

Items to Review

- Numerical summaries: mean, median, mode, standard deviation, variance, range, class frequency, relative class frequency, z -score.
- Listing sample spaces for experiments and assigning probabilities to sample points.
- Finding probabilities of unions, intersections and complements.
- Complements: $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
- Unions: $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- Conditional probability: $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$
- Intersections: $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B) = P(B|A)P(A)$
- Law of Total Probability: $P(A) = P(A|B)P(B) + P(A|B^c)P(B^c)$
- Combinations: Choose r elements from N where order doesn't matter
 $C_r^N = \frac{N!}{r!(N-r)!}$
- Permutations: Choose r things from N where the order does matter $P_r^N = \frac{N!}{(N-r)!}$

Examples to Review.

1. How many ways can one choose 3 people from a group of 8 *and* arrange them in order?

The answer is of course $P_3^8 = 336$, but let's count another way as well to see the relationship between combinations and permutations. How many ways can we choose 3 people from the group of 8? The answer is $C_3^8 = 56$. Now, given a set of 3 people, how many ways can we order them?

(number of ways to choose first person)(number of ways to choose second person)(number of ways to choose last person) = $(3)(2)(1) = 6$. Thus we have 56 sets of 3 people to choose from and 6 ways to arrange each group of 3, so the total number of ways to choose 3 people *and* arrange them in order is $(56)(6) = 336$. We see that this agrees with P_3^8 .

2. We survey shoppers at a mall and ask them two questions: Did they shop at store X?, and Did they see an ad for store X? The results are:

	Shopped at X	Didn't shop at X	Total
Saw ad	105	20	125
Didn't see ad	20	65	85
Total	125	85	210

Experiment: We choose a person from the survey at random.

Event A: Person shopped at X

Event B: Person saw add for X

- $P(A) = 125/210$
- $P(B) = 125/210$
- $P(A \cup B) = (105 + 20 + 20)/210 = 145/210$
- $P(A \cap B^c) = 20/210$
- $P(A|B) = 20/125$

3. A machine has 4 components A, B, C and D. All are needed and are independent. Suppose the probability of the parts working is $P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = 0.97$ and $P(D) = 0.95$. What is the probability that the machine works (all parts work?)

We are interested in $P(A \cap B \cap C \cap D)$, since the events are independent $P(A \cap B \cap C \cap D) = P(A)P(B)P(C)P(D) = (0.97)(0.97)(0.97)(0.95) = 0.867$

4. Suppose of 400 stocks 19 have outstanding prospects. You choose 2 of the stocks at random. What is the probability at least one of the stocks you choose has outstanding prospects?

Define the event A = At least one of the chosen stocks has outstanding prospects.

We will use the rule $P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$. So we need to find $P(A^c)$.

How many total ways can we choose the stocks? $C_2^{400} = 79800$

How many ways can we choose 2 stocks from the ones that don't have outstanding prospects? (number of ways A^c can occur)

$$C_2^{381} = 72390$$

Thus $P(A^c) = 0.9171$ and $P(A) = 0.0929$.