

# EE 230 Spring 2021-2022

## HW 1

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**1)**

**a)**

$$\Omega = \{x | x \in N, x > 0\}$$

The sample space consists of natural numbers greater than 0. The number represents number of total flipping before someone wins. For example, 2 represents that Ayşe get tail in the first trial, and Bora get head in his first trial. Any number represents that Ayşe wins if the remainder from the division of the number by 3 is 1, and represents Bora wins if the remainder is 2, and represents Ceyda wins otherwise.

**b)**

$$A = \{x | x \in \Omega, x \% 3 = 1\}$$

$$B = \{x | x \in \Omega, x \% 3 = 2\}$$

$$A \cup B = \{x | x \in \Omega, x \% 3 \neq 0\}$$

$$(A \cup B)^c = \{x | x \in \Omega, x \% 3 = 0\}$$

**c)**

Let the events  $E_k$  be defined as follows:

$E_k$ : the event for the case that first  $k-1$  trial is tail and  $k$ th trial is head.

Then we can write events A and B in terms of  $E_k$  as follows:

$$A = E_1 \cup E_4 \cup E_7 \cup \dots$$

$$B = E_2 \cup E_5 \cup E_8 \cup \dots$$

Since these events are disjoint, we can calculate the probabilities as follows:

$$P(A) = P(E_1) + P(E_4) + P(E_7) + \dots$$

$$P(B) = P(E_2) + P(E_5) + P(E_8) + \dots$$

The probability of  $E_k$  can be calculated as:

$$P(E_k) = (1 - p)^{k-1} \cdot p$$

Then we can calculate  $P(A)$  and  $P(B)$  as:

$$P(A) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{3 \cdot (k-1)} \cdot p \\ = p \cdot (((1-p)^3)^0 + ((1-p)^3)^1 + ((1-p)^3)^2 + \dots) = \frac{p}{1-(1-p)^3} = \frac{1}{p^2-3p+3}$$

$$P(B) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{3 \cdot (k-1)+1} \cdot p \\ = p \cdot (1-p) \cdot (((1-p)^3)^0 + ((1-p)^3)^1 + ((1-p)^3)^2 + \dots) = \frac{p \cdot (1-p)}{1-(1-p)^3} = \frac{1-p}{p^2-3p+3}$$

d)

Since events A and B are disjoint, by axiom 2, we have

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) = \frac{1}{p^2-3p+3} + \frac{1-p}{p^2-3p+3} = \frac{2-p}{p^2-3p+3}$$

Since  $(A \cup B)$  and  $(A \cup B)^c$  are disjoint, and  $\Omega = (A \cup B) + (A \cup B)^c$  we have  $P((A \cup B)^c) = P(\Omega) - P(A \cup B)$

$$\text{By axiom 3, } P(\Omega) = 1. \text{ Therefore } P((A \cup B)^c) = \frac{p^2-2p+1}{p^2-3p+3}$$

e)

For A and B:

$$P(A) + P(B) - 1 = \frac{2-p}{p^2-3p+3} - 1 = \frac{-p^2+2p-1}{p^2-3p+3} = \frac{-(p-1)^2}{(p-3/2)^2+3/4} \leq 0 \quad \forall p \quad 0 \leq p \leq 1$$

$P(A \cap B) = 0$  (events are disjoint)

$$0 \geq \frac{-(p-1)^2}{(p-3/2)^2+3/4} \quad (\text{equation holds})$$

For arbitrary two events C and D:

$$P(C \cap D) \geq P(C) + P(D) - 1$$

$$P(C \cap D) \geq P(C \setminus D) + P(D \setminus C) + 2P(C \cap D) - 1$$

$$1 \geq P(C \setminus D) + P(D \setminus C) + P(C \cap D)$$

$$1 \geq P(C \cup D) \quad (\text{equation holds})$$

2)

a)

$B : A_3 \cap A_5$  given  $A_2$

b)

$$P(B) = P(A_3 \cup A_5 | A_2) = \frac{P(A_2 \cap (A_3 \cup A_5))}{P(A_2)} = \frac{P((A_2 \cap A_3) \cup (A_2 \cap A_5))}{P(A_2)} \\ = \frac{P((A_2 \cap A_3)) + P((A_2 \cap A_5)) - P((A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_5))}{P(A_2)}$$

$A_2 = \{2, 4, 6, \dots, 100\}$  has 50 elements

$A_2 \cap A_3 = \{6, 12, 18, \dots, 96\}$  has 16 elements

$A_2 \cap A_5 = \{10, 20, 30, \dots, 100\}$  has 10 elements

$A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_5 = \{30, 60, 90\}$  has 3 elements

$$\frac{P((A_2 \cap A_3)) + P((A_2 \cap A_5)) - P((A_2 \cap A_3 \cap A_5))}{P(A_2)} = \frac{0.16 + 0.1 - 0.03}{0.5} = 0.58$$

c)

$$P(A_a \cup A_b | A_2) = \frac{A_2 \cap (A_a \cup A_b)}{P(A_2)} = \frac{P(A_2 \cap A_a) + P(A_2 \cap A_b) - P(A_2 \cap A_a \cap A_b)}{P(A_2)}$$

If we assume that  $a \neq b$ ,  $a \neq 2$ , and  $b \neq 2$ ; than we have

$$P(A_a \cup A_b | A_2) = \frac{P(A_{2a}) + P(A_{2b}) - P(A_{2ab})}{P(A_2)}$$

To obtain a formula for general case (without any assumption like  $a \neq 2$ ) we can divide subscripts in the numerator by the greatest common divisor.

Therefore our formula will be

$$P(A_a \cup A_b | A_2) = \frac{P(A_{\frac{2a}{\gcd(2,a)}}) + P(A_{\frac{2b}{\gcd(2,b)}}) - P(A_{\frac{2ab}{\gcd(2,a) \cdot \gcd(a,b)}})}{P(A_2)}$$

3)

Let the events  $A_k$  and  $B$  be defined as :

$A_k$ : The event that the family has k children

$B$ : The event that the chosen child is the youngest one

$B'$ : The event that the chosen child is the oldest one

By theorem 2:

$$P(B | A_k) = P(B' | A_k) = 1/k$$

$$P(B') = \sum_{k=1}^4 P(B' | A_k) \cdot P(A_k) = \sum_{k=1}^4 (1/k) \cdot p_k$$

$$P(B) = \sum_{k=1}^4 P(B | A_k) \cdot P(A_k) = \sum_{k=1}^4 (1/k) \cdot p_k$$

$$P(B) = P(B') = 0.25 + 0.45/2 + 0.2/3 + 0.1/4 = 0.56$$

$$P(A_k | B) = \frac{P(B | A_k) \cdot P(A_k)}{P(B)} = \frac{(1/k) \cdot p_k}{0.56}$$

a)

$$P(A_1 | B) = \frac{p_k}{0.56k} = 0.25/0.56 = 0.45$$

b)

$$P(A_3 | B) = \frac{p_k}{0.56k} = 0.2/(3 * 0.56) = 0.12$$

c)

$$P(B') = 0.56$$

4)

a)

$$\binom{5}{3} \cdot p^3 \cdot q^2 = 10 \cdot p^3 \cdot q^2$$

**b)**

Let the index of the first outcome  $\omega_q$  be  $n$ , then we should have outcomes  $\omega_p$  or  $\omega_r$  for the indexes between 1 and  $n-1$ . We can calculate this probability as:

$$\sum_{k=2}^5 (1-q)^{n-1} \cdot q$$

But we have to remove the case that all outcomes before  $n$ th trial is  $\omega_r$ , so our formula will be:

$$\sum_{k=2}^5 ((1-q)^{n-1} - r^{n-1}) \cdot q = q \cdot \sum_{k=1}^4 ((1-q)^n - r^n)$$

**c)**

We can use the formula with replacing the upper limit of summation with  $\infty$ .

$$q \cdot \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ((1-q)^n - r^n) = q \cdot \left( \frac{1}{1-(1-q)} - \frac{1}{1-r} \right) = 1 - \frac{q}{1-r} = \frac{1-r-q}{1-r} = \frac{p}{1-r}$$