

## STAT 308 - Handout # 9

### 4.6 The Multiplication Rule; Independence

Ex. A joint frequency dist'n for the number of injuries in the US by circumstance and sex is as shown in the following contingency table. Frequencies are in millions.

Circumst. Sex	Work $C_1$	Home $C_2$	Other $C_3$	Total
Male $S_1$	8		178	356
Female $S_2$		116	129	258
TOTAL	93	214	307	614

- Fill in the two empty cells
- How many cells does the contingency table have?
- Find the probability  $P(C_1)$  and  $P(S_2)$
- Find the probability  $P(C_1 \cap S_2)$
- Obtain  $P(S_2|C_1)$  directly from the table
- Obtain  $P(S_2|C_1)$  using the conditional probability rule and your answers from part (c) and (d).
- Are  $S_2$  and  $C_1$  independent? Explain.  
Hence,  $C_1$  and  $S_2$  are not independent.
- Obtain  $P(S_2 \cap C_1)$  using the multiplication rule and your answers from parts (c) and (e).
- State your results in parts (c) - (e) in words.