

Problem 1 [25 points]

A type C battery is in working condition with probability 0.7, whereas a type D battery is in working condition with probability 0.4. A bin consists of 8 type C batteries and 6 type D batteries. One battery is randomly chosen from the bin.

- a) What is the probability that the chosen battery works?
- b) Given that the chosen battery does not work, what is the conditional probability that the chosen battery was of type C?

[For full credit, properly justify your answer and give final numeric value!]

$$\begin{aligned} P(W_C) &= 0.7 & P(\bar{W}_C) &= 0.3 \\ P(W_D) &= 0.4 & P(\bar{W}_D) &= 0.6 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(C) = \frac{8}{6+8} = \frac{8}{14}$$

$$P(D) = \frac{6}{6+8} = \frac{6}{14}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } P(W) &= P(W|C) \cdot P(C) + P(W|D) \cdot P(D) \\ &= P(W_C) \cdot P(C) + P(W_D) \cdot P(D) \\ &= 0.7 \times \frac{8}{14} + 0.4 \times \frac{6}{14} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(W) = 0.5714$$

$$b) \quad P(c|\bar{w}) = \frac{P(c \cdot \bar{w})}{P(\bar{w})}$$

$$= \frac{P(\bar{w}|c) \cdot P(c)}{P(\bar{w})}$$

$$= \frac{P(\bar{w}_c) \cdot P(c)}{P(\bar{w})}$$

$$= \frac{P(\bar{w}_c) \cdot P(c)}{P(\bar{w}|c) \cdot P(c) + P(\bar{w}|D) \cdot P(D)}$$

$$= \frac{P(\bar{w}_c) \cdot P(c)}{P(\bar{w}_c) \cdot P(c) + P(\bar{w}_D) \cdot P(D)}$$

$$= \frac{0.3 \times \frac{8}{14}}{0.3 \times \frac{8}{14} + 0.6 \times \frac{6}{14}}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 8}{3 \times 8 + 6 \times 6} = \frac{24}{24 + 36} = \frac{24}{60} = \frac{4}{10}$$

$$\boxed{P(c|\bar{w}) = 0.4}$$

Problem 2 [30 points]

You are entered to play a game that proceeds as follows. You must play at least 5 rounds of the game. If you lose round 5, you are removed from the game. However, if you win round 5, you must play additional rounds until you eventually lose a round, at which point you are removed from the game.

In each round you play, the probability of winning the round is $p = 0.7$

- Find the expected number of rounds that you will play.
- Find the expected number of rounds that you will lose.

[For full credit, give a final numerical value for both a) and b).]

a)

THE PLAYER MUST PLAY AT LEAST 5 ROUNDS

* FIND THE PROBABILITY THAT THE PLAYER PLAYS EXACTLY 5 ROUNDS.

(THIS MEANS THAT THE PLAYER LOSES ROUND 5)

$$P(X=5) = (1-p)$$

* FIND THE PROBABILITY THAT THE PLAYER PLAYS EXACTLY 6 ROUNDS

(THIS MEANS THAT THE PLAYER WINS ROUND 5, BUT LOSES ROUND 6)

$$P(X=6) = p \cdot (1-p)$$

* SIMILARLY $P(X=7) = p^2(1-p)$

* $P(X=8) = p^3(1-p)$

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$$P(X=n) = p^{n-5}(1-p)$$

$$\text{for } n \geq 5$$

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$$E[X] = \sum_{k=5}^{\infty} k \cdot P(X=k)$$

$$= 5 \cdot (1-p) + 6 \cdot p(1-p) + 7p^2(1-p) + 8p^3(1-p) + \dots$$

$$= (1-p) \cdot [5 + 6p + 7p^2 + 8p^3 + \dots]$$

$$= 5 + (6-5)p + (7-6)p^2 + (8-7)p^3 + \dots$$

$$= 5 + p + p^2 + p^3 + \dots$$

$$= 5 + p[1 + p + p^2 + p^3 + \dots]$$

$$= 5 + p \cdot \frac{(1+p+p^2+p^3+\dots)(1-p)}{1-p}$$

$$= 5 + \frac{p}{1-p} [1 + \cancel{(1-1)p} + \cancel{(1-1)p^2} + \cancel{(1-1)p^3} + \dots]$$

$$= 5 + \frac{p}{1-p} = 5 + \frac{0.7}{0.3} =$$

$$E[X] = 7\frac{1}{3} \approx 7.333$$

b) IN THE FIRST 4 ROUNDS, THE PLAYER WILL
 LOSE: 0 ROUNDS WITH PROBABILITY p^4
 1 ROUND WITH PROBABILITY $\binom{4}{1}(1-p)p^3$
 2 ROUNDS WITH PROBABILITY $\binom{4}{2}(1-p)^2p^2$
 3 ROUNDS WITH PROBABILITY $\binom{4}{3}(1-p)^3p$
 4 ROUNDS WITH PROBABILITY $\binom{4}{4}(1-p)^4$

SO IN THE FIRST 4 ROUNDS, THE PLAYER
 WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING EXPECTED NUMBER OF LOSSES

$$\begin{aligned} E[L_4] &= 0 \cdot p^4 + 1 \cdot \binom{4}{1}(1-p)p^3 + 2 \cdot \binom{4}{2}(1-p)^2p^2 + 3 \cdot \binom{4}{3}(1-p)^3p + 4 \cdot \binom{4}{4}(1-p)^4 \\ &= 1 \cdot 4 \cdot (1-p)p^3 + 2 \cdot 6 \cdot (1-p)^2p^2 + 3 \cdot 4 \cdot (1-p)^3p + 4(1-p)^4 \\ &= 4(1-p) [p^3 + 3(1-p)p^2 + 3(1-p)^2p + (1-p)^3] \\ &= 4(1-p) [p + (1-p)]^3 \\ &= 4(1-p) = 4 \cdot 0.3 = 1.2 \end{aligned}$$

NOW, AFTER ROUND 4, THE PLAYER WILL LOSE
 EXACTLY 1 MORE ROUND (REGARDLESS OF HOW MANY EXTRA
 ROUNDS ARE PLAYED)

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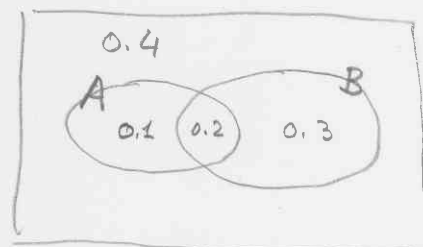
$$E[L] = 1 + E[L_4] = 2.2$$

For the following 3 (three) multiple choice problems, no justification of the answers is necessary. Simply circle the correct answer.

Problem 3 [15 points]

Let A and B be events. If $P(A) = 0.3$ and $P(B) = 0.5$ and the probability that neither event occurs is 0.4. Circle the correct statement:

- a) $P(A \cup B) = 0.7$ and $P(A | B) = 2/3$
- b) $P(A \cup B) = 0.6$ and $P(A | B) = 2/3$
- c) $P(A \cup B) = 0.7$ and $P(A | B) = 0.4$
- ☒ d) $P(A \cup B) = 0.6$ and $P(A | B) = 0.4$
- e) $P(A \cup B) = 0.65$ and $P(A | B) = 0.3$



$$P(A \cup B) = 0.6$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.2}{0.5} = 0.4$$

Problem 4 [15 points]

At UH 20% of the computers have outdated anti-viral software, 70% have current anti-viral software and 10% have a new improved beta version of the anti-viral software. A novel software virus enters the UH system. The computers with the outdated anti-viral software have 0.9 probability of being infected. The computers with the current anti-viral software have 0.3 probability of being infected. The computers with the beta version anti-viral software have 0.1 probability of being infected. Circle the correct statement.

- a) Probability of a UH computer not being infected is 0.32
- b) Probability of a UH computer not being infected is 0.40
- c) Probability of a UH computer not being infected is 0.48
- ☒ d) Probability of a UH computer not being infected is 0.60
- e) Probability of a UH computer not being infected is 0.68

$$P(\text{not infected}) = P(\bar{I} | \text{outdated}) \cdot P(\text{outdated}) + P(\bar{I} | \text{current}) \cdot P(\text{current}) + P(\bar{I} | \text{beta}) \cdot P(\text{beta})$$

$$= 0.1 \times 0.2 + 0.7 \times 0.7 + 0.9 \times 0.1$$

$$= 0.02 + 0.49 + 0.09 = 0.6$$

Problem 5 [15 points]

Let X be a Bernoulli random variable that can have two possible outcomes: 0 or 1.

Suppose $P(X=1) = p$.

If $E[X] = 4 \text{ Var}(X)$, circle the correct answer.

- a) $p = 0$
- b) $p = 0.25$
- c) $p = 0.5$
- d) $p = 0.75$
- e) $p = 1$

$$P(X=1) = p \quad P(X=0) = (1-p)$$

$$E[X] = 0 \times (1-p) + 1 \times p = p$$

$$E[X^2] = 0^2 \times (1-p) + 1^2 \times p = p$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = p - p^2$$

$$E[X] = 4 \cdot \text{Var}(X)$$

$$p = 4 \cdot [p - p^2] \Rightarrow 4p^2 = 3p$$
$$\downarrow$$
$$4p = 3$$

$$\boxed{p = \frac{3}{4}}$$

or \downarrow
 $p = 0$

or $\boxed{p = 0}$