

1. (a) Let E be the event that there is a student enrolled in CS103 and F the event that there is a student enrolled in CS107.

$P(E) = 0.3$ and $P(F) = 0.25$ Then: $P(EF) = P(F|E)P(E)$ which gives $0.05 * 0.30 = 0.015$

There is a 1.5% chance that a randomly selected student is enrolled in both CS107 and CS103

- (b) Using the definition of conditional probability gives $P(F|E^c) = \frac{P(FE^c)}{P(E^c)}$

We can use the fact that:

$P(E^c) = 1 - P(E)$ and that $P(F) = P(EF) + P(FE^c)$.

The final answer is $\frac{P(FE^c)}{1-P(E)} = \frac{P(F)-P(FE)}{1-P(E)}$

2. Let E be the event that a player stays up and F the event that a player makes an error

Using Bayes theorem:

$$P(E|F) = \frac{P(F|E)P(E)}{P(F|E)P(E) + P(F|E^c)P(E^c)}$$

We know $P(F|E) = 3P(F|E^c)$ and thus we can substitute for this in the expression to get:

$$P(E|F) = \frac{3P(E)}{2P(E)+1}$$

Now, since $P(E) = 0.4$ we can substitute this to get $P(E|F) = 2/3$ We conclude that two-thirds of the players who made critical errors stayed up late.

3. (a) Using Bayes Theorem: $P(E|F) = \frac{P(F|E)P(E)}{P(F)}$

$P(F|E)$ is the probability that one of the cards is an ace of spades given that both cards are aces. We have $\binom{4}{2} = 6$ such possibilities and $\binom{3}{1} = 3$ combinations with at least 1 ace of spades. Therefore $P(F|E) = 1/2$

$P(E) = \frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{2}} = 1/221$ where out of the 4 aces we pick any two and the size of the sample space is the number of ways we can pick any two cards out of the 52 original cards.

$P(F) = \frac{\binom{51}{1}}{\binom{52}{2}} = 1/26$ since we have 51 possible groups of two cards with one ace of spades and the denominator is the size of the sample space.

This gives: $P(E|F) = 1/17$

- (b) Using Bayes Theorem: $P(E|G) = \frac{P(G|E)P(E)}{P(G)}$

$P(G|E) = 1$ since if we know that both cards are aces, G is automatically satisfied. We simply need $P(G) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{51}{1}}{\binom{52}{2}} = 2/13$ since the size of the event space is the number of ways we can pick at least 1 ace from the 4 possible aces and pick the second card from the remaining 51 cards.

This gives: $P(E|G) = 1/34$

4. (a) Let F_i be the event that at least 1 string is hashed into the ith bucket. and p_i the probability that a string is hashed to the ith bucket. There are $m = 6$ strings in total and $n = 4$ buckets

$P(F_1 F_2 F_3) = 1 - P((F_1 F_2 F_3)^c) = 1 - P(F_1^c \cup F_2^c \cup F_3^c)$ using De Morgan's Laws

We can use the inclusion exclusion principle to expand the union:

$$P(F_1^c \cup F_2^c \cup F_3^c) = P(F_1^c) + P(F_2^c) + P(F_3^c) - P(F_1^c F_2^c) - P(F_1^c F_3^c) - P(F_2^c F_3^c) + P(F_1^c F_2^c F_3^c)$$

We also know that $P(F_1^c \dots F_k^c) = (1 - \sum_{i=1}^k p_i)^m$ since if no string is not hashed to the first k buckets, it must be hashed to the remaining $n - k$ buckets.

This gives:

$$P(F_1 F_2 F_3) = 1 - (1 - p_1)^m - (1 - p_2)^m - (1 - p_3)^m + (1 - p_1 - p_2)^m + (1 - p_1 - p_3)^m + (1 - p_2 - p_3)^m - (1 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3)^m$$

- (b) Substituting $p_1 = 0.25, p_2 = 0.2, p_3 = 0.1, p_4 = 0.45$ gives

$$P(F_1 F_2 F_3) = 0.240881$$

5. (a) Let E be the event that at least one of the emails is spam and F the event that both emails are spam. $p = 0.93$ is the probability that a given email is spam.

$$P(F|E) = \frac{P(E|F)P(F)}{P(E)} \text{ from Bayes' Theorem}$$

$$P(E|F) = 1 \text{ since E is satisfied if F is given.}$$

$$P(F) = p^2 \text{ and } P(E) = P(E|F)P(F) + P(EF^c)$$

$$P(EF^c) = 2p(1-p) \text{ which is the probability of having just 1 spam email at the server.}$$

$$\text{Putting it all together gives: } P(F|E) = \frac{p^2}{p^2 + 2p(1-p)} \text{ where } p = 0.93$$

- (b) Let G be the event that the email forwarded is spam

$$P(F|G) = \frac{P(G|F)P(F)}{P(G)}$$

$$P(G|F) = 1 \text{ since if both emails received are spam I will undoubtedly get spam in my inbox.}$$

$$P(F) = p^2 \text{ as before.}$$

$$P(G) = p^2 + 2 \times p(1-p) \times 1/2 \text{ the first term is for the case that both emails received are spam and the second for one spam and one non-spam email received while accounting for the probability of choosing the spam email. We finally arrive at: } P(F|G) = \frac{p^2}{p^2 + p(1-p)}$$

6. Let C_i be the event that the applicant is contacted on day i.

- (a) $P(C_1) = P(C_1|H)P(H) + P(C_1|H^c)(1 - P(H))$

$$\text{This gives } P(C_1) = 0.34$$

- (b) $P(C_2|C_1^c) = \frac{P(C_1^c|C_2)P(C_2)}{1 - P(C_1)}$

$$P(C_1^c|C_2) = 1 \text{ since an applicant is contacted only once. If she was contacted on Tuesday, the applicant must not have been contacted on Monday.}$$

$$\text{Similarly to part a) } P(C_2) = P(C_2|H)P(H) + P(C_2|H^c)(1 - P(H)) = 0.16$$

$$\text{This gives: } P(C_2|C_1^c) = \frac{P(C_2)}{1 - P(C_1)} = \frac{0.16}{1 - 0.34} = 0.4706$$

$$\text{Given that the applicant was not contacted on Monday, there is a close to 50\% chance that the applicant will be contacted on Tuesday.}$$

- (c) $P(H|C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c) = \frac{P(H C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c)}{P(C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c)}$ De Morgan's Laws come in handy allowing us to expand $C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c$ as $(C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3)^c$.

Thus:

$$P(H C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c) = P((C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3)^c | H) P(H) = (1 - P((C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3) | H)) P(H)$$

The conditional can distribute over the unions since the events are mutually exclusive and we can write the expression as

$$P(H C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c) = P(H)(1 - P(C_1|H) - P(C_2|H) - P(C_3|H))$$

$$\text{We also note that: } P(C_3^c C_2^c C_1^c) = P((C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3)^c) = 1 - P(C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3) = 1 - P(C_1) - P(C_2) - P(C_3)$$

$$\text{This gives the final expression as: } P(H|C_1^c C_2^c C_3^c) = \frac{P(H)(1 - P(C_1|H) - P(C_2|H) - P(C_3|H))}{1 - P(C_1) - P(C_2) - P(C_3)}$$

- (d) Let $C_{>5}$ be the event that you are contacted after Friday

$$P(H|C_{>5}) = \frac{P(C_{>5}|H)P(H)}{P(C_{>5})}$$

$$\text{We note that: } P(C_{>5}|H) = 1 - P((C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3 \cup C_4 \cup C_5) | H)$$

$$\text{Expanding this gives: } P(C_{>5}|H) = 1 - P(C_1|H) - P(C_2|H) - P(C_3|H) - P(C_4|H) - P(C_5|H)$$

$$P(C_{>5}) = 1 - P(C_1) - P(C_2) - P(C_3) - P(C_4) - P(C_5)$$

Putting all the pieces together gives:

$$P(C_{>5}|H) = \frac{1 - P(C_1|H) - P(C_2|H) - P(C_3|H) - P(C_4|H) - P(C_5|H)}{1 - P(C_1) - P(C_2) - P(C_3) - P(C_4) - P(C_5)}$$

7. When the 16 bit string passes through the channel X, either both bits that were corrupted were 0's or one 0 and a 1 were corrupted or both bits that were corrupted were 1's.

Let X be the random variable whose value is number of zeros flipped. $X \sim \text{Bin}(p, 7)$ where p is the probability of flipping a zero.

P(the two bits that are corrupted by channel Y are 0's) is given by:

$$\binom{7}{2} p^2 (1-p)^5 + \binom{5}{2} p^2 (1-p)^3 + \binom{7}{1} p^2 (1-p)^6 + \binom{6}{2} p^2 (1-p)^4 + \binom{7}{0} p^2 (1-p)^7 + \binom{7}{2} p^2 (1-p)^5$$

8. Die 1: 1, 6, 1, 4, 5, 6

Die 2: 2, 2, 2, 4, 4, 4

Let E be the event that you roll a 2 and F the event that you roll a 4

$$P(E|F) = \frac{P(F|E)P(E)}{P(F)}$$

$P(F|E) = 1/2$ since if you rolled a two, you are limited solely to the second die

$P(E) = (1/2) \cdot (1/2) = 1/4$ which is the product of the probability of picking the second die and the probability of rolling a 2 with the second die.

$P(F) = (1/2) \cdot (1/6) + (1/2) \cdot (1/2) = 1/3$ which is the probability of rolling a 4 with the first die or rolling a 4 with the second die.

This gives:

$$P(E|F) = \frac{(1/2)(1/4)}{(1/3)} = 3/8$$

9. Let B be the event that a person inherits a blue eyes gene.

Let Br be the event that a person inherits a brown eyes gene.

- (a) If William's sister has blue eyes, then each of his parents must carry the B recessive gene.

$$P(\text{William has a blue gene} | \text{Has brown eyes}) = \frac{P(BrB) + P(BBr)}{P(BrBr) + P(BBr) + P(BrB)} = \frac{(1/4) + (1/4)}{(3/4)} = 2/3$$

- (b) If the child has blue eyes, William must necessarily have inherited a blue gene.

$P(\text{child has blue eyes}) = P(\text{William inherited a blue gene}) \cdot (1/2)$ which is the probability of William and his wife getting a blue eyed child.

Possible combinations: BB BrB BB BrB

$$P(\text{child has blue eyes}) = (2/3) \cdot (1/2) = 1/3$$

- (c) The probability any child getting any eye color is not dependent on the eye color of the previous child.

$P(\text{child has brown eyes}) = P(\text{William has B Br genes}) \cdot P(\text{getting a child with brown eyes in this case}) + P(\text{William has Br Br genes}) \cdot P(\text{getting a child with brown eyes in this case})$

Possible combinations when William has BrBr: BrB BrB BrB BrB

Possible combinations when William has BBr: BB BrB BB BrB

$$P(\text{child has brown eyes}) = (1/3) \cdot 1 + (2/3) \cdot (1/2) = 2/3$$

10. Let X be the random variable that equals the number of 1s in a bit string of length n.

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(1/4, n)$$

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = \binom{n}{0} p^0 (1-p)^n = 1 - (1-p)^n \geq 0.8$$

Rearranging the equation gives:

$$\frac{\log_{10} 0.2}{\log_{10}(1-p)} \leq n \implies n \geq \lceil \frac{\log_{10} 0.2}{\log_{10}(1-p)} \rceil$$

11. Let E be the event that a person tests positive.

X is a random variable that is the number of tests a group takes.

$P(X = 1)$ is the probability that no one in the group has measles.

$$P(X = 1) = (1-p)^5 \text{ where } p \text{ is the probability that a person has measles.}$$

$P(X = 6)$ is the probability that at least 1 person in the group has measles which is 1 less the probability that no one has measles.

$$P(X = 6) = 1 - (1-p)^5$$

$$E[X] = \sum_x x \cdot p(x) = 1(1-p)^5 + 6(1 - (1-p)^5) = 6 - 5(1-p)^5.$$

Substituting $p = 0.1$ gives $E[X] = 3.0476$

12. Y is a random variable whose value is your winnings in the game. $E[Y] = \sum_x x \cdot p(x)$

$$p(x) = P(Y = 2^x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$$

- (a) For 2^x greater than $X = 250$, Y is capped at the value 250. This happens for $x > 7$.

This gives:

$$E[Y] = \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^7 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \cdot 2^k}_{\text{contribution from } < 7 \text{ coin flips}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=8}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \cdot (250)}_{\text{contribution from earnings above the cap of \$250}}$$

$$E[Y] = 4 + \frac{125}{128} = 4.9766$$

- (b) For 2^x greater than $X = 25000$, Y is capped at the value 250. This happens for $x > 14$.

This gives:

$$E[Y] = \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^1 4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \cdot 2^k}_{\text{contribution from } < 14 \text{ coin flips}} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=15}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{k+1} \cdot (25000)}_{\text{contribution from earnings above the cap of \$25000}}$$

$$E[Y] = \frac{15}{2} + \frac{15625}{2048} = 15.1294$$

13. (a) X is the random variable that is the value that is returned when $\text{arr}[i] == \text{key}$.

$P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{14}$ since for every i there is only 1 key such that $\text{arr}[i] == \text{key}$.

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=0}^1 3 \frac{i}{14} = \frac{91}{14} = 6.5$$

- (b) X is the random variable that is the value that is returned when $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] == \text{key}$.

We can enumerate $P(X = i) \forall \text{mid} = i$ in $[0, 13]$

$$P(X = 13) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 12) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 11) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 10) = (7/14)(1/7) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 9) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 8) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 7) = (7/14)(3/7)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 6) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 5) = (6/14)(3/6)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 4) = (6/14)(3/6)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 3) = (6/14)(3/6)(1/3) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 2) = (6/14)(1/6) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 1) = (6/14)(2/6)(1/2) = 1/14$$

$$P(X = 0) = (6/14)(2/6)(1/2) = 1/14$$

The subdivision of the array in each successive iteration ensures that all the probabilities match.

The expected value is exactly as in the previous case: 6.5

14. X is a random variable that is the number of flowers that survive after 1 year $X \sim \text{Bin}(p, 10)$

(a) $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - \binom{10}{0} p^0 (1-p)^{10} = 1 - (1-p)^{10}$

(b) $P(X = 2) = \binom{10}{2} p^2 (1-p)^8$

(c) $P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X = 0) - P(X = 1)$
 $= 1 - \binom{10}{0} p^0 (1-p)^{10} - \binom{10}{1} p^1 (1-p)^9$

15. X is the random variable whose value is the number of requests received. $X \sim Poi(\lambda)$ where $\lambda = 2$

$$P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$$

$$P(\text{No server has crashed}) = P(\bigcup_{k=0}^6 X = k) = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k=0}^6 \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$$

16. E is the event that your computer crashes 4 times.

F is the event that the patch has an effect.

$$P(F|E) = \frac{P(E|F)P(F)}{P(E|F)P(F) + P(E|F^c)(1-P(F))} \text{ using Bayes Theorem.}$$

$P(F) = 0.7$ $P(E|F)$ has a random variable $X \sim Poi(3)$ while $P(E|F^c)$ has a random variable $Y \sim Poi(6)$

$$P(E|F) = e^{-3} \frac{3^4}{4!} = 0.168031$$

$$P(E|F^c) = e^{-6} \frac{6^4}{4!} = 0.133853$$

$$\text{Therefore } P(F|E) = \frac{(0.168031)(0.7)}{(0.168031)(0.7) + (0.133853)(0.3)} = 0.74549$$

17. (a) 1
(b) 10 hours
(c) 7,6,11