

## PRACTICE OF TOPIC 7

**Task 1.** There are **12** students in the group, including **4** A students, **5** B students, the others are C students.

Q1: What is the probability of choosing one A student?

$$n = 12$$

$$m_A = 4$$

$$m_B = 5$$

$$m_C = n - m_A - m_B = 12 - 4 - 5 = 3$$

$$P(1 \text{ A st}) = \frac{m_A}{n} = \frac{4}{12} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Q2: What is the probability of choosing one C student?

$$n = 12$$

$$m_C = 3$$

$$P(1 \text{ C st}) = \frac{m_C}{n} = \frac{3}{12} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Q3: What is the probability of choosing no A student?

no A st means 1B or 1C

$$P(\text{no A st}) = P(1 \text{ B st}) + P(1 \text{ C st}) = \frac{5}{12} + \frac{3}{12} = \frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Q4: What is the probability of choosing 2 B students?

$$n = 12$$

$$m_B = 5$$

$$P(2 \text{ B st}) = \frac{C_5^2}{C_{12}^2} = \frac{10}{66} = \frac{5}{33}$$

$$C_5^2 = \frac{5!}{2! \cdot (5-2)!} = \frac{5!}{2! \cdot 3!} = \frac{\cancel{3!} \cdot 4 \cdot 5}{2 \cdot \cancel{3!}} = 10$$

$$C_{12}^2 = \frac{12!}{2! \cdot (12-2)!} = \frac{12!}{2! \cdot 10!} = \frac{\cancel{10!} \cdot 11 \cdot 12}{2 \cdot \cancel{10!}} = 66$$

Q5: What is the probability of choosing 3 A students and 2 B students?

$$P(\underbrace{3A \text{ st and } 2B \text{ st}}_{2+3=5}) = \frac{C_4^3 \cdot C_5^2}{C_{12}^5} = \frac{4 \cdot 10}{792} = \frac{5}{99}$$

$$C_4^3 = \frac{4!}{3! \cdot (4-3)!} = \frac{4!}{3! \cdot 1!} = \frac{\cancel{3!} \cdot 4}{\cancel{3!} \cdot 1} = 4$$

$$C_{12}^5 = \frac{12!}{5! \cdot (12-5)!} = \frac{12!}{5! \cdot 7!} = \frac{\cancel{7!} \cdot \overset{3}{8} \cdot \overset{2}{9} \cdot 10 \cdot 11 \cdot 12}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot \cancel{7!}} = 792$$

Q6: What is the probability of choosing 3 A students or 2 B students?

$$\begin{aligned} P(3A \text{ st or } 2B \text{ st}) &= P(3A \text{ st}) + P(2B \text{ st}) = \\ &= \frac{C_4^3}{C_{12}^3} + \frac{C_5^2}{C_5^2} = \frac{\cancel{3!} \cdot 1}{55} + \frac{\cancel{5!}}{\cancel{5!}} = \frac{3 + 25}{165} = \frac{28}{165} \end{aligned}$$

**Task 2.** Melissa collects data on her college graduating class. She finds out that of her classmates, **60 %** are brunettes, **28 %** have blue eyes, and **10 %** are brunettes that have blue eyes. What is the probability that one of Melissa's classmates will be a brunette or have blue eyes.

$$P(A) = P(\text{brunettes}) = 60\% = 0.6$$

$$P(B) = P(\text{blue eyes}) = 28\% = 0.28$$

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(\text{both}) = 10\% = 0.1$$

A and B are **compatible events**, then  $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$ .

$$\text{We have } P(A \text{ or } B) = 0.6 + 0.28 - 0.1 = 0.78$$

**Task 3.** **Two students** are going to take an exam. The probability that the first student will pass it equals 0,7; for the second one is 0,8.

What is the probability that

- all of the two students will pass the exam;
- the first student will only do it;
- one student will do it;
- no student will do it;
- at least one student will do it?

**Solution.**

Let  $S_1$  be the event that the first student passes the exam,

$S_2$  be the event that the second student passes the exam,

$\overline{S_1}$  be the event that the first student doesn't pass the exam,

$\overline{S_2}$  be the event that the second student doesn't pass the exam.

Then

$$P(S_1) = 0,7, \quad P(\overline{S_1}) = 1 - 0,7 = 0,3,$$

$$P(S_2) = 0,8, \quad P(\overline{S_2}) = 1 - 0,8 = 0,2.$$

(A) What is the probability that all of the two students will pass the exam?

$$P(A) = P(S_1 \cdot S_2) = P(S_1) \cdot P(S_2) = 0,7 \cdot 0,8 = 0,56.$$

(B) What is the probability that the first student will only do it?

$$P(B) = P(S_1) \cdot P(\overline{S_2}) = 0,7 \cdot 0,2 = 0,14.$$

(C) What is the probability that one student will do it?

$$P(C) = P(S_1) \cdot P(\overline{S_2}) + P(\overline{S_1}) \cdot P(S_2) = 0,7 \cdot 0,2 + 0,3 \cdot 0,8 = 0,14 + 0,24 = 0,38$$

(D) What is the probability that no student will do it?

$$P(D) = P(\overline{S_1}) \cdot P(\overline{S_2}) = 0,3 \cdot 0,2 = 0,06$$

(E) What is the probability that at least one student will do it?

$$P(E) = 1 - P(\overline{E}) = 1 - P(D) = 1 - 0,06 = 0,94$$

**Task 4. In a bolt factory, machines A, B and C manufacture 25%, 35%, 40% respectively. Of the total of their output 5, 4 and 2% are defective.**

(A) Find the probability that a randomly drawn bolt is defective.

**Solution.**

Let  $A$  be the event that the drawn bolt is defective.

Let's consider the following complete group of events (hypotheses):

$H_A$  denotes the event that the randomly drawn bolt is made by machine A,

$H_B$  denotes the event that the randomly drawn bolt is made by machine B,

$H_C$  denotes the event that the randomly drawn bolt is made by machine C.

Let's find their probabilities:

$$P(H_A) = 25\% = 0,25, \quad P(H_B) = 35\% = 0,35, \quad P(H_C) = 40\% = 0,4.$$

Since events  $H_A$ ,  $H_B$  and  $H_C$  form the complete group, then

$$P(H_A) + P(H_B) + P(H_C) = 0,25 + 0,35 + 0,4 = 1.$$

Let's define conditional probabilities  $P(A|H_A)$ ,  $P(A|H_B)$ ,  $P(A|H_C)$ :

$$P(A|H_A) = 5\% = 0,05, \quad P(A|H_B) = 4\% = 0,04, \quad P(A|H_C) = 2\% = 0,02.$$

Here  $A|H_A$  is a defective bolt produced by machine A,

$A|H_B$  is a defective bolt produced by machine B,

$A|H_C$  is a defective bolt produced by machine C.

Let's use the total probability formula and find:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= P(H_A) \cdot P(A|H_A) + P(H_B) \cdot P(A|H_B) + P(H_C) \cdot P(A|H_C) = \\ &= 0,25 \cdot 0,05 + 0,35 \cdot 0,04 + 0,4 \cdot 0,02 = 0,0345. \end{aligned}$$

We have 3,45 % of defective bolts in the total production.

*(B) Find the probability that a randomly drawn bolt is fully functioning.*

**Solution.** Let  $A$  be the event that the drawn bolt is defective and  $\bar{A}$  be the event that the drawn bolt is fully functioning. Then

$$P(\bar{A}) = 1 - P(A) = 1 - 0,0345 = 0,9655, \text{ i.e.}$$

We have 96,55 % of fully functioning bolts in the total production.

*(C) A bolt is drawn and is found to be defective. What are the probabilities that it was manufactured by machine B?*

**Solution.** The desired probability of the event  $H_B|A$  (the drawn bolt was made by machine B provided it is known that it is defective) is determined by Bayes' formula:

$$P(H_B|A) = \frac{P(H_B) \cdot P(A|H_B)}{P(A)} = \frac{0.35 \cdot 0.04}{0.0345} \approx 0,406.$$

(D) A bolt is drawn and is found to be fully functioning. What are the probabilities that it was manufactured by machine A?

**Solution.** Let's define conditional probabilities  $P(\bar{A}|H_A)$ ,  $P(\bar{A}|H_B)$ ,  $P(\bar{A}|H_C)$  if we know  $P(A|H_A) = 5\% = 0,05$ ,  $P(A|H_B) = 4\% = 0,04$ ,  $P(A|H_C) = 2\% = 0,02$ .

$$\text{Then } P(\bar{A}|H_A) = 1 - P(A|H_A) = 1 - 0,05 = 0,95,$$

$$P(\bar{A}|H_B) = 1 - P(A|H_B) = 1 - 0,04 = 0,96,$$

$$P(\bar{A}|H_C) = 1 - P(A|H_C) = 1 - 0,02 = 0,98.$$

The desired probability of the event  $H_A|A$  (the drawn bolt was made by machine A provided it is known that it is fully functioning) is determined by Bayes' formula:

$$P(H_A|A) = \frac{P(H_A) \cdot P(\bar{A}|H_A)}{P(\bar{A})} = \frac{0.25 \cdot 0.95}{0.9655} \approx 0,246.$$