

Probability practice

Part A.

$$P(\text{Yes}) = P(\text{Yes}|\text{RC}) \times P(\text{RC}) + P(\text{Yes}|\text{TC}) \times P(\text{TC}) = 0.65$$

$$0.65 = 0.5 \times 0.3 + P(\text{Yes}|\text{TC}) \times 0.7$$

$$P(\text{Yes}|\text{TC}) = \frac{(0.65 - 0.5 \times 0.3)}{0.7} \approx 71.43\%$$

Approximately 71.43% of truthful clickers answered Yes.

Part B.

$$P(A|B) = P(B|A) \times \frac{P(A)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(A) = 0.000025$$

$$P(B|A) = 0.993$$

$$P(B) = P(B|A) \times P(A) + P(B|\text{not } A) \times P(\text{not } A)$$

$$P(B|\text{not}) = 1 - 0.9999 = 0.0001$$

$$P(\text{not } A) = 1 - P(A) = 1 - 0.000025 = 0.999975$$

$$P(B) = 0.993 \times 0.000025 + 0.0001 \times 0.999975 \approx 0.0001$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{0.993 \times 0.000025}{0.0001} \approx 24.8\%$$

The probability that someone who tested positive actually has the disease is about 24.8%.