14:332:312 Discrete Math

Homework Assignment 4 (100 points)

Due April 19 at start of class (need to explain your results)

- 1) (15 points) In an urn there are 4 white marbles, 3 red marbles and 5 blue marbles. The sample space of this experiment is equi-probable. What is the probability **p** that a *red* marble appears in a random drawing from this urn.
- 2) (20 points) A pair of dice is tossed, with the sample space S of this experiment consisting of 36 ordered pairs (a, b). Here a and b can be any integer from 1 to 6.
 - a) What is the probability of any point (a, b) in the space?
 - b) What is the conditional probability P(A/E) where A = {2 appears on at least one die} and E={the sum of both dice is 6};
- 3) (15 points) A lot contains 14 items, of which 3 are defective. From this lot, 4 items are drawn at random, one after the other (and not put back in the lot). What is the probability **p** that all items removed are non-defective.
- 4) (20 points) Consider the following Bernoulli Trial: A fair coin is tossed 6 times and Heads is considered a success.
 - a) What is the probability that exactly two heads occurs?
 - b) What is the probability of getting no heads (all tosses are failures)?
- 5) (15 points) Three horses named Smith, Glory and Gypsy are racing. Their respective probability of winning is ½, 1/3 and 1/6. The random variable X denotes the payoff function for the winning horse. If Smith wins, X pays \$200, if Glory wins, the payoff is \$400 and if the least probable horse wins, then X pays \$800. What is the expected value of X, that is what is the expected payoff for the race?
- 6) (15 points) A course has an enrollment of 10 students. A committee of 3 is chosen at random to represent the class. Find the probability that:
 - a) A belongs to the committee;
 - b) A and B belong to the committee;
 - c) A or B belong to the committee.