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## Probability and Statistics

### Assignment 1

Q1. If  $S = A \cup B$ ,  $P(A) = 0.7$ , and  $P(B) = 0.9$

a.  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

Since  $P(A \cup B) \leq 1$  as probability can't exceed 1

Let's calculate  $P(A \cap B)$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$1 = 0.7 + 0.9 - P(A \cap B)$$

$$1 = 1.6 - P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 1.6 - 1 = 0.6$$

b. i.  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.5$ , and  $P(A \cap B) = 0.3$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A \cup B) = 0.4 + 0.5 - 0.3 = 0.6$$

ii.  $P(A \cap B')$  This represents the probability of A occurring and B not occurring

$$P(A \cap B') = P(A) - P(A \cap B) = 0.4 - 0.3 = 0.1$$

iii.  $P(A \cap B')$  represents the probability of B occurring i.e., the complement of  $P(A \cap B)$

$$P(A \cap B') = 1 - P(A \cap B) = 1 - 0.6 = 0.4$$

Q2.a.

- $P(B1)$  This is Probability of carrying the virus  
 $P(B1) = 0.005$
- $P(A1)$  This is the probability of testing Positive  
 $P(A1) = 0.079$
- $P(A1 | B2)$  This is the probability of testing positive given not carrying the virus  
 $P(A1 | B2) = 0.074$
- $P(B1 | A1)$  This is probability of carrying the virus given testing positive  
 $P(B1 | A1) = 0.0622$

b. In words what do parts  $P(A1 | B2)$  and  $P(B1 | A1)$  say

- $P(A1 | B2)$  tells us the probability that a person who does not carry the AIDS virus tests positive. This is a measure of the false positive rate of the test.
- $P(B1 | A1)$  tells us the probability that a person who tests positive actually carries the virus. This is a measure of the positive predictive value of the test.

3. Using binomial distribution formula

$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

i. If  $n=4$  and  $p=0.20$ , then find  $P(X = 1)$

$$P(X = 1) = \binom{4}{1} (0.20)^1 (0.80)^3 = 4 * 0.20 * 0.512 = 0.4096$$

ii. If  $n=3$  and  $p = 0.10$ , then find  $P(X < 2)$

$$P(X < 2) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1)$$

$$P(X = 0) = \binom{3}{0} (0.10)^0 (0.90)^3 = 1 * 1 * 0.729 = 0.729$$

$$P(X = 1) = {}^3P_1(0.10)^1(0.90)^2 = 3 * 0.10 * 0.81 = 0.243$$

$$P(X > 2) = 0.729 + 0.243 = 0.972$$

iii. If  $n=6$  and  $p=0.30$ , then find  $P(X > 1)$

$$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1)$$

$$P(X \leq 1) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1)$$

$$P(X = 0) = {}^6P_0(0.30)^0(0.70)^6 = 1 * 1 * 0.117649 = 0.117649$$

$$P(X = 1) = {}^6P_1(0.30)^1(0.70)^5 = 6 * 0.30 * 0.16807 = 0.302526$$

$$P(X \leq 1) = 0.117649 + 0.302526 = 0.420175$$

$$P(X > 1) = 1 - 0.420175 = 0.579825$$



