c)P(E_3^c) \\ = \underline{3(1-p)^2 p}$$

$$P(F_1) = P[(E_1^c \cap E_2 \cap E_3) \cup (E_1 \cap E_2^c \cap E_3) \cup (E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3^c)] \\ = P(E_1^c \cap E_2 \cap E_3) + P(E_1 \cap E_2^c \cap E_3) + P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3^c) \\ = P(E_1^c)P(E_2)P(E_3) + P(E_1)P(E_2^c)P(E_3) + P(E_1)P(E_2)P(E_3^c) \\ = \underline{3(1-p)p^2}$$

$$P(F_0) = P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3) = P(E_1)P(E_2)P(E_3) = \underline{p^3}$$

$$(ii) P(F_3) = (0.03)^3 = \underline{0.000027}$$

$$P(F_2) = 3(0.03)^2(0.97) = \underline{0.002619}$$

$$P(F_1) = 3(0.03)(0.97)^2 = \underline{0.084681}$$

$$P(F_0) = (0.97)^3 = \underline{0.912673}$$