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Probability and Random Processes

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A team of medical students doing their internship have to assist during surgeries at a city hospital. The probabilities of surgeries rated as very complex, complex, routine, simple or very simple are respectively, 0.15, 0.20, 0.31, 0.26, .08. Find the probabilities that a particular surgery will be rated

- 1) complex or very complex;
- 2) neither very complex nor very simple;
- 3) routine or complex
- 4) routine or simple

4) routine or simple

$$= p_X(3) + p_X(4) \quad (10)$$

$$= 0.31 + 0.26 \quad (11)$$

$$= 0.57 \quad (12)$$

Solution:

parameter	Values	Description
X	1	very complex
	2	complex
	3	routine
	4	simple
	5	very simple

TABLE 4: Random variable declaration.

1) complex or very complex

$$= p_X(1) + p_X(2) \quad (1)$$

$$= 0.15 + 0.20 \quad (2)$$

$$= 0.35 \quad (3)$$

2) neither very complex nor very simple

$$= 1 - (p_X(1) + p_X(5)) \quad (4)$$

$$= 1 - (0.15 + 0.08) \quad (5)$$

$$= 0.77 \quad (6)$$

3) routine or complex

$$= p_X(2) + p_X(3) \quad (7)$$

$$= 0.20 + 0.31 \quad (8)$$

$$= 0.51 \quad (9)$$