

1.

Given 300,000,000 people where 1000 are future terrorists, one is predicted to be a terrorist at a 99% success rate. A person can be correctly identified as not a future terrorist at a 99.9% success rate. What is the probability they are?

$$\#P = 300,000,000$$

$$T = \{\text{Future Terrorist}\}; \quad \#T = 1000; \quad P(T) = \frac{1000}{300,000,000} = \frac{1}{3,000,000} \approx 0.0000003$$

$$F = \{\text{Flagged as Potential Future Terrorist}\}; \quad \#F = ?; \quad P(F) = \frac{\#F}{300,000,000}$$

$$\#F = \#T(0.99) + \#P(0.001) = 990 + 300,000 = 300,990$$

$$P(F) = \frac{\#F}{\#P} = \frac{300,990}{300,000,000} = 0.0010033$$

$$P(F|T) = \frac{\#T(0.99)}{\#T} = \frac{990}{1000} = 0.99$$

$$P(T|F) = \frac{P(T)}{P(F)}P(F|T) = \frac{0.0000003}{0.001033}(0.99) = (0.000323)(0.99) = 0.00032 = 0.032\%$$

Among those flagged as future terrorists, 0.032% actually are future terrorists.

This does make me very uneasy; a system that generates a certainty of marking someone in a way that could ruin a person's life. Out of the population, 300,000 were marked as future terrorists which is extreme.

2.

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B) &= P(A)P(B) \\ P(A^c \cap B) &= (1 - P(A))P(B) = P(B) - P(A)P(B) \\ &= P(B) - P(A \cap B) \rightarrow P(A^c \cap B) + P(A \cap B) = P(B) \\ \therefore P(A^c) \text{ and } P(B) &\text{ are independent.} \end{aligned}$$

3.

- (a) Given a failure for each seam of 0.2, and each seam has at least 1 of 25 rivets failing, what is the probability of a rivet being defective?

$$\begin{aligned}P(R) &= (1 - P(x))^{25} \\P(S) &= 0.2 = (1 - P(R)) \\&= 0.2 = 1 - (1 - P(x))^{25} \\&= -0.8^{\frac{1}{25}} = 1 - P(x) \\&= -0.991 = 1 - P(x) = \boxed{0.0089}\end{aligned}$$

- (b) How small should the probability of a defective rivet be to ensure that only 10% of all seams need reworking?

$$\begin{aligned}P(R) &= (1 - P(x))^{25} \\P(S) &= 0.1 = (1 - P(R)) \\&= 0.1 = 1 - (1 - P(x))^{25} \\&= -0.9^{\frac{1}{25}} = 1 - P(x) \\&= -0.996 = 1 - P(x) = \boxed{0.0042}\end{aligned}$$

4.