

2.1  $X = \text{one child}$ ,  $Y = \text{other child}$

X	Y	P(X,Y)
G	G	1/4
G	B	1/4
B	G	1/4
B	B	1/4

(a) Let  $N_g = \text{numbers of girls}$ ,  $N_b = \text{number of boys with constraint } N_g + N_b = 2$

(2 Point)

$$P(N_g = 1 | N_b \geq 1) = \frac{P(N_b \geq 1 | N_g = 1) P(N_g = 1)}{P(N_b \geq 1)} = \frac{1 \times 1/2}{3/4} = 2/3$$

(b) Let  $Y = \text{the identity of the observed child}$

$X = \text{identity of the other child}$

(2 Point)

$$\text{Then } P(X=G | Y=B) = \frac{P(Y=B | X=G) P(X=G)}{P(Y=B)} = \frac{1/2 \times 1/2}{1/2} = 1/2$$

2.3 Variance of a Sum

(2 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[X+Y] &= E[(X+Y)^2] - (E[X+Y])^2 \quad (\because \text{Var}(Z) = E[Z^2] - (E[Z])^2) \\ &= E[X^2 + Y^2 + 2XY] - (E[X] + E[Y])^2 \quad (\because \text{Expectation is linear}) \\ &= E[X^2] + E[Y^2] + 2E[XY] - (E[X])^2 - (E[Y])^2 - 2E[X]E[Y] \\ &= \underbrace{E[X^2] - (E[X])^2}_{\text{Var}[X]} + \underbrace{E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2}_{\text{Var}[Y]} + \underbrace{2E[XY] - 2E[X]E[Y]}_{2 \text{Cov}[X,Y]} \\ &= \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y] + 2 \text{Cov}[X,Y] \end{aligned}$$

2.6

(a) Baye's rule gives

(3 points)

$$P(H | E_1=e_1, E_2=e_2) = \frac{P(E_1=e_1, E_2=e_2 | H) P(H)}{P(E_1, E_2)}$$

Hence (ii) is sufficient (we even don't need  $P(e_1, e_2)$ )

(i), (iii) are insufficient

(b) If  $E_1 \perp E_2 | H$  ( $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are conditionally independent given  $H$ )

(3 points)

$$\text{then } P(H | E_1=e_1, E_2=e_2) = \frac{P(E_1=e_1 | H) P(E_2=e_2 | H) P(H)}{P(E_1 \neq e_1, E_2=e_2)}$$

(i) and (ii) are obviously sufficient

(iii) is also sufficient, because we can compute  $P(E_1, E_2)$  for normalization

(2)

2.12  
= Expressing mutual information in terms of entropies

(2 points)

$$\begin{aligned}
 I[X, Y] &= \sum_{x, y} P(x, y) \log \frac{P(x, y)}{P(x)P(y)} \\
 &= \sum_{x, y} P(x, y) \log \frac{P(x|y)P(y)}{P(x)P(y)} \\
 &= - \sum_{x, y} P(x, y) \log P(x) + \sum_{x, y} P(x, y) \log P(x|y) \\
 &\quad \swarrow \text{marginalization} \\
 &= - \sum_x P(x) \log P(x) - \left( - \sum_{x, y} P(x, y) \log P(x|y) \right) \\
 &= H[X] - \left( - \sum_y P(y) \sum_x P(x|y) \log P(x|y) \right) \quad \text{P}(x|y) \\
 &= H[X] - H[X|Y]
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $I[X, Y] = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$  by symmetry

2.16

$$Beta(x|a, b) = \frac{1}{B(a, b)} x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}$$

(2 points)

mode =  $x$  where  $Beta(x|a, b)$  has maximum value

Hence using simple calculus we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dBeta(x|a, b)}{dx} &= \frac{1}{B(a, b)} \left[ -x^{(a-1)}(b-1)(1-x)^{b-2} + (a-1)x^{a-2}(1-x)^{b-1} \right] = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow \frac{x^{a-2}(1-x)^{b-2}}{B(a, b)} \left[ -(b-1)x + (a-1)(1-x) \right] = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow [(a-1) - (b-1+a-1)x] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{a-1}{a+b-2}$$

mean

(2 points)

$$E[X] = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \int_0^1 x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1} dx = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)\Gamma(a+1)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)\Gamma(a+b)} = \frac{a}{a+b}$$

For variance first observe that  $E[X^2] = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \int_0^1 x^2 (x^{a-1} (1-x)^{b-1}) dx$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \frac{\Gamma(a+2)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+2)\Gamma(b)} = \frac{a(a+1)}{a(a+b)(a+b-1)}$$

(3)

$$= \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \frac{\Gamma(a+2)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+2+b)} = \frac{(a+1)a}{(a+b+1)(a+b)}$$

$\because \Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z)$   
 (note gamma function behave like factorial with its argument shifted down by 1)

Hence  $\text{Var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = \frac{(a+1)a}{(a+b+1)(a+b)} - \left(\frac{a}{a+b}\right)^2$   
 (2 points)

$$= \frac{ab}{(a+b)(a+b+1)}$$

(2.4) (1 Point)

Denote test by binary discrete random variable  $T = 1$  test is positive  
 $= 0$  test is negative

Similarly

Disease present by binary random variable  $D = 1$  disease present  
 $= 0$  disease not present

Then we know that

$$P(T=1|D=1) = P(T=0|D=0) = 0.99$$

$$\Rightarrow P(T=0|D=1) = P(T=1|D=0) = 0.01$$

$$\text{and } P(D=1) = 10^{-4} = 0.0001$$

$$\Rightarrow P(D=0) = 0.9999$$

hence

$$P(D=1 | T=1) = \frac{P(T=1 | D=1) P(D=1)}{P(T=1)}$$

$$= \frac{P(T=1 | D=1) P(D=1)}{\sum_{D=\{0,1\}} P(T=1, D)}$$

$$D = \{0, 1\}$$

$$= \frac{P(T=1 | D=1) P(D=1)}{\sum_{D=\{0,1\}} P(T=1 | D) P(D)}$$

$$= \frac{P(T=1 | D=1) P(D=1)}{P(T=1 | D=1) P(D=1) + P(T=1 | D=0) P(D=0)}$$

$$= \frac{0.99 \times 0.0001}{0.99 \times 0.0001 + 0.01 \times 0.9999}$$

$$= 0.009804$$

so given that you have tested positive than a random person in the population, probability of you having it is still unlikely