

Problem 1

$$(a) P(\text{Doubles}) = \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{6} * 6 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$(b) P(D) = \text{Doubles} = \frac{1}{6} \quad P(A) = \text{Sum of 4 or less} = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(D|A) = \frac{P(A|D)P(D)}{P(A)}$$

$$P(D|A) = \frac{(1/3) * (1/6)}{(1/6)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$(c) P(\text{at least one 6}) = 1 - P(\text{no 6's}) = 1 - \frac{5}{6} * \frac{5}{6} = 1 - \frac{25}{36} = \frac{11}{36}$$

$$(d) P(B) = \text{Different numbers} = 1 - P(\text{Doubles}) = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$P(A) = \text{At least one six} = \frac{11}{36}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) * P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{(10/11) * (11/36)}{(5/6)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Problem 2

The probability of drawing a white ball from jar 1 is $P(W_1)$. We can use the law of total probability to find the probability of drawing a white ball from the k_{th} jar since we are either adding a black or white ball to every jar after the first 1.

$$P(W_1) = \frac{m}{m+n}$$

$$P(W_k) = P(W_{k-1})P(W_k|W_{k-1}) + P(W_{k-1}^c)P(W_k|W_{k-1}^c)$$

$$= \frac{m}{m+n} \frac{m+1}{m+n+1} + \frac{n}{m+n} \frac{m}{m+n+1}$$

$$= \frac{m(m+1) + nm}{(m+n)(m+n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{m(m+n+1)}{(m+n)(m+n+1)}$$

$$= \frac{m}{m+n}$$

$$\text{Thus } P(W_1) = P(W_k)$$

Problem 3

We want to show:

$$P(A|B) = P(C|B)P(A|B \cap C) + P(C^c|B)P(A|B \cap C^c)$$

Using the definition of conditional probability:

$$P(C|B) = \frac{P(C \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(A|B \cap C) = \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(B \cap C)}$$

$$P(C^c|B) = \frac{P(C^c \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(A|B \cap C^c) = \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C^c)}{P(B \cap C^c)}$$

Putting this together we can write

$P(C|B)P(A|B \cap C) + P(C^c|B)P(A|B \cap C^c)$ as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{P(C \cap B)}{P(B)} \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(B \cap C)} + \frac{P(C^c \cap B)}{P(B)} \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C^c)}{P(B \cap C^c)} \\ &= \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(B)} + \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C^c)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= P(A|B) \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

(a)

We want to prove: $P(A \cap B^c) = P(A)P(B^c)$

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

We can write A as:

$$A = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B^c)$$

Since the union is disjoint we can write:

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c)$$

$$P(A) = P(A)P(B) + P(A \cap B^c)$$

$$P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A)P(B)$$

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

$$P(A \cap B^c) = P(A)P(B^c)$$

Therefore A and B^c are independent

(b)

We want to prove: $P(A^c \cap B^c) = P(A^c)P(B^c)$

We can write B^c as:

$$B^c = (B^c \cap A) \cup (B^c \cap A^c)$$

Since the union is disjoint we can write:

$$P(B^c) = P(B^c \cap A) + P(B^c \cap A^c)$$

Using part a we can write:

$$P(B^c) = P(A)P(B^c) + P(B^c \cap A^c)$$

$$P(B^c \cap A^c) = P(B^c) - P(A)P(B^c)$$

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

$$P(B^c \cap A^c) = P(B^c)P(A^c)$$

Therefore A^c and B^c are independent

Problem 5

Game 1: $P(\text{win}) = P(\text{tie}) = (.4)(.5)$

$P(\text{loss}) = (.6)$

Game 2: $P(\text{win}) = P(\text{tie}) = (.7)(.5)$

$P(\text{loss}) = (.3)$

PMF:

$$P(0) = (.6)(.3) = .18$$

$$P(1) = (.4)(.5)(.3) + (.6)(.7)(.5) = .27$$

$$P(2) = (.4)(.5)(.7)(.5) + (.4)(.5)(.3) + (.6)(.7)(.5) = .34$$

$$P(3) = (.4)(.5)(.7)(.5)(.2) = .14$$

$$P(4) = (.4)(.5)(.7)(.5) = .07$$

Problem 6

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } P(\text{Harry Wins}) &= \sum_1^{10} (.3)^n \\
 &= (.3) + (.3)^2 + (.3)^3 + (.3)^4 + (.3)^5 + (.3)^6 + (.3)^7 + (.3)^8 + (.3)^9 + (.3)^{10} \\
 &\approx 0.4285689
 \end{aligned}$$

There is a .3 probability Harry wins the first game plus the probability the first game is drawn times .3 probability he wins the second and so on all the way to 10 games.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) } P(1) &= .4 + .3 \\
 P(2) &= (.3)(.4) + (.3)(.3) \\
 P(3) &= .3^2(.4 + .3) \\
 P(4) &= .3^3(.4 + .3) \\
 P(5) &= .3^4(.4 + .3) \\
 P(6) &= .3^5(.4 + .3) \\
 P(7) &= .3^6(.4 + .3) \\
 P(8) &= .3^7(.4 + .3) \\
 P(9) &= .3^8(.4 + .3) \\
 P(10) &= .3^9(.4 + .3) + .3^{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 7

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(M) &= P(W) = .5 \\
 P(M \cap C) &= .05 \\
 P(W \cap C) &= .0025 \\
 P(C|M) &= \frac{P(C \cap M)}{P(M)} = .05/.5 = .1 \\
 P(C|W) &= \frac{P(C \cap W)}{P(W)} = .0025/.5 = .005 \\
 P(C) &= P(M)P(C|M) + P(W)P(C|W) = (.5)(.1) + (.5)(.005) = .0525 \\
 P(M|C) &= \frac{P(C|M)P(M)}{P(C)} = (.1)(.5)/(.0525) = .952381
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 8

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a) } P(H) &= 1/5 \\
 P(H \geq 2) &= 1 - [P(H = 0) + P(H = 1)] \\
 P(H = 0) &= (4/5)^{10} \\
 P(H = 1) &= (4/5)^9(1/5)(10) \\
 P(H \geq 2) &= 1 - [(4/5)^{10} + (4/5)^9(1/5)(10)] \approx .6241904 \\
 \text{(b) } P(H \geq 1) &= 1 - P(H = 0) \approx .8926258 \\
 P(H \geq 2|H \geq 1) &= \frac{P(H \geq 2 \cap H \geq 1)}{P(H \geq 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{P(H \geq 2)}{P(H \geq 1)} \approx .6992744$$

Problem 9

- (a) We want to prove $P(B) = 1 \implies P(A|B) = P(A) \forall A$
 Assume $P(B) = 1$
 By definition of conditional probability:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$
 Then $P(A|B) = 1(P(A))/1 = P(A)$
- (b) We want to prove $A \subset B \implies P(B|A) = 1$ and $P(A|B) = P(A)/P(B)$
 Assume $A \subset B$
 Then $A \cap B = A$
 Thus $P(A \cap B) = P(A)$
 Since $P(A|B) = P(A \cap B)/P(B)$
 We have $P(A|B) = P(A)/P(B)$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B)P(B)}{P(A)} = \frac{(P(A)/P(B))P(B)}{P(A)} = P(A)/1/P(A) = 1$$
- (c) We want to prove $A \cap B = \emptyset \implies P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{P(A)}{P(A) + P(B)}$
 Assume $A \cap B = \emptyset$
 This means $P(A \cap B) = 0$ and $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$
 From the definition of conditional probability we can write:

$$P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{P(A \cap (A \cup B))}{P(A \cup B)}$$
 Since $P(A \cap (A \cup B)) = P(A)$ we have:

$$P(A|A \cup B) = \frac{P(A)}{P(A) + P(B)}$$
- (d) We want to prove $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A|B \cap C)P(B|C)P(C)$
 We can write the left side as $P(A \cap (B \cap C))$ since intersections are associative.

$$P(A \cap (B \cap C)) = P(B \cap C)P(A|B \cap C)$$
 By definition of conditional probability
 Using the definition of conditional probability again to rewrite $P(B \cap C)$ we have:

$$P(A|B \cap C)P(B|C)P(C)$$

 Therefore $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A|B \cap C)P(B|C)P(C)$

Problem 10

- (a) We want to prove If $P(A) > 0$ and $P(B) > 0$ then if A and B are mutually exclusive, they cannot be independent, that is $P(A \cap B) \neq P(A) * P(B)$.

Assume $P(A) > 0$, $P(B) > 0$ and $A \cap B = \emptyset$

Since $P(A \cap B) = P(\emptyset) = 0$

Then $P(A \cap B) = 0$

Since $P(A) > 0$ and $P(B) > 0$ $P(A \cap B)$ cannot equal 0.

This creates a contradiction, thus two events with positive probabilities that are mutually exclusive cannot be independent.

- (b) Given two independent events, where $P(A) > 0$ and $P(B) > 0$ we want to show A and B cannot be mutually exclusive, that is $A \cap B$ is nonempty.

Since A and B are independent, and have probabilities greater than 0,

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) > 0$$

Thus the intersection cannot be empty since $P(A \cap B) \neq 0$

Therefore A and B cannot be mutually exclusive.

Problem 11

$$P(\text{Correct} \geq 10 | \text{Guessing}) = \sum_{k=10}^{20} \binom{20}{k} (1/4)^k (3/4)^{20-k} = .01386442$$

Problem 12

Given a sample space $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$

with a probability function P , we define a random variable X with a range of

$$\chi = \{x_1, \dots, x_m\}$$

P_X is defined as an induced probability function on χ such that:

$$P_X(X = x_i) = P(\{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\})$$

We want to prove this a legitimate probability function that satisfies the Kolmogorov Axioms.

Proof:

Since X has a finite range, X is finite.

Therefore \mathcal{B} is the set of all subsets of χ .

If $A \in \mathcal{B}$ then $P_X(A) = P(\cup_{x_i \in A} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) \geq 0$ since we know P is a probability function.

Thus Axiom 1 holds.

$$P_X(\chi) = P(\cup_{i=1}^m \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) = P(S) = 1$$

Therefore Axiom 2 holds.

If $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}$ and pairwise disjoint then:

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(\cup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k) &= P(\cup_{k=1}^{\infty} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P(\cup_{x_i \in A_k} \{s_j \in S : X(s_j) = x_i\}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_X(A_k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus the third Axioms holds.

Therefore we have satisfied all three axioms and have defined a legitimate probability function.

Problem 13

Functions a-d are continuous, so they are all right-continuous.

$$(a) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{-\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Therefore } \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1/2 + (1/\pi) \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{\pi} + 1/2 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} 1/2 + (1/\pi) \tan^{-1}(x) = \frac{-\pi}{2} \frac{1}{\pi} + 1/2 = 0$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(1/2 + 1/\pi \tan^{-1}(x)) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

$$(b) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} (1 + e^{-x})^{-1} = (1 + 0)^{-1} = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} (1 + e^{-x})^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 + \infty} = 0$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}((1 + e^{-x})^{-1}) = e^{-x}(1 + e^{-x})^{-2} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

$$(c) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} e^{-e^{-x}} = e^0 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-e^{-x}} = e^{-\infty} = 0$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{-e^{-x}}) = e^{-x}e^{-e^{-x}} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

$$(d) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} 1 - e^{-x} = 1 - 0 = 1$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} 1 - e^{-x} = 1 - 1 = 0$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(1 - e^{-x}) = e^{-x} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

(e)

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}} & \text{if } y < 0 \\ \epsilon + \frac{(1-\epsilon)}{1+e^{-y}} & \text{if } y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Where $0 < \epsilon < 1$

$F_Y(y)$ is continuous except at $y = 0$, where the limit $= F(0)$, thus right continuous.

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_Y(y) = \epsilon + \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+0} = 1$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F_Y(y) = \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+\infty} = 0$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}}\right) = (1-\epsilon)(1+e^{-y})^{-2}e^{-y} > 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\epsilon + \frac{1-\epsilon}{1+e^{-y}}\right) = \epsilon + (1-\epsilon)(1+e^{-y})^{-2}e^{-y} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

Problem 14

(a) F_Y is continuous over $[1, \infty)$ so it is right continuous.

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 1} F_Y = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_Y = 1 - 1/\infty = 1$$

Nondecreasing:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(F_Y) = \frac{2}{y^3} > 0$$

Therefore the function satisfies all three properties and is a cdf.

$$(b) \text{ PDF} = f_y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{y^3} & \text{if } y > 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } y \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$(c) \begin{aligned} z &= 10(y-1) & z/10 + 1 &= y \\ F_Z(z) &= P(Z \leq z) = P(Y \leq z/10 + 1) = F_Y((z/10) + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$F_Z(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z \leq 0 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{(z/10 + 1)^2} & \text{if } z > 0 \end{cases}$$

Problem 15

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad F(x) &= c \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin(x) dx = 1 \\ &= c \Big|_0^{\pi/2} - \cos(x) = c(0 + 1) = c \\ c &= 1 \\ f(x) &= \sin(x), 0 < x < \pi/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad F(x) &= c \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-|x|} = 1 \\ \text{Since the integral is symmetric we can write:} \\ 2c \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} &= 1 \\ 2c \Big|_0^{\infty} - e^{-x} &= 2c(0 + 1) = 2c \\ 2c &= 1 \quad c = 1/2 \\ f(x) &= (1/2)e^{-|x|}, -\infty < x < \infty \end{aligned}$$

Problem 16

$$\begin{aligned} P(V \leq 5) &= P(T \leq 3) = \int_0^3 \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-t/1.5} dt = \Big|_0^3 - e^{-t/1.5} = -e^{-2} + 1 \\ v &\geq 6 \\ P(V \leq v) &= P(2T \leq V) = P(T \leq v/2) \\ &= \int_0^{v/2} \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-t/1.5} dt = \Big|_0^{v/2} - e^{-t/1.5} = -e^{-v/3} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$F_V(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\infty < v < 0 \\ -e^{-2} + 1 & 0 \leq v < 6 \\ -e^{-v/3} + 1 & v \geq 6 \end{cases}$$