

Introduction to Machine Learning

Assignment- Week 4

TYPE OF QUESTION: MCQ

Number of questions: 7

Total mark: 7 X 2 = 14

QUESTION 1:

A spam filtering system has a probability of 0.95 to correctly classify a mail as spam and 0.10 probability of giving false positives. It is estimated that 1% of the mails are actual spam mails.

Suppose that the system is now given a new mail to be classified as spam/ not-spam, what is the probability that the mail will be classified as spam?

- A. 0.89575
- B. 0.10425
- C. **0.1085**
- D. 0.0995

Correct Answer: C. 0.1085

Detailed Solution:

Let S = 'Mails correctly marked spam by the system', T= 'Mails misclassified by the system' (Marked as spam when not spam or Marked as not spam when it is a spam), M = 'Spam mails'.

$$P(S|M) = 0.95, P(S|M') = 0.10, P(M) = 0.01$$

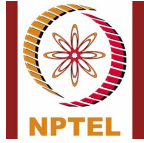
We have to find the probability of mail being classified as spam which can either be if a spam mail is correctly classified as spam or if a mail is misclassified as spam.

$$P(S) = P(S|M) * P(M) + P(S|M') * P(M') = 0.95 * 0.01 + 0.10 * 0.99 = 0.1085$$

QUESTION 2:

Bag I contains 4 white and 6 black balls while another Bag II contains 4 white and 3 black balls. One ball is drawn at random from one of the bags and it is found to be black. Find the probability that it was drawn from Bag I.

- A. 1/2
- B. 2/3



C. 7/12

D. 9/23

Correct Answer : C. 7/12

Detailed Solution :

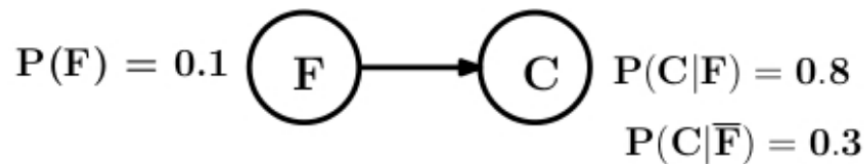
**B1: “Ball is drawn from bag I”, B2: “Ball is drawn from bag II”, W: “Drawn ball is white”,
B: “Drawn ball is black”**

We have to find $P(B1|B)$

$$P(B1|B) = \frac{P(B|B1)*P(B1)}{P(B|B1)*P(B1)+P(B|B2)*P(B2)} = \frac{(6/10)*(1/2)}{(6/10)*(1/2)+(3/7)*(1/2)} = \frac{3/10}{3/10+3/14} = \frac{7}{12}$$

QUESTION 3:

4. Consider the following Bayesian network, where F = having the flu and C = coughing:



Find $P(C)$ and $P(F|C)$.

A. 0.35, 0.23

B. 0.35, 0.77

C. 0.24, 0.024

D. 0.5, 0.23

Correct Answer: A. 0.35, 0.23

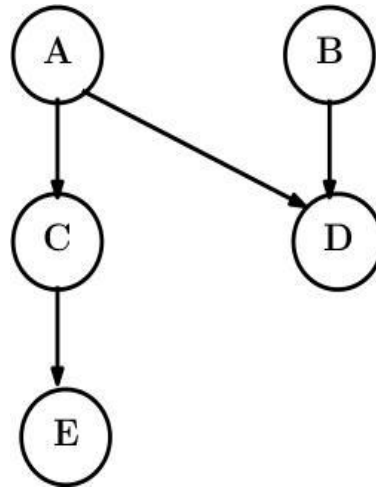
Detailed Solution :

$$P(C) = P(C|F) * P(F) + P(C|\bar{F}) * P(\bar{F})$$

$$P(F|C) = \frac{P(C|F)*P(F)}{P(C|F)*P(F)+P(C|\bar{F})*P(\bar{F})}$$

QUESTION 4:

Consider the following Bayesian network.



Thus, the independence expressed in this Bayesian net are that
A and B are (absolutely) independent.
C is independent of B given A.
D is independent of C given A and B.
E is independent of A, B, and D given C.

Suppose that the net further records the following probabilities:

$$P(A) = 0.3$$

$$P(B) = 0.6$$

$$P(C|A) = 0.8$$

$$P(C|\bar{A}) = 0.4$$

$$P(D|A, B) = 0.7$$

$$P(D|A, \bar{B}) = 0.8$$

$$P(D|\bar{A}, B) = 0.1$$

$$P(D|\bar{A}, \bar{B}) = 0.2$$

$$P(E|C) = 0.7$$

$$P(E|\bar{C}) = 0.7$$

Find $P(D)$.

A. 0.32

B. 0.50

C. 0.40

D. 0.78

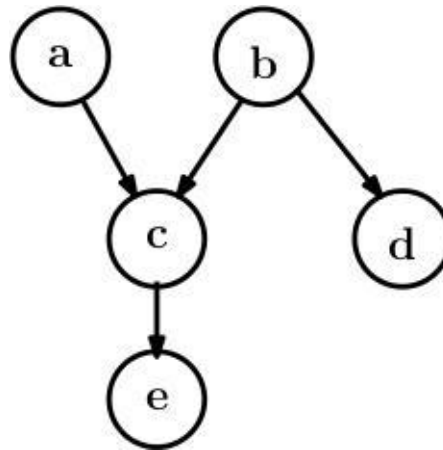
Correct Answer: A. 0.32

Detailed Solution :

$$P(D) = P(D|AB) * P(AB) + P(D|\bar{A}B) * P(\bar{A}B) + P(D|A\bar{B}) * P(A\bar{B}) + P(D|\bar{A}\bar{B}) * P(\bar{A}\bar{B}) = 0.32$$

QUESTION 5:

Consider the following graphical model, mark which of the following pair of random variables are independent given no evidence?



- A. a,b
- B. c,d
- C. e,d
- D. c,e

Correct Answer : A. a,b

Detailed Solution : Nodes a and b don't have any predecessor nodes. As they don't have any common parent node, a and b are independent.

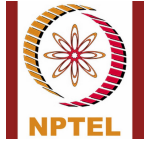
QUESTION 6:

In a Bayesian network a node with only outgoing edge(s) represents

- A. a variable conditionally independent of the other variables.**
- B. a variable dependent on its siblings.
- C. a variable whose dependency is uncertain.
- D. None of the above.

Correct Answer: A. a variable conditionally independent of the other variables.

Detailed Solution : As there is no incoming edge for the node, the node is not conditionally dependent on any other node.



QUESTION 7:

It is given that $P(A|B) = 2/3$ and $P(A|\bar{B}) = 1/3$. Compute the value of $P(B|A)$.

- A. $\frac{1}{2}$
- B. $\frac{2}{3}$
- C. $\frac{3}{4}$
- D. Not enough information.**

Correct Solution : D. Not enough information.

Detailed Solution : There are 3 unknown probabilities $P(A)$, $P(B)$, $P(AB)$ which can not be computed from the 2 given probabilities. So, we don't have enough information to compute $P(B|A)$.

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