

Question 1

Assume that there are three different routes to get to a particular location: R_1 , R_2 and R_3 . You take R_1 75% of the time, R_2 20% of the time and R_3 the rest of the time. If you take R_1 , there is a 90% chance that you will be on time; if you take R_2 , there is a 50% chance that you will be on time and, if you take R_3 , there is a 70% chance that you will be on time.

Let T represent on time.

- (a) If T represents “on time”, what notation would we use for “late”? (b) What is the value of $\Pr(R_1 \cap R_2)$? (c) Calculate the probability of being on time. (d) *Given that you are on time*, calculate the probabilities of having used each of the routes. (e) *Given that you are late*, what is the probability that you used R_1 ?

Question 2

Assume that 40% of emails you receive can be classed as “spam”. Your spam filter places 90% of spam emails in the spam folder and 1% of non-spam emails in the spam folder.

- (a) Using appropriate notation, convert the above into mathematical statements. (b) What proportion of your emails go to the spam folder? (c) *Given that an email is in the spam folder*, what is the probability that it is in fact spam? (d) *Given that the email is not in the spam folder*, what is the probability that it is spam?

Question 3

Let’s assume you have four shirts (green, red, brown, black), two jackets (blue, black) and two pairs of trousers (brown, black).

- (a) How many outfits have you got altogether? (b) What if the shirt must be red? (c) What if the shirt must be green or black? (d) What if the shirt must be green and the jacket must be blue? (e) What if no item is to be black? (f) What if at least one item must be black? (g) What if the shirt and jacket can be the same colour but the trousers must be a different colour?

Question 4

You must create a password of length 5 using the following characters: $\{a, b, c, d, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$.

- (a) How many possible passwords are there? (b) What if you only use letters? (c) What if first character cannot be a number? (d) How many passwords contain *at least one* number? (e) What if each character must be different?

Question 5

In your favourite RPG game, let’s assume that in selecting your character there are 5 character classes and 2 genders. Let’s also assume there are 3 levels of difficulty for this game.

- (a) How many possible ways can you play this game? (b) What if you always choose the “warrior” class? (c) What if you always choose a female character? (d) What if you always play on the highest difficulty setting? (e) Let’s assume the game has a two-player mode. How many possible ways can you play this game? (hint: you cannot play the game on different difficulty levels). (f) What if your friend chooses a different character class to you?

Question 6

Assume that you are going to an exam and you can only bring 3 items. You have the following items: {mobile phone, pen, ruler, calculator, laptop, apple}.

(a) In order to make your decision, you first *arrange* these 6 items on your desk. How many possible arrangements are there? (b) How many possible groups of three items can you bring with you? (c) What if you decide that the pen is essential? (d) What if the pen is essential and you also decide that you won't bring an apple or a laptop?

Question 7

A team of 5 people is required to perform a particular task. We are selecting from a group of 7 women and 3 men.

How many selections are there:

(a) Altogether? (b) If one of the men is an expert and must be on the team? (c) If two of the individuals do not get along and cannot be on the team together? (d) If the group must contain 3 women and 2 men? (e) If the group must contain more women than men? (f) If the group must contain more men than women?