

ConditionalProbabilitySolution

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1 Conditional Probability Solution

First we'll modify the code to have some fixed purchase probability regardless of age, say 40%:

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In [8]: from numpy import random
        random.seed(0)

        totals = {20:0, 30:0, 40:0, 50:0, 60:0, 70:0}
        purchases = {20:0, 30:0, 40:0, 50:0, 60:0, 70:0}
        totalPurchases = 0
        for _ in range(100000):
            ageDecade = random.choice([20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70])
            purchaseProbability = 0.4
            totals[ageDecade] += 1
            if (random.random() < purchaseProbability):    #if random.random() is less than 0.4
                totalPurchases += 1
                purchases[ageDecade] += 1
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In [9]: totals
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Out[9]: {20: 16576, 30: 16619, 40: 16632, 50: 16805, 60: 16664, 70: 16704}
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In [10]: purchases    #around 40% of totals
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Out[10]: {20: 6710, 30: 6627, 40: 6670, 50: 6665, 60: 6638, 70: 6720}
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In [11]: totalPurchases
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Out[11]: 40030
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Next we will compute $P(E|F)$ for some age group, let's pick 30 year olds again:

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In [12]: PEF = float(purchases[30]) / float(totals[30])
        print("P(purchase | 30s): " + str(PEF))
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P(purchase | 30s): 0.3987604549010169
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Now we'll compute $P(E)$

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In [13]: PE = float(totalPurchases) / 100000.0  
         print("P(Purchase):" + str(PE))
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P(Purchase):0.4003

$P(E|F)$ is pretty darn close to $P(E)$, so we can say that E and F are likely independent variables.

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In [14]: PEF60 = float(purchases[60]) / float(totals[60])  
         print("P(purchase | 60s): " + str(PEF60))
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P(purchase | 60s): 0.3983437349975996

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In [ ]:
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