

# Homework 2

Group 7

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## Problem 2

Since all houses are different in design, we have a permutation problem. House 1 can be placed in any of the 9 lots, House 2 in the remaining 8 lots and so on.

Therefore  $n_1 = 9$ ,  $n_2 = 8$ ,  $n_3 = 7$  etc and by multiplication rule we get,

$$\text{Total number of ways} = n! = 9! = 362880$$

Another approach for the same, we can place any 6 houses from the 9 houses ( ${}_9P_6$ ) on one side and the remaining 3 houses on the other ( ${}_3P_3$ ).

By multiplication rule,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Number of ways} &= {}_9P_6 * {}_3P_3 \\ &= \frac{9!}{3!} * \frac{3!}{0!} \\ &= 9! \\ &= 362880\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 3

Class size = 60. Assuming a non-leap year, we have 365 days in a year. The 1<sup>st</sup> student can have a birthday on any day from 365 days, 2<sup>nd</sup> student can have it on any day from the remaining 364 days and so on. This is a permutation problem as we are arranging birth dates.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus, total number of ways no 2 students will have birthdays on the same day} &= {}_{365}P_{60} \\ &= \frac{365!}{305! 60!} \\ &= 3.211830504E+151\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 4

Let

Event A : Customer invests in tax-free bonds

Event B : Customer invests in mutual funds

Given:

$$P(A) = 0.6$$

$$P(B) = 0.3$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 0.15$$

(a) Probability that customer will invest in either tax-free bonds or mutual funds =  $P(A \cup B)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \text{ ----- Additive rule} \\ &= 0.6 + 0.3 - 0.15 \\ &= 0.75 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Probability that customer will invest in neither tax-free bonds nor mutual funds =  $P(A' \cap B')$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A' \cap B') &= P((A \cup B)') \text{ ----- De Morgan's law} \\ &= 1 - P(A \cup B) \\ &= 1 - 0.75 \\ &= 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 5

Total number of cards in deck = 52

Number of cards in poker hand = 5

Total number of ways of selecting 5 cards from 52 =  $\frac{52}{5}$

(a) Probability of holding 3 aces

Number of ways of selecting 3 aces from 4 aces =  $\frac{4}{3}$

Number of ways of selecting remaining 2 cards =  $\frac{48}{2}$

By multiplication rule, number of ways of selecting these 5 cards =  $\frac{4}{3} \frac{48}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } P(3 \text{ aces}) &= \frac{\frac{4}{3} \frac{48}{2}}{\frac{52}{5}} \\ &= \frac{4 * 1128}{2598960} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{94}{54145} \\
&= 0.001736079
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Probability of 4 hearts and 1 club

Number of ways of selecting 4 hearts from 13 hearts =  $\frac{13}{4}$

Number of ways of selecting 1 club from 13 clubs =  $\frac{13}{1}$

By multiplication rule, number of ways of selecting these 5 cards =  $\frac{13}{4} \frac{13}{1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Therefore } P(4 \text{ hearts and } 1 \text{ club}) &= \frac{\frac{13}{4} \frac{13}{1}}{\frac{52}{5}} \\
&= \frac{715 * 13}{2598960} \\
&= \frac{143}{39984} \\
&= 0.003576431
\end{aligned}$$

## Problem 6

Let,

Event A: Has Canadian License plate

Event B: Is a camper

Given:

$$P(A) = 0.12$$

$$P(B) = 0.28$$

$$P(\text{Camper with Canadian License}) = P(A \cap B) = 0.09$$

(a) Probability that a camper entering the Luray Caverns has Canadian license plate

$$= P(A | B)$$

$$= P(A \cap B) / P(B)$$

$$= \frac{0.09}{0.28}$$

$$= \frac{9}{28}$$

$$= 0.321$$

(b) Probability that a vehicle with Canadian license plates entering the Luray Caverns is a camper =  $P(B | A)$

$$= P(A \cap B) / P(A) \text{ ----- Conditional probability rule}$$

$$= 0.09 / 0.12$$

$$= 0.75$$

(c) Probability that a vehicle entering the Luray Caverns does not have Canadian plates or is not a camper

$$= P(A' \cup B')$$

$$= P((A \cap B)') \text{ ----- De Morgan's law}$$

$$= 1 - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 1 - 0.09$$

$$= 0.91$$

## Problem 7

Let,

Event L: Customer purchases Latex paint

Event R: Customer purchases Rollers

Event S: Customer purchases Semigloss paint

Given:

$$P(L) = 0.75$$

$$P(S) = 1 - P(L) = 0.25$$

$$P(\text{Purchasing rollers given they purchase latex paint}) = P(R | L) = 0.6$$

$$P(\text{Purchasing rollers given they purchase semigloss paint}) = P(R | S) = 0.3$$

To find:

$$P(L | R)$$

By Baye's theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} P(L | R) &= \frac{P(R | L) P(L)}{P(R | L) P(L) + P(R | S) P(S)} \\ &= \frac{0.6 * 0.75}{0.6 * 0.75 + 0.3 * 0.25} \\ &= 0.857 \end{aligned}$$

## Problem 8

Given probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{5}, \quad 23.75 \leq x \leq 26.25$$
$$0, \text{ elsewhere}$$

(a) Valid density function

For  $f(x)$  to be a valid density function, it should integrate to 1 from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{23.75} 0 dx + \int_{23.75}^{26.25} \frac{2}{5} dx + \int_{26.25}^{\infty} 0 dx \\&= 0 + \int_{23.75}^{26.25} \frac{2}{5} dx + 0 \\&= \frac{2}{5} x \Big|_{23.75}^{26.25} \\&= \frac{2}{5} (26.25 - 23.75) \\&= \frac{2}{5} * 2.5 \\&= 1\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is a valid density function.

(b) Probability that weight is smaller than 24 ounces

Here, we have to calculate  $P(X < 24) = \int_{-\infty}^{24} f(x) dx$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{24} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{23.75} 0 dx + \int_{23.75}^{24} \frac{2}{5} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 0 + \int_{23.75}^{24} \frac{2}{5} dx \\
&= \frac{2}{5} x \Big|_{23.75}^{24} \\
&= \frac{2}{5} (24 - 23.75) \\
&= \frac{2}{5} * 0.25 \\
&= 0.1
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, probability that weight is smaller than 4 ounces is 0.1

(c) Probability that weight exceeds 26 ounces

Here we have to calculate  $P(X > 26) = \int_{26}^{\infty} f(x) dx$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{26}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{26}^{26.25} \frac{2}{5} dx + \int_{26.25}^{\infty} 0 dx \\
&= \int_{26}^{26.25} \frac{2}{5} dx + 0 \\
&= \frac{2}{5} x \Big|_{26}^{26.25} \\
&= \frac{2}{5} (26.25 - 26) \\
&= \frac{2}{5} * 0.25 \\
&= 0.1
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the probability that weight exceeds 26 ounces is 0.1, which is not extremely rare.