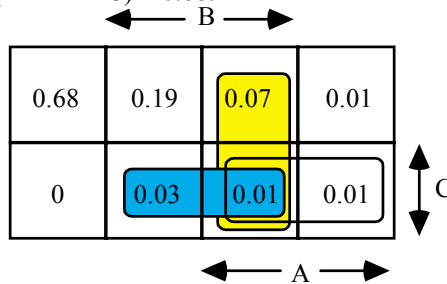


- 1(a). **FALSE** Conditional probabilities can be smaller than or equal to the unconditional probabilities.
FALSE
TRUE Conditional probabilities satisfy axioms of probability.
TRUE The first term, $P(B | A) P(A)$, is equal to $P(A | B) P(B)$. This is just the theorem of total probability.
FALSE This does not hold unless $P(A) = P(B)$ or $P(AB) = 0$.
- (b) All four statements are true. $A \cap B \subset A \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) \leq P(A)$, and $A \cap B \subset B \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) \leq P(B)$. Thus, $P(A \cap B) \leq \min\{P(A), P(B)\}$. Similarly, $A \subset A \cup B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(A \cup B)$, and $B \subset A \cup B \Rightarrow P(B) \leq P(A \cup B)$. Thus, $P(A) + P(B) \leq 2P(A \cup B)$. Also, $1 \geq P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) \geq P(A) + P(B) - 1$. Finally, $P(A | B) = P(A \cap B) / P(B)$, since $0 < P(B) < 1$, $P(A | B) \geq P(A \cap B)$.
2. This problem is best solved with a Venn diagram or more preferably a Karnaugh map as shown below. From the given values of $P(ABC) = 0.01$, $P(AB) = 0.08$, $P(BC) = 0.04$, and $P(AC) = 0.02$, it is easy to find $P(ABC^c) = 0.08 - 0.01 = 0.07$, $P(A^cBC) = 0.04 - 0.01 = 0.03$, and $P(AB^cC) = 0.02 - 0.01 = 0.01$. Next, since $P(A) = 0.1 = P(ABC) + P(ABC^c) + P(AB^cC) + P(AB^cC^c)$, we get $P(AB^cC^c) = 0.01$. Similarly, we can show that $P(A^cBC^c) = 0.19$, and $P(A^cB^cC) = 0$. Finally, we can get $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(ABC) + P(ABC^c) + P(A^cBC) + P(AB^cC) + P(AB^cC^c) + P(A^cBC^c) + P(A^cB^cC) = 0.32$. Crosscheck: Proposition 4.4 gives $P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(AB) - P(AC) - P(BC) + P(ABC)$ which is also 0.32. Finally, $P(A^cB^cC^c) = 1 - P(A \cup B \cup C) = 0.68$. The probabilities asked for are
- (a) $P(\text{only } 1) = P(AB^cC^c) + P(A^cBC^c) + P(A^cB^cC) = 0.01 + 0.19 + 0 = 0.2$,
(b) $P(\text{at least } 2) = P(AB \cup BC \cup AC) = P(ABC) + P(ABC^c) + P(A^cBC) + P(AB^cC) = 0.01 + 0.07 + 0.03 + 0.01 = 0.12$. Crosscheck: $P(AB \cup BC \cup AC) = P(AB) + P(BC) + P(AC) - 2P(ABC) = 0.08 + 0.04 + 0.02 - 2(0.01) = 0.12$.
(c) $P(B \text{ and at least one other}) = P(B \cap (A \cup C)) = P(AB) + P(BC) - P(ABC) = 0.08 + 0.04 - 0.01 = 0.11$,
(d) $P(\text{no papers}) = P(A^cB^cC^c) = 1 - P(A \cup B \cup C) = 0.68$.



- 3(a) **X** is a Binomial random variable with parameters $(n=10, p=1/2)$. Its expected value, $E[X]$, is $np=5$.
(b) For independent trials with a fair coin, probability of any particular toss being Head is just $1/2$. So $P(A)=1/2$.
(c) If the event **A** has occurred, there has been a Head on the 4th toss. The number of Heads on the remaining 9 tosses other than the 4th toss is independent of **A**, and has average value $9 \times 1/2 = 9/2$. Hence, $E[X|A] = 1 + 9/2 = 11/2$.
(d) $B = \{\text{no more than two Heads}\} = \{\text{no Heads, or 1 Heads, or 2 Heads}\}$. We first calculate $P(B) = P(\text{no Heads}) + P(1 \text{ Heads}) + P(2 \text{ Heads}) = \binom{10}{0} \frac{1}{2^{10}} + \binom{10}{1} \frac{1}{2^{10}} + \binom{10}{2} \frac{1}{2^{10}} = \frac{1 + 10 + 45}{2^{10}} = \frac{56}{2^{10}}$. Next, we calculate $P(AB) = P\{4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and no more than two Heads}\} = P\{4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and no Heads or } 4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and 1 Head or } 4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and 2 Heads}\} = P\{4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and no Heads}\} + P\{4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and 1 Head}\} + P\{4^{\text{th}} \text{ toss is a Head and 2 Heads}\} = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \binom{9}{0} \frac{1}{2^9} + \frac{1}{2} \binom{9}{1} \frac{1}{2^9} = \frac{0 + 1 + 9}{2^{10}} = \frac{10}{2^{10}}$.
Hence, $P(A|B) = 10/56 = 5/28$.
4. By the theorem of total probability, $P(X=2) = P(X=2|\text{Both Fair})P(\text{Both Fair}) + P(X=2|1 \text{ Fair } 1 \text{ Biased})P(1 \text{ Fair } 1 \text{ Biased})$. $P(\text{Both Fair}) = 1/3$, as there are a total of 3 ways of choosing 2 coins out of three, and only one way of choosing both coins fair. Similarly, $P(1 \text{ Fair } 1 \text{ Biased}) = 2/3$. $P(X=2|\text{Both Fair}) = \binom{4}{2} \frac{1}{2^4} = \frac{3}{8}$, since if both coins are fair, the probability we are looking for is that of observing 2 Heads on $2+2=4$ tosses of a fair coin. To calculate $P(X=2|1 \text{ Fair } 1 \text{ Biased})$, note that a total of 2 Heads can occur in three different ways: The Fair coin lands Head twice, while the Biased one lands Tails twice, which has the probability

$\binom{2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \binom{2}{0} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{64}$. Or, the Fair coin may land Tails twice, while the Biased one lands Heads twice,

which occurs with probability $\binom{2}{0} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \binom{2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{64}$. Or, the Fair coin and the Biased coin may land

Heads exactly once each. There are $\binom{2}{1} \binom{2}{1} = 4$ ways this can happen resulting in a probability of

$\binom{2}{1} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \binom{2}{1} \frac{1}{4} \frac{3}{4} = \frac{12}{64}$. Thus, $P(\mathbf{X}=2 | 1 \text{ Fair } 1 \text{ Biased}) = \frac{9}{64} + \frac{1}{64} + \frac{12}{64} = \frac{22}{64}$. Finally, plugging everything

into the theorem of total probability yields $P(\mathbf{X}=2) = \frac{3}{8} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{22}{64} \frac{2}{3} = \frac{17}{48}$.

5. Given that $\{\mathbf{X} \leq 2\}$, either $\mathbf{X}=1$ or $\mathbf{X}=2$, since the geometric random variable takes on positive integer values. Let $\mathbf{Y}=(\mathbf{X}-1)^2$. Then, the condition $\{\mathbf{X} \leq 2\}$ is equivalent to $\mathbf{Y}=0$ or $\mathbf{Y}=1$. If we let A denote the event that $\mathbf{Y}=0$ or $\mathbf{Y}=1$, the problem is asking $E[\mathbf{Y}|A]$. To find this conditional expectation, we first find the conditional PMF of \mathbf{Y} given A. Given A, \mathbf{Y} takes on only two values: $\mathbf{Y}=0$ and $\mathbf{Y}=1$, with probabilities

$$\frac{P(\mathbf{Y}=0)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(\mathbf{Y}=0)}{P(\mathbf{Y}=0) + P(\mathbf{Y}=1)} = \frac{P(\mathbf{X}=1)}{P(\mathbf{X}=1) + P(\mathbf{X}=2)} = \frac{5}{9},$$

$$\frac{P(\mathbf{Y}=1)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(\mathbf{Y}=1)}{P(\mathbf{Y}=0) + P(\mathbf{Y}=1)} = \frac{P(\mathbf{X}=2)}{P(\mathbf{X}=1) + P(\mathbf{X}=2)} = \frac{4}{9}, \text{ respectively. Thus, } E[\mathbf{Y}|A] = 0 \times \frac{5}{9} + 1 \times \frac{4}{9} = \frac{4}{9}.$$