

# Exam 1 Review

## Chapter 2

1. How would you define probability, in words?
2. What is a sample space, and what notation do we use for it?
3. What does  $A \subset B$  mean, in words? Draw a picture of this relationship.
4. What does  $A \cup B$  mean, in words? Draw a picture of this relationship.
5. What does  $A \cap B$  mean, in words? Draw a picture of this relationship.
6. What does  $A'$  mean, in words? Draw a picture of this event.
7. What notation do we use for the *null* or *empty* set?
8. What does **mutually exclusive** mean, in words? If  $A$  and  $B$  are mutually exclusive, what do we know about  $A \cap B$ ? What about  $A \cup B$ ?
9. What does **mutually exhaustive** mean, in words? If  $A, B, C$  are mutually exhaustive, what do we know about  $P(A \cup B \cup C)$ ?

10. What is another way to re-write  $A \cap (B \cup C)$ ?
11. What is another way to re-write  $A \cup (B \cap C)$ ?
12. What is another way to re-write  $(A \cup B)'$ ?
13. What is another way to re-write  $(A \cap B)'$ ?
14. Probabilities always have to fall between what two values?
15. If  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_k$  are disjoint events, how can you re-write  $P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_k)$ ?
16. What is another way to re-write  $1 - P(A')$ ?
17. What is  $P(\emptyset)$ ?
18. TRUE/FALSE, If  $A \subset B$ , then  $P(A) \leq P(B)$
19. If given  $P(A \cup B)$ ,  $P(A)$ , and  $P(B)$ , how do you find  $P(A \cap B)$ ?
20. If procedure 1 has  $n_1$  possible outcomes, and procedure 2 has  $n_2$  possible outcomes, how many possible outcomes does the composite procedure have?
21. What does  $n!$  mean?
22. What is the formula for the total number of ways to ORDER  $r$  unique subjects selected from  $n$  subjects (without replacement)? Is this a permutation or a combination?
23. What is the formula for the total number of ways to order  $r$  unique subjects selected WITH replacement from  $n$  subjects?

24. What is the formula for the total number of ways to CHOOSE  $r$  unique subjects selected from  $n$  subjects (without replacement)? Is this a permutation or a combination?
25. What is the formula for  $\binom{n}{r}$ ? How do you read  $\binom{n}{r}$ , in words?
26. What is the formula for splitting  $n$  distinct objects into  $k$  distinct groups of size  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$ ?
27. What's the formula for  $P(B|A)$ ? What is this called?
28. If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, what is  $P(A|B)$ ?  $P(B|A)$ ?  $P(A \cap B)$ ?
29. How can you re-write  $P(A \cap B)$  in terms of a conditional probability?
30. How do you check if two events  $A$  and  $B$  are independent?
31. If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, what do you know about  $A$  and  $B'$ ,  $A'$  and  $B$ , and  $A'$  and  $B'$ ?
32. Set up a tree diagram where the first experiment has two possible outcomes  $A$  and  $A'$ , and the second experiment has two possible outcomes  $B$  and  $B'$ . Label the each of the following on the appropriate branches or indicate if the probability is not represented by a branch:
- $P(A)$
  - $P(A')$
  - $P(A|B)$
  - $P(A'|B)$
  - $P(B|A)$
  - $P(B|A')$
  - $P(B'|A)$
  - $P(B'|A')$
33. Describe how you would use the tree diagram above to find:
- $P(A \cap B)$
  - $P(A' \cap B')$
  - $P(B)$
  - $P(A|B)$

34. How can you re-write  $P(A)$  using the Law of Total Probability? Explain in words what this means.  
How does it relate to Bayes Theorem?

## Chapter 3

1. What condition do you check to verify that a function  $p(y)$  is a valid probability distribution?
2. What is  $p(y)$  when  $y \notin S$ ?
3. How do we write  $p(y)$  in terms of a probability?
4. How do you find an expression for the mean of a discrete random variable? What are two ways to denote the mean?
5. How do you find  $E[g(Y)]$  for a discrete random variable  $Y$ ?
6. How can you simplify  $E(aY + b)$ ?
7. How do you find the variance of a discrete random variable? (Shortcut formula)
8. What happens to the variance of  $Y$  if a constant is added to all  $y$  values? That is, what is  $V(Y + c)$ ?
9. What happens to the variance if all  $y$  values are multiplied by a constant? That is, what is  $V(cY)$ ?
10. What is  $V(aY + b)$ ?