

Homework 1: Part 1

Problem 1) Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space w/ $A \in \mathcal{F}$, $B \in \mathcal{F}$, $C \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $P(A) = 0.5$, $P(B) = 0.2$, $P(C) = 0.1$ and $P(\overline{A \cup B}) = 0.45$. Compute the following probabilities:

1) Either A or B occurs

$$P(\overline{A \cup B}) = P(A' \cap B') \quad P(A \cup B) = 1 - P(\overline{A \cup B}) = \boxed{0.55}$$

2) Both A and B occurs

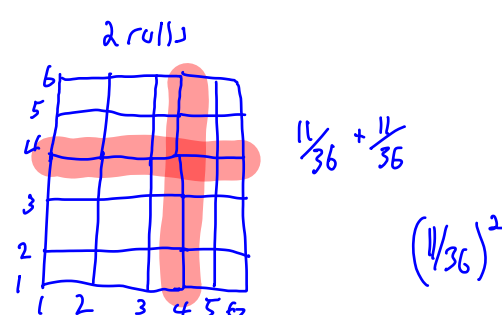
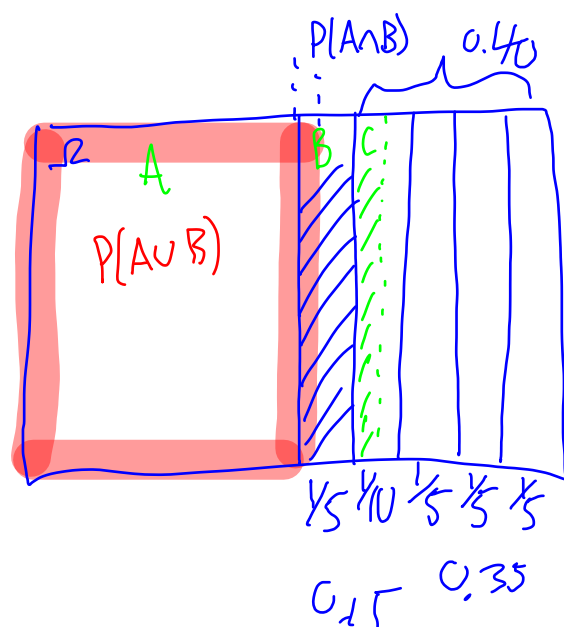
$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cup B) = 0.5 + 0.2 - 0.55 = \boxed{0.15}$$

3) A occurs but B does not occur

$$P(A) - P(A \cap B) = P(A \cap B^c) = 0.5 - 0.15 = \boxed{0.35}$$

4) Are A and B mutually exclusive?

No because $P(A \cup B) \neq P(A) + P(B)$ so they are NOT mutually exclusive.



Problem 2

Consider repeatedly rolling a fair 6-sided die.

$$N = 6^4 = 1296 \quad | \text{ dice} = 1/6 \text{ for 4} \quad \text{additivity axiom?}$$

1. What is the probability that the top face will be 4 at least once on four rolls of the die? $P(E) = 1 - P(E^c) \rightarrow 1 - (5/6)^4 = \boxed{0.518}$

2. What is the probability that the top face will be 4 at least once on 20 rolls of the die? $(5/6)^{20} \rightarrow 1 - \text{ans} = \boxed{0.974}$

3. How many rolls of the die would you have to do to be 90% confident that you would see at least one 4? In other words, how many rolls of the die would you have to be able to say, with a probability at least 90%, you will see at least one 4 appears.

$$0.90 = 1 - (5/6)^n \quad n = 12.62 = \boxed{13 \text{ rolls}}$$

hint: For 3, use the answer of 1 and 2 to find a function that takes the number of die rolls to the probability of seeing at least one 4.

4. Then, solve an equation when the probability is 90%, what is the number of die rolls.

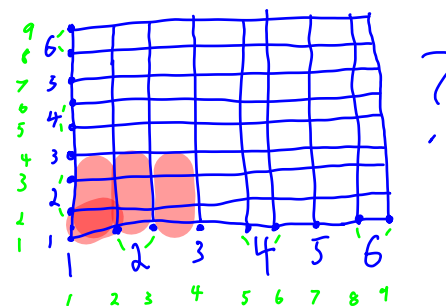
Problem 3

A six-sided die is loaded in a way that each even face is twice as likely as each odd face. All even faces are equally likely, as are all odd faces. Construct a probabilistic model for a single roll of this die and find the probability that the outcome is less than 4.

Hint: First, determine the probability of each face on the die. Then, use the additivity axiom.

$$\frac{1}{6} \quad \text{Even} = \frac{1}{3} \rightarrow \frac{2}{9}, \frac{2}{9}, \frac{2}{9} \\ \text{odd} = \frac{1}{3} \rightarrow \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\text{roll} < 4 \\ \{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{1}{9} = \boxed{\frac{4}{9}}$$



Problem 4

Consider two roommates, Charlie and David, living in the same apartment, where they share the living room. They decide to combine all of their Fall 2023 textbooks. There are 3 books on Probability and Statistics, 2 books on Linear Algebra, 2 books on Machine Learning and 3 culinary books.

Their friend will select 3 books at random (with eyes closed). They decide that if among these 3 books there are: 1 on Probability and Statistics, 1 on Linear Algebra and 1 on Culinary, then Charlie will have to clean the shared living room this week.

How many ways are there to select 3 books? $\binom{10}{3} = \frac{10!}{(10-3)! 3!} = 120$

What is the probability that Charlie will clean the living room this week?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LA: } \binom{2}{1} &= \frac{2!}{(2-1)! 1!} = 2 & \text{PS=C} &= 3 & P(E) &= \frac{18}{120} = 0.15 \\ \text{C: } \binom{3}{1} &= \frac{3!}{(3-1)! 1!} = 3 & 2 \times 3 \times 3 &= 18 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5

A computer manufacturer uses chips from three sources. Chips from sources A, B, and C are defective with probabilities 0.002, 0.02, and 0.001, respectively. Let, P_A , P_B , P_C denote the probabilities that a chip is from source A, B, or C respectively.

1. If the computer manufacturer uses an equal number of chips from each source, what is the probability that a randomly chosen chip is defective? (I.e., if you do not know what manufacturer it came from.)

$$P(D) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.002 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.02 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.001 = 0.00767$$

2. If the computer manufacturer uses an equal number of chips from each source and a randomly chosen chip is found to be defective, find the (conditional) probability that it came from each source.

$$P(A|D) = 0.0869 \quad P(B|D) = 0.869 \quad P(C|D) = 0.0435$$

3. If the computer manufacturer gets 50% of its chips from source A, 10% of its chips from source B, and 40% of its chips from source C, what is the probability that a randomly chosen chip is defective?

$$P(D) = 0.5 \cdot 0.002 + 0.1 \cdot 0.02 + 0.4 \cdot 0.001 = 0.0034$$

4. If the computer manufacturer gets 50% of its chips from source A, 10% of its chips from source B, and 40% of its chips from source C, and a randomly chosen chip is found to be defective, find the (conditional) probability that it came from each source.

$$P(A|D) = 0.294 \quad P(B|D) = 0.588 \quad P(C|D) = 0.118$$

A = chip from A
B = chip from B
C = chip from C
D = chip defective

$$\begin{aligned} P(A, B, C) &= \frac{1}{3} \\ P(D|A) &= 0.002 \\ P(D|B) &= 0.02 \\ P(D|C) &= 0.001 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(A|D) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.002}{0.00767} = 0.0869$$

$$P(B|D) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.02}{0.00767} = 0.869$$

$$P(A|D) = \frac{0.5 \cdot 0.002}{0.0034} = 0.294$$

$$P(C|D) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0.001}{0.00767} = 0.0435$$

$$P(B|D) = \frac{0.1 \cdot 0.02}{0.0034} = 0.588$$

$$P(C|D) = \frac{0.4 \cdot 0.001}{0.0034} = 0.118$$

Problem 6

A card is drawn at random from an ordinary deck of 52 playing cards. Find the probability that it is

(a) an ace, $4/52 = 1/13$

(b) a jack of spade, $1/52$

(c) a jack of spade or a six of diamonds, $2/52 = 1/26$

(d) any suit except spades or hearts. $1/2$

Problem 7

Consider the experiment where you select one card at a time, at random and without replacement, from a playing 52-card deck (13 cards per suit).

Let H_i be the event that a heart is the i th draw from the deck.

Compute $P(H_1)$

$$P(H_1) = 1/4$$

Compute $P(H_2)$ (hint. conditioning on the first card drawn from the deck. and use the law of total probability)

$$P(H_2) = 4/17$$

Hint: find a set of events that partitions the sample space, be clear in naming these events. For instance, $\{H, S, D, C\}$

can be the set of events that indicate hearts, spade, diamond, club. $\{1, 2, \dots, 13\}$ can be ace, two, ..., king. $\{B, R\}$ can be the set of events that indicate Red or Black.

Ω

H	C	H	C
S	D	S	D

$$\frac{12}{51}, \frac{13}{51}, \frac{13}{51}, \frac{13}{51}$$
$$P(H_2) = 1 - \frac{39}{51} = \frac{4}{17}$$