

Module 2 Homework - Noboru Hayashi

2.3.10

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= P(\text{the number is divisible by 2}) + P(\text{the number is divisible by 3}) - P(\text{the number is divisible by 2 \& 3})$$

$$= 1/2 + 1/3 - 1/6 = 3/6 + 2/6 - 1/6 = 4/6 = \mathbf{2/3}$$

2.4.4

$$P((A \cup B)C) = 0.6, P(A \cap B) = 0.1$$

E = either A or B but not both occur.

$$P(A \cup B) = 1 - 0.6 = 0.4$$

$$P(E) = P(A \cup B) - P(A \cap B) = 0.4 - 0.1 = 0.3$$

$$P(E|A \cup B) = P(E) / P(A \cup B) = 0.3/0.4 = 3/4 = \mathbf{0.75}$$

2.4.36

Let G be an event that a jury returns a guilty verdict,

Let D be an event that the defense can discredit the police department

$$P(G | D) = 0.15$$

$$P(G | D^c) = 0.8$$

$$P(D) = 0.7$$

$$P(G) = P(G \cap D) + P(G \cap D^c) = P(G | D)P(D) + P(G | D^c)P(D^c) = 0.15 \cdot 0.7 + 0.8 \cdot (1 - 0.7) \\ = 0.105 + 0.24 = 0.345 = \mathbf{34.5\%}$$

2.5.20

Since players A, B and C toss a fair coin in order, for the first round of the tosses, the expected set of outcomes is (H for head, T for tail) :

{HHH, HHT, HTH, HTT, THT, THH, TTH, TTT}.

Total number of outcomes for the first round is 8.

And let X, Y, Z be the events that player A, B, or C wins at the first round.

$X = \{HHH, HHT, HTH, HTT\}$, $P(X) = 4/8 = 0.5$

$Y = \{THT, THH\}$, $P(Y) = 2/8 = 0.25$

$Z = \{TTH\}$, $P(Z) = 1/8 = 0.125$

And $P(\text{repeat}) = 1/8 = 0.125$

Since $P(A \text{ wins}) = P(X) + P(\text{repeat once then } X) + P(\text{repeat twice then } X) + \dots$

So, $P(A \text{ wins}) =$

$$0.5 + 0.5 * 1/8 + 0.5 * 1/8^2 + \dots = 0.5(1 + 1/8 + 1/8^2 + \dots) = 0.5 * (1 - 1/8)^{-1} = 0.5 * 8/7 = \mathbf{4/7}$$

Similarly,

$P(B \text{ wins}) = P(Y) + P(\text{repeat once then } Y) + P(\text{repeat twice then } Y) + \dots$

$$0.25 + 0.25 * 1/8 + 0.25 * 1/8^2 + \dots = 0.25(1 + 1/8 + 1/8^2 + \dots) = 0.25 * (1 - 1/8)^{-1} = 1/4 * 8/7 = \mathbf{2/7}$$

$P(C \text{ wins}) = P(Z) + P(\text{repeat once then } Z) + P(\text{repeat twice then } Z) + \dots$

$$0.125 + 0.125 * 1/8 + 0.125 * 1/8^2 + \dots = 0.125(1 + 1/8 + 1/8^2 + \dots) = 0.125 * (1 - 1/8)^{-1} = 1/8 * 8/7 = \mathbf{1/7}$$

2.6.12

Given the international morse code represents any letter with a series of dots and dashes, for each digit of the code, it can be a dot or dashes.

Therefore, for the code with a length n, there are 2^n ways to arrange it. And total numbers of the combinations of dots and dashes for the n-digit code is: $2 + 4 + \dots + 2^n$

If $n = 3$, the # of combinations is $2 + 4 + 8 = 14$.

If $n = 4$, the # of combinations is $2 + 4 + 8 + 16 = 30$.

Since the number of alphabet is 26, the minimum number of digits for morse codes to represent any letter in the alphabet is **4**.

Simulation:

Consider a Baseball World Series (best of 7 game series) in which team A theoretically has a 0.55 chance of winning each game against team B. Simulate the probability that team A would win a World Series against team B by simulating 1000 World Series. You may use any software to conduct the simulation.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Theoretically, } P(\text{Team A win a World Series} \mid \text{team A has a 0.55 chance of winning each game}) \\ &= 0.55^4 + 4C3 * 0.55^4 * 0.45 + 5C3 * 0.55^4 * 0.45^2 + 6C3 * 0.55^4 * 0.45^3 \\ &= 0.55^4(1 + 4 * 0.45 + 10 * 0.45^2 + 20 * 0.45^3) = 0.608287797 \end{aligned}$$

For simulation in R:

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> # init count = 0
> count = 0
>
> # init p(A wins each game)
> pA = 0.55
>
> # simulate 1000 world series
> for (i in 1:1000){
+   series = runif(7)
+   aWins = series < pA
+   aWin = sum(aWins) >= 4
+   count = count + sum(aWin)
+ }
> count/1000
[1] 0.604
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Therefore, by simulation, the probability that team A would win a World Series against team B is: **0.604**