

3) Given that a jar contains 20 candies such that 11 are red and 9 are green. John selects a candy notes its colour and returns it to the jar. He then selects another candy from the jar.

(a) Draw a tree diagram showing the respective probabilities for each of his selection(s)

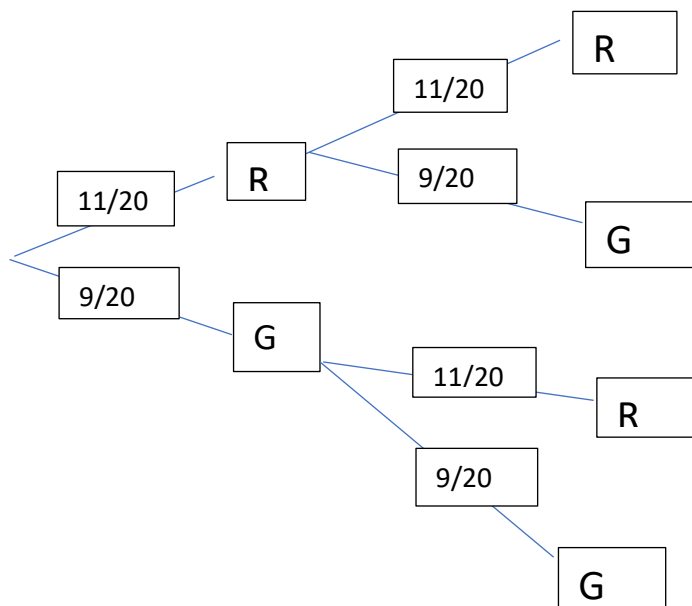
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Solution

With replacement

$$P(R) = 11/20$$

$$P(G) = 9/20$$



(b) Determine the probability that (i) John selected a red candy followed by a green candy

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(ii) John selects 2 green candies

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Solution

(i)

$$\Rightarrow P(RG) = \frac{11}{20} * \frac{9}{20} = \frac{99}{400} = 0.2475$$

(ii)

$$\Rightarrow P(GG) = \frac{9}{20} * \frac{9}{20} = \frac{81}{400} = 0.2025$$

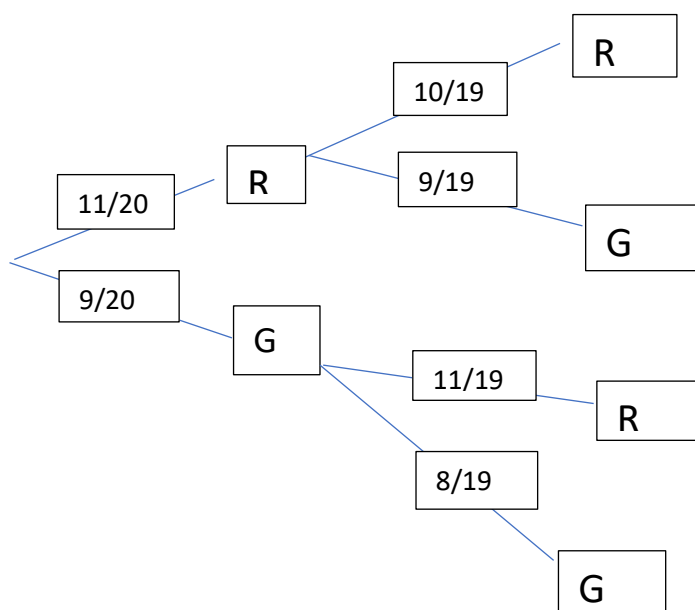
(c) Draw a tree diagram showing all the respective probabilities if John did NOT return the first candy from his selection, and then selected another candy. [6]

Solution

Without replacement

$$P(R) = 11/20$$

$$P(G) = 9/20$$



(d) Using your diagram from part (c), determine the probability that John got at least one (1) red candy. [4]

Solution

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{at least 1 red candy}) = P(RR) + P(RG) + P(GR)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{11}{20} * \frac{10}{19}\right) + \left(\frac{11}{20} * \frac{9}{19}\right) + \left(\frac{9}{20} * \frac{11}{19}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{11}{38} + \frac{99}{380} + \frac{99}{380} = \frac{77}{95}$$

1) The table shows the number of college students who prefer a given core course.

Toppings	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Stat 120	10	13	21
Libs 130	20	19	13
Comm 117	13	10	20

(a) Find the probability that a randomly selected student prefers Stat 120 [3]

Solution

Toppings	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Stat 120	10	13	21	44
Libs 130	20	19	13	52
Comm 117	13	10	20	43
Total	43	42	54	139

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{Stat 120}) = \frac{44}{139}$$

(b) Find the probability that a student prefers Comm 117 given that the student is in year 2 [4]

Solution

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{Comm 117} | \text{Year 2}) = \frac{\frac{10}{139}}{\frac{42}{139}} = \frac{10}{42} = \frac{5}{21}$$

- 2) Suppose that the PDF for the number of years it takes to earn a Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree is given below.

X	P(X = x)
3	0.05
4	0.40
5	X
6	0.15
7	0.10

- (a) Find the value of x , $P(X = 5)$.

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Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 0.05 + 0.40 + x + 0.15 + 0.10 &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x + 0.70 &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 0.30 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) On average, how many years do you expect it to take for an individual to earn a B.Sc.?

[4]

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E(X) &= \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \cdot p_k \\ \Rightarrow E(X) &= (3 * 0.05) + (4 * 0.40) + (5 * 0.30) + (6 * 0.15) + (7 * 0.10) = 4.85 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find the standard deviation of the Random Variable, X.

[4]

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma^2(X) &= \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \cdot p_k \\ \Rightarrow \sigma^2(X) &= (3 - 4.85)^2 * (0.05) + (4 - 4.85)^2 * (0.40) + (5 - 4.85)^2 * (0.30) + \dots \\ \Rightarrow &+ (6 - 4.85)^2 * (0.15) + (7 - 4.85)^2 * (0.10) = 1.1275 \\ \Rightarrow \sigma &= \sqrt{1.1275} = 1.0618 \end{aligned}$$

5. Massy stores recently opened a new branch in Chaguanas. A survey shows that the probability that a shopper chooses the new branch is 0.29

From a sample of 10 shoppers chosen at random, find the probability that:

(a) three shoppers will choose the Chaguanas branch

[4]

Solution

This is a binomial distribution with parameters, $p=0.29$ and $n=10$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P(X = k) &= \binom{n}{k} \cdot p^k \cdot (1 - p)^{n-k}, \text{ for } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ \Rightarrow P(X = 3) &= \binom{10}{3} \cdot (0.29)^3 \cdot (1 - 0.29)^7 = 0.2662 \end{aligned}$$

(b) at least seven will choose the Chaguanas branch

[8]

Solution

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Rightarrow P(X \geq 7) = P(X = 7) + P(X = 8) + P(X = 9) + P(X = 10) \\
&\Rightarrow \binom{10}{7} * (0.29)^7 * (0.71)^3 + \binom{10}{8} * (0.29)^8 * (0.71)^2 + \dots \\
&\Rightarrow + \binom{10}{9} * (0.29)^9 * (0.71)^1 + \binom{10}{10} * (0.29)^{10} * (0.71)^0 = 0.008651
\end{aligned}$$

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