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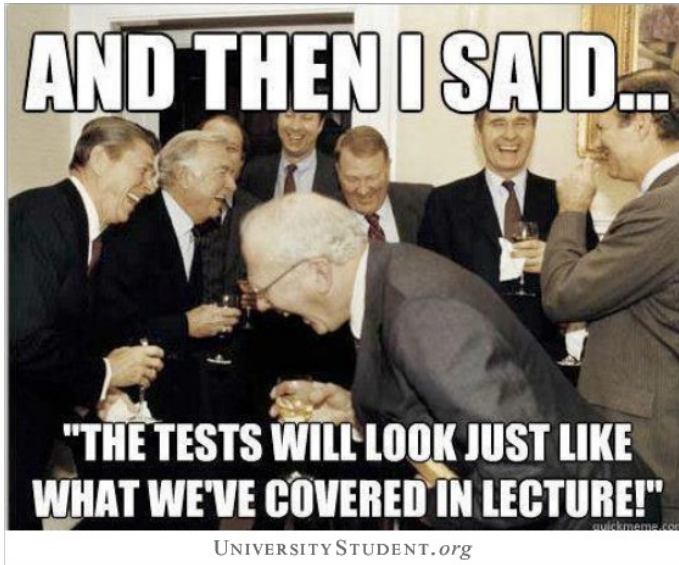
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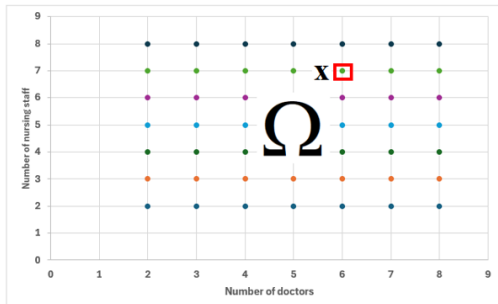
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The MOO problem with K objectives and $M + Q$ constraints (2008):

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Minimise } \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) &= [f_1(\mathbf{x}), f_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, f_K(\mathbf{x})]^T \\ \text{subject to } \mathbf{x} &\in \Omega \\ \Omega &= \{\mathbf{x} \mid g_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, M; \\ h_j(\mathbf{x}) &= 0, j = 1, \dots, Q\}.\end{aligned}$$

Trauma unit:



$f_1(\mathbf{x})$ = Patient turn-around time

$f_2(\mathbf{x})$ = Cost

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$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(E_i - O_i)^2}{E_i}$$

$$h = t_{n-1;1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{S_{\bar{X}}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$C_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n-j} (X_i - \bar{X})(X_{i+j} - \bar{X})}{n-j}$$

$$n^* = \left\lceil n \left(\frac{h}{h^*} \right)^2 \right\rceil$$

$$P(X \in E) = \sum_{\omega \in A} p(\omega) \delta_{\omega}(E)$$

Expon:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-(x/\beta)}, \quad x > 0$$

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$$D_n^+ = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{F_n(X_i) - \hat{F}(X_i)\}$$

$$D_n^- = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{\hat{F}(X_i) - F_n(X_{i-1})\}$$

$$D_n = \max\{D_n^+, D_n^-\}$$

$$\rho_j = C_{ij} / S_X^2$$

$$S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}$$

$$k = \lfloor 1 + 3.322 \log_{10} n \rfloor$$

Poisson:

$$f(x) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

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Yes, it's absolutely acceptable to put Marmite on a braaiibroodjie! In fact, it can add a unique, savory flavor to the sandwich. Marmite's umami richness pairs well with the traditional ingredients like cheese, tomato, and onion, giving the sandwich a more complex taste. Braaiibroodjies are all about personal preference, so if you enjoy the bold flavor of Marmite, go for it! Just be mindful of balancing it with the other flavors.



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While it's certainly unconventional, putting jelly babies on a braaiibroodjie is acceptable if you're feeling adventurous or enjoy a mix of sweet and savory flavors. The traditional braaiibroodjie usually features cheese, tomatoes, onions, and chutney, so jelly babies would create a dramatic contrast with their sweetness and chewy texture.

That said, this combination might not be for everyone, but experimenting with new flavors is part of the fun of cooking. If you're curious about unusual combinations, why not give it a try and see how it turns out? It could be a hit at your next braai—or at least a conversation starter!

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