ECS 132 Homework 1

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Problem 1. Let's consider a simple game. Jack and Jill alternate taking turns, rolling a single die. The first one to reach a total of at least d dots wins, with the prize being \$d\$ dollars. Jill rolls first.

1. Find P(Jill wins).

2. Find P(Jill wins, taking 2 turns to do so).

3. Find the probability that the difference between the winner's and loser's totals is equal to 1.

- 4. The 10 O'Clock News reports that Jill won, but doesn't say what her prize was. Find the probability that her prize was \$6.
- 5. Write a function with call form simjj(d,nreps)

that will simulate nreps repetitions of the game, for general values of d. The return value will be an R list, with components winner, prize and loserDots, each of which is a vector of length nreps, showing winners, winners' prize money and losers' number of dots. (E.g. if Jack wins and Jill has accumulated 3 dots by then, then loserDots is 3.)

Solution. Let A_i be the roll of Jill and B_i be the roll of Jack where i denotes the turn number.

1. P(Jill wins) = P(Jill wins first turn) + P(Jill wins second turn) + P(Jill wins third turn) + P(Jill wins fourth turn)

$$P(\text{Jill wins first turn}) = P(A_1 \ge 4) = \frac{3}{6}$$

P(Jill wins second turn) = P(Jill and Jack doesn't win on first turn, Jill wins on the second turn) = P(Jill doesn't win on 1st turn)P(Jack doesn't win on 1st turn) * P(Jill wins on 2nd turn given she doesn't win on first turn) $= P(A_1 < 4)P(B_1 < 4)P(A_1 + A_2 \ge 4 \mid A_1 < 4)$ $= P(A_1 < 4)P(B_1 < 4) * \frac{P(A_1 + A_2 \ge 4, A_1 < 4)}{P(A_1 < 4)}) \text{(mailing tube 2.7)}$ $= \frac{3}{6} * \frac{3}{6} * \frac{15}{18} = \frac{5}{24}$

P(Jill wins third turn) = P(Jill and Jack doesn't win on 1st 2 turns, Jill wins on the third turn) = P(Jill doesn't win on 1st 2 turns)P(Jack doesn't win on 1st 2 turns) * P(Jill wins on 3rd turn given she doesn't win on 1st 2 turn) $= P(A_1 + A_2 < 4)P(B_1 + B_2 < 4)P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 \ge 4 \mid A_1 + A_2 < 4)$ $= P(A_1 + A_2 < 4)P(B_1 + B_2 < 4)\frac{P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 \ge 4, A_1 + A_2 < 4)}{P(A_1 + A_2 < 4)} \text{ (mailing tube 2.7)}$ $= \frac{3}{36} * \frac{3}{36} * \frac{17}{18} = \frac{17}{2592}$

$$P(\text{Jill wins fourth turn}) = P(\text{Jill and Jack doesn't win on 1st 3 turns}, \text{Jill wins on the fourth turn}) \\ = P(\text{Jill doesn't win on 1st 3 turns}) P(\text{Jack doesn't win on 1st 3 turns}) \\ * P(\text{Jill wins on 4th turn given she doesn't win on 1st 3 turn}) \\ = P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 < 4) P(B_1 + B_2 + B_3 < 4) \\ * P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 \ge 4 \mid A_1 + A_2 + A_3 < 4) \\ = P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 < 4) P(B_1 + B_2 + B_3 < 4) \\ * \frac{P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 \ge 4, A_1 + A_2 + A_3 < 4)}{P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 < 4)} \text{ (mailing tube 2.7)} \\ = \frac{1}{216} * \frac{1}{216} * 1 = \frac{1}{216^2}$$

 $P(Jill wins) = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{5}{24} + \frac{17}{2592} + \frac{1}{216^2} = 0.715$

2. P(Jill wins in 2 turns)

$$P(\text{Jill wins second turn}) = P(\text{Jill and Jack doesn't win on first turn, Jill wins on the second turn})$$

$$= P(\text{Jill doesn't win on 1st turn})P(\text{Jack doesn't win on 1st turn})$$

$$* P(\text{Jill wins on 2nd turn given she doesn't win on first turn})$$

$$= P(A_1 < 4)P(B_1 < 4)P(A_1 + A_2 \ge 4 \mid A_1 < 4)$$

$$= P(A_1 < 4)P(B_1 < 4) * \frac{P(A_1 + A_2 \ge 4, A_1 < 4)}{P(A_1 < 4)} \text{ (mailing tube 2.7)}$$

$$= \frac{3}{6} * \frac{3}{6} * \frac{15}{18} = \frac{5}{24}$$

3. $P(|\sum A_i - \sum B_i| = 1)$

$$P(|\sum A_i - \sum B_i| = 1) = P(\sum A_i = 4, \sum B_i = 3) + P(\sum A_i = 3, \sum B_i = 4)$$

$$P(\sum A_i = 4, \sum B_i = 3) = P(A_1 + A_2 = 4, B_1 = 3) + P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = 4, B_1 + B_2 = 3) + P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 = 4, B_1 + B_2 + B_3 = 3)$$

$$P(A_1 + A_2 = 4, B_1 = 3) = \frac{3}{36} * \frac{1}{6} = \frac{18}{36^2}$$

$$P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = 4, B_1 + B_2 = 3) = \frac{3}{216} * \frac{2}{36} = \frac{12}{216^2}$$

$$P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 = 4, B_1 + B_2 + B_3 = 3) = \frac{1}{6^4} * \frac{1}{6^3} = \frac{1}{6^7}$$

$$P(\sum A_i = 4, \sum B_i = 3) = \frac{18}{36^2} + \frac{12}{216^2} + \frac{1}{6^7}$$

$$P(\sum A_i = 3, \sum B_i = 4) = P(A_1 = 3, B_1 = 4) + P(A_1 + A_2 = 3, B_1 + B_2 = 4) + P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = 3, B_1 + B_2 + B_3 = 4)$$

$$P(A_1 = 3, B_1 = 4) = \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(A_1 + A_2 = 3, B_1 + B_2 = 4) = \frac{2}{36} * \frac{3}{36} = \frac{6}{36^2}$$

$$P(A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = 3, B_1 + B_2 + B_3 = 4) = \frac{1}{216} * \frac{3}{216} = \frac{3}{216^2}$$

$$P(\sum A_i = 3, \sum B_i = 4) = \frac{1}{36} + \frac{6}{36^2} + \frac{3}{216^2}$$

$$P(|\sum A_i - \sum B_i| = 1) = \frac{18}{36^2} + \frac{12}{216^2} + \frac{1}{6^7} + \frac{1}{36} + \frac{6}{36^2} + \frac{3}{216^2} = 0.047$$

4.

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P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 given she wins}) = P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 | Jill wins})
= \frac{P(\text{Jill wins | Jill's prize was $\$6})P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6})}{P(\text{Jill wins})} (\text{Bayes' rule})
P(\text{Jill wins | Jill's prize was $\$6}) = 1
P(\text{Jill wins | }) = 0.715
P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6}) = P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 | Jill wins first turn})P(\text{Jill wins first turn})
+ P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 | Jill wins second turn})P(\text{Jill wins third turn})
+ P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 | Jill wins third turn})P(\text{Jill wins fourth turn})
+ P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 | Jill wins fourth turn})P(\text{Jill wins fourth turn})
= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{6} + \frac{3}{15} \times \frac{5}{24} + \frac{3}{17} \times \frac{17}{2592} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{216^2}
\approx 0.209
P(\text{Jill's prize was $\$6 given she wins}) = \frac{0.209 \times 1}{0.715}
= 0.292
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5. Coding Problem.

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roll <- function() return(sample(1:6,1))
simjj <- function(d, nreps) {
  # Creating all the vectors
         w <- vector(length=nreps)
         p <- vector(length=nreps)
         lD <- vector(length=nreps)</pre>
         for (rep in 1:nreps) {
           # Initializing the total number of dots
                   dots1 \leftarrow 0
                   dots2 \leftarrow 0
                   # Simulating the game
                   while (dots1 < d \& dots2 < d) {
                            dots1 \leftarrow dots1 + roll()
                            if(dots1 < d)
                                      dots2 \leftarrow dots2 + roll()
                   # Checking the winner
                   if(dots1 >= d)
                            w[\mathbf{rep}] \leftarrow 'Jill'
                            p[rep] \leftarrow dots1
                            ID[rep] \leftarrow dots2
                   } else {
                            w[rep] <- 'Jack'
                            p[rep] \leftarrow dots2
                            lD[rep] \leftarrow dots1
                   }
         return (list (winner = w, prize = p, loserDots = lD))
}
```

Problem 2. Coding Problem

Solution. See Code.

```
pnk <- function(d,s,k) {
    # Base Cases
    if (d<=0 || k<=0) return (0)
    if (k > d) return (0)
    if (k==1 && d==1) return (1)
    if (d > k*s) return (0)

# Recursion
sum <- 0
for (r in 1:s) {
    sum <- sum + pnk(d-r, s, k-1)
    }
    return (sum / s)
}</pre>
```

Problem 3. Consider the bus ridership example. Say this is a tiny bus, with a limit of 3 passengers.

- 1. Find the probabilities that 0, 1 or 2 waiting passengers at Stop 2 fail to board.
- 2. You plan to go to Stop 2 to take the bus. Find the probability that you are turned away. Assume rejected passengers are chosen randomly, and that you are there in addition to the usual 0, 1 or 2 waiting passengers.

Solution. Let B_i be the number of people new passengers boarding the bus who board the bus at the *i*th stop. Let A_i be the number of passengers who left the bus at stop *i*, independently with probability 0.2. As specified in the Bus Rider example, either 0,1, or 2 passengers get on the bus with probability 0.5, 0.4, 0.1 respectively.

1. • P(0 people at stop 2 fail to board)

$$P(0 \text{ people at stop 2 fail to board}) = 1 - (P(1 \text{ people at stop 2 fail to board}))$$

= 1 - 0.0064
= 0.9936

• P(1 people at stop 2 fail to board)

$$P(1 \text{ people at stop 2 fail to board}) = P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 0)$$

= $(.1)(.1)(1 - .2)^2$
= $.0064$

- P(2 people at stop 2 fail to board) = 0
- 2. Let R_i bus seats open at stop i and Let W_i be the total number of people waiting at stop i (including yourself). P(rejected) = P(rejected, with 0 waiting passengers) + P(rejected, with 1 waiting passengers) + P(rejected, with 2 waiting passengers)
 - P(rejected, with 0 waiting passengers) = 0
 - P(rejected, with 1 waiting passengers)

$$P(\text{rejected, with 1 waiting passengers}) = P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 1, A_2 = 0) * P(\text{being rejected})$$

$$P(\text{being rejected}) = 1 - \frac{\text{number of seats open on bus}}{\text{number of people waiting at stop}} = 1 - \frac{R_2 = 1}{W_2 = 2} = .5$$

$$= (.1)(.4)(1 - .2)^2 * (.5)$$

$$= 0.0128$$

• P(rejected, with 2 waiting passengers)

$$P(\text{rejected, with 2 waiting passengers}) = P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 0)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 1, W_2 = 3)$$

 $+ P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 1)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 2, W_2 = 3)$
 $+ P(B_1 = 1, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 0)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 2, W_2 = 3)$

$$P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 0)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 1, W_2 = 3) = (.1)(.1)(1 - .2)^2 * (\frac{2}{3})$$

= 0.0042

$$P(B_1 = 2, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 1)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 2, W_2 = 3) = (.1)(.1) * 2((1 - .2)(.2)) * (\frac{1}{3})$$

= 0.001

$$P(B_1 = 1, B_2 = 2, A_2 = 0)P(\text{being rejected with } R_2 = 2, W_2 = 3) = (.4)(.1)(1 - .2)^2 * (\frac{1}{3})$$

= 0.009

P(rejected, with 2 waiting passengers) = 0.0042 + 0.001 + 0.009 = 0.0142

P(rejected) = 0 + 0.0128 + 0.0142 = 0.027

Problem 4. Coding Problem

Solution. See Code

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simvir <- function(c,r,m,n,nreps) {
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counter <- 0
# Simulating the reps
for (reps in 1:nreps) {
  \# Creating the infected and non-infected
  infected \leftarrow 1
  noninfected \leftarrow (\mathbf{c} - 1)
  # Simulating the epochs
  for (epoch in 1:m) {
    # Temporary storing variables
    k <- infected
    s <- noninfected
    # Simulating all the computers
    for (computer in 1:s) {
      if (\mathbf{runif}(1) > ((r)^k)) {
         noninfected <- noninfected - 1
         infected \leftarrow infected + 1
    }
  if(noninfected == n) counter <- counter + 1
return (counter / nreps)
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Problem 5. In Problem 1 (but with d = 3), find the expected value and variance of Jill's winnings. If she loses, her winnings are \$0. Note that the expected value is the long-run average of a column labeled "Jill's winnings."

Solution. E(Prize Money) =

$$\sum_{i=3}^{8} i * P(\text{Jill winning prize} = \$i)$$

Let A_i be the roll of Jill and B_i be the roll of Jack where i denotes the turn number.

P(Jill wins \$3) = P(rolls a 3 on round 1 or rolls a total of 3 on round 2 or rolls a total of 3 on round 3)P(Jill wins \$3) = P(rolls a 3 on round 1) + P(rolls a total of 3 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 3 on round 3)

$$P(\text{rolls a 3 on round 1}) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(\text{rolls a total of 3 on round 2}) = P(\text{Jack and Jill did not win round 1}) \\ *P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 3} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1}) \\ = \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}$$

P(rolls a total of 3 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 3} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

P(Jill wins \$3) = $\frac{1}{6} + (\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.1853$

P(Jill wins \$4) = P(rolls a 4 on round 1 or rolls a total of 4 on round 2 or rolls a total of 4 on round 3)P(Jill wins \$4) = P(rolls a 4 on round 1) + P(rolls a total of 4 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 4 on round 3)

$$P(\text{rolls a 4 on round 1}) = \frac{1}{6}$$

 $P(\text{rolls a total of 4 on round 2}) = P(\text{Jack and Jill did not win round 1})P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 4} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1})$ $= \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}$

P(rolls a total of 4 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 1 or 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 4} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

P(Jill wins \$4) = $\frac{1}{6} + (\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.1853$

P(Jill wins \$5) = P(rolls a 5 on round 1 or rolls a total of 5 on round 2 or rolls a total of 5 on round 3)P(Jill wins \$5) = P(rolls a 5 on round 1) + P(rolls a total of 5 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 5 on round 3)

$$P(\text{rolls a 5 on round 1}) = \frac{1}{6}$$

 $P(\text{rolls a total of 5 on round 2}) = P(\text{Jack and Jill did not win round 1})P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 5} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1})$ $= \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}$

P(rolls a total of 5 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 5} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

 $P(\text{Jill wins $5)} = \frac{1}{6} + (\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.1853$

P(Jill wins \$6) = P(rolls a 6 on round 1 or rolls a total of 6 on round 2 or rolls a total of 6 on round 3)P(Jill wins \$3) = P(rolls a 6 on round 1) + P(rolls a total of 6 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 6 on round 3)

$$P(\text{rolls a 6 on round 1}) = \frac{1}{6}$$

 $P(\text{rolls a total of 6 on round 2}) = P(\text{Jack and Jill did not win round 1})P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 6} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1})$ $= \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}$

P(rolls a total of 6 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 6} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

P(Jill wins \$6) = $\frac{1}{6} + (\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.1853$

P(Jill wins \$7)

P(Jill wins \$7) = P(rolls a total of 7 on round 2 or rolls a total of 7 on round 3)= P(rolls a total of 7 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 7 on round 3)

P(rolls a total of 7 on round 2) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 1)P(Jill rolls add up to 7 | she didn't win round 1) $= \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}$

P(rolls a total of 7 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 7} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

P(Jill wins \$7) = $(\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.01865$

P(Jill wins \$8)

P(Jill wins \$8) = P(rolls a total of 8 on round 2 or rolls a total of 8 on round 3)= P(rolls a total of 8 on round 2) + P(rolls a total of 8 on round 3)

 $P(\text{rolls a total of 8 on round 2}) = P(\text{Jack and Jill did not win round 1})P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 8} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1})$ $= \frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{1}{12}$

P(rolls a total of 8 on round 3) = P(Jack and Jill did not win round 2) $*P(\text{Jill rolls add up to 8} \mid \text{she didn't win round 1 and 2})$ $= \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}$

P(Jill wins \$8) = $(\frac{2}{6} * \frac{2}{6} * \frac{1}{12}) + (\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6}) = 0.00938$

$$\begin{split} E(\text{Prize Money}) &= 3(0.1853) + 4(0.1853) \\ &+ 5(0.1853) + 6(0.1853) \\ &+ 7(0.01865) + 8(0.00938) \\ &+ 0 * P(\text{She didn't win}) \\ &= 3.541 \end{split}$$

 $\rm Var(Prize\ Money)=E((Prize\ Money)^2)$ - $\rm (E(Prize\ Money))^2$ (E(Prize\ Money))^2 = $(3.541)^2=12.54$

 $E((Prize Money)^2) =$

$$\sum_{i=3}^{8} i^{2} * P(\text{Jill winning prize} = \$i)$$

$$E(\text{Prize Money}^2) = 3^2(0.1853) + 4^2(0.1853) + 5^2(0.1853) + 6^2(0.1853) + 7^2(0.01865) + 8^2(0.00938) + 0 * P(\text{She didn't win}) = 17.45$$

Var(Prize Money) = 17.45 - 12.54 = 4.91