

Solution to Homework 1 (ECE3075 Summer 2004)

1. (10%) Work out Problem 1-1.2 in Cooper and McGillem.

- a) A: 20, B: 13, C: 13, D: 6, E: 46, F: 0, G: 2, H: 16, I: 22, J: 0, K: 0, L: 17, M: 8, N: 18, O: 23, P: 11, Q: 0, R: 21, S: 22, T: 41, U: 9, V: 0, W: 3, X: 1, Y: 2, Z: 0, Space: 68 (depending on what's counted as a space)
- b) Most probable: Space; Next probable: E; Least probable six: F, J, K, Q, V, Z.

2. (10%) Work out Problem 1-4.2 in Cooper and McGillem.

A pair of unbiased and fair dices are rolled, what is the probability of:

- a) Sum of the two is 11: $P([5,6]) + P([6,5]) = 1/36 + 1/36 = 1/18$;
- b) Sum less than 5: $P([1,1]) + P([1,2]) + P([2,1]) + P([2,2]) + P([1,3]) + P([3,1]) = 1/6$;
- c) Sum is even: $P(S=2) + P(S=4) + P(S=6) + P(S=8) + P(S=10) + P(S=12) = 1/36 + 3/36 + 5/36 + 5/36 + 3/36 + 1/36 = 1/2$.

3. (10%) Work out Problem 1-4.6 in Cooper and McGillem.

Horsepower	120V ac	240V ac	240V 3-p
0.1	900	400	0
0.5	200	500	100
1.0	100	200	600

Assume that 10% of the 120V and 5% of the 240 V ac motors from the above Table are mismarked and evenly distributed over all 3 power levels, what is:

- a) Probability of randomly selecting a mismarked one:
 $P(\text{"mismarked"}) = ([10\% \text{ of } 1200] + [5\% \text{ of } 1100]) / 3000 = 7/120$;
- b) Probability of selecting a mismarked one from those marked 240V ac :
 $P(\text{"mismarked"} | \text{"240V ac"}) = P(\text{"mismarked"} \text{ and } \text{"240V ac"}) / P(\text{"240V ac"}) = (55/3000) / (1100/3000) = 0.05$;
- c) Probability of selecting one that is 0.5hp and is mismarked:
 $P(\text{"mismarked"} \text{ and } \text{"0.5 hp"}) = (0.1 * 200 + 0.05 * 500) / 3000 = 0.015$.

4. (10%) Work out Problem 1-6.3 in Cooper and McGillem.

Assume that three cards are picked randomly in succession from a standard, unbiased, and fair deck of 52 playing cards. Define the following three events:
 $A = \{\text{first card is a king}\}$, $B = \{\text{second card is a king}\}$, $C = \{\text{third card is a king}\}$.

$$a) P(A \cap \bar{B}) = P(A) * P(\bar{B} | A) = \frac{1}{13} * \frac{48}{51} = 0.0724$$

$$b) P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{13} - \frac{1}{13} * \frac{3}{51} = 0.14932$$

$$c) P(\bar{A} \cup \bar{B}) = P(\bar{A}) + P(\bar{B}) - P(\bar{A})P(\bar{B} | \bar{A}) = \frac{12}{13} + \frac{12}{13} - \frac{12}{13} * \frac{47}{51} = 0.99548$$

$$d) P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) = \frac{12}{13} * \frac{47}{51} * \frac{46}{50} = 0.7826$$

$$P((A \cap B) \cup (\bar{B} \cap C)) = P(A \cap B) + P(\bar{B} \cap C) - P(A \cap B \cap \bar{B} \cap C)$$

$$e) = P(A \cap B) + [P(\bar{B} \cap C | A)P(A) + P(\bar{B} \cap C | \bar{A})P(\bar{A})] - P(\phi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{13} * \frac{3}{51} + [\frac{1}{13} * \frac{48}{51} * \frac{3}{50} + \frac{12}{13} * \frac{47}{51} * \frac{4}{50}] + 0 = 0.07692$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cup B \cup C) = P(\bar{A}) + P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap C) - P(A \cap B \cap C) \text{ (using Venn Diagram)}$$

$$f) = 1 - P(A) + P(A \cap B) + [P(A \cap C | B)P(B) + P(A \cap C | \bar{B})P(\bar{B})] - P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{13} * \frac{3}{51} + [\frac{1}{13} * \frac{3}{51} * \frac{2}{50} + \frac{12}{13} * \frac{48}{51} * \frac{3}{50}] - \frac{1}{13} * \frac{3}{51} * \frac{2}{50} = 0.93195$$

5. (10%) Work out Problem 1-7.1 in Cooper and Mcgille.

Define the following events: T0=transmitted 0, T1=transmitted 1, R0=received 0, and R1=received 1; P(T0)=0.4, P(T1)=0.6, P(R1|T0)=0.08, P(R0|T1)=0.05.

$$a) P(T0 | R0) = \frac{P(R0 | T0) * P(T0)}{P(R0 | T0) * P(T0) + P(R0 | T1) * P(T1)} = \frac{(1 - 0.08) * 0.4}{(1 - 0.08) * 0.4 + 0.05 * 0.6} = 0.9246$$

$$b) P(T1 | R1) = \frac{P(R1 | T1) * P(T1)}{P(R1 | T0) * P(T0) + P(R1 | T1) * P(T1)} = \frac{(1 - 0.05) * 0.6}{0.08 * 0.4 + (1 - 0.05) * 0.6} = 0.9468$$

$$c) P(\text{"Error"}) = P(R0 | T1) * P(T1) + P(R1 | T0) * P(T0) = 0.05 * 0.6 + 0.08 * 0.4 = 0.062$$

6. (10%) Work out Problem 1-8.2 in Cooper and Mcgille.

Three events A, B and C are independent, i.e. $P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B)$, $P(B \cap C) = P(B) * P(C)$, $P(A \cap C) = P(A) * P(C)$, $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) * P(B) * P(C)$:

$$P(A \cap (B \cup C)) = P((A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap C) - P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

$$= P(A) * P(B) + P(A) * P(C) - P(A) * P(B) * P(C)$$

$$a) = P(A) * [P(B) + P(C) - P(B) * P(C)] = P(A) * P(B \cup C)$$

$$\Rightarrow A \text{ and } B \cup C \text{ are independent}$$

$$b) P(A \cap (B \cap C)) = P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) * P(B) * P(C)$$

$$= P(A) * [P(B) * P(C)] = P(A) * P(B \cap C) \Rightarrow A \text{ and } B \cap C \text{ are independent}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(A \cap (B - C)) &= P(A \cap (B \cap \bar{C})) = P(A \cap B \cap (S - C)) \\
c) \quad &= P(A \cap B \cap S - A \cap B \cap C) = P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap B \cap C) [\because A \cap B \cap C \subset A \cap B] \\
&= P(A) * P(B) - P(A) * P(B) * P(C) = P(A) * P(B) * [1 - P(C)] \\
&= P(A) * [P(B) * P(\bar{C})] = P(A) * [P(B - C)] \Rightarrow A \text{ and } B - C \text{ are independent}
\end{aligned}$$

7. (10%) Work out Problem 1-9.2 in Cooper and Mcgillum.

- a) They are independent with $2^4=16$ possible outcomes: $GFCS, GFCS\bar{S}, GF\bar{C}S, GF\bar{C}\bar{S},$
 $G\bar{F}CS, G\bar{F}C\bar{S}, G\bar{F}\bar{C}S, G\bar{F}\bar{C}\bar{S}, \bar{G}FCS, \bar{G}FCS\bar{S}, \bar{G}F\bar{C}S, \bar{G}F\bar{C}\bar{S}, \bar{G}\bar{F}CS, \bar{G}\bar{F}C\bar{S}, \bar{G}\bar{F}\bar{C}S, \bar{G}\bar{F}\bar{C}\bar{S}.$
- b) $P(GFCS) = [1 - P(\bar{G})] * [1 - P(\bar{F})] * [1 - P(\bar{C})] * [1 - P(\bar{S})] = 0.95 * 0.9 * 0.97 * 0.88 = 0.7298$
- c) $P(\text{Only } \bar{F} \mid \text{"bad device"}) = P(G\bar{F}CS) / [1 - P(GFCS)]$
 $= [0.95 * 0.1 * 0.97 * 0.88] / [1 - 0.7298] = 0.3001$
- d) $P(\text{Both } \bar{F} \text{ and } \bar{C} \mid \text{"bad device"}) = P(\bar{F}\bar{C}) / [1 - P(GFCS)] = [0.1 * 0.03] / 0.2702 = 0.0111$

8. (10%) Work out Problem 1-10.2 in Cooper and Mcgillum.

In playing an opponent of equal ability, which of the following is more likely:

a) Let $A = \{\text{winning 4 games out of 7}\}$, $B = \{\text{winning 5 games out of 9}\}$

$$P(A) = P_7(4) = \binom{7}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{7-4} = \frac{7!}{4!3!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^7 = 0.2734$$

$$P(B) = P_9(5) = \binom{9}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{9-5} = \frac{9!}{5!4!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^9 = 0.2461$$

So event A (4 out of 7) is more likely than event B (5 out of 9);

b) Let $C = \{\text{winning at least 4 out of 7}\}$, $D = \{\text{winning at least 5 out of 9}\}$

$$P(C) = P_7(4) + P_7(5) + P_7(6) + P_7(7) = \left(\frac{7!}{4!3!} + \frac{7!}{5!2!} + \frac{7!}{6!1!} + 1\right) * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^7 = 0.5$$

$$P(D) = P_9(5) + P_9(6) + P_9(7) + P_9(8) + P_9(9) = \left(\frac{9!}{5!4!} + \frac{9!}{6!3!} + \frac{9!}{7!2!} + \frac{9!}{8!1!} + 1\right) * \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^9 = 0.5$$

So events C (at least 4 out of 7) and D (at least 5 out of 9) are equally likely.

9. (20%) Work out Problem 1-10.9 in Cooper and Mcgillum (MATLAB).

Simply follow the MATLAB code to obtain the experimental results:

- Plot the accumulated winning after 50 repetitions (more plays, more loss);
- Because the winning odds are less than 50% in any single spin of the wheel, and there is a finite limit of the amount than can be bet to recover the loss;
- If we set the single spin winning percentage at 50%, there is a fair chance the bettor will win or lose in the long run.