

MATH-505A: Homework # 2

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Exercise # 1.5

(1)

Given: A, B are independent

To Prove: A^C, B ; A^C, B^C are independent

Since A, B are independent:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) \quad (1)$$

Thus,

$$P(A \cap B) = (1 - P(A^C))P(B) = P(B) - P(B)P(A^C) \quad (2)$$

Rearranging 2:

$$P(B)P(A^C) = P(B) - P(A \cap B) \quad (3)$$

$$P(B) - P(A \cap B) = P(A^C \cap B) = P(A^C)P(B) \quad (4)$$

From 3 and 4 : A^C, B are independent.

Similiary to prove A^C, B^C are independent, we perform substitute B^C in $P(B \cap A^C)$

(2)

$A_{ij} = i^{th}$ and j^{th} rolls produce the same number For any $i \neq j$, total outcome are $6*6 = 36$ and facourable outcomes are $\binom{6}{1} * 1 = 6$, thus $p(A_{ij}) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$

Consider $P(A_{ij} \cap A_{kj})$, such that $i \neq j \neq k$, then :

$$P(A_{ij} \cap A_{kj}) = \frac{\binom{6}{1} * 1 * 1}{6 * 6 * 6} = \frac{1}{36} = P(A_{ij})P(A_{kj})$$

Thu, A_{ij} are pairwise independent.

Consider:

$$P(A_{ij} \cap A_{jk} \cap A_{kl}) = \frac{\binom{6}{1} * 1 * 1 * 1}{6 * 6 * 6} = \frac{1}{36} \neq P(A_{ij})P(A_{jk})P(A_{kl})$$

Since $P(A_{ij} \cap A_{jk} \cap A_{kl}) \neq P(A_{ij})P(A_{jk})$, it will not be true in general consider other A_{lm} .

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(4)

Given: $\omega = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$ where p is prime. F is set of all subsets of ω ; $P(A) = \frac{|A|}{p}$ **To Prove:** A 'or' B is a null set or is the set *omega*

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{p}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{|B|}{p}$$

Now, by definition:

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{p} \quad (5)$$

Since A, B are independent:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{p} = \frac{|A|}{p} \frac{|B|}{p} \quad (6)$$

Thus:

$$p|A \cap B| = |A||B| \implies |A||B| \bmod p = 0 \quad (7)$$

and $0 \leq |A|, |B| \leq p \implies |A| \text{ or } |B| = p \text{ OR } |A|, |B| = 0 \implies A, B \text{ are either null or full sets.}$

(5)

(6)

(7)

 $A = \{ \text{all children of same sex} \}$
 $B = \{ \text{there is at most one boy} \}$
 $C = \{ \text{one boy and one girl included} \}$

$$P(A) = P(\text{all boys}) + P(\text{all girls}) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * 2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(B) = P(0 \text{ boys}) + P(1 \text{ boy}) = \frac{1}{8} + 3 * \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(C) = P(1 \text{ boy} + 1 \text{ girl}) = 2 * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * 3 = \frac{3}{4}$$

Part a): A is independent of B and B is independent of C

$P(A \cap B) = \text{all children are of same sex AND there is at most one boy} \implies \text{all children are boys}$

$$\implies P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8} = P(A) * P(B).$$

Hence A,B are independent

$P(B \cap C) = \text{there is at most one boy AND there is one boy and a girl} \implies \text{there is one boy and two girls.}$

$$P(B \cap C) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} * 3 = \frac{3}{8} = P(B) * P(C)$$

Hence B,C are independent

Part b): Is A independent of C?

$P(A \cap C) = \text{the family includes boy and girl AND all children are of same sex}$

Clearly $P(A \cap C) = 0$ and hence A,B are not necessarily independent!

Part c): Do the results hold if boys and girls are not equally likely?

NO. Since

Part d): Do these results hold if there are 4 children?

Yes, the calculations are independent of the number of children since independence relations are not dependent on the number.