

HW 3 — Due: Sep 9, 9:19 AM (in tutorial session)

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Instructions

- (a) ONE part of a question will be graded (5 pt). Of course, you do not know which part will be selected; so you should work on all of them.
- (b) It is important that you try to solve all problems. (5 pt)
The extra questions at the end are optional.
- (c) Late submission will not be accepted.
- (d) Write down all the steps that you have done to obtain your answers. You may not get full credit even when your answer is correct without showing how you get your answer.

Problem 1. (Classical Probability and Combinatorics) A Web ad can be designed from four different colors, three font types, five font sizes, three images, and five text phrases.

- (a) How many different designs are possible? [Montgomery and Runger, 2010, Q2-51]
- (b) A specific design is randomly generated by the Web server when you visit the site. If you visit the site five times, what is the probability that you will not see the same design? [Montgomery and Runger, 2010, Q2-71]

Problem 2. (Classical Probability and Combinatorics) A bin of 50 parts contains five that are defective. A sample of two parts is selected at random, without replacement. Determine the probability that both parts in the sample are defective. [Montgomery and Runger, 2010, Q2-49]

Problem 3. (Classical Probability and Combinatorics) We all know that the chance of a head (H) or tail (T) coming down after a fair coin is tossed are fifty-fifty. If a fair coin is tossed ten times, then intuition says that five heads are likely to turn up.

Calculate the probability of getting exactly five heads (and hence exactly five tails).

Problem 4. Let A and B be events for which $P(A)$, $P(B)$, and $P(A \cup B)$ are known. Express the following probabilities in terms of the three known probabilities above.

- (a) $P(A \cap B)$
- (b) $P(A \cap B^c)$
- (c) $P(B \cup (A \cap B^c))$
- (d) $P(A^c \cap B^c)$

Problem 5.

- (a) Suppose that $P(A|B) = 0.4$ and $P(B) = 0.5$. Determine the following:
 - (i) $P(A \cap B)$
 - (ii) $P(A^c \cap B)$

[Montgomery and Runger, 2010, Q2-105]

- (b) Suppose that $P(A|B) = 0.2$, $P(A|B^c) = 0.3$ and $P(B) = 0.8$. What is $P(A)$? [Montgomery and Runger, 2010, Q2-106]

Problem 6. Continue from Problem 5 in HW2.

Recall that, there, we consider a random experiment whose sample space is $\{a, b, c, d, e\}$ with probabilities 0.1, 0.1, 0.2, 0.4, and 0.2, respectively. Let A denote the event $\{a, b, c\}$, and let B denote the event $\{c, d, e\}$. Find the following probabilities.

- (a) $P(A|B)$
- (b) $P(B|A)$
- (c) $P(B|A^c)$

Extra Questions

Here are some optional questions for those who want more practice.

Problem 7.

- (a) Suppose that $P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $P(B) = \frac{2}{3}$. Find the range of possible values for $P(A \cap B)$. Hint: Smaller than the interval $[0, 1]$. [Capinski and Zastawniak, 2003, Q4.21]

- (b) Suppose that $P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $P(B) = \frac{1}{3}$. Find the range of possible values for $P(A \cup B)$.
Hint: Smaller than the interval $[0, 1]$. [Capinski and Zastawniak, 2003, Q4.22]

Problem 8. Someone has rolled a fair dice twice. Suppose he tells you that “one of the rolls turned up a face value of six”. What is the probability that the other roll turned up a six as well? [Tijms, 2007, Example 8.1, p. 244]

Hint: Note the followings:

- (a) The answer is ^{not} $\frac{1}{6}$.
- (b) Although there is no use of the word “give” or “conditioned on” in this question, the probability we seek is a conditional one. We have an extra piece of information because we know that the event “one of the rolls turned up a face value of six” has occurred.
- (c) The question says “one of the rolls” without telling us which roll (the first or the second) it is referring to.