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MA - 578

Homework 1

1) Hoff's book: problem 2.5)

2.5)

urn H is 40% green balls and 60% red balls

urn T is 60% green and 40% red

Someone will flip coin and then select a ball from H or T depending whether head or tails

Let X be 1 or 0 if the coin lands head or tails
let Y be 1 or 0 if the ball is green or red

a) Joint probability

Bell's

	Green	Red	
urn's	H	0.2	0.3
T	0.3	0.2	

$$P(H|G) = 0.5 * 0.4 = 0.2$$

$$P(H|R) = 0.5 * 0.6 = 0.3$$

$$P(T|G) = 0.5 * 0.6 = 0.3$$

$$P(T|R) = 0.5 * 0.4 = 0.2$$

b) Find $E(Y)$, when ball is green?

$$E[Y] = P(Y=0) * 0 + P(Y=1) * 1$$

$$= (0.2 + 0.3) * 0 + (0.3 + 0.2) * 1$$

$E[Y] = 0.5$, also can ~~cancel~~ bcz it's 1 of 2 options

c) Calc $\text{Var}[Y|x=0]$, $\text{Var}[Y|x=1]$, $\text{Var}[Y]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[Y|x=0] &= P(Y=0|x=0) * (0 - E[Y|x=0])^2 + P(Y=1|x=0) * P(1 - E[Y|x=0])^2 \\ &= (0.4) * (0 - (0.6))^2 + 0.6 * (1 - (0.6))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y|x=0] = 0.24$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[Y|x=1] &= P(Y=0|x=1) * (0 - E[Y|x=1])^2 + P(Y=1|x=1) * P(1 - E[Y|x=1])^2 \\ &= (0.6) * (0 - (0.4))^2 + 0.4 * (1 - (0.4))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y|x=1] = 0.24$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[Y] &= P(Y=0) * (0 - E[Y])^2 + P(Y=1) * (1 - E[Y])^2 \\ &= (0.5) * (0 - (0.5))^2 + (0.5) * (1 - (0.5))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = 0.25$$

$\text{Var}[Y]$ is largest bcz flute's greater uncertainty
as no urn has been picked yet.

2.5) d) Suppose you see that the ball is green. What is the probability that the coin turned up tails?

$$P(X=0 | Y=1) = \frac{P(Y=1 | X=0) \times P(X=0)}{P(Y=1)}$$

$$= \frac{0.6 \times 0.5}{0.5}$$

$$\boxed{P(X=0 | Y=1) = 0.6}$$

2.6) Suppose events A and B are conditionally independent given C, which is written as $A \perp B | C$.

$$A^c = \text{"not" } A$$

$$\text{We know... } P(A \cap B | C) = P(A|C) \times P(B|C)$$

$$\text{and... } P(B|C) = P(A \cap B | C) + P(A^c \cap B | C)$$

$$\text{so... } P(A^c \cap B | C) = P(B|C) - P(A \cap B | C)$$

$$= P(B|C) - P(A|C) \times P(B|C)$$

$$= P(B|C) - P(1 - P(A|C))$$

$$= P(A^c|C) \times P(B|C) \Rightarrow A^c \perp B | C$$

also...

$$P(A \cap B^c | C) = P(A|C) - P(A \cap B | C)$$

$$= P(A|C) - P(A|C) \times P(B|C)$$

$$= P(A|C) - (1 - P(B|C))$$

$$= P(A|C) \times P(B^c|C) \Rightarrow A \perp B^c | C$$

$$P(A^c \cap B^c | C) = P(A^c|C) - P(A^c \cap B | C)$$

$$= P(A^c|C) - P(A^c|C) \times P(B|C)$$

$$= P(A^c|C) - P(1 - P(B|C))$$

$$= P(A^c|C) \times P(B^c|C) \Rightarrow A^c \perp B^c | C$$

3) Sampsons Paradox

as show that Treatment II is more helpful than treatment I,
for each of 4 groups

i) Older Males

$$T\text{I} \rightarrow \frac{120}{2(120)} = 0.5 \quad T\text{II} \rightarrow \frac{20}{20+10} = 0.67$$

] Treatment II more helpful
for older Males

ii) Young Males

$$T\text{I} \rightarrow \frac{60}{60+20} = 0.75 \quad T\text{II} \rightarrow \frac{40}{40+10} = 0.8$$

] Treatment II more helpful
for young Males

iii) Older Females

$$T\text{I} \rightarrow \frac{10}{10+50} = 0.17 \quad T\text{II} \rightarrow \frac{20}{20+50} = 0.29$$

] Treatment II more helpful
for older females

iv) Young Females

$$T\text{I} \rightarrow \frac{10}{10+10} = 0.5 \quad T\text{II} \rightarrow \frac{160}{160+10} = 0.64$$

] Treatment II more helpful
for young females

b)

	Helpful	Not
Older	I: 130	170
	II: 40	60
Young	I: 70	30
	II: 200	100

Older I $\frac{130}{300} = 0.43$ Treatment I better

II $\frac{40}{100} = 0.4$

Young I $\rightarrow 70/100 = 0.70$ II $\rightarrow 200/300 = 0.67$

Treatment I is better

3)

c) Marginal success rate of

$$\text{Treatment I: } T_{\text{Help}} = 120 + 60 + 10 + 10 = 200$$

$$T_{\text{Not}} = 120 + 20 + 50 + 10 = 200$$

$$f_{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.5 = (200/400)$$

Treatment II:

$$T_{\text{Help}} = 20 + 40 + 20 + 160 = 240$$

$$T_{\text{Not}} = 10 + 10 + 50 + 90 = 160$$

$$f_{\frac{1}{2}} = 0.6$$

Please marginal success rates compare to conditions Success rates of older males and young females. The older Female success rates compare at a much lower success rate, while the young males compare at a much higher success rate.

The Disparities w/ the rates, could likely be because of Treatment II have overall better/higher success rate due to there being a greater number of older people as opposed to younger

d)

Heatmap of Success Rate · B/n Treatments I/II

