

# AI1110 Assignment 2 in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

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**12.13.6.16:** Bag I contains 3 red balls and 4 black balls and Bag II contains 4 red and 5 black balls. One ball is transferred from Bag I to Bag II and then a ball is drawn from Bag II. The ball so drawn is found to be red in colour. Find the probability that the transferred ball is black.

**Solution:** Let  $X$  be the color of the ball transferred from Bag I to Bag II, where  $X = 0$  if the ball is red, and  $X = 1$  if the ball is black. Let  $Y$  be the color of the ball drawn from Bag II, where  $Y = 0$  if the ball is red, and  $Y = 1$  if the ball is black.

By using Bayes' theorem, the probability that the transferred ball is black given that the drawn ball is red

$$\Pr(X = 1|Y = 0) = \frac{\Pr(Y = 0|X = 1) \times \Pr(X = 1)}{\Pr(Y = 0)} \quad (1)$$

where  $P(Y = 0|X = 1)$  is the probability of drawing a red ball from Bag II given that the transferred ball is black,  $P(X = 1)$  is the probability of transferring a black ball from Bag I to Bag II, and  $P(Y = 0)$  is the probability of drawing a red ball from Bag II.

We can calculate each of these probabilities as follows:

$$\Pr(Y = 0|X = 1) = \frac{4}{10} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(Y = 0|X = 1) = \frac{2}{5} \quad (3)$$

$$\Pr(X = 1) = \frac{4}{7} \quad (4)$$

$$\Pr(Y = 0) = \Pr(Y = 0|X = 0) \times \Pr(X = 0) + \Pr(Y = 0|X = 1) \times \Pr(X = 1) \quad (5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(Y = 0) = \frac{5}{10} \times \frac{3}{7} + \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{7} \quad (6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(Y = 0) = \frac{15}{70} + \frac{16}{70} \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(Y = 0) = \frac{31}{70} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Substituting the values in equation number (1),} \quad (9)$$

$$\Pr(X = 1|Y = 0) = \frac{\frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{7}}{\frac{31}{70}} \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(X = 1|Y = 0) = \frac{\frac{16}{70}}{\frac{31}{70}} \quad (11)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(X = 1|Y = 0) = \frac{16}{31} \quad (12)$$

$\therefore$  The probability that the transferred ball is black given that the drawn ball is red is  $\frac{16}{31}$ .