

HW06 - Probability Basics

Stat 131A, Spring 2019

General Instructions

- Write your narrative and code in an Rmd (R markdown) file.
- Name this file as `hw06-first-last.Rmd`, where `first` and `last` are your first and last names (e.g. `hw06-gaston-sanchez.Rmd`).
- Please do not use code chunk options such as: `echo = FALSE`, `eval = FALSE`, `results = 'hide'`. All chunks must be visible and evaluated.
- Submit your Rmd and html files to bCourses.

1) Suppose that 25% of a forest consists of trees of species A, 40% of species B, and 35% of species C.

- a. What is the probability that a tree selected at random will be of species A?
- b. What is the probability that the tree selected will not be of species A?
- c. If it is known that the tree is not of species A, what is the probability that it will be of species B?

2) At a certain university in the United States, 62% of the students are at least bilingual speaking English and at least one other language. Of these students, 80% speak Spanish and, of the 80% who speak Spanish, 10% also speak French. Determine the probability that a randomly selected student at this university:

- a. Does not speak Spanish.
- b. Speaks Spanish and French.

3) A poker hand is dealt. Find the chance that the first four cards are aces and the fifth is a king. Show your work.

4) One ticket will be drawn at random from the box below. Are color and number independent? Explain.



5) A coin is tossed six times. Two possible sequences of results are:

i. H T T H T H

ii. H H H H H H

(The coin must land H or T in the order given; H = heads, T = tails.) Which of the following is correct? Explain?

- a. Sequence (i) is more likely.
- b. Sequence (ii) is more likely.
- c. Both sequences are equally likely.

6) A die is rolled four times. What is the chance that:

- a. all the rolls show 3 or more spots?
- b. none of the rolls show 3 or more spots?
- c. not all the rolls show 3 or more spots?

7) A die is rolled 10 times. Find the chance of:

- a. getting 10 sixes.
- b. not getting 10 sixes.
- c. all the rolls showing 5 spots or less.

8) Which of the two options is better, or are they the same? Explain.

- i. You toss a coin 100 times. On each toss, if the coin lands heads, you win \$1. If it lands tails, you lose \$1.
- ii. You draw 100 times at random with replacement from a box containing two tickets: (1, 0). On each draw, you are paid (in dollars) the amount on the ticket.

9) Suppose the probability of being diagnosed with a rare disease is 10 per 100,000 individuals who are at risk for the disease.

- a. What is the probability no cases will be diagnosed in a community of 20,000 people? Assume each diagnosis is independent of any other diagnosis.
- b. What is the probability of at least one diagnosed case among the 20,000 individuals? Assume each diagnosis is independent of any other diagnosis.

10) Suppose that A and B are independent events with $P(A) = 0.7$, and $P(B^c) = 0.4$. Find the following probabilities:

- a. $P(A^c) =$

- b. $P(B) =$
- c. $P(B \text{ and } A) =$
- d. $P(A \text{ or } B) =$
- e. $P(A^c \text{ and } B) =$
- f. $P(B|A) =$

11) One ticket will be drawn at random from each of the two boxes shown below:

- A. [1, 2, 3]
- B. [1, 2, 3, 4]

Find the chance that:

- a. The number drawn from A is larger than the one from B.
- b. The number drawn from A equals the one from B.
- c. The number drawn from A is smaller than the one from B.

12) The chance of A is $1/3$; the chance of B is $1/10$. True or False, and explain.

- a. If A and B are independent, they must also be mutually exclusive.
- b. If A and B are mutually exclusive, they cannot be independent.