

**MATH 2377, SUMMER 2009  
ASSIGNMENT 1**

**2-24. (2 points)**

The sample space is  $S = \{l | l = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  and:

- a)  $A = \{l \in S | 675 \leq l \leq 700\} = \{l \in S | l = 675, 676, \dots, 700\}$  (the unit is *nm*);
- b)  $B = \{l \in S | 450 \leq l \leq 500\}$ , or  $B = \{l \in S | l = 450, 451, \dots, 500\}$ ;
- c)  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  - the empty set since  $500 < 675$ ;
- d)  $A \cup B = \{l \in S | 450 \leq l \leq 500 \text{ or } 675 \leq l \leq 700\}$ , or  $A \cup B = \{l \in S | l = 450, 451, \dots, 500, 675, 676, \dots, 700\}$ .

Marking scheme: 0.5 for each of a), b), c), d);

**2-62. (3 points)**

- a)  $P(A) = \frac{86}{100}$ ;
- b)  $P(B) = \frac{79}{100}$ ;
- c)  $P(A') = \frac{14}{100}$ ;
- d)  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{70}{100}$ ;
- e)  $P(A \cup B) = \frac{95}{100}$ ;
- f)  $P(A' \cup B) = \frac{84}{100}$ ;

Marking scheme: 0.5 for each of a), b), c), d), e), f);

**2-66. (3 points)**

- a)  $P(A') = 1 - P(A) = 1 - 0.3 = 0.7$ ;
- b) Using the formula given in class we get:  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.3 + 0.2 - 0.1 = 0.4$ ;
- c) Since  $B = (B \cap A) \cup (B \cap A')$ , we get  $P(B) = P(B \cap A) + P(B \cap A')$ , hence we obtain:  $P(B \cap A') = P(B) - P(B \cap A) = 0.2 - 0.1 = 0.1$ ;
- d) Since  $A = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B')$ , we get  $P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B')$ , hence we obtain:  $P(A \cap B') = P(A) - P(A \cap B) = 0.3 - 0.1 = 0.2$ ;
- e)  $P[(A \cup B)'] = 1 - P(A \cup B) = 1 - 0.4 = 0.6$ , (see b));
- f)  $P(A' \cup B) = P(A') + P(B) - P(B \cap A') = 0.7 + 0.2 - 0.1 = 0.8$ , see c).

Marking scheme: 0.5 for each of a), b), c), d), e), f);

**2-78. (3 points)**

- a)  $P(A) = \frac{82}{100}$ ;
- b)  $P(B) = \frac{90}{100}$ ;
- c)  $P(A|B) = \frac{A \cap B}{P(B)} = \frac{80}{90}$ ;
- d)  $P(B|A) = \frac{B \cap A}{P(A)} = \frac{80}{82}$ ;
- e) the probability we are looking for is just  $P(B|A) = 0.9756$ ;
- f) the probability we are looking for is just  $P(A|B') = \frac{P(A \cap B')}{P(B')} = 0.02 / (1 - 0.9) = 2/10 = 0.2$

Marking scheme: 0.5 for each of a), b), c), d), e), f);

## 2-92. (2 points)

*I* Denote by **FLAW** the event: a roll contains a flaw; Denote by **COTTON** the event: a roll is cotton; Then  $P(\mathbf{COTTON}) = 0.7$ , and so  $P((\mathbf{COTTON})') = 0.3$ . From the text we get that:  $P(\mathbf{FLAW}|\mathbf{COTTON}) = 0.02$  and  $P(\mathbf{FLAW}|(\mathbf{COTTON})') = 0.03$ .

*II* By the rule given in class we get:  $P(\mathbf{FLAW}) = P(\mathbf{FLAW}|\mathbf{COTTON})P(\mathbf{COTTON}) + P(\mathbf{FLAW}|(\mathbf{COTTON})')P((\mathbf{COTTON})') = 0.02 \times 0.7 + 0.03 \times 0.3 = 0.023$ .

Marking scheme: 1 point for each *I* and *II*.

## 2-122. (2 points)

Let  $D$  be the event: a selected item is defective. Let  $A$  be the event: the inspector classify an item as defective. From the statement we have:  $P(D) = 0.009$ , and  $P(A|D) = 0.99$  and  $P(A|D') = 0.005$ .

a) We need to find  $P(A)$ . We have  $P(A) = P(A|D)P(D) + P(A|D')P(D') = 0.99 \times 0.009 + 0.005 \times 0.991 = 0.013865$

b) We need to find  $P(D'|A')$ . We have  $P(D'|A') = \frac{P(D' \cap A')}{P(A')} = \frac{P(A'|D')P(D')}{1 - P(A)} = \frac{[1 - P(A|D')][1 - P(D)]}{1 - P(A)} = \frac{[1 - 0.005][1 - 0.009]}{1 - 0.013865} = 0.99991$ .

Marking scheme: 1 point for each a) and b).