

## Conditional probability measures

### Exercise 1. Conditional Probabilities

1. Consider the following random experiment:

My favourite random experiment is watching a football game and counting the number of goals where the sample space would be  $\Omega = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ .

In the matches of a soccer team in a season, a total of 91 goals were shot. This corresponds to a frequency of around  $\lambda = 2.68 \approx \frac{91}{34}$  goals per match.

On the corresponding probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{P}(\Omega), \text{POI}(\lambda))$ , calculate the following (conditional) probabilities for the number of goals in a soccer match of SV Darmstadt 98:

- a) Two goals.
  - b) At least one goal.
  - c) The match finished with a draw (in our sample space  $\Omega$ , this corresponds to an even number of goals) given that Darmstadt shot two goals.
  - d) Two goals, given that at least one goal was shot.
  - e) At least one goal, given that two goals were shot.
2. a) Consider the following urn model: An urn contains a total of 10 Balls. 5 balls are either **Red** or **Green**. 5 balls are **Blue**. We take an ordered sample from this urn but draw without replacement. Let  $C = \{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{G}, \mathbf{B}\}$  denote the set of colors and, for  $\Omega = C^2 = C \times C$ , let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{P}(\Omega), \mathbb{P})$  the probability space corresponding to the above urn model.
- Assume that  $\mathbb{P}(C \times \{\mathbf{R}\} \mid \{\mathbf{B}\} \times C) = \frac{10}{45}$  and  $\mathbb{P}(C \times \{\mathbf{R}\} \mid \{\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{G}\} \times C) = \frac{8}{45}$ . Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(C \times \{\mathbf{R}\})$  and  $\mathbb{P}(\{\mathbf{B}\} \times C \mid C \times \{\mathbf{R}\})$ .
- i. Specify a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  and a probability measure  $\mathbb{P}$  such that  $([1, 5], \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$  becomes a suitable probability space.
  - ii. State a probability density function on  $\mathbb{R}$  that corresponds to  $\text{UNIFORM}([1, 5])$ .
- Consider the event  $B = [\frac{7}{4}, \frac{9}{4})$ .
- iii. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(B)$  and  $\mathbb{P}([1, 2) \mid B)$ .
  - iv. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}([a, b) \mid B)$  for  $a, b \in [1, 5]$  with  $a < b$ .
  - v. Let  $\mathbb{P}_B$  denote the conditional probability measure corresponding to the event  $B$ .
- Calculate  $\mathbb{P}_B([\frac{3}{2}, 3))$  and  $\mathbb{P}_B([2, 3) \mid [\frac{3}{2}, 2))$ .
- c) Consider a discrete probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{P}(\Omega), \mathbb{P})$  and a function  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ . For a **fixed** set  $A \subseteq \Omega$ , assume that  $\mathbb{P}(A \mid f^{-1}(\{k\})) = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $\mathbb{P}(f^{-1}(\{k\})) = \frac{1}{2^k}$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(A)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(f^{-1}(\{1\}) \mid A)$ .