

Stats 13.1 HW 2 Solutions

October 10, 2007

1 3.7

- a) The probability that both are affected is 0% because female offspring have no chance of getting the disease.
b) The probability that only one sibling is affected can be written as:

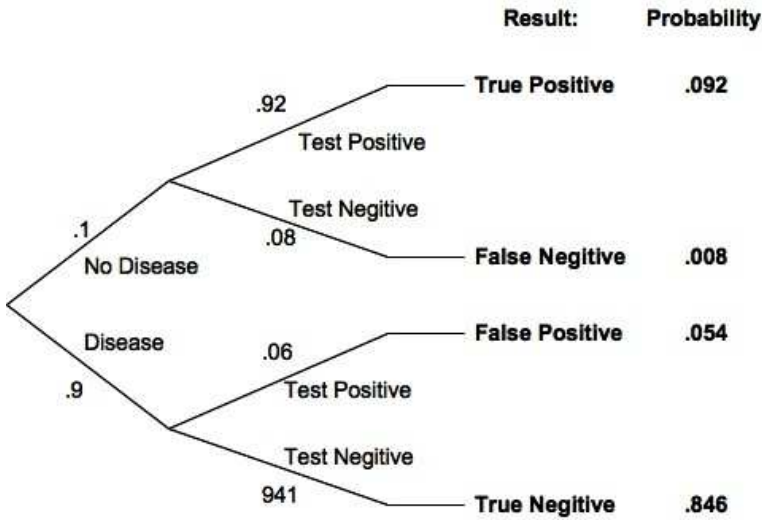
$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{one child affected}) &= P(\text{male affected and female not}) + P(\text{female affected and male not}) \\ &= 50\% \cdot 100\% + 0\% \cdot 50\% \\ &= 50\% \end{aligned}$$

2 3.8

a)
$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{get question right}) &= P(\text{studied the question}) + P(\text{didn't study the question \& got it right}) \\ &= 40\% + 60\% \cdot 20\% \\ &= 52\% \end{aligned}$$

b)
$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{studied it — got it right}) &= \frac{P(\text{studied question \& got it right})}{P(\text{got it right})} \\ &= \frac{40\%}{52\%} \\ &= 76.9\% \end{aligned}$$

3 3.11



a)

There are two ways to test positive, a true positive and a false positive. $P(\text{test positive}) = P(\text{true positive}) + P(\text{false positive}) = 0.146$

$$P(\text{has disease} \mid \text{test positive}) = \frac{P(\text{has disease} \ \& \ \text{test positive})}{P(\text{test positive})}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{P(\text{true positive})}{P(\text{test positive})} \\
 &= \frac{0.092}{0.146} \\
 &= 0.63
 \end{aligned}$$

4 3.14

The law of independence states:

A and B are independent if and only if $P(A+B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$.

But,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{husband and wife smoke}) &=? \quad P(\text{husband smokes}) \cdot P(\text{wife smokes}) \\
 8\% &=? \quad 30\% \cdot 20\% \\
 8\% &\neq 6\%
 \end{aligned}$$

So the smoking status of the husband is not independent of the status of the wife.

5 3.18 and 3.20

a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y = 3) &= \frac{\# \text{ of broods with } Y = 3}{\text{total } \# \text{ of broods}} \\
 &= \frac{610}{5000} \\
 &= 0.122
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } P(Y \leq 7) &= \frac{\# \text{ of broods with } Y \leq 3}{\text{total } \# \text{ of broods}} \\
 &= \frac{130+26+3+1}{5000} \\
 &= 0.032
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } P(4 \leq Y \leq 6) &= \frac{\# \text{ of broods with } 4 \leq Y \leq 6}{\text{total } \# \text{ of broods}} \\
 &= \frac{1400+1760+750}{5000} \\
 &= 0.782
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{d) mean} &= \sum_{Y=1}^{10} Y \cdot (\text{proportion of nests with brood size } Y) \\
 &= 1 \cdot \frac{90}{5000} + 2 \cdot \frac{230}{5000} + 3 \cdot \frac{610}{5000} + 4 \cdot \frac{1400}{5000} + 5 \cdot \frac{1760}{5000} + 6 \cdot \frac{750}{5000} \\
 &\quad + 7 \cdot \frac{130}{5000} + 8 \cdot \frac{26}{5000} + 9 \cdot \frac{3}{5000} + 10 \cdot \frac{1}{5000} \\
 &= 4.487
 \end{aligned}$$

6 3.12 and 3.22

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } P(Y \geq 2) &= P(Y = 2) + P(Y = 3) \\
 &= 0.189 + 0.027 \\
 &= 0.216
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y \leq 2) &= P(Y = 0) + P(Y = 1) + P(Y = 2) \\
 &= 0.343 + 0.441 + 0.189 \\
 &= 0.973
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } P(Y \leq 2) &\text{ -or-} \\
 &= 1 - P(Y = 3) \\
 &= 1 - 0.027 \\
 &= 0.973
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) mean} &= \sum_{y=0}^3 y \cdot P(\# \text{ of black flies} = y) \\
 &= 0 \cdot 0.343 + 1 \cdot 0.441 + 2 \cdot 0.189 + 3 \cdot 0.027 \\
 &= 0.9
 \end{aligned}$$

7 3.28

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } P(\text{all 20 will be cured}) \\
 &= P(1^{\text{st}} \text{ will be cured}) \cdot P(2^{\text{nd}} \text{ will be cured}) \cdot \dots \cdot P(20^{\text{th}} \text{ will be cured}) \\
 &= 0.9^{20} = 0.1216
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } P(\text{all but 1 is cured}) \\
 &= P(\text{all but the } 1^{\text{st}} \text{ will be cured}) \cdot P(\text{all but the } 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ will be cured}) \cdot \dots \cdot P(\text{all but the } 20^{\text{th}} \text{ will be cured}) \\
 &= 0.1 \cdot 0.9^{19} + 0.9 \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.9^{18} + \dots + 0.9^{19} \cdot 0.1 \\
 &= (20) \cdot 0.1 \cdot 0.9^{19} = 0.2702
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } P(\text{exactly 18 are cured}) &= (\# \text{ of ways to choose the 2 uncured children}) \cdot 0.1^2 \cdot 0.9^{18} \\
 &= 20 \cdot C_2 \cdot 0.1^2 \cdot 0.9^{18} = 190 \cdot 0.1^2 \cdot 0.9^{18} = 0.2852
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{d) } P(90\% \text{ will be cured}) = P(0.9 \cdot 20 \text{ will be cured}) = P(18 \text{ will be cured}) = 0.2852 \text{ (part c)}$$

8 3.34

- a) Let us consider a success as “high blood lead level.” Then we have a binomial problem with $n = 16$ and $p = 1/8$. Then,
- $$\begin{aligned} & P(\text{none have high blood lead level}) \\ &= P(\text{no successes}) \\ &= {}_{16}C_0 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{16} = 0.1181 \end{aligned}$$
- b) $P(\text{one has high blood lead level})$
- $$\begin{aligned} &= P(1 \text{ success}) \\ &= {}_{16}C_1 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{15} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^1 = 0.2699 \end{aligned}$$
- c) $P(\text{two have high blood lead level})$
- $$\begin{aligned} &= P(2 \text{ successes}) \\ &= {}_{16}C_2 \cdot \left(\frac{7}{8}\right)^{14} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{8}\right)^2 = 0.2891 \end{aligned}$$
- d) $P(\text{three or more have high blood lead level})$
- $$\begin{aligned} &= 1 - P(2 \text{ or fewer have high blood lead level}) \\ &= 1 - (P(0 \text{ have high blood lead level}) + P(1 \text{ have high blood lead level}) + P(2 \text{ have high blood lead level})) \\ &= 1 - (0.1181 + 0.2699 + 0.2891) \\ &= 0.3229 \end{aligned}$$