Assignment 3–probability and Random Variable

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problem statement: Suppose we have four box A,B,C and D containing coloured marbles as given below: one of the box has been selected at random and a single marble is drawn from it.If the marble is red.What is the probability that it was drawn from box A?Box B?Box C?

Table 1:

Box	Red	White	Black
A	1	6	3
B	6	2	2
C	8	1	1
D	0	6	4

Solution: Here we are having 4 boxes with 10 balls each.There is a equal likelihood of selecting four boxes

$X \in (0,1,2,3)$ where 0 represents Box A,1 represents Box B,2 represents Box C,3 represents Box D

$Y \in (0,1,2)$ where 0 represents Red marble,1 represents White marble,2 represents Black marble

$P(X=0) = \frac{1}{4}$

$P(Y=0/X=0)=\frac{1}{10}$

$P(X=1)=\frac{1}{4}$

$P(Y=0/X=1)=\frac{6}{10}$

$P(X=2)=\frac{1}{4}$

$P(Y=0/X=2)=\frac{8}{10}$

$P(X=3)=\frac{1}{4}$.

$P(X=0/Y=3) =0$

Since red balls are in all the three boxes.The probability that selected ball is red is given by

P(Y=0):Probability of getting a Red marble

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\begin{aligned}
&= P(X=0)P(Y=0/X=0) + P(X=1) \\
&\quad P(Y=0/X=1) + P(X=2)P(Y=0/X=2) \\
&\quad + P(X=3)P(Y=0/X=3) \\
&= \frac{1}{4}\times\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{4}\times\frac{6}{10} + \frac{1}{4}\times\frac{8}{10} \\
&= \frac{1}{4}(\frac{1}{10} + \frac{6}{10} + \frac{8}{10}) \\
&= \frac{1}{4}\times\frac{3}{2}
\end{aligned}
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1 Part A

P(X=0/Y=0):probability that marble is drawn from box A given it is Red marble.By using bayes theorem

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\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{P(Y=0/X=0).P(X=0)}{P(Y=0)} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{10}\times\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}\times\frac{3}{2}} \\
&= \frac{1}{15}
\end{aligned}
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2 Part B

P(X=1/Y=0):probability that marble is drawn from box B given it is Red marble.By using

bayes theorem

$$= \frac{P(Y=0/X=1).P(X=1)}{P(Y=0)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{6}{10} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{2}}$$
$$= \frac{2}{5}$$

3 part C

P(X=2/Y=0):probability that marble is drawn from box C given it is Red marble.By using bayes theorem

$$= \frac{P(Y=0/X=2).P(X=2)}{P(Y=0)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{8}{10} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{2}}$$
$$= \frac{8}{15}$$