

# STAT 2910 SAMPLE MIDTERM

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## Chapter 4

### Probability and Probability Distributions

1. An experiment involves tossing a single die. These are some events:
  - A: Observe a 2
  - B: Observe an even number
  - C: Observe a number greater than 2
  - D: Observe both A and B
  - E: Observe A or B or both
  - F: Observe both A and C

#### Questions

- a. List the simple events in the sample space
  - b. List the simple events in each of the events A through F
  - c. What probabilities should you assign to the simple events
  - d. Calculate the probabilities of the six events by adding the appropriate simple-event probabilities
2. A sample space S consists of five simple events with these probabilities:

$$P(E_1) = P(E_2) = 0.15$$

$$P(E_3) = 0.4$$

$$P(E_4) = 2P(E_5)$$

**Questions**

- a. Find the probability for the simple events  $E_4$  and  $E_5$
- b. Find the probabilities for these two events:

$$A = (E_1, E_3, E_4)$$

$$B = (E_2, E_3)$$

- c. List the simple events that are either in event A or event B or both
  - d. List the simple events that are either in both event A and event B
3. A sample space contains 10 simple events:  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_{10}$ . If  $P(E_1) = 3P(E_2) = 0.45$  and the remaining simple events are equiprobable, find the probabilities of these remaining simple events
  4. A basketball player hits 70% of her free throws. When she tosses a pair of free throws, the four possible simple events and three of their associated probabilities are given in the following list:

Simple Events	Outcome1	Outcome2	Probability1
1	Hit	Hit	0.49
2	Hit	Miss	?
3	Miss	Hit	0.21
4	Miss	Miss	0.09