

HW5 Solutions Chapter 3 #78, 81, 83, 84

① #78 a) Let A be the event that A wins and B be the event that B wins.

$$\text{Then } P(\text{exactly 4 games are played}) = P(ABAA) + P(ABBB) \\ + P(BAAA) + P(BABB)$$

Note that if A wins the first game then B has to win the second for the game to continue up to the fourth game. Thus

$$P(ABAA) = P(A)^3 P(B) = p^3(1-p) \quad P(ABBB) = p(1-p)^3$$

$$P(BAAA) = p^3(1-p), \quad P(BABB) = p(1-p)^3 \quad \text{and thus}$$

$$P = 2p^3(1-p) + 2p(1-p)^3 = 2p(1-p)[p^2 + (1-p)^2] = 2p(1-p)(1-2p+2p^2)$$

b) We condition on the first two games. Let E be the event that A wins the series.

$$\text{Then } P(E) = P(E|AA)P(AA) + P(E|AB)P(AB) + P(E|BA)P(BA) + P(E|BB)P(BB) \\ = P(E|AA)p^2 + P(E|AB)p(1-p) + P(E|BA)p(1-p) + P(E|BB)(1-p)^2$$

But $P(E|AA) = 1$ since if A wins the first 2, the winner of the series is A .

It is now clear that $P(E|BB) = 0$.

Now assume that the first game is won by A and the second by B . The probability that A will win is again $P(E)$ since the probability is independent on the event AB .

The $P(E|AB) = P(E|BA) = P(E)$ and

$$P(E) = p^2 + 2p(1-p)P(E) \Rightarrow P(E) = \frac{p^2}{1-2p(1-p)}$$

#81) The investor starts with \$25. If the stock goes down to \$10 she sells and loses \$15. If the stock goes up to \$40 she sells and wins \$15.

$$p = 0.55, q = 0.45$$

This is the same as the gambler's ruin problem where she starts with 15 units and the probability that she wins the other 15 is

$$P = \frac{1 - (q/p)^{15}}{1 - (q/p)^{30}} = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{9}{11}\right)^{15}}{1 - \left(\frac{9}{11}\right)^{30}}$$

#83) a) Conditioning on the coin flip (Heads or Tails)

$$P(A) = P(A|H)P(H) + P(A|T)P(T) = \frac{4}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b) P(R_3 | R_1, R_2) = \frac{P(R_1, R_2, R_3)}{P(R_1, R_2)}$$

Conditioning on the coin

$$P(R_1, R_2) = P(R_1, R_2 | H)P(H) + P(R_1, R_2 | T)P(T) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(R_1, R_2, R_3) = P(R_1, R_2, R_3 | H)P(H) + P(R_1, R_2, R_3 | T)P(T) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Thus } P(R_3 | R_1, R_2) = \frac{3}{5}$$

Let A be event that die A was used

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$$c) P(A|R_1, R_2) = \frac{P(A, R_1, R_2)}{P(R_1, R_2)} = \frac{P(R_1, R_2|A)P(A)}{P(R_1, R_2)}$$

$$\text{But } P(R_1, R_2|A) = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \quad P(A) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and } P(R_1, R_2) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{The } P(A|R_1, R_2) = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\text{\#84 a) } P(A \text{ win}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} P(\text{the first white appears on draw number } 3i+1)$$

We replace the ball after each draw.

But $P(\text{First white ball appears at } 3i+1) = P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{3i}, B)$ where A_i is event that a non-white ball is drawn at the first draw, ..., and B is event that a white ball is drawn.

$$\text{Since } P(A_i) = \frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{and } P(B) = \frac{4}{12} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{we have}$$

$$P(A|\text{win}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3i} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^i = \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{8}{27}}$$

$$P(B|\text{win}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} P(\text{first white appears on draw number } 3i+2) \\ = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3i+1} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{9} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^i = \frac{2}{9} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{8}{27}}$$

$$P(C|\text{win}) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3i+2} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{27} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{8}{27}}$$

b) The balls are not replaced. Notice that at most 9 balls will be drawn.

The $P(A \text{ win}) = P(\text{A draws the white ball on the first draw}) + P(\text{on the fourth draw})$

$$+ P(\text{on the seventh draw}) = \frac{4}{12} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{4}{9} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{5}{9} \frac{4}{8} \frac{3}{7} \frac{4}{6}$$

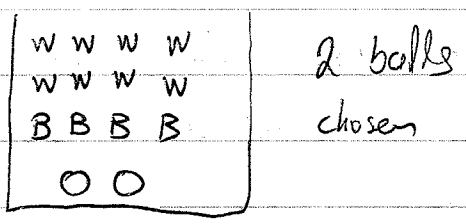
Similarly

$$P(B \text{ win}) = \frac{8}{12} \frac{4}{11} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{5}{9} \frac{4}{8} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{5}{9} \frac{4}{8} \frac{3}{7} \frac{2}{6} \frac{4}{5}$$

$$P(C \text{ win}) = \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{4}{10} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{5}{9} \frac{4}{8} \frac{4}{7} + \frac{8}{12} \frac{7}{11} \frac{6}{10} \frac{5}{9} \frac{4}{8} \frac{3}{7} \frac{2}{6} \frac{1}{5} \frac{4}{4}$$

4.1

If X denote our winnings then X is a random variable with values $-2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 4$



$$P(X=0) = P(\text{2 orange selected}) = \frac{\binom{2}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{1}{91}$$

$$P(X=2) = P(\text{black and orange}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{2}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{8}{91}$$

$$P(X=4) = P(\text{2 black}) = \frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{6}{91}$$

$$P(X=-1) = P(\text{white and orange}) = \frac{\binom{8}{1} \binom{2}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{16}{91}$$

$$P(X=-2) = P(\text{2 white}) = \frac{\binom{8}{2}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{28}{91}$$

$$P(X=1) = P(\text{black and white}) = \frac{\binom{8}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{14}{2}} = \frac{32}{91}$$

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(4.5) The possible values are $n, n-2, n-4, \dots, -n+4, -n+2, -n$

(4.6) The possible values are $3, 1, -1, -3$

$$P(1) = P(X=1) = P(\# \text{heads} - \# \text{tails} = 1) = P(\text{HHT}) + P(\text{THH}) + P(\text{HTH}) = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(X=-1) = P(\text{HTT}) + P(\text{THT}) + P(\text{TTH}) = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(X=3) = P(\text{HHH}) = \frac{1}{8} \quad P(X=-3) = P(\text{TTT}) = \frac{1}{8}$$

(4.8) a) The maximum value to appear in the two rolls.

X can take the values $1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$

$$P(X=1) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36} \quad P(X=2) = P((1,2), (2,1), (2,2)) = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$P(X=3) = P((1,3), (3,1), (2,3), (3,2), (3,3)) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P(X=4) = \frac{7}{36}, \quad P(X=5) = \frac{9}{36}, \quad P(X=6) = \frac{11}{36}$$

b) The minimum value to appear in the two rolls

X can take the values $1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$

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$$P(X=1) = P((1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6), (1,1), (2,1), (3,1), (4,1), (5,1), (6,1))$$

$$= \frac{11}{36}$$

$$P(X=2) = \frac{9}{36} \quad P(X=3) = \frac{7}{36} \quad P(X=4) = \frac{5}{36} \quad P(X=5) = \frac{3}{36}$$

$$P(X=6) = P((6,6)) = \frac{1}{36}$$

c) The sum of the two rolls. Then X can take the values $2, 3, 4, \dots, 12$

For example $P(X=5) = P((2,3), (3,2), (1,4), (4,1)) = \frac{4}{36}$ and similarly for the other probabilities.

d) The value of the first roll minus the value of the second. The random variable can take the values $-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$

For example $P(X=-3) = P((1,4), (2,5), (3,6)) = \frac{3}{36}$

$$(4.14) \quad P(X=1) = P(X \leq 1) - P(X < 1) = F(1) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(1 - \frac{1}{n})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1-1}{4} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1-\frac{1}{n}}{4} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(X=2) = P(X \leq 2) - P(X < 2) = F(2) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(2 - \frac{1}{n})$$

$$= \frac{11}{12} - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1-\frac{1}{n}}{4} \right) = \frac{11}{12} - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(X=3) = F(3) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(3 - \frac{1}{n}) = 1 - \frac{11}{12} = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$b) P(\frac{1}{2} < X < \frac{3}{2}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{n}) - F(\frac{1}{2}) =$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n}}{4} \right) - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(4.21) a) $E(X)$ is larger than $E(Y)$ because the random selection of students favors larger busloads.

$$b) E(Y) = 40 P(Y=40) + 33 P(Y=33) + 25 P(Y=25) + 50 P(Y=50)$$

$$= \frac{40}{4} + \frac{33}{4} + \frac{25}{4} + \frac{50}{4} = \frac{148}{4} = 37$$

$$E(X) = 40 \frac{40}{148} + 33 \frac{33}{148} + 25 \frac{25}{148} + 50 \frac{50}{148} = 39.3$$

(4.30) Let X denote the player's winnings.

$$E(X) = \sum i P(X=i) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^j P(X=2^j) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^j \frac{1}{2^j} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 1 = \infty$$

a) No

b) Yes

In the long run we expect to earn, on average, more than 1 million, per game played. When the average does go over \$1 million we can stop and we will have won money.

4.32 Let X be the number of tests needed for a group of ten people.

Then $X=1$ or $X=11$ with $P(X=1) = 0.9 \times 0.9 \times \dots \times 0.9 = (0.9)^{10}$

$$P(X=11) = 1 - P(X=1) = 1 - (0.9)^{10}$$

$$\text{The } E(X) = 1 \cdot P(X=1) + 11 \cdot P(X=11) = 7.51$$

4.35 X takes the values -1 and 1.1

$P(X=-1)$ = Probability of drawing marbles of different colors

$P(X=1.1)$ = $-11-$ of the same color.

$$\text{But } P(X=1.1) = \frac{\binom{5}{2} + \binom{5}{2}}{\binom{10}{2}} = \frac{4}{9} \quad \text{and} \quad P(X=-1) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\text{The } E(X) = -\frac{1}{15}$$

$$\text{Since } E(X^2) = \frac{4}{9}(1.1)^2 + \frac{5}{9}(-1)^2 \quad \left| \quad \text{Var}(X) = 1.0889 \right.$$

$$[E(X)]^2 = \frac{1}{225}$$

4.40 Recall that a probability function for i successes in n trials

$$P(i) = \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i}$$

We want $P(X \geq 4) = P(X=4) + P(X=5)$ with $n=5$ and $p = \frac{1}{3}$

$$P(X \geq 4) = \binom{5}{4} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \frac{2}{3} + \binom{5}{5} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 = \frac{11}{243}$$

This the number of correct answers is a binomial random variable with parameters $(5, \frac{1}{3})$.