

$$P(A | B) = P(B | A) * P(A) / P(B)$$

A diagnostic test has a 98% probability of giving a positive result when applied to a person suffering from Thripshaw's Disease, and 10% probability of giving a (false) positive when applied to a non-sufferer. It is estimated that 0.5 % of the population are sufferers. Suppose that the test is now administered to a person whose disease status is unknown. Calculate the probability that the test will:

1. Be positive
  - i. Intuition - 10.5%
  - ii.  $P = P(\text{test+} | \text{infected}) + P(\text{test+} | \text{non-infected}) = (0.98)(0.005) + (0.10)(0.995) = 10.44\%$
2. Correctly diagnose a sufferer of Thripshaw's
  - i. Intuition - 98%
  - ii.  $P = P(\text{test+} | \text{infected}) = P(\text{infected} | \text{test+}) * P(\text{test+})/P(\text{infected}) = (0.005)(0.1044) * (0.1044/0.005) = 1.09\%$
3. Correctly identify a non-sufferer of Thripshaw's
  - i. Intuition - 90%
  - ii.  $P(\text{test-} | \text{non-infected}) = P(\text{non-infected} | \text{test-}) * P(\text{test-})/P(\text{non-infected}) = (0.995)(1 - 0.1044) * ((1-0.1044) / 0.995) = 80.21\%$
4. Misclassify the person
  - i. Intuition - 12%
  - ii.  $P(\text{test-} | \text{infected}) + P(\text{test+} | \text{non-infected}) = [P(\text{infected}) * P(\text{test-}) * P(\text{test-})/P(\text{infected})] + [P(\text{non-infected}) * P(\text{test+}) * P(\text{test+})/P(\text{non-infected})] = (0.005)(1-0.1044) * ((1-0.1044)/0.005) + (0.995*0.1044) * (0.1044/0.995) = 0.8021 + 0.0109 = 81.30\%$