

Probability: Univariate Models

1.

a.

$$P(H, e_1, e_2) = P(e_1, e_2|H)P(H) \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(H|e_1, e_2) &= \frac{P(H, e_1, e_2)}{P(e_1, e_2)} \\ &= \frac{P(e_1, e_2|H)P(H)}{P(e_1, e_2)} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Therefore, the second sets of numbers are sufficient for the calculation.

b.

from $E_1 \perp E_2|H$, we know that:

$$P(e_1, e_2|H) = P(e_1|H)P(e_2|H) \quad (3)$$

Therefore, from equations 3 and 2, there are:

$$\begin{aligned} P(H|e_1, e_2) &= \frac{P(e_1, e_2|H)P(H)}{P(e_1, e_2)} \\ &= \frac{P(e_1|H)P(e_2|H)P(H)}{P(e_1, e_2)} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the first sets of numbers are sufficient for the calculation.

2.

Suppose there are two boxes, both boxes have two balls colored separately in red and yellow. We randomly choose one ball from each box. If we get two balls in the same color, then we get mark 0. Otherwise, we get mark 1. And we define the following random variable:

$$X_1 \in \{0, 1\},$$

$X_1 = 0$, if the ball from box 1 is red; $X_1 = 1$ if the ball from box 1 is yellow.

$$X_2 \in \{0, 1\},$$

$X_2 = 0$, if the ball from box 2 is red; $X_2 = 1$ if the ball from box 2 is yellow.

$$X_3 \in \{0, 1\},$$

X_3 is the mark we get after choosing balls from these two boxes.
Therefore, there are

$$P(X_1 = 0) = 0.5, P(X_1 = 1) = 0.5$$

$$P(X_2 = 0) = 0.5, P(X_2 = 1) = 0.5$$

$$P(X_3 = 0) = 0.5, P(X_3 = 1) = 0.5$$

And obviously, there are

$$P(X_1|X_2) = P(X_1), P(X_2|X_1) = P(X_2)$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_2 = 0|X_3 = 0) &= \frac{P(X_2 = 0, X_3 = 0)}{P(X_3 = 0)} \\ &= \frac{P(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 0) + P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 0)}{P(X_3 = 0)} \\ &= \frac{0.25 + 0}{0.5} = 0.5 = P(X_2 = 0) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, there are

$$P(X_2 = 1|X_3 = 0) = P(X_2 = 1), P(X_2 = 0|X_3 = 1) = P(X_2 = 0), P(X_2 = 1|X_3 = 1) = P(X_2 = 1)$$

Therefore,

$$P(X_2|X_3) = P(X_2), P(X_3|X_2) = P(X_3)$$

Similarly, we can get

$$P(X_1|X_3) = P(X_1), P(X_3|X_1) = P(X_3)$$

Therefore, X_1, X_2, X_3 are pairwise independent.

However,

$$P(X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1) = 0 \neq P(X_1 = 0)P(X_2 = 0)P(X_3 = 1)$$

Therefore, pairwise independence between all pairs of variables does not necessarily imply mutual independence.

3.

It is obvious that if

$$p(x, y|z) = p(x|z)p(y|z)$$

then we let $g(x, z) = p(x|z), h(y, z) = p(y|z)$. Therefore,

$$p(x, y|z) = g(x, z)h(y, z)$$

And if there is

$$p(x, y|z) = g(x, z)h(y, z)$$

then,

$$p(y|z) = \int p(x, y|z)dx = h(y, z) \int g(x, z)dx$$

We mark $q(z) = \int g(x, z)dx$, Therefore,

$$p(y|z) = h(y, z)q(z)$$

Similarly, we can get

$$p(x|z) = g(x, z)r(z)$$

Where $r(z) = \int h(y, z)dy$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, y|z) &= \frac{p(x|z)p(y|z)}{r(z)q(z)} \\ \int p(x, y|z)dx &= \frac{p(y|z)}{r(z)q(z)} \int p(x|z)dx \\ p(y|z) &= \frac{p(y|z)}{r(z)q(z)} \\ r(z)q(z) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, there is:

$$p(x, y|z) = p(x|z)p(y|z)$$

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4.

With the definition of convolution, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
p(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_1^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2}(\tau-\mu_1)^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_2^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_2^2}(y-\tau-\mu_2)^2} d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}[(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)\tau^2 + (2\sigma_1^2-2\sigma_2^2\mu_1-2\sigma_1^2y)\tau + \sigma_2^2\mu_1^2 + \sigma_1^2y^2 - 2\sigma_1^2\mu_2y + \sigma_1^2\mu_2^2]} d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}{2\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}[\tau^2 - 2\frac{\sigma_1^2y+\sigma_2^2\mu_1-\sigma_1^2\mu_2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}\tau + (\frac{\sigma_1^2y+\sigma_2^2\mu_1-\sigma_1^2\mu_2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2})^2 - (\frac{\sigma_1^2y+\sigma_2^2\mu_1-\sigma_1^2\mu_2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2})^2 + \frac{\sigma_2^2\mu_1^2+\sigma_1^2(y-\mu_2)^2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}]} d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}{2\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}[(\tau - \frac{\sigma_1^2y+\sigma_2^2\mu_1-\sigma_1^2\mu_2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2})^2 + \frac{\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2(y-\mu_1-\mu_2)^2}{(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)^2}]} d\tau \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu_1-\mu_2)^2}{2(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}}} e^{-\frac{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2}{2\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2}(\tau - \frac{\sigma_1^2y+\sigma_2^2\mu_1-\sigma_1^2\mu_2}{\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2})^2} d\tau \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)}} e^{-\frac{(y-\mu_1-\mu_2)^2}{2(\sigma_1^2+\sigma_2^2)}}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $p(y) = \mathcal{N}(y|\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$

5.

From the information we know, there is:

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\min(x, y) \leq t) &= P(x \leq t, y \leq t) + P(x \leq t, y \geq t) + P(x \geq t, y \leq t) \\
&= t^2 + 2t(1-t) \\
&= 2t - t^2
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
p(\min(x, y) = t) &= \frac{dP}{dt} \\
&= 2 - 2t
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can get,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}(\min(x, y) = t) &= \int_0^1 2t - 2t^2 dt \\
&= (t^2 - \frac{2t^3}{3})|_0^1 \\
&= \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the expected location of the leftmost point is $\frac{1}{3}$

6.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{V}[X + Y] &= \mathbb{E}[(X + Y)^2] - \mathbb{E}^2(X + Y) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(X^2) + \mathbb{E}(Y^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(XY) - (\mathbb{E}^2(X) + 2\mathbb{E}(X)\mathbb{E}(Y) + \mathbb{E}^2(Y)) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mathbb{E}^2(X) + \mathbb{E}(Y^2) - \mathbb{E}^2(Y) + 2(\mathbb{E}(XY) - \mathbb{E}(X)\mathbb{E}(Y)) \\
&= \mathbb{V}[X] + \mathbb{V}[Y] + 2\text{Cov}[X, Y]
\end{aligned}$$

7.

$$p(x|a, b) = \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} x^{a-1} e^{-xb}$$

Because $Y = 1/X$, therefore,

$$p(y|a, b) = \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} y^{1-a} e^{-\frac{b}{y}}$$

8.

$$\begin{aligned}
p(\theta|a, b) &= \frac{1}{B(a, b)} \theta^{a-1} (1 - \theta)^{b-1} \\
\frac{dp}{dt} &= \frac{1}{B(a, b)} [(a-1)\theta^{a-2}(1-\theta)^{b-1} - (b-1)\theta^{a-1}(1-\theta)^{b-2}]
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $\frac{dp}{dt} = 0$, then,

$$\begin{aligned}
(a-1)\theta^{a-2}(1-\theta)^{b-1} &= (b-1)\theta^{a-1}(1-\theta)^{b-2} \\
(a-1)(1-\theta) &= (b-1)\theta \\
\theta &= \frac{a-1}{a+b-2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\text{mode}(\theta) = \frac{a-1}{a+b-2}$

$$\mathbb{E}[\theta] = \frac{1}{B(a, b)} \int_0^1 \theta^a (1 - \theta)^{b-1} d\theta$$

We know that

$$\int_0^1 p(\theta|a+1, b) = \frac{1}{B(a+1, b)} \int_0^1 \theta^a (1 - \theta)^{b-1} d\theta = 1$$

Therefore

$$\int_0^1 \theta^a (1 - \theta)^{b-1} d\theta = B(a+1, b)$$

So

$$\mathbb{E}[\theta] = \frac{B(a+1, b)}{B(a, b)} = \frac{a}{a+b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\theta^2] &= \frac{1}{B(a, b)} \int_0^1 \theta^{a+1} (1 - \theta)^{b-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{B(a+2, b)}{B(a, b)} \\ &= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+b)(a+b+1)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{V}[\theta] &= \mathbb{E}[\theta^2] - \mathbb{E}^2[\theta] \\ &= \frac{ab}{(a+b)^2(a+b+1)} \end{aligned}$$

9.

From the information, we know that

$$\begin{aligned} P(T=1|D=1) &= 0.99 & P(T=0|D=0) &= 0.99 \\ P(T=0|D=1) &= 0.01 & P(T=1|D=0) &= 0.01 \\ P(D=1) &= 10^{-4} & P(D=0) &= 1 - 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P(D=1|T=1) &= \frac{P(T=1, D=1)}{P(T=1)} \\ &= \frac{P(T=1|D=1)P(D=1)}{P(T=1|D=0)P(D=0) + P(T=1|D=1)P(D=1)} \\ &= \frac{0.99 * 0.0001}{0.01 * (1 - 0.0001) + 0.99 * 0.0001} \\ &= \frac{1}{102} \end{aligned}$$

So there is only a $\frac{1}{102}$ probability having the disease.

10.

We set the random variable C represents whether the person did the crime. $C = 1$ means he did. $C = 0$ means he did not. And We set the random variable B represents whether the person's blood type is the same as the evidence's. $B = 1$ means it is. $B = 0$ means it is not. From the information we know that $P(B = 1) = 0.01$ and $P(B = 1|C = 1) = 1$

a.

The prosecutor means if $P(B = 1|C = 0)$ is 0.01, then $P(C = 1|B = 1)$ is 0.99, which is wrong. Because it is $P(B = 0|C = 0)$ is 0.99 instead of $P(C = 1|B = 1)$.

b.

From the information we know that $P(C = 1) = \frac{1}{800000}$, Therefore $P(C = 1|B = 1) = \frac{P(C=1, B=1)}{P(B=1)} = \frac{P(B=1|C=1)P(C=1)}{P(B=1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{800000}}{0.01} = \frac{1}{8000}$, so there is definitely relevant.

11.

a.

$$\begin{aligned} P(G = 1|B = 1) &= \frac{P(G = 1, B = 1)}{P(B = 1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{3}{4}} \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

b.

The gender of the other child is independent from this child, so the probability is $\frac{1}{2}$.

12.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{+\infty} r e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}} dr d\theta &= \int_0^{2\pi} (-\sigma^2 e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}})|_0^{+\infty} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \sigma^2 d\theta \\ &= 2\pi\sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $Z = \sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}$