

# M351K Homework 2

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## 1: Disease

Let  $D$  := the event that a person has the disease.

Let  $\overline{D}$  := the event that a person does not have the disease.

Let  $T$  := the event that a person tests positive.

Let  $\overline{T}$  := the event that a person tests negative.

Given  $P(D) = 0.0005$ ,  $P(T|D) = 0.99$ ,  $P(\overline{T}|\overline{D}) = 0.995$ .

Then  $P(T|\overline{D}) = 1 - P(\overline{T}|\overline{D}) = 1 - 0.995 = 0.005$ .

$P(T) = P(T|D)P(D) + P(T|\overline{D})P(\overline{D}) = 0.99(0.0005) + 0.005(1 - 0.0005) = 0.0054925$ .

Then by Bayes,  $P(D|T) = \frac{P(T|D)P(D)}{P(T)} = \frac{(0.99)(0.0005)}{0.0054925} = 0.09012289485662267 \approx 9\%$ .

The probability that a person has the disease given they tested positive is about 9%. However, the more important percentage is  $P(T|D) = 99\%$ .

## 2: Independence

a)

Let  $A = B = \mathbb{U}$ , where  $\mathbb{U}$  is the universe.

Then  $P(A|B) = P(A) = 1$ .

Then A and B are pairwise independent.

b)

A and B are independent. A and C are independent.

Then  $P(A \cap (B \cup C)) = P((A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap C) - P(((A \cap B) \cap (A \cap C))) = P(A)P(B) + P(A)P(C) - P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A)(P(B) + P(C) - \frac{P(A \cap (B \cap C))}{P(A)})$ .

If A and  $B \cap C$  are independent, then  $P(A \cap (B \cup C)) = P(A)(P(B) + P(C) - P(B \cap C)) = P(A)P(B \cup C)$ , and A is independent of  $B \cup C$ .

Else, A is not independent of  $B \cup C$ .

Therefore, supposing that A is independent of B and A is independent of C does not imply that A is independent of  $B \cup C$  since we never asserted that A was independent of  $B \cap C$ .

c)

If A, B, and C are independent then  $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A)P(B)P(C)$  and A, B, and C are pairwise independent.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Then } P(A \cap (B \cup C)) \\
 &= P((A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)) \\
 &= P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap C) - P((A \cap B) \cap (A \cap C)) \\
 &= P(A)P(B) + P(A)P(C) - P(A \cap B \cap C) \\
 &= P(A)P(B) + P(A)P(C) - P(A)P(B)P(C) \\
 &= P(A)P(B) + P(A)P(C) - P(A)P(B \cap C) \\
 &= P(A)(P(B) + P(C) - P(B \cap C)) \\
 &= P(A)P(B \cup C).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then A and  $B \cup C$  are independent.

### 3: Chairs

Let  $S$  be the sample space.

Then  $S = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{N} \mid a, b \leq n, a \neq b\}$ .

Let A be the event that  $|a - b| \leq 3$ .

Let  $n \geq 7$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{Then } P(A) = P(A \mid 3 < a \leq n-3)P(3 < a \leq n-3) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = 1)P(a = 1) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = 2)P(a = 2) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = 3)P(a = 3) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = n-2)P(a = n-2) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = n-1)P(a = n-1) \\
 &+ P(A \mid a = n)P(a = n) \\
 &= P(A \mid 3 < a \leq n-3)P(3 < a \leq n-3) \\
 &+ 2P(A \mid a = 1)P(a = 1) \\
 &+ 2P(A \mid a = 2)P(a = 2) \\
 &+ 2P(A \mid a = 3)P(a = 3) \\
 &= \frac{6}{n-1} \cdot \frac{n-6}{n} + \frac{5}{n-1} \cdot \frac{2}{n} + \frac{4}{n-1} \cdot \frac{2}{n} + \frac{3}{n-1} \cdot \frac{2}{n} \\
 &= \frac{6}{n-1} \cdot \frac{n-6}{n} + \frac{2}{n} \cdot \left( \frac{5}{n-1} + \frac{4}{n-1} + \frac{3}{n-1} \right) \\
 &= \frac{6(n-2)}{(n-1)n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $n = 6$  then  $P(A) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \left( \frac{5}{3} + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{3}{3} \right) = \frac{4}{3}$ .

If  $n = 5$  then  $P(A) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{5} \cdot \left( \frac{4}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{9}{10}$ .

If  $n = 4$  then  $P(A) = 1$ .

If  $n = 3$  then  $P(A) = 1$ .

If  $n = 2$  then  $P(A) = 1$ .

## 4: Set Algebra

$$\begin{aligned}
& P(A \cup B \mid C) \\
&= \frac{P((A \cup B) \cap C)}{P(C)} \\
&= \frac{P((A+B-(A \cap B)) \cap C)}{P(C)} \\
&= \frac{P(A \cap C) + P(B \cap C) - P((A \cap B) \cap C)}{P(C)} \\
&= \frac{P(A \cap C)}{P(C)} + \frac{P(B \cap C)}{P(C)} - \frac{P((A \cap B) \cap C)}{P(C)} \\
&= P(A \mid C) + P(B \mid C) - P(A \cap B \mid C).
\end{aligned}$$

## 5: Candy

We use partitions. There are 151 choices for each partition, since we may partition the front or past the end. Then there are  $151^4$  unique possible partitions, since partition positions may be repeated. Each unique partition corresponds to a unique color distribution, so there are a maximum of 519885601 unique jars the factory can produce without repeats.

## 6: Coins

$$\begin{aligned}
& P(\text{toss 5} = \text{Head}) = P(\text{Head}) \\
&= P(\text{Head} \mid \text{coin a})P(\text{coin a}) + P(\text{Head} \mid \text{coin b})P(\text{coin b}) \\
&= 0.7 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 0.3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}. \\
& P(\text{toss 6} = \text{Head} \mid \text{first 5 tosses are Heads}) = P(\text{Head}) = \frac{1}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

## 7: Coins

a)

Fix one man in one position. This removes repeats due to rotation. Then there are  $7!$  ways to place the rest of the men.

For no two women to sit side-by-side, the women must be placed in a seat between two men.

There are 8 positions between the men, and there are  $\binom{8}{5}$  ways to select seats for the women. Order matters, so there are  $5! \cdot \binom{8}{5}$  ways to seat the women.

Then there are a total of  $7! \cdot 5! \cdot \binom{8}{5} = 33868800$  unique ways to seat the 13 people independent of rotation.

b)

There are two couples and 9 people who are not couples.

Fix one of the couples to account for rotations. There are 4 ways to do this.

There are then 10 spots for the next couple to be in, and 2 ways to order the couple. Thus there are 20 ways to place the second couple.

In the remaining 9 slots, there are  $9!$  ways to place the remaining people.

Then there are a total of  $4 \cdot 20 \cdot 9! = 29030400$  ways to seat the 13 people independent of rotation.