

Problem2

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1 Problem 2

We will do these calculations here in python, in order to avoid having to type them out in a calculator every time and also to avoid mistakes due to that.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
```

```
[2]: data_list = [  
    0.162,  
    0.144,  
    0.074,  
    0.220,  
    0.194,  
    0.062,  
    0.044,  
    0.100  
]  
p_abc = np.array(data_list).reshape(2,2,2)  
a = 0  
b = 1  
c = 2
```

```
[3]: print(p_abc)
```

```
[[[0.162 0.144]  
   [0.074 0.22 ]]  
  
  [[0.194 0.062]  
   [0.044 0.1  ]]]
```

Sanity check:

```
[4]: print(f"Sum of probabilities, should be 1: {p_abc.sum()}")
```

Sum of probabilities, should be 1: 1.0

1.1 calculate $p(a)$

Now we can easily compute the marginal $p(a)$ by summing over all values where $a == 0$ and $a == 1$.

```
[5]: p_a = p_abc.sum(axis=(c,b), keepdims=True)
      p_a
```

```
[5]: array([[[0.6]],

           [[0.4]]])
```

1.2 calculate $p(c|a)$

We can do something similar for the conditional distributions:

We sum (marginalize) over b , since we do not care about b in $p(c|a)$ and then normalize for c in order to make it a conditional distribution.

```
[6]: p_c_a = p_abc.sum(axis=b, keepdims=True)
      p_c_a /= p_c_a.sum(axis=c, keepdims=True)
      p_c_a
```

```
[6]: array([[[0.39333333, 0.60666667]],

           [[0.595      , 0.405      ]]])
```

1.3 calculate $p(b|a, c)$

This time we must not marginalize over any variable, since $p(b|a, c)$ depends on all variables, but we still normalize over b to make it a probability distribution.

```
[7]: p_b_ac = p_abc.copy()
      p_b_ac /= p_b_ac.sum(axis=b, keepdims=True)
      p_b_ac
```

```
[7]: array([[[0.68644068, 0.3956044 ],

           [0.31355932, 0.6043956 ]],

           [[0.81512605, 0.38271605],

           [0.18487395, 0.61728395]]])
```

Now, that we have the marginal/conditional probability distributions, we can multiply them up and see if we recover $p(a, b, c)$:

1.4 recover $p(a, b, c)$

```
[8]: p_abc_candidate = p_a * p_c_a * p_b_ac
```

```
[9]: print("Original distribution")
      print(p_abc)
      print("\n\n\n")
      print("Recovered distribution")
      print(p_abc_candidate)
      print("\n")
```

Original distribution

```
[[[0.162 0.144]
    [0.074 0.22 ]]
```

```
 [[0.194 0.062]
  [0.044 0.1  ]]]
```

Recovered distribution

```
[[[0.162 0.144]
    [0.074 0.22 ]]
```

```
 [[0.194 0.062]
  [0.044 0.1  ]]]
```

And finally we do a numerical comparison:

```
[10]: is_correctly_recovered = np.allclose(p_abc, p_abc_candidate)
      print(
          f"The original distribution has{' ' not' if not is_correctly_recovered else_
→ ' '} been recovered correctly"
      )
```

The original distribution has been recovered correctly