

Random and Stochastic Processes 2014 Midterm Exam Solutions

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Question #1

Define event names :

G : The event that a defendant in fact guilty

J_n : The event that n th judge votes guilty

Given :

$$P(J_n | G) = 0.7$$

$$\therefore P(J_n' | G) = 0.3$$

$$P(J_n | G') = 0.2$$

$$\therefore P(J_n' | G') = 0.8$$

J_1, J_2 and J_3

are independent

under the condition G !

Also given \rightarrow

$$\begin{cases} P(G) = 0.7 \\ P(G') = 0.3 \end{cases}$$

a) 20 pts

Asking for $P(J_3 | J_2 J_1)$

Using multiplication rule :

$$P(J_1 \cap J_2) = P(J_1 \cap J_2 | G) P(G) + P(J_1 \cap J_2 | G') P(G')$$

Since J_1 & J_2 are independent depending on guilt

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_1 \cap J_2) &= P(J_1 | G) P(J_2 | G) P(G) + P(J_1 | G') P(J_2 | G') P(G') \\ &= 0.7 \times 0.7 \times 0.7 + 0.2 \times 0.2 \times 0.3 \\ &= 0.355 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

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Similarly

$$\begin{aligned}P(J_1 \cap J_2 \cap J_3) &= P(J_1|G)P(J_2|G)P(J_3|G)P(G) \\&\quad + P(J_1|G')P(J_2|G')P(J_3|G')P(G') \\&= 0.7^3 \times 0.7 + 0.2^3 \times 0.2 \\&= 0.2425 \quad (2)\end{aligned}$$

Using (1) and (2)

$$P(J_3 \cap J_2 \cap J_1 | J_2 \cap J_1) = \frac{0.2425}{0.355} = \boxed{0.6831} \checkmark$$

b) 20 pts

Between J_1 and J_2 either one could have casted the guilty vote. The question asks for the following:

$$P[J_3 | (J_1 \cap J_2') \cup (J_1' \cap J_2)]$$

which equals to $\frac{P\{J_3 \cap [(J_1 \cap J_2') \cup (J_1' \cap J_2)]\}}{P[(J_1 \cap J_2') \cup (J_1' \cap J_2)]}$

using de-Morgan and addition rule and

$$= \frac{P(J_3 \cap J_1 \cap J_2') + P(J_1' \cap J_2 \cap J_3)}{P(J_1 \cap J_2') + P(J_1' \cap J_2)}$$

Conditional independence still applies

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_1 \cap J_2' \cap J_3) &= 0.7 \times (1-0.7) \times 0.7 \times 0.7 \\ &\quad + 0.2 \times (1-0.2) \times 0.2 \times 0.3 \\ &= 0.1125 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

(1) is equal to $P(J_1' \cap J_2 \cap J_3) = 0.1125$ (2)

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_1 \cap J_2') &= P(J_1' \cap J_2) = 0.7 \times (1-0.7) \times 0.7 \\ &\quad + 0.2 \times (1-0.2) \times 0.3 \\ &= 0.195 \quad (3) \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

Using (1), (2), (3), (4)

The answer is $\frac{0.1125 + 0.1125}{0.195 + 0.195} = \boxed{0.5769}$ 1L

3) 20 pts

The question asks for $P(J_3 | J_1' \cap J_2') = \frac{P(J_3 \cap J_1' \cap J_2')}{P(J_1' \cap J_2')}$

Using the same formulae

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_3 \cap J_1' \cap J_2') &= 0.7 \times (1-0.7) \times (1-0.7) \times \overset{P(6)}{\downarrow} 0.7 \\ &\quad + 0.2 \times (1-0.2) \times (1-0.2) \times \overset{P(6')}{\rightarrow} 0.3 \\ &= 0.0825 \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_1' \cap J_2') &= \overset{P(6)}{\downarrow} (1-0.7) \times (1-0.7) \times 0.7 + (1-0.2) \times (1-0.2) \times 0.3 \\ &= 0.255 \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) and (2) $P(J_3 | J_1' \cap J_2') = \frac{0.0825}{0.255} = \boxed{0.3235}$ 1L

Question 2

Define events

The event that a heart failure occurs due to:

N : Natural Occurrences $\rightarrow P(N) = 0.87$ O : Outside factors $\rightarrow P(O) = P(N') = 0.13$ I : Induced substances $P(I|O) = 0.73$ F : Foreign objects $P(F|O) = 0.27$ note that these
are mutually
exclusive
and exhaustive
events!A : Arterial blockage $P(A|N) = 0.56$ D : Disease $P(D|N) = 0.27$ M : Infection $P(M|N) = 0.17$ note that these are
mutually
exclusive
and
exhaustive
events

a) 20 pts

Asking for $P(I)$

Using addition rule

$$P(I) = P(I|O)P(O) + P(I|N)P(N)$$

$$= 0.73 \times 0.13 + 0 \times 0.87$$

$$P(I) = 0.0949 \quad \checkmark$$

b) 20 pts

Asking for $P(DUM)$
mutually exclusive so

D and M are

$$P(DUM) = P(D) + P(M)$$

Since $P(D|O)$ and $P(M|O)$ are zero

$$P(DUM) = P(D|N)P(N) + P(M|N)P(N)$$

$$= (0.27 + 0.17) \times 0.87$$

$$P(DUM) = 0.3828 \quad \checkmark$$