

Formative Assessment 5

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Problem 6

An email message can travel through one of three server routes. The percentage of errors in each of the servers and the percentage of messages that travel through each route are shown in the following table. Assume that the servers are independent.

| Server | Percentage of Messages | Percentage of Errors |
|--------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 40 | 1 |
| 2 | 25 | 2 |
| 3 | 35 | 1.5 |

Given:

- percentage of messages that travel through server 1 = $P(M_1) = 0.4$
- percentage of messages that travel through server 2 = $P(M_2) = 0.25$
- percentage of messages that travel through server 3 = $P(M_3) = 0.35$

- percentage of errors in server 1 = $P(E_1) = 0.01$
- percentage of errors in server 2 = $P(E_2) = 0.02$
- percentage of errors in server 3 = $P(E_3) = 0.015$

a. What is the probability of receiving an email containing an error?

This would be the total error for all the server:

$$E = (E \cap S_1) \cup (E \cap S_2) \cup (E \cap S_3)$$

$$P(E) = P(E \cap S_1) + P(E \cap S_2) + P(E \cap S_3)$$

$$P(E) = P(S_1) P(E|S_1) + P(S_2) P(E|S_2) + P(S_3) P(E|S_3)$$

Therefore,

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PM1 <- 0.4
PM2 <- 0.25
PM3 <- 0.35
PE1 <- 0.01
PE2 <- 0.02
PE3 <- 0.015

PE <- (PM1*PE1) + (PM2*PE2) + (PM3*PE3)
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$$P(E) = 0.01425$$

The probability of receiving an email containing an error is 1.425%.

b. What is the probability that a message will arrive without error?

We already have the probability of receiving an email containing an error. So, the probability of receiving a message without error is the complement of $P(E)$.

$$P(\overline{E}) = 1 - P(E)$$

Therefore,

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PCE <- 1 - PE
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$$P(\overline{E}) = 0.98575$$

The probability that a message will arrive without error is 98.575%.

c. If a message arrives without error, what is the probability that it was sent through server 1?

Using the Baye's Theorem,

$$P(M_1|\overline{E}) = \frac{P(M_1)P(\overline{E}|M_1)}{P(\overline{E})}$$

$$\text{We know that } P(M_1) = 0.4 \text{ and } P(\overline{E}) = 0.98575$$

$P(\overline{E}|M_1)$ is the complement of probability of receiving message with error in server 1. So,

$$P(\overline{E}|M_1) = 1 - P(E|M_1)$$

Therefore,

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PCE1 <- 1 - PE1
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$$P(\overline{E}|M_1) = 0.99$$

Now, we can solve for $P(M_1|\overline{E})$

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PM1CE <- (PM1*PCE1)/PCE
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$$P(M_1|\overline{E}) = 0.4017246$$

The probability that message arrives without error through server 1 is 40.1724575%.

Problem 9

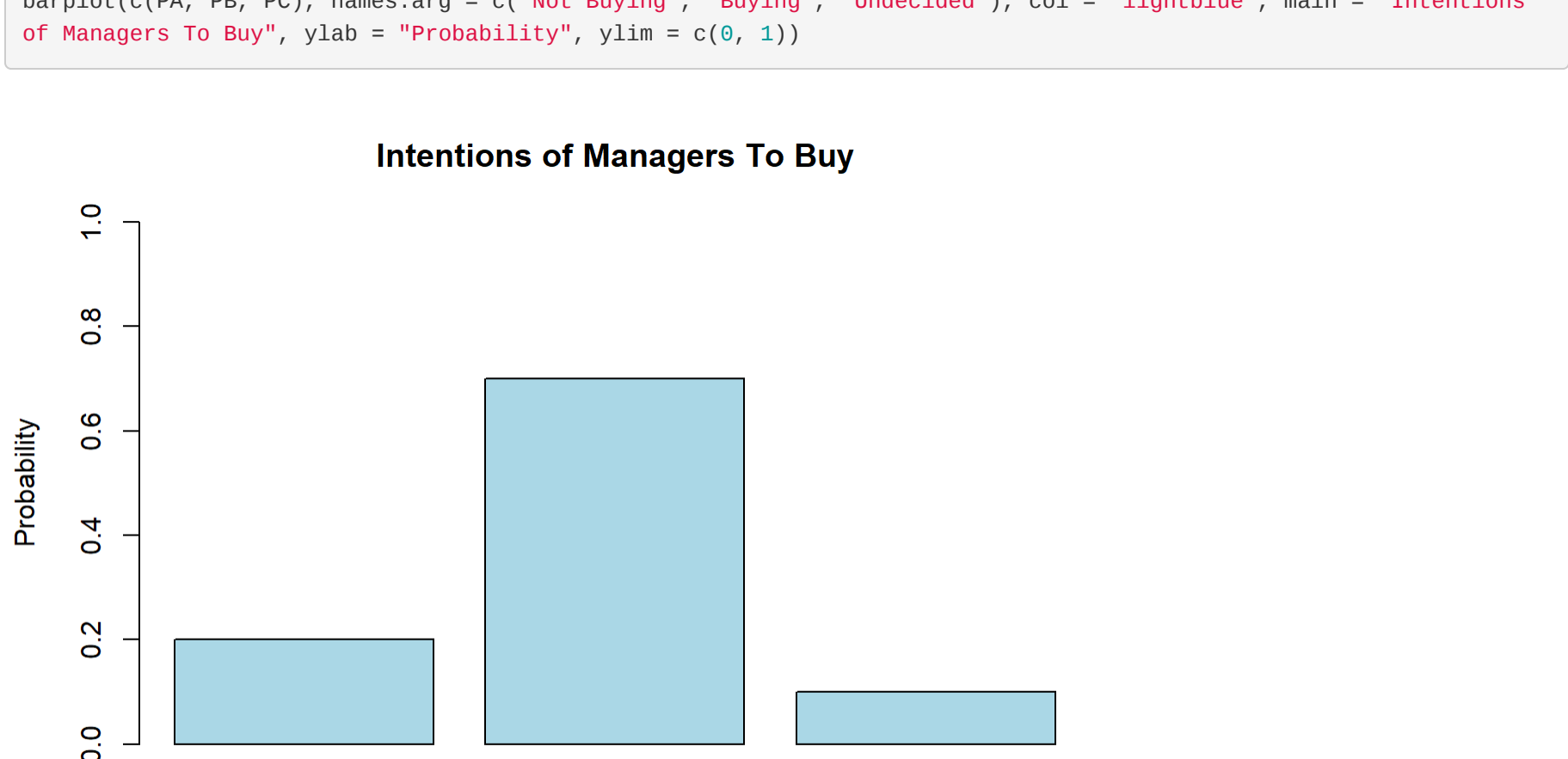
A software company surveyed managers to determine the probability that they would buy a new graphics package that includes three-dimensional graphics. About 20% of office managers were certain that they would not buy the package, 70% claimed that they would buy, and the others were undecided. Of those who said that they would not buy the package, only 10% said that they were interested in upgrading their computer hardware. Of those interested in buying the graphics package, 40% were also interested in upgrading their computer hardware. Of the undecided, 20% were interested in upgrading their computer hardware.

Let:

- A denote the intention of not buying
- B the intention of buying
- C the undecided
- G the intention of upgrading the computer hardware

- $P(A) = 0.2$
- $P(B) = 0.7$
- $P(C) = 1 - P(A) - P(B) = 1 - 0.2 - 0.7 = 0.1$
- $P(G|A) = 0.1$
- $P(G|B) = 0.4$
- $P(G|C) = 0.2$

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PA <- 0.2
PB <- 0.7
PC <- 1 - PA - PB
barplot(c(PA, PB, PC), names.arg = c("Not Buying", "Buying", "Undecided"), col = "lightblue", main = "Intentions of Managers To Buy", ylab = "Probability", ylim = c(0, 1))
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a. Calculate the probability that a manager chosen at random will not upgrade the computer hardware ($P(\overline{G})$).

We will look first on the probability of choosing a manager at random that will upgrade the computer hardware.

$$P(G) = P(A) P(G|A) + P(B) P(G|B) + P(C) P(G|C)$$

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PGA <- 0.1
PGB <- 0.4
PGC <- 0.2

PG <- (PA*PGA) + (PB*PGB) + (PC*PGC)
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$$\text{So, } P(G) = 0.32$$

TO find the ($P(\overline{G})$), let's find the complement of $P(G)$,

$$P(\overline{G}) = 1 - P(G)$$

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PCG <- 1 - PG
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$$P(\overline{G}) = 0.68$$

The probability that a manager chosen at random will not upgrade the computer hardware is 68%.

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