

CSCI-4116

Assignment 5

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Question 1

Let $a = 15$ and $b = 18$, so $\gcd(15, 18) = 3$.

Now $\varphi(15 \times 18) = \varphi(270)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(270) &= 270 \times \prod_{p|270} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right) && \text{where } p \in \mathbb{P} \\ &= 270 \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \times \left(1 - \frac{1}{5}\right) \\ &= 270 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{5} \\ &= 72\end{aligned}$$

While $\varphi(15) \times \varphi(18)$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(15) &= 15 \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} \\ &= 8\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(18) &= 18 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \\ &= 6\end{aligned}$$

And $72 \neq 48$

Question 2

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= \{HH, HT, TH, TT\} \\
 p(HH) &= \frac{1}{4} \\
 p(HT) &= \frac{1}{4} \\
 p(TH) &= \frac{1}{4} \\
 p(TT) &= \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

The event of flipping at least 1 tail, is the subset $e = \{HT, TH, TT\}$. Which is equivalent to the event of not getting 2 Heads. So $e = S \setminus \{HH\}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(e) &= p(S) - p(HH) \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 3

Let $R = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. Then the sample space of rolling 2 dice is $S = R^2$.

The question describes 2 events in S :

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_1 &= \{(a, b) \in S, \text{ where } a \neq b\} \\
 e_2 &= \{(a, b) \in S, \text{ where } 2|(a + b)\}
 \end{aligned}$$

And asks for the probability that e_1 occurs given e_2 . So $p(e_1|e_2)$, which is equivalent to the probability of event e_1 occurring when the sample space is restricted to the set e_2

Now observe that e_2 is the event in which a and b have the same parity. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_2 &= \{(1, 1), (1, 3), (1, 5), \\
 &\quad (2, 2), (2, 4), (2, 6), \\
 &\quad (3, 1), (3, 3), (3, 5), \\
 &\quad (4, 2), (4, 4), (4, 6), \\
 &\quad (5, 1), (5, 3), (5, 5), \\
 &\quad (6, 2), (6, 4), (6, 6)\}
 \end{aligned}$$

We know that S follows a uniform distribution, so the probability of each elementary event is $\frac{1}{|S|}$. Since e_2 is a subset of S this means that the elements in e_2 are also uniformly distributed, that is the probability of each elementary event in e_2 is $\frac{1}{|e_2|}$

Finally, the probability of $a \neq b$ in e_2 is equal to $1 - (\text{probability that } a = b)$.

So:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(e_1|e_2) &= 1 - \frac{6}{|e_2|} \\
 &= 1 - \frac{6}{18} \\
 &= \frac{2}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 4

Part a)

We know that the probability q of no two people having the same birthday is:

$$q \leq \exp\left(-\frac{k(k-1)}{2n}\right)$$

The probability p of two people having the same birthday is then $p = 1 - q$. In our case we solve for $p \geq 0.9$ and $n = 365$

So:

$$\begin{aligned} q &\leq \exp\left(\frac{-k^2 + k}{720}\right) \leq 0.1 \\ \ln(0.1) &\geq \frac{-k^2 + k}{720} \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging the inequality:

$$k^2 - k + 720(\ln(0.1)) \geq 0$$

Solving for k :

$$k = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4 \times (720 \times \ln(0.1))}}{2}$$

Giving the value: $k = 41.2199\dots$

Since we cant have fractional values of k we have it that $k = 42$

So the number of people needed, k , such that the probability of at least 2 having the same birthday is $p \geq \frac{9}{10}$ is $k \geq 42$

Part B)

Since the PIN cannot start with 0 we have it that there are 9×10^3 possible 4 digit combinations. So $n = 9 \times 10^3$.

And we want the probability of at least 2 people having the same PIN to be, $p \geq 0.5$ (so $q \leq 0.5$).

We now repeat the same steps in part A). So:

$$q \leq \exp\left(\frac{-k^2 + k}{18 \times 10^3}\right) \leq 0.5$$

$$\ln(0.5) \geq \frac{-k^2 + k}{18 \times 10^3}$$

Rearranging:

$$k^2 - k + \ln(0.5) \times 18 \times 10^3 \geq 0$$

Solving for k :

$$k = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(\ln(0.5) \times 18 \times 10^3)}}{2}$$

Giving the value: $k = 112.2...$

So there must be $k \geq 113$ people to have the probability of at least 2 sharing the same PIN be $p \geq 0.5$

Question 5

First we define the cryptosystem:

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathbb{Z}_{26}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathbb{Z}_{26}$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{Z}_{26}$$

Using the definition of perfect secrecy

$$p(w|c) = p(w), \quad w \in \mathcal{P} \text{ and } c \in \mathcal{C}$$

Then by Bayes Theorem:

$$p(w|c) = \frac{p(w)p(c|w)}{p(c)}$$

Observe that:

1. Only one key in the Key space has a $p(k) > 0$, which is $k = 3$
2. We know that the

$$p(c) = \sum p(w) \times p(k_{w,c}) \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{P}, \text{ and } k_{w,c} = \{k \in \mathcal{K} \mid E_k(w) \mapsto c\}$$

Then since there is only one key, we have it that the probability of the ciphertext being c is equal to the probability $p(w_c)$ where $E_k(w_c) = c$

3. $p(c|w)$ asks for the probability that the encryption of the plaintext w results in c , so the probability that $E_k(w) \mapsto c$. Given that there is only one key, we know that w will either always be mapped to c or never, so $p(c|w) = 1$ or 0

It follows then that:

$$p(w|c) = \frac{p(w_c) \times 1}{p(w_c)} \quad OR \quad \frac{p(w) \times 0}{p(w_c)}$$

$$p(w|c) = 1 \quad OR \quad 0$$

Thus we do not have perfect secrecy.

Using Shannon's Theorem

Shannon's Theorem requires that \mathcal{K} follows a uniform distribution. Notice however that in caesar cipher only one key has a non-zero probability. So keys are not uniformly distributed, violating the requirement. Thus the cryptosystem does not have perfect secrecy