

Question 1

There are two ways a sequence of flips can start that do not create a $H \rightarrow T$ combo.

Way₁ = T followed by (sequence with no $H \rightarrow T$)

Way₂ = $H \rightarrow H$ followed by (sequence with no $H \rightarrow T$)

This recurrence relation is the Fibonacci sequence.

For way₁, the Outcome Space is $\{H, T\}$, neither of which is $H \rightarrow T$,

So in our sequence $F_1 = 2$.

For way₂, the Outcome Space is $\{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$, three of which given $\neq H \rightarrow T$,

So in our sequence $F_2 = 3$

Therefore, the number of ways to avoid $H \rightarrow T$ in n flips is Fib_n shifted by two terms, or Fib_{n+2} . The number of total possible outcomes in n flips is 2^n . So $P(\text{no } H \rightarrow T \text{ in } n \text{ flips}) = \frac{Fib_{n+2}}{2^n}$

Question 2

$$P(\text{disease}) = 0.01 \quad P(\text{positive} | \text{disease}) = 0.95$$

$$P(\neg \text{disease}) = 0.99 \quad P(\text{positive} | \neg \text{disease}) = 0.02$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{disease} | \text{positive}) &= \frac{P(\text{positive} | \text{disease}) P(\text{disease})}{P(\text{positive} | \text{disease}) P(\text{disease}) + P(\text{positive} | \neg \text{disease}) P(\neg \text{disease})} \\ &= \frac{0.95 \cdot 0.01}{0.95 \cdot 0.01 + 0.02 \cdot 0.99} = \boxed{0.324232} \end{aligned}$$