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AI1103 Assignment 1

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https://github.com/MShah134/AI1103/blob/main/ Assignment-1/main.tex

PROBLEM

A man is known to speak truth 3 out of 4 times. He throws a die and reports that it is a six. Find the probability that it is actually a six.

SOLUTION

Let Pr(x = i) denote the probability that the number i is obtained on the die.

Let Pr(y = i) denote the probability that the *i* is reported as the number on the die.

Let Pr(z = 0) denote the probability the man is lying and Pr(z = 1) denotes the probability that the man is telling the truth.

The notation used here is:

$$Pr(A = i \cdot B = j) \equiv Pr(A = i \land B = j)$$

Now, we have to find out:

$$Pr(x = 6|y = 6)$$

Recalling Bayes' Theorem:

$$Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(AB)}{Pr(B)}$$
 (0.0.1)

Now, $Pr(x = 6 \cdot y = 6)$ is only possible when the man is telling the truth (z=1) and the die rolls a 6 (x=6)

$$Pr(x = 6 \cdot y = 6) = Pr(x = 6 \cdot z = 1)$$

Both of these are independent events, hence by definition:

$$Pr(x = 6 \cdot z = 1) = Pr(x = 6) Pr(z = 1)$$

$$Pr(x = 6 \cdot z = 1) = (1/6) * (3/4) = 1/8$$

Hence, we have:

$$Pr(x = 6 \cdot y = 6) = 1/8$$

Now for Pr(y = 6),

We know by symmetry that

$$Pr(y = i) = Pr(y = j)$$
 (0.0.2)

$$\forall i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

Also, since these are all disjoint cases whose union covers all cases, we also have:

$$Pr(y = 1) + Pr(y = 2) + ... + Pr(y = 6) = 1$$

From (2), we have

$$Pr(y = 6) + Pr(y = 6) + ... + Pr(y = 6) = 1$$

$$6 \Pr(y = 6) = 1$$

$$Pr(v = 6) = 1/6$$

Putting the obtained results back in (1),

$$Pr(x = 6|y = 6) = \frac{Pr(x = 6 \cdot y = 6)}{Pr(y = 6)}$$

$$Pr(x = 6|y = 6) = \frac{1/8}{1/6} = 3/4$$

Hence, the required probability is 0.75