

AP Statistics

Unit 04 – Probability

Homework #1

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1.
 - a) If we use a polygraph machine on many, many people who are telling the truth, the machine will say that about 8% of the people are lying.
 - b) A false positive would mean that a person who is telling the truth is found to be lying. A false negative would mean that a person who is lying is found to be telling the truth.
2.
 - a) If we test many, many women with breast cancer, about 10% of the time the test will indicate that the woman does not have breast cancer.
 - b) A false negative, because a woman with breast cancer will not get potentially life-saving treatment. A false positive would result in temporary stress until a more thorough examination is performed.
3.
 - a) If we look at many families like this, approximately 25% of them will have a first-born child who develops cystic fibrosis.
 - b) No. The number of children with cystic fibrosis could be smaller or larger than 1 by random chance.
5.
 - a) 50% because it's a fair coin so it could spin to either side when falling.
 - b) Knock down the coin more times to get more trials.
7. In the short run, there was quite a bit of variability in the percentage of made free throws. However, this percentage became less variable and approached 0.30 as the number of shots increased.
13.
 - a) Let diamonds, spades, and clubs represent making a free throw and hearts represent missing. Deal one card from the deck.
 - b) Let 00-74 represent making the free throw and 75-99 represent missing. Read a two-digit number from Table D.
 - c) Let 1-3 represent the player making the free throw and 4 represent a miss. Generate a random integer from 1-4.
14.
 - a) Let 1 and 2 represent green and 3-6 represent red. Roll the die once.
 - b) Let the numbers 1-3 represent green and 4-9 represent red. Ignore 0. Look up one number in the table.
 - c) Let 1 represent green and 2 and 3 represent red. Generate a random integer 1-2.