

MIDTERM EXAMINATION

Answer PROBABILITY, STATISTICS AND RANDOM PROCESS

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1. Sample space $\Omega = \{\overline{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5} : a_i = 1, 2, \dots, 9 \forall i \in \{1, \dots, 5\}\}$. Hence $n(\Omega) = 9^5$. A is the event that no digit appears more than twice. Need to compute $P(A)$

1st approach: A^c is the event that some digit appears more than twice (three, four or five times). We have

$$n(A^c) = C(5, 3)(9)(8)(8) + C(5, 4)(9)(8) + C(5, 5)(9)$$

Then

$$P(A^c) = \frac{n(A^c)}{n(\Omega)} \implies P(A) = 1 - p(A^c) \approx 0.8962$$

2nd approach: compute $n(A)$ directly by considering 3 possible cases (all selected digits are different, only one digit appears twice and two different digit appear twice)

$$n(A) = (9)(8)(7)(6)(5) + C(5, 2)(9)(8)(7)(6) + \frac{C(5, 2)C(3, 2)}{2}(9)(8)(7)$$

$$\text{So } P(A) = \frac{n(A)}{n(\Omega)} \approx 0.8962$$

2. By total law

$$P(\text{select a red}) = P(\text{select box 1 and draw a red}) + P(\text{select box 2 and draw a red})$$

where

$$P(\text{select box 1 and draw a red}) = P(\text{select box 1})P(\text{draw a red} \mid \text{select box 1}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

and

$$P(\text{select box 2 and draw a red}) = P(\text{select box 2})P(\text{draw a red} \mid \text{select box 2}) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

So

$$P((\text{select a red})) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{11}{24} \approx 0.45833$$

3. Need to compute

$$P(\text{send 1} \mid \text{receive 1}) = \frac{P(\text{send 1 and receive 1})}{P(\text{receive 1})}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{send 1 and receive 1}) &= P(\text{send 1})P(\text{receive 1} \mid \text{send 1}) \\ &= P(\text{send 1})P(\text{not error} \mid \text{send 1}) = (0.5)(1 - 0.1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{send 0 and receive 1}) &= P(\text{send 0})P(\text{receive 1} \mid \text{send 0}) \\ &= P(\text{send 0})P(\text{error} \mid \text{send 0}) = (0.5)(0.05) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{receive 1}) &= P(\text{send 1 and receive 1}) + P(\text{send 0 and receive 1}) \\ &= (0.5)(1 - 0.1) + (0.5)(0.05) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$P(\text{send 1} \mid \text{receive 1}) = \frac{(0.5)(1 - 0.1)}{(0.5)(1 - 0.1) + (0.5)(0.05)} = \frac{18}{19} \approx 0.947$$

4. (20 points)

(a) $E(X) = (0.1)(10) + (0.35)(13) + (0.4)(16) + (0.15)(20) = 14.95$

$$E(X^2) = (0.1)(10^2) + (0.35)(13^2) + (0.4)(16^2) + (0.15)(20^2) = 231.55$$

$$\text{and } \text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = 231.55 - (14.95)^2 \approx 8.0475$$

(b) $P(X > 12 \mid X < 17) = \frac{P(12 < X < 17)}{P(X < 17)} = \frac{P(X=13)+P(X=16)}{P(X=10)+P(X=13)+P(X=16)} = \frac{0.35+0.4}{0.1+0.35+0.4} = \frac{75}{85} \approx 0.8824.$

5. (a) $P(\text{A wins at least two games}) = P(W_1 W_2 W_3) + P(\overline{W}_1 W_2 W_3) + P(W_1 \overline{W}_2 W) + P(W_1 W_2 \overline{W}_3)$
where

$$P(W_1 W_2 W_3) = P(W_1)P(W_2)P(W_3) = (0.4)^3$$

$$P(\overline{W}_1 W_2 W_3) = P(W_1 \overline{W}_2 W) = P(W_1 W_2 \overline{W}_3) = (0.4)^2(0.6)$$

So

$$P(\text{A wins at least two games}) = (0.4)^3 + (3)(0.4)^2(0.6) \approx 0.352$$

- (b) $\text{Range}(X) = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$ and $X = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$ where X_i is the point that A gets at game i .

The p.m.f of X_i for $i = 1, 2, 3$ is given by

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| x | -1 | 0 | 1 |
| $P(X_i = x)$ | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 |

We have $E(X_i) = (0.4)(-1) + (0.2)(0) + (0.4)(1) = 0$. So

$$E(X) = E(X_1) + E(X_2) + E(X_3) = 0$$

You can compute p.m.f of X and then evaluate $E(X)$ directly.

6. (a) Set up $p_1 = \int_{2000}^{3000} f(x)dx$
(b) Set up $p = \int_0^{3000} f(x)dx$ - the probability that the device need to be replaced and then we need to pay an extra \$100 for replacement.
Set up the average of total cost

$$p(100 + 20) + (1 - p)(20)$$

7. (a) $P(X = x, Y = y) = \frac{\binom{24}{x}\binom{48}{y}\binom{8}{3-x-y}}{\binom{80}{3}}$ for all possible pair values $x = 0, 1, 2, 3$ and $y = 0, 1, 2, 3$.

You can display the joint pmf in a joint table.

- (b) Verify that $P(X = 2, Y = 2) \neq P(X = 2)P(Y = 2)$. Hence X and Y are not independent.