

# MSO 201A : Problem Set 2

## Answers

(1) (a)  $P(\cdot)$  is a prob measure

(b)  $P(\cdot)$  is a prob measure

(c)  $P(\cdot)$  is not a prob measure

Second part - (a)  $P(E) = 1 - e^{-\lambda} \left( 1 + \lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \right)$

$$(A) \quad P(F) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!}$$

$$P(E \cup F) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!} = 1 - e^{-\lambda}$$

(2) (a) & (b) :  $P(\cdot)$  is a prob measure

(c) :  $P(\cdot)$  is not a prob measure

$$(3) \quad P(A) + P(B) - 2P(AB)$$

(4) use properties of  $P(\cdot)$

(5) Done in class

$$(6) \quad (a) \quad c = e^{-2}$$

$$(b) \quad P(A) = \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2} 2^i}{i!}; \quad P(B) = \sum_{i=3}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2} 2^i}{i!}$$

$$P(C) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-2} 2^{2i+1}}{(2i+1)!}$$

$$P(B \cap C) = P(\{3\}) + P(\{5\}) + \dots$$

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(7) reqd prob

$$= 1 - (P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) - P(A_1 A_2) - P(A_1 A_3) - P(A_2 A_3) + P(A_1 A_2 A_3))$$

$$P(A_i) = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^6 \quad \forall i; \quad P(A_i A_j) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^6 \quad \forall i \neq j; \quad P(A_1 A_2 A_3) = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^6$$

$$(8) \text{ reqd prob} = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} - \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$(9) (a) \text{ reqd prob} = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \frac{1}{i!}$$

$$(b) \text{ reqd prob} = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i \frac{1}{i! (n-i)!} \rightarrow \left( \frac{n!}{(n-i)!} \right)$$

(10) use properties & def<sup>n</sup> of cond<sup>n</sup>l prob

- (11)
- (a) true
  - (b) false
  - (c) false

(\*) Condition that  $0 < P(B) < 1$  is missed out in the problem statement; this is required.

- (12)
- (a) false
  - (b) false
  - (c) true
  - (d) false

$$(13) (a) \binom{4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(b) \frac{3}{8}$$

$$(14) \frac{p_A}{p_A + p_B}$$

$$(15) 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - p_i)$$

$$(16) \quad \frac{90 \times 89 \times 88}{100 \times 99 \times 98}$$

$$(17) \quad \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3}}{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$(18) \quad \frac{\frac{13}{27} \times \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{13}{27} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{14}{27} \times \frac{2}{3}}$$

$$(19) \quad \frac{1}{3}$$

$$(20) \quad (a) \quad \prod_{i=1}^4 P(c_i)$$

$$(b) \quad \prod_{i=1}^4 P(c_i^c)$$

$$(c) \quad P(c_1) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq 2}}^4 P(c_i^c) + P(c_2) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq 3}}^4 P(c_i^c) + P(c_3) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq 4}}^4 P(c_i^c) + P(c_4) \prod_{i=1}^3 P(c_i^c)$$

$$(d) \quad 1 - \prod_{i=1}^4 P(c_i^c)$$

$$(21) \quad \text{we have that } 1-x < e^{-x} \text{ for } 0 < x < 1$$

(22) One counter example given in class; try to find some other

(23) It is not true that "C carries negative info about A".  
think of a counter example

$$(24) \quad \frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{7} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{7}$$

$$(25) \quad (a) \quad (0.9)^2 (0.8^2 + 0.8 - 0.8 \times 0.8)$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{0.9 \times 0.9 \times 0.2 \times 0.8}{( \quad )}$$

$$(26) \quad (a) \quad 0.2 \times 0.6 \times 0.8 \times 0.9$$

$$(b) \quad 0.6 \times 0.8 \times 0.9$$

$$(27) \quad \frac{0.1 \times 1}{(0.76 \times 0 + 0.09 \times \frac{1}{5} + 0.02 \times \frac{2}{5} + 0.01 \times \frac{3}{5} + 0.02 \times \frac{4}{5} + 0.10 \times 1)}$$