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Lecture 3 Exercise

1) Assume each friend orders a pizza, the total number of pizza to be ordered is 7.

Since there are 4 types of pizza, and the chef only cares about the number of each type (such as 2 pizza #1, 2 pizza #2, 2 pizza #3 and 1 pizza #4), the order here doesn't matter, for example, AABBCCD is the same as ABABCCD (assuming ABCD is pizza type).

Let's denote pizza as an asterisk (*), we can have this diagram to visualize the problem easier: Pizza #1 Pizza #2 Pizza #3 Pizza #4

Using star and bar approach, there are 7 pizza (7 asterisks *) and 3 bars (since there are 4 types), so there are 10 total available spots. The bars can be in anywhere in the 10 spots, therefore, the total number of possible combined orders are:

$$\binom{10}{3} = \frac{10!}{3!(10-3)!} = \frac{10!}{3!7!} = 120$$

2)

- a) (i) The random variable is a
 - (ii) The domain is $dom(a) = \{1, 2, 3\}$
- (iii) Since $\sum_{a \in dom(a)} p(a=a) = 0.6 + 0.04 + 0.34 = 0.98 < 1$, it is not a valid probability distribution
- b) (i) The random variable is x
 - (ii) The domain is $dom(x) = \{a, b, c\}$
- (iii) Since $\sum_{x \in dom(x)} p(x = x) = 0.46 + 0.16 + 0.38 = 1$, it is a valid probability distribution
- c) (i) Random variable is z
 - (ii) $dom(z) = \{aa, bc, de\}$
 - (iii) $\sum_{z \in dom(z)} p(z=z) = 0.4 + 0.1 + 0.5 = 1$, it is a valid probability distribution

3) Given:

A box is chosen randomly p(box 1) = p(box 2) = 0.5

A ball chosen randomly from this box is red

$$p(box 1 | red) = ?$$

$$p(box\ 1\mid red) = \frac{p(red\mid box\ 1)\ p(box\ 1)}{p(red)}\ (1)\ (Bayes'rule)$$

$$p(box 1) = 0.5$$

$$p(red \mid box \ 1) = \frac{3}{8}, \qquad p(red \mid box \ 2) = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$p(red) = \sum_{box} p(red, box)$$
 (Marginalize over box)

$$= p(red \mid box \ 1)p(box \ 1) + p(red \mid box \ 2)p(box \ 2)$$

$$= \frac{3}{8} * 0.5 + \frac{2}{7} * 0.5 = \frac{37}{112}$$

Plug all the above back into (1):

$$p(box \ 1 \mid red) = \frac{\frac{3}{8} * 0.5}{\frac{37}{112}} = \frac{21}{37}$$

4)

(i)
$$p(x|z) = \frac{p(x,z)}{p(z)}$$
 (Bayes' rule)

$$= \frac{\sum_{y} p(x,y,z)}{p(z)}$$
 (Marginalize over y)

$$= \frac{\sum_{y} p(x|y,z) p(y,z)}{p(z)}$$
 (Bayes' rule)

$$= \frac{\sum_{y} p(x|y,z) p(y|z) p(z)}{p(z)} = \frac{p(z) \sum_{y} p(x|y,z) p(y|z)}{p(z)}$$
 (Bayes' rule)

$$= \sum_{y} p(x|y,z) p(y|z)$$
 (1)

Similarly, p(x | y, z) can be expanded using the same rule as in (1):

$$p(x|y,z) = \sum_{w} p(x|w,y,z)p(w|y,z)$$
 (2)

Plug (2) into (1):

$$(1) = \sum_{y} \left(\sum_{w} p(x|w, y, z) p(w|y, z) \right) p(y|z)$$
$$= \sum_{y, w} p(x|w, y, z) p(w|y, z) p(y|z)$$

(ii) Since y is unconditionally independent of z, $p(y \mid z) = p(y)$

Plug it into equation (1) from (i):

$$p(x|z) = \sum_{y} p(x|y,z)p(y|z) = \sum_{y} p(x|y,z)p(y)$$

(iii) Since x is conditionally independent of y, given z, $p(x \mid y, z) = p(x \mid z)$

Plug it into equation (1) from (i):

$$p(x|z) = \sum_{y} p(x|y,z)p(y|z) = \sum_{y} p(x|z)p(y|z)$$

5)

$$p(A) = \sum_{B} p(A, B) = \begin{pmatrix} 0.42 + 0.05 + 0.02 \\ 0.02 + 0.02 + 0.01 \\ 0.02 + 0.02 + 0.42 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.49 \\ 0.05 \\ 0.46 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $0.49 + 0.05 + 0.46 = 1 \Rightarrow Valid probability distribution$

$$p(B) = \sum_{A} p(A, B) = \begin{pmatrix} 0.42 + 0.02 + 0.02 \\ 0.05 + 0.02 + 0.02 \\ 0.02 + 0.01 + 0.42 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.46 \\ 0.09 \\ 0.45 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$0.46 + 0.09 + 0.45 = 1 =$$
 Valid

6)

$$p(A = a1)p(B = b1) = 0.49 * 0.46 = 0.2254$$

 $p(A = a1, B = b1) = 0.42 \neq 0.2254$

Therefore, A and B are not independent

Bonus)

Let x1, x2, x3, x4 be the number of pizza #1, #2, #3, and #4, respectively Also, x1, x2, x3, x4 >= 0 and x1 + x2 + x3 + x4 = 7 (7 people => 7 pizza)

First, since each person has 4 options, the sample space is 4^7

Let $x = \{x1, x2, x3, x4\}$ be the variable storing the correct proportion of each pizza Assume an ordered pizza sequence looks like _____ (7 slots for 7 people choices)

=> If given x1, x2, x3, x3, the number of possible pizza sequences = $\frac{7!}{x_1!x_2!x_3!x_4!}$

=> Probability that the 7 friends choose this exact composition x1, x2, x3, x4:

$$P(X = x) = \frac{7!}{4^7 x 1! x 2! x 3! x 4!}$$

Similarly, the probability that the chef chooses the correct pizza counts:

$$P(Chef = x) = \frac{7!}{4^7 x_1! x_2! x_3! x_4!}$$

The probability that the chef matches the correct order:

$$P = \sum_{x} P(X = x) P(Chef = x) = \sum_{x} \left(\frac{7!}{4^{7} x 1! x 2! x 3! x 4!} \right)^{2}$$
 (1)

From question 1, we know that there are 120 combinations of {x1, x2, x3, x4}

Therefore, to calculate the equation (1) above, we'll loop through all 120 combinations, which will take too long, so I will use Julia to calculate the result as below:

$$P = \sum_{x} \left(\frac{7!}{4^7 x 1! \, x 2! \, x 3! \, x 4!} \right)^2 = \frac{\left(\frac{7!}{x 1! \, x 2! \, x 3! \, x 4!} \right)^2}{4^{14}}$$

Therefore, the probability that the chef delivers the correct order is 0.018