

513HW1

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### Homework 1.1

**Jerry and Susan have a joint bank account.**

**Jerry goes to the bank 20% of the days.**

**Susan goes there 30% of the days.**

**Together they are at the bank 8% of the days.**

- a. Susan was at the bank last Monday. What' s the probability that Jerry was there too?

*Assume that:  $A = \{ \text{Jerry goes to the bank} \} = 20\%$ .*

*$B = \{ \text{Susan goes to the bank} \} = 30\%$ , so  $P(AB) = 8\%$ ,*

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.08}{0.3} = 26.67\%$$

- b. Last Friday, Susan wasn' t at the bank. What' s the probability that Jerry was there?

$$P(A|\overline{B}) = \frac{P(A \cap \overline{B})}{P(\overline{B})} = \frac{P(A) - P(A \cap B)}{P(\overline{B})} = \frac{0.2 - 0.08}{0.7} = 17.14\%$$

- c. Last Wednesday at least one of them was at the bank.  
What is the probability that both of them were there?

$$\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A \cup B)} = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)} = \frac{0.08}{0.2 + 0.3 - 0.08} = 19.05\%$$

## Homework 1.2

Harold and Sharon are studying for a test.

Harold' s chances of getting a "B" are 80%. Sharon' s chances of getting a "B" are 90%.

The probability of at least one of them getting a "B" is 91%.

- a. What is the probability that only Harold gets a "B" ?

*Assume that:  $A = \{ \text{Harold gets a "B"} \} = 80\%$ ,*

*$B = \{ \text{Sharon gets a "B"} \} = 90\%$ , so  $P(A \cup B) = 91\%$ .*

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cup B) = 0.8 + 0.9 - 0.91 = 0.79$$

$$P(A \cap \overline{B}) = P(A) - P(A \cap B) = 0.8 - 0.79 = 1\%$$

- b. What is the probability that only Sharon gets a "B" ?

$$P(\overline{A} \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.9 - 0.79 = 11\%$$

- c. What is the probability that both won' t get a "B" ?

$$1 - P(A \cup B) = 1 - 91\% = 9\%$$

### Homework 1.3

Jerry and Susan have a joint bank account.

Jerry goes to the bank 20% of the days.

Susan goes there 30% of the days.

Together they are at the bank 8% of the days.

Are the events “Jerry is at the bank” and “Susan is at the bank” independent?

*NO. According to HW 1.1:  $P(A|B) = 26.67\%$ ,  $P(A) = 20\%$ .*

then  $P(A|B) \neq P(A)$ .

Similarly,  $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{0.08}{0.2} = 40\%$ ,  $P(B) = 30\%$

$P(B|A) \neq P(B)$ . So, the events “Jerry is at the bank” and “Susan is at the bank” are not independent.

## Homework 1.4

You roll 2 dice.

- a. Are the events “the sum is 6” and “the second die shows 5” independent?

Assume that  $A = \{ \text{The sum is 6} \}$ ,  $B = \{ \text{The second die shows 5} \}$ .

		Die 2					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
Die 1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

$$P(A) = \frac{5}{6 \times 6} = \frac{5}{36}, \quad P(B) = \frac{1}{6},$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{\frac{1}{36}}{\frac{1}{6}} = \frac{1}{6}, \text{ so } P(A|B) \neq P(A).$$

$$\text{Similarly, } P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{\frac{1}{36}}{\frac{5}{36}} = \frac{1}{5}, \text{ then } P(B|A) \neq P(B)$$

So, the events “the sum is 6” and “the second die shows 5” are not independent.

b. **Are the events “the sum is 7” and “the first die shows 5” independent?**

Assume that  $A = \{\text{The sum is 7.}\}$ ,  $B = \{\text{The first die shows 5.}\}$ . Then according to the figure above:

$$P(A) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(B) = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{1}{6}$$

then  $P(A|B) = P(A)$  and  $P(B|A) = P(B)$ , so the events “the sum is 7” and “the first die shows 5” are independent.

## Homework 1.5

An oil company is considering drilling in either TX, AK and NJ.

The company may operate in only one state. There is 60% chance the company will choose TX and 10% chance – NJ.

There is 30% chance of finding oil in TX, 20% - in AK, and 10% - in NJ.

1. What' s the probability of finding oil?
2. The company decided to drill and found oil. What is the probability that they drilled in TX?

*Let  $A_1, A_1, A_3$  respectively be that the Oil company decided to drill in  $\{TX\}, \{AK\}, \{NJ\}$ , and let  $B_1, B_2, B_3$ , be that the company found oil in  $\{TX\}, \{AK\}, \{NJ\}$ .*

*Then  $P(A_1) = 60\%, P(A_1) = 30\%, P(A_3) = 10\%$ ,*

*$P(B_1) = 30\%, P(B_2) = 20\%, P(B_3) = 10\%$ ,*

*1. The probability of finding oil is*

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 P(A_i) * P(B_i) = P(A_1) * P(B_1) + P(A_1) * P(B_2) + P(A_3) *$$

$$P(B_3) = 0.6 * 0.3 + 0.3 * 0.2 + 0.1 * 0.1 = 25\%$$

*2. The probability that they drilled in TX is*

$$\frac{P(A_1) * P(B_1)}{\sum_{i=1}^3 P(A_i) * P(B_i)} = \frac{0.6 * 0.3}{0.25} = 72\%$$

## Homework 1.6

The following slide shows the survival status of individual passengers on the Titanic. Use this information to answer the following questions

- What is the probability that a passenger did not survive?

*Let  $A$  be the probability that a passenger did not survive.*

$$P(A) = \frac{P(\text{passenger}_{\text{not survived}})}{P(\text{passenger})} = \frac{1490}{2201} = 67.70\%$$

- What is the probability that a passenger was staying in the first class?

*Let  $B$  be the probability that a passenger was staying in the first class.*

$$P(B) = \frac{P(\text{passenger}_{\text{first class}})}{P(\text{passenger})} = \frac{325}{2201} = 14.77\%$$

- Given that a passenger survived, what is the probability that the passenger was staying in the first class?

*Let  $C$  be the probability that the passenger was staying in the first class, given that a passenger survived.*

$$P(\text{passenger was in the first class} | \text{passenger survived})$$

$$= \frac{203}{711} = 28.55\%$$

■ Are survival and staying in the first class independent?

The following probabilities can get from the figure,

$$P(\text{survival}) = \frac{711}{2201} = 32.30\%$$

$$P(\text{people in the first class}) = \frac{325}{2201} = 14.77\%$$

$$P(\text{people in the first class}|\text{survival}) = \frac{203}{711} = 28.55\%$$

$$P(\text{survival}|\text{people in the first class}) = \frac{203}{325} = 62.46\%$$

Then,  $P(\text{people in the first class}|\text{survival}) \neq P(\text{people in the first class})$

$$P(\text{survival}|\text{people in the first class}) \neq P(\text{survival})$$

So, survival and staying the first class are not independent.

■ Given that a passenger survived, what is the probability that the passenger was staying in the first class and the passenger was a child?

$$P(\text{firstclass}_{child}|\text{passenger survived}) = \frac{6}{711} = 0.844\%$$

■ Given that a passenger survived, what is the probability that the passenger was an adult?

$$P(\text{passenger was an adult}|\text{passenger survived}) = \frac{654 - 57}{711}$$

$$= 83.97\%$$



- Given that a passenger survived, are age and staying in the first class independent?

*Let  $P(C)$  be the adult, given a passenger survived,  $P(D)$  be people in the first class, given a passenger survived.*

$$P(C) = P(\text{adult}|\text{passenger survived}) = \frac{654 - 57}{711} \\ = 83.97\%$$

$$P(D) = P(\text{first class}|\text{passenger survived}) = \frac{203}{711} =$$

*28.55%, then  $P(C) \cdot P(D) = 23.97\%$ ,*

$$P(C \cap D) = \frac{197}{711} = 27.71\%.$$

*However,  $P(C \cap D) \neq P(C) \cdot P(D)$ , so given that a passenger survived, age and staying in the first class independent are not independent.*

## Survived

Age	Cabin				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Crew	Sub Total
Adult	197	94	151	212	654
Child	6	24	27	-	57
Sub Total	203	118	178	212	711

## Not Survived

Age	Cabin				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Crew	Sub Total
Adult	122	167	476	673	1,438
Child			52		52
Sub Total	122	167	528	673	1,490

## Total

Age	Cabin				
	1st	2nd	3rd	Crew	Grand Total
Adult	319	261	627	885	2,092
Child	6	24	79		109
Grand Total	325	285	706	885	2,201