

Homework #3 - Solutions

1. Sincich 3.49.

$$a. \quad P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{.1}{.2} = .5$$

$$b. \quad P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{.1}{.4} = .25$$

c. Events A and B are said to be independent if $P(A|B) = P(A)$. In this case, $P(A|B) = .5$ and $P(A) = .4$. Thus, A and B are not independent.

2. Sincich 3.53.

$$a. \quad \begin{aligned} P(A) &= P(E_1) + P(E_2) + P(E_3) \\ &= .2 + .3 + .3 \\ &= .8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(B) &= P(E_2) + P(E_3) + P(E_5) \\ &= .3 + .3 + .1 \\ &= .7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B) &= P(E_2) + P(E_3) \\ &= .3 + .3 \\ &= .6 \end{aligned}$$

$$b. \quad \begin{aligned} P(E_1|A) &= \frac{P(E_1 \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(E_1)}{P(A)} = \frac{.2}{.8} = .25 \\ P(E_2|A) &= \frac{P(E_2 \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(E_2)}{P(A)} = \frac{.3}{.8} = .375 \\ P(E_3|A) &= \frac{P(E_3 \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(E_3)}{P(A)} = \frac{.3}{.8} = .375 \end{aligned}$$

The original sample point probabilities are in the proportion .2 to .3 to .3 or 2 to 3 to 3.

The conditional probabilities for these sample points are in the proportion .25 to .375 to .375 or 2 to 3 to 3.

$$c. \quad \begin{aligned} (1) \quad P(B|A) &= P(E_2|A) + P(E_3|A) \\ &= .375 + .375 \text{ (from part b)} \\ &= .75 \\ (2) \quad P(B|A) &= \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{.6}{.8} = .75 \text{ (from part a)} \end{aligned}$$

The two methods do yield the same result.

d. If A and B are independent events, $P(B|A) = P(B)$.

From part c, $P(B|A) = .75$. From part a, $P(B) = .7$.

Since $.75 \neq .7$, A and B are not independent events.

3. Sincich 3.76: Software defects in NASA spacecraft instrument code.

Define the following events:

A: {Algorithm predicts defects}

B: {Module has defects}

C: {Algorithm is correct}

$$a. \text{ Accuracy} = P(C) = P(A \cap B) + P(A^c \cap B^c) = \frac{a}{a+b+c+d} + \frac{d}{a+b+c+d} = \frac{a+d}{a+b+c+d}$$

$$b. \text{ Detection rate} = P(A | B) = \frac{d}{b+d}$$

$$c. \text{ False alarm} = P(A | B^c) = \frac{c}{a+c}$$

$$d. \text{ Precision} = P(B | A) = \frac{d}{c+d}$$

e. From the SWDEFECTS file the table is:

		Module has Defects	
		False	True
Algorithm Predicts Defects	No	400	29
	Yes	49	20

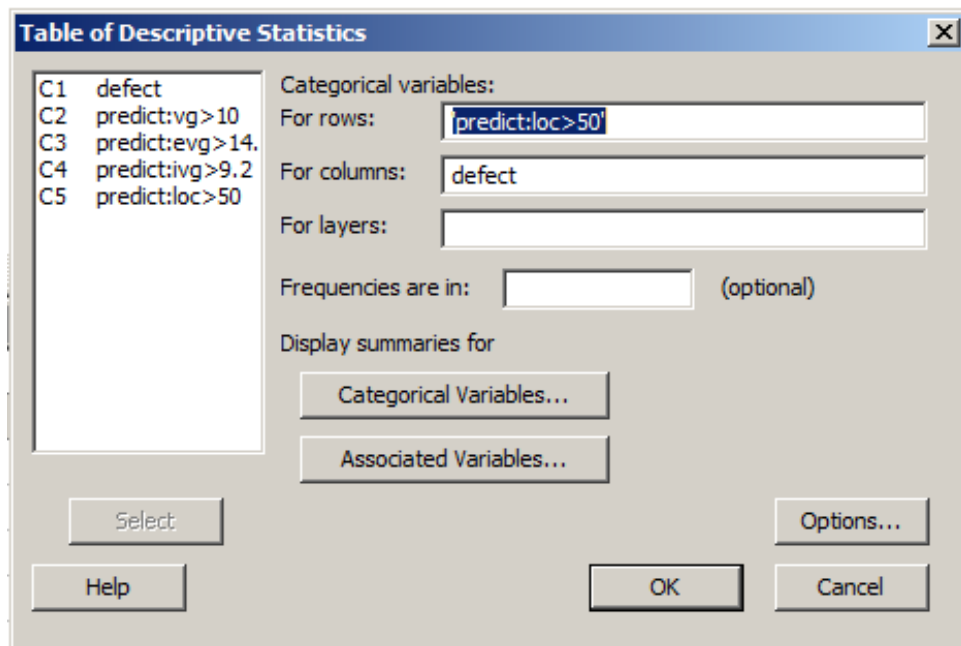
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Accuracy} = P(C) &= P(A \cap B) + P(A^c \cap B^c) \\ &= \frac{a}{a+b+c+d} + \frac{d}{a+b+c+d} = \frac{a+d}{a+b+c+d} = \frac{400+20}{400+29+49+20} = \frac{420}{498} = .843 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Detection rate} = P(A | B) = \frac{d}{b+d} = \frac{20}{29+20} = \frac{20}{49} = .408$$

$$\text{False alarm} = P(A | B^c) = \frac{c}{a+c} = \frac{49}{400+49} = \frac{49}{449} = .109$$

$$\text{Precision} = P(B | A) = \frac{d}{c+d} = \frac{20}{49+20} = \frac{20}{69} = .290$$

To make the table in Minitab, enter use the Stat ⇒ Tables ⇒ Descriptive Statistics command as in the following screenshot:



The Minitab output should be as follows:

Tabulated Statistics: predict:loc> 50, defect				
Rows: predict:loc>50 Columns: defect				
	0	1	All	
no	400	29	429	
yes	49	20	69	
All	449	49	498	
Cell Contents:	Count			

4. Sincich 3.87: Purchasing microchips.

$$P(S_6 | D) = \frac{P(S_6 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_6)P(S_6)}{P(D)} = \frac{.0002(.20)}{.001679} = \frac{.00004}{.001679} = .0238$$

$$P(S_7 | D) = \frac{P(S_7 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_7)P(S_7)}{P(D)} = \frac{.001(.18)}{.001679} = \frac{.00018}{.001679} = .1072$$

Of these probabilities, .7147 is the largest. This implies that if a failure is observed, supplier number 4 was most likely responsible.

- b. If the seven suppliers all produce defective chips at the same rate of .0005, then $P(D|S_i) = .0005$ for all $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 7$ and $P(D) = .0005$.

For any supplier i , $P(S_i \cap D) = P(D | S_i)P(S_i) = .0005P(S_i)$ and

$$P(S_i | D) = \frac{P(S_i \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_i)P(S_i)}{.0005} = \frac{.0005P(S_i)}{.0005} = P(S_i)$$

Thus, if a defective is observed, then it most likely came from the supplier with the largest proportion of sales (probability). In this case, the most likely supplier would be either supplier 4 or supplier 6. Both of these have probabilities of .20.

Define the following event:

D : {Chip is defective}

From the Exercise, $P(S_1) = .15$, $P(S_2) = .05$, $P(S_3) = .10$, $P(S_4) = .20$, $P(S_5) = .12$, $P(S_6) = .20$, and $P(S_7) = .18$. Also, $P(D|S_1) = .001$, $P(D|S_2) = .0003$, $P(D|S_3) = .0007$, $P(D|S_4) = .006$, $P(D|S_5) = .0002$, $P(D|S_6) = .0002$, and $P(D|S_7) = .001$.

- a. We must find the probability of each supplier given a defective chip.

$$\begin{aligned} P(S_1 | D) &= \frac{P(S_1 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \\ &= \frac{P(D | S_1)P(S_1)}{P(D|S_1)P(S_1) + P(D|S_2)P(S_2) + P(D|S_3)P(S_3) + P(D|S_4)P(S_4) + P(D|S_5)P(S_5) + P(D|S_6)P(S_6) + P(D|S_7)P(S_7)} \\ &= \frac{.001(.15)}{.001(.15) + .0003(.05) + .0007(.10) + .006(.20) + .0002(.12) + .0002(.20) + .001(.18)} \\ &= \frac{.00015}{.00015 + .000015 + .00007 + .0012 + .000024 + .00004 + .00018} = \frac{.00015}{.001679} = .0893 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(S_2 | D) = \frac{P(S_2 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_2)P(S_2)}{P(D)} = \frac{.0003(.05)}{.001679} = \frac{.000015}{.001679} = .0089$$

$$P(S_3 | D) = \frac{P(S_3 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_3)P(S_3)}{P(D)} = \frac{.0007(.10)}{.001679} = \frac{.00007}{.001679} = .0417$$

$$P(S_4 | D) = \frac{P(S_4 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_4)P(S_4)}{P(D)} = \frac{.006(.20)}{.001679} = \frac{.0012}{.001679} = .7147$$

$$P(S_5 | D) = \frac{P(S_5 \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(D | S_5)P(S_5)}{P(D)} = \frac{.0002(.12)}{.001679} = \frac{.000024}{.001679} = .0143$$

5. A survey of workers in the two plants of a manufacturing firm includes the question “How effective is management in responding to legitimate grievances of workers?” In plant 1, 48 of 192 workers respond “poor”; in plant 2, 80 of 248 workers respond “poor.” An employee of the manufacturing firm is to be selected randomly.

Let A be the event “worker comes from plant 1” and let B be the event “response is ‘poor’.”

- (a) Find $P(A)$, $P(B)$, and $P(A|B)$.

$$\begin{aligned}P(A) &= 192/(192 + 248) \\&= 192/440 \\&= 0.4363\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(B) &= (48 + 80)/(192 + 248) \\&= 128/440 \\&= 0.2909\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A|B) &= 48/(48 + 80) \\&= 48/128 \\&= 0.3750\end{aligned}$$

Alternative solution, using Bayes’ Rule:

$$\begin{aligned}P(A|B) &= P(B|A) P(A) / P(B) \\&= (48/192) (192/440) / (128/440) \\&= 48/128 \\&= 0.3750\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Are the events A and B independent?

No, since $P(A)$ is not equal to $P(A|B)$.

- (c) Find $P(B|A)$ and $P(B|A^c)$. Are they equal?

$$\begin{aligned}P(B|A) &= 48/192 \\&= 0.2500\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(B|A^c) &= 80/248 \\&= 0.3226\end{aligned}$$

These quantities are unequal.

(d) Show that $P(B^c) \neq P(B^c|A^c)$

$$\begin{aligned}P(B^c) &= 1 - P(B) \\&= 312/440 \\&= 0.7091\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(B^c|A^c) &= 1 - P(B|A^c) \\&= 168/248 \\&= 0.6774\end{aligned}$$

These quantities are unequal.