

Question 1:

Speeds are 2,3, and 5

Given the data that Route 1 is 5 km long. There is a 20% chance it is sandy, 30% chance it is smooth, and a 50% chance it is rocky.

Route 2 is 7 km long. There is a 40% chance it is sandy, a 20% chance it is smooth, and a 40 % chance it is rocky.

Route 3 is 6 km long. There is a 50% chance it is sandy, a 40% chance it is smooth, and a 10% chance it is rocky.

Time = distance/speed

**Route 1:** sandy terrain is 3km/h max with 20% chance so time on sandy is distance/speed which is  $\frac{2}{3}$  which is 0.6667 times 0.2 chance which is **0.1333**. Smooth is  $\frac{2}{5}$  which is 0.4 times 0.30 probability is **0.12**. Rocky is  $\frac{2}{2}$  times .50 probability which is **0.5** so the total time for route = **1.8833**

**Route 2:** distance is 7 so sandy is  $\frac{7}{3}(0.4) = 0.24$ . Smooth is  $\frac{1.8}{5}(0.2)=0.072$ . Rocky is  $\frac{1.8}{2}(0.4)=0.36$ .=**2.6133**

**Route 3:** distance is 6 so sandy is  $\frac{6}{3}(0.5)=0.5167$ . Smooth is  $\frac{3.1}{5}(0.4)=0.248$ . Rocky is  $\frac{3.1}{2}(0.10)=0.155$ . The sum is **1.7800**

**Route 3 is the quickest route**

Question 1.1:

**Route 1:** if wall of crater is intact we can take shortcut to save 20 mins(70%) If wall is damaged (30% chance) we go around and add 15 mins.

$$1.833-0.33=1.55$$

$$1.833-0.25=2.133$$

$$=(0.70 \times 1.55) + (0.30 \times 2.1333)$$

$$=1.085+0.64$$

$$=1.725\text{hours}$$

**Route 3:** if bridge is damaged (60% chance) we repair the bridge and add 40 mins to the time. No additional time needed if the bridge is intact (40% chance)

$$1.788+0.66=2.4467$$

$$=(0.40 \times 1.7800) + (0.60 \times 2.4467)$$

$$=0.7120+1.4680$$

$$=2.1800\text{hours}$$

**Route 1 is quickest in this scenario**

Question 1.2:

Satellite says route 2 is not rocky:

Probability of sandy =  $\frac{2}{3}$ , smooth =  $\frac{1}{3}$

Time without rocky:

Sandy =  $\frac{2}{3} \times 66\% = 1.56$

Smooth =  $1.4 \times 33\% = 0.47$

Sum = 2.02 hours

Probability that satellite tells us:

p(not rocky):  $100 - 40 = 60$

60% of being told its not rocky

Satellite tells us route 2 is rocky:

If we take route 2:

Time =  $\frac{7}{2} = 3.5$

If we take alternative route:

Route 1 = 1.725

Optimal choice is alternative route

How long should we wait for satellite:

Satellite may report route 2 is not rocky with 60% probability in which case route 2 is expected to take 2.02 hours, satellite may report route 2 is rocky with 40% probability in which case we take route 1 with 1.725 hour travel time.

Travel time after report from satellite:  $(60\% \times 2.0223 \text{ hours}) + (40\% \times 1.725 \text{ hours})$

$= (0.60 \times 2.0223) + (0.40 \times 1.725)$

$= 1.2134 \text{ hours} + 0.6900 \text{ hours}$

$= 1.9034 \text{ hours}$

It seems route 1 is optimal regardless if we wait or not..