Corrections to

Probability: For the Enthusiastic Beginner

First Printing

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The corrections below are listed by page number. They are grouped into three categories: (1) Important errors that will cause confusion, (2) minor errors that might cause confusion, and (3) trivial errors that should not cause confusion.

Important errors:

(None yet)

Minor errors:

3, 4, 5: “Table 6.1” should be “Table 1.1” on three occasions: (1) line before Table 1.1, (2) 3rd line after Table 1.2, and (3) 3rd bullet point on page 5.

10: 4th line before example: “… \(N\); there is no restriction…” (uppercase)

36: Problem 1.4: The solution makes use of binomial coefficients, so read Section 1.5 before doing this problem.

62: 1st sentence on page: “From the figure, we see that not only is 40% of the entire square above the horizontal line, but also that 40% of the left vertical strip (where \(A\) occurs) is above the horizontal line”

Trivial errors:

27: Last full paragraph: 3rd and 7th lines: “…can imagine throwing…” And 4th line: “…times a letter gets hit…”

87: 2nd line of Section 2.4.2: “…this problem also has a long history…”

275: Solution to Problem 5.7, first line: “…distribution has probabilities…”

288: Sentence before Eq. (6.15): “In Figs. 6.3 through 6.7…”