

Final Term Assignment
Probability Methods in Engineering

Time Allowed: 6 hours

Marks: 50

Note: Attempt all questions. Copying from Internet and one another is strictly prohibited. Such answers will be marked zero.

Q1. A man throws two fair dice, what is the conditional probability that the sum of the two dice will be 7, given that

1. The sum is even
2. The sum is greater than 8
3. The two dice had the same outcome

Q2. Show that in a single throw of two dice, the probability of throwing more than 7 is equal to that of throwing less than 7, and hence find the probability of throwing exactly 7. State clearly what assumptions you are making.

Q3. : **A** and **B** play a game in which **A**'s probability of winning is $2/3$. In a series of 8 games, what is the probability that **A** will win

1. Exactly 4 games
2. At least 4 games
3. From 3 to 6 games

Q4. Let C_1, C_2, \dots, C_M be a partition of the sample space SS , and A and B be two events. Suppose we know that

- A and B are conditionally independent given C_i , for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$
- B is independent of all C_i 's.

Prove that A and B are independent.

Q5. Derive the binomial distribution and find its mean and variance.

Q6. Differentiate between Bi-nominal frequency distribution and Bi-nominal distribution with the help of formulas?

Q7. Below, you will find the mean and standard deviation of several data sets. You're interested in comparing each data set – however, each data set has a different mean, standard deviation and sample size. Find the coefficient of variation for each data set in the table below. Round to the nearest tenth.

Measure	Data Set A	B	C	D
Mean	45	60	50	25
SD	3	11	5	15
Sample Size	1 500	3 200	500	2 700



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QUESTION NO 1Answer

- Q1 A man throws two fair dice what is the conditional probability that the sum of the two dice will be 7, given that
- 1) The sum is even
 - 2) The sum is greater than 8
 - 3) The two dice had the same outcome.

Solution:-

$$\text{let } A = \{ \text{sum is seven} \}$$

$$B = \{ \text{sum is even} \}$$

$$C = \{ \text{sum is greater than 8} \}$$

$$D = \{ \text{2 dice same outcome} \}$$

$$A = \{ (1,6), (2,5), (3,4), (4,3), (5,2), (6,1) \}$$

$$B = \{ (2,2), (2,6), (4,2), (6,2) \}$$

$$C = \{(6,6), (6,4)\}$$

$$D = \{(1,1), (2,2), (4,4), (6,6)\}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P(C) = \frac{2}{36}$$

$$P(D) = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{0}{36} = 0$$

$$P(A \cap C) = \frac{0}{36} = 0$$

$$P(A \cap D) = \frac{0}{36} = 0$$

$$\text{Hence } P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0}{4/36} = 0$$

$$P(A|C) = \frac{P(A \cap C)}{P(C)} = \frac{0}{2/36} = 0$$

$$P(A|D) = \frac{P(A \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{0}{4/36} = 0$$

The result shows that probability is zero in case given.

QUESTION NO 2Answer

Q2 Show that in a single throw of two dice, the probability of throwing more than 7 is equal to that of throwing less than 7, and hence find the probability of throwing exactly 7. state clearly what assumptions you are making.

Ans// When we are rolling two dice, there are 36 different combinations counting these up. There are 15 possibilities less than 7:

(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (2,1)
 (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (3,1), (3,2), (3,3)
 (4,1), (4,2), (5,1). The probability of getting less than 7 is

$$\frac{15}{36} = \frac{5}{12}$$

There are 6 possible combinations

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of getting a 7 : (1, 6), (2, 5), (3, 4),
(4, 3), (5, 2), (6, 1) which gives
a probability of

$$\frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

This means that 21 possibilities account for getting less than or equal to 7, so there are 15 remaining possibilities of getting more than 7. This is the same as the probability of getting less than 7.

So the probability must be $\frac{5}{12}$ as well. In calculating this we must assume that each combination is equally likely to roll as any other and therefore the dice are fair, or else the calculations don't work.

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QUESTION NO 3

Answer

Q 3 A and B play a game which A's probability of winning is $\frac{2}{3}$. In a series of 8 games what is the probability that A will win.

- 1) Exactly 4 Games
- 2) At least 4 Games
- 3) From 3 to 6 Games

Solution:-

Given that $P = \frac{2}{3}$ $n = 8$

$$Q = 1 - P$$
$$= 1 - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{3}$$

Let "x" denotes the number of games won by A, then

$$i) P(x=4) = \binom{8}{4} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4$$

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$$= \frac{1120}{6561}$$

$$= 0.1707$$

ii) $P(X \geq 4)$

$$= 1 - P(X < 4)$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{x=0}^3 \binom{8}{x} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{8-x}$$

$$= 1 - \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^8 + 8 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^7 + 28 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^6 + \right.$$

$$\left. = 56 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \right]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{6561} [1 + 26 + 112 + 448]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{577}{6561}$$

$$= \frac{6561 - 577}{6561}$$

$$= \frac{5984}{6561}$$

$$= 0.9121$$

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iii) $P(3 \leq x \leq 6)$

$$= \sum_{x=3}^6 \binom{8}{x} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{8-x}$$

$$= \binom{8}{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \binom{8}{4} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 + \binom{8}{5} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^5$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \binom{8}{6} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^6 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{8}{(3)^8} [56 + 140 + 224 + 224]$$

$$= \frac{8 \times 644}{6561} = \frac{5152}{6561} = \boxed{0.7852}$$

Ans

QUESTION NO 4Answer

- Q4 Let C_1, C_2, \dots, C_M be a partition of the sample space SS , and A and B be two events, Suppose we know that
- 1) A and B are conditionally independent given C_i for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$
 - 2) B is independent of all C_i 's
- Prove that A and B are independent.

Ans// Proof:-

Since the C_i 's form a partition of the sample space, we can apply the law of total probability for $A \cap B$.

$$P(A \cap B) = \sum_{i=1}^M P(A \cap B / C_i) P(C_i)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \sum_{i=1}^M P(A / C_i) P(B / C_i) P(C_i)$$

\therefore (A and B are conditionally independent)

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$$P(A \cap B) = \sum_{i=1}^M P(A/c_i) P(B) P(c_i)$$

\therefore (B is independent of all c_i 's)

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B) \sum_{i=1}^M P(A/c_i) P(c_i)$$

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

\therefore (Law of total probability)

Hence, A and B are Independent.

Ans

QUESTION NO 5Answer

Q5 Derive the binomial distribution and find its mean and variance.

Solution:-

Mean & variance of binomial random variable

The probability function for binomial random variable is

$$b(x; n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

This is the probability of having x successes in a series of independent trials when the probability of success is any one of the trial is p . If x is a random variable with the probability distribution.

$$E(x) = \sum_{x=0}^n x \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Since $x=0$ term vanishes let
 $y=x-1$ $\sum_{n=m+1}$ $m=n-1$ subbing $n=y+1$
 into the last sum

$$E(x(x-1)) = \sum_{x=0}^n x(x-1) \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$= \sum_{x=2}^n \frac{n!}{(n-2)!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$= n(n-1)p^2 \sum_{x=2}^n \frac{(n-2)!}{(n-2)!(n-x)!} p^{x-2} (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$= n(n-1)p^2 (p + (1-p))^m$$

$$= n(n-1)p^2$$

So the variance of x axis
 $E(x^2) - E(x)^2 = E(x(x-1)) + E(x)$
 $E(x^2) = n(n-1)p^2 + np - (np)^2$

$$E(x) = \sum_{y=0}^n \frac{(m+1)!}{y!(m-y)!} p^{y+1} (1-p)^{m-y}$$

$$= (m+1)p \sum_{y=0}^m \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y}$$

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$$np \sum_{y=0}^m \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y}$$

By binomial theorem

$$(a+b)^m = \sum_{y=0}^m \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} a^y b^{m-y}$$

Set $a=p$ & $b=1-p$

$$\sum_{y=0}^m \frac{m!}{y!(m-y)!} p^y (1-p)^{m-y}$$

$$= (a+b)^m$$

$$= (p+1-p)^m$$

$$= 1$$

So that

$$E(x) = np$$

QUESTION NO 6

Answers

Q6 Differentiate between Bi-nominal frequency distribution and Bi-nominal distribution with the help of formulas?

Ans/a) Bi-nominal Distribution:-

A bi-nominal distribution can be thought of as simply the probability of a success or failure outcome in an experiment or survey that is repeated multiple times.

$$P(X=x) = {}^n C_x p^x q^{n-x}$$

b) Bi-nominal Frequency Distribution:-

If the bi-nominal probability distribution is multiplied by N , the number of experiments or sets, the resulting distribution is known as the bi-nominal frequency distribution.

$$N \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$$

Ans/iii

QUESTION NO 7Answer

Q7

Ans Solution:-

- Coefficient of Variation:-

⇒ For Data Set A:-

$$CV = \frac{6}{11} \times 100$$

$$CV = \frac{3}{45} \times 100$$

$$CV = 6.7$$

⇒ For Data Set B:-

$$CV = \frac{11}{60} \times 100$$

$$CV = 18.3$$

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⇒ For Dataset C :-

$$CV = \frac{5}{50} \times 100$$

$$CV = 10$$

⇒ For Dat set D :-

$$CV = \frac{15}{25} \times 100$$

$$CV = 60$$

Ans

* The END *

