

Math 151 – Sample Exam III Answers– Fall 2015 – Louis Gross

Note that many of the below can also be done using Venn diagrams, which are not illustrated here.

1. There are only 3 matings which can lead to aa individual offspring: Aa x Aa, Aa x aa, and aa x aa. So we find the probability of each of these and then multiply by the probability that the offspring of each is type aa given this mating:

$$\begin{aligned} P(aa) &= P(aa \mid \text{mating is Aa x Aa}) P(\text{mating is Aa x Aa}) + \\ &\quad P(aa \mid \text{mating is Aa x aa}) P(\text{mating is Aa x aa}) + \\ &\quad P(aa \mid \text{mating is aa x aa}) P(\text{mating is aa x aa}) \\ &= .25 \times .3 \times .3 + .5 \times .3 \times .1 + 1 \times .1 \times .1 = .0225 + .015 + .01 = .0475 \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \binom{5}{2} = 10$$

3. (a) {L1, L2, L3, N1, N2, N3, A 1, A2, A3}
(b) {AA, AB, AC, AD, BB, BC, BD, CC, CD, DD}

4. Let T = event that a patient has a tumor,
let + = event that the test is positive
then $P(+|\bar{T}) = .06$ and $P(-|T) = .14$ and $P(T) = .2$
so $P(+|T) = 1 - P(-|T) = 1 - .14 = .86$

$$(a) P(T \cap +) = P(+|T)P(T) = .86 \times .2 = .172$$

$$(b) P(+) = P(+|T)P(T) + P(+|\bar{T})P(\bar{T}) = .172 + .06 \times .8 = .22$$

$$(c) P(T|+) = \frac{P(T \cap +)}{P(+)} = \frac{.172}{.22} = .782$$

$$5. \text{Probability that 3 are successful is } \binom{5}{3} (.2)^3 (.8)^2 = \frac{160}{3125} = .0512$$

$$\text{Probability that 4 are successful is } \binom{5}{4} (.2)^4 (.8) = \frac{20}{3125} = .006$$

$$\text{Probability that all 5 are successful is } \binom{5}{5} (.2)^5 (.8)^0 = \frac{1}{3125} = .00032$$

$$\text{So } P(\text{at least 3 successful}) = \frac{181}{3125} = .058$$

6. Let I = event that a child has an ear infection
let F = event that a child is female
(a) $P(I) = 100/250 = .4$

$$(b) P(I|F) = \frac{P(I \cap F)}{P(F)} = \frac{\frac{40}{250}}{\frac{140}{250}} = .286 \quad P(I|F) = \frac{P(I \cap F)}{P(F)} = \frac{\frac{40}{250}}{\frac{140}{250}} = .286$$

$$(c) P(\bar{I}|\bar{F}) = \frac{P(\bar{I} \cap \bar{F})}{P(\bar{F})} = \frac{\frac{50}{250}}{\frac{110}{250}} = .455$$

7. Let O = event that a person in the survey is obese

let L = event that a person in the survey eats a low-fat diet

$$(a) P(O \cap \bar{L}) = P(O) - P(O \cap L) = .35 - .03 = .32$$

$$(b) P(L|\bar{O}) = \frac{P(L \cap \bar{O})}{P(\bar{O})} = \frac{P(L) - P(L \cap O)}{P(\bar{O})} = \frac{.2 - .03}{.65} = .262$$

8. Let E = event that Joan is Aa and note that if Joan is not Aa she must be AA

$$(a) P(E) = .5$$

$$(b) P(\text{Alan is AA}) = P(\text{Alan is AA} | E) P(E) + P(\text{Alan is AA} | \bar{E}) P(\bar{E}) \\ = .25 \times .5 + .5 \times .5 = .375$$