Assignment 1

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https://github.com/pranav-159/ ai1103_Probability_and_Random_variables/ blob/main/Assignment_1/codes/ experimental_verification_2.4.py

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https://github.com/pranav-159/ ai1103_Probability_and_Random_variables/ blob/main/Assignment_1/main.tex

1 Problem

Suppose that 5% of men and 0.25% of women have grey hair. A grey haired person is selected at random. What is the probability of this person being male? Assume that there are equal number of males and females.

2 Solution

Let A=0,1 represent the random variable for being male or female and G=0,1 represent having grey hair or not. Then,

$$P(A = 0) = 50\% = 0.5$$
 (2.0.1)
 $P(A = 1) = 50\% = = 0.5$ (2.0.2)

$$P(G = 1|A = 0) = 5\% = 0.05$$
 (2.0.3)

$$P(G = 1|A = 1) = 0.25\% = 0.0025$$
 (2.0.4)

By Bayes rules,

$$P(A = 0|G = 1) = \frac{P(A = 0) \times P(G = 1|A = 0)}{P(A = 0) \times P(G = 1|A = 0) + P(A = 1) \times P(G = 1|A = 1)}$$
(2.0.5)

$$P(A = 0|G = 1) = \frac{0.5 \times 0.05}{0.5 \times 0.05 + 0.5 \times 0.0025}$$
(2.0.6)

$$P(A = 0|G = 1) = 0.952380952 (2.0.7)$$

Probability that the grey haired person selected at random is male is approximately 0.95.

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