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Introduction to AI

Assignment 3: Probability Questions

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1. Suppose that  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.3$  and  $P((A \cup B)^c) = 0.42$ . Are A and B independent?

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given: } P(A) = 0.4$$

$$P(B) = 0.3$$

$$P((A \cup B)^c) = 0.42$$

$$P((A \cup B)^c) = 1 - P(A \cup B)$$

$$0.42 = 1 - P(A \cup B)$$

$$P(A \cup B) = 1 - 0.42 = 0.58$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$0.58 = 0.4 + 0.3 - P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 0.12$$

$$\text{If A and B are independent, } P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 0.12, \quad P(A) * P(B) = 0.4 * 0.3 = 0.12$$

**Therefore, A and B are independent.**

2. Two dice are rolled. A = 'sum of two dice equals 3' B = 'sum of two dice equals 7'  
C = 'at least one of the dice shows a 1'

**Solution:**

A = 'sum of two dice equals 3'

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1, 1	1, 2	1, 3	1, 4	1, 5	1, 6
2	2, 1	2, 2	2, 3	2, 4	2, 5	2, 6
3	3, 1	3, 2	3, 3	3, 4	3, 5	3, 6
4	4, 1	4, 2	4, 3	4, 4	4, 5	4, 6
5	5, 1	5, 2	5, 3	5, 4	5, 5	5, 6

6	6, 1	6, 2	6, 3	6, 4	6, 5	6, 6
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$$P(A) = 2 / 36$$

B = 'sum of two dice equals 7'

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1, 1	1, 2	1, 3	1, 4	1, 5	1, 6
2	2, 1	2, 2	2, 3	2, 4	2, 5	2, 6
3	3, 1	3, 2	3, 3	3, 4	3, 5	3, 6
4	4, 1	4, 2	4, 3	4, 4	4, 5	4, 6
5	5, 1	5, 2	5, 3	5, 4	5, 5	5, 6
6	6, 1	6, 2	6, 3	6, 4	6, 5	6, 6

$$P(B) = 6 / 36$$

C = 'at least one of the dice shows a 1'

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1, 1	1, 2	1, 3	1, 4	1, 5	1, 6
2	2, 1	2, 2	2, 3	2, 4	2, 5	2, 6
3	3, 1	3, 2	3, 3	3, 4	3, 5	3, 6
4	4, 1	4, 2	4, 3	4, 4	4, 5	4, 6
5	5, 1	5, 2	5, 3	5, 4	5, 5	5, 6
6	6, 1	6, 2	6, 3	6, 4	6, 5	6, 6

$$P(C) = 11 / 36$$

a) What is  $P(A|C)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A|C) &= P(A \cap C) / P(C) \\
 &= (2 / 36) / (11 / 36) \\
 &= \mathbf{2 / 11}
 \end{aligned}$$

b) What is  $P(B|C)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(B|C) &= P(B \cap C) / P(C) \\
 &= (2 / 36) / (11 / 36) \\
 &= \mathbf{2 / 11}
 \end{aligned}$$

c) Are A and C independent? What about B and C?

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A \cap C) &= 2 / 36 & P(A) * P(C) &= (2 / 36) * (11 / 36) \\
 & & &= 22 / 1296
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(A \cap C) \neq P(A) * P(C)$$

**Therefore A and C are not independent.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(B \cap C) &= 2 / 36 & P(B) * P(C) &= (6 / 36) * (11 / 36) \\
 & & &= 11 / 216
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(B \cap C) \neq P(B) * P(C)$$

**Therefore B and C are not independent.**

3. Let C and D be two events with  $P(C) = 0.25$ ,  $P(D) = 0.45$ , and  $P(C \cap D) = 0.1$ . What is  $P(C^c \cap D)$ ?

**Solution:**

$$\text{Given: } P(C) = 0.25$$

$$P(D) = 0.45$$

$$P(C \cap D) = 0.1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(C^c \cap D) &= P(D) - P(C \cap D) \\
 &= 0.45 - 0.1 \\
 &= \mathbf{0.35}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. There are 3 arrangements of the word DAD, namely DAD, ADD, and DDA. How many arrangements are there of the word PROBABILITY?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total arrangements: } & (\text{number of letters})! / (\text{number of repeated letters})! \\ & = 11! / (2! * 2!) \\ & = \mathbf{9,979,200}\end{aligned}$$

5. Let A and B be two events. Suppose the probability that neither A or B occurs is  $2/3$ . What is the probability that one or both occur?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Probability of at least one occurring} &= 1 - \text{probability of neither occurring} \\ &= 1 - 2/3 \\ &= \mathbf{1/3}\end{aligned}$$

6. Let X denote the number of times a photocopy machine will malfunction: 0, 1, 2, or 3 times, on any given month. Let Y denote the number of times a technician is called on an emergency call. The joint p.m.f.  $p(x, y)$  is presented in the table below:

	$x$				$p_Y(y)$
$y$	0	1	2	3	
0	0.15	0.30	0.05	0	0.50
1	0.05	0.15	0.05	0.05	0.30
2	0	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.20
$p_X(x)$	0.20	0.50	0.20	0.10	1.00

- a) Find the probability  $P(Y > X)$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}P(Y > X) &= P(x=0, y=1) + P(x=1, y=2) \\ &= 0.05 + 0.05 = \mathbf{0.1}\end{aligned}$$

- b) Find  $p_X(x)$ , the marginal p.m.f. of X.

**Solution:**

By summing the joint probabilities along the rows or columns of the table, we can obtain the marginal probability mass function (PMF) of each variable separately.

$$P_X = \begin{cases} 0.2, & \text{If } x = 0 \\ 0.5, & \text{If } x = 1 \\ 0.2, & \text{If } x = 2 \\ 0.1, & \text{If } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

c) Find  $p_Y(y)$ , the marginal p.m.f. of Y.

**Solution:**

$$P_Y = \begin{cases} 0.5, & \text{If } y = 0 \\ 0.3, & \text{If } y = 1 \\ 0.2, & \text{If } y = 2 \end{cases}$$

d) Are X and Y independent?

**Solution:**

We can say that X and Y are independent if and only if  $P(X \cap Y) = P(X) \times P(Y)$  for every x and y. Let's check for  $x = 0$  and  $y = 0$ :

$$P(x=0, y=0) = \mathbf{0.15}$$

$$P(X=0) * P(y=0) = 0.2 * 0.5 = \mathbf{0.1}$$

Since  $P(x=0, y=0) \neq P(x=0) * P(y=0)$ , x and y are **not independent**

7. The following are data points with their labels:

(1, 2, 3, 4), 1

(5, 6, 7, 8), 0

(9, 10, 11, 12), 1

The following are the randomly set weights:

$$w_1 = 0.1$$

$w_2 = 0.2$   
 $w_3 = -0.1$   
 $w_4 = 0.0$

Task: make three learning updates with a learning rate of 0.1 using the data points. The updates should be based on both the Perceptron and the logistic regression. Compare the two results.

### Solution:

Using Perceptron:

					Label
Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1
weights	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0	

predicted	= weights.features
	= $1*0.1 + 2*0.2 + 3*(-0.1) + 4*0.0$
	= $0.1 + 0.4 - 0.3 + 0$
	= 0.3
	$\approx 1$

Updated weight	= = weights - features * learning_rate * (predicted - label)
	= $(0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - ((1, 2, 3, 4) * (0.1 * (1 - 1)))$
	= $(0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - (0, 0, 0, 0)$
	= $(0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0)$

					Label
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Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1

weights	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0
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predicted	= weights.features			
	= 5*0.1 + 6*0.2 + 7*(-0.1) + 8*0.0			
	= 0.5 + 1.2 - 0.7 + 0			
Updated weight	= = weights - features * learning_rate * (predicted - label)			
	= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - ((5, 6, 7, 8) * (0.1 * (1 - 0)))			
	= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - (0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8)			
	= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8)			

					Label
Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1
weights	-0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-0.8	

predicted	= weights.features			
	= 9*(-0.4) + 10*(-0.4) + 11*(-0.8) + 12*(-0.8)			
	= -3.6 - 4 - 8.8 - 9.6			
	= -26			
	≈ 0			



Updated weight	$= \text{weights} - \text{features} * \text{learning\_rate} * (\text{predicted} - \text{label})$
	$= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8) - ((9, 10, 11, 12) * (0.1 * (0 - 1)))$
	$= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8) - (-0.9, -1, -1.1, -1.2)$
	$= (0.5, 0.6, 0.3, 0.4)$

Using Logistic Regression:

					Label
Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1
weights	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0	

predicted	= weights.features
	= 1*0.1 + 2*0.2 + 3*(-0.1) + 4*0.0
	= 0.1 + 0.4 - 0.3 + 0
	= 0.3

Updated weight	= = weights - features * learning_rate * (predicted - label)
	$\approx 1$
	= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - ((1, 2, 3, 4) * (0.1 * (1 - 1)))
	= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - (0, 0, 0, 0)
	= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0)

					Label
Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1
weights	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0	

predicted	= weights.features
	= 5*0.1 + 6*0.2 + 7*(-0.1) + 8*0.0

Updated weight	$= \text{weights} - \text{features} * \text{learning\_rate} * (\text{predicted} - \text{label})$
	$= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - ((5, 6, 7, 8) * (0.1 * (1 - 0)))$
	$= (0.1, 0.2, -0.1, 0.0) - (0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8)$
	$= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8)$

					Label
Row-1	1	2	3	4	1
Row-2	5	6	7	8	0
Row-3	9	10	11	12	1
weights	-0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-0.8	

predicted	$= \text{weights} \cdot \text{features}$
	$= 9 * (-0.4) + 10 * (-0.4) + 11 * (-0.8) + 12 * (-0.8)$
	$= -3.6 - 4 - 8.8 - 9.6$
	$= -26$
	$\approx (1 / (1 + e^{-1})) = 5.1 \times 10^{-12}$

Updated weight	$= \text{weights} - \text{features} * \text{learning\_rate} * (\text{predicted} - \text{label})$	
	$= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8) - ((9, 10, 11, 12) * (0.1 * (0 - 1)))$	
	$= (-0.4, -0.4, -0.8, -0.8) - (-0.9, -1, -1.1, -1.2)$	

	= (0.5, 0.6, 0.3, 0.4)
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