

Terminology

- ① Random Experiment
- Has more than one possible outcome
  - the outcome is not possible to be predicted in advance
- e.g. coin toss

② Trial - single execution of a random experiment. Each trial produces an outcome.

③ Outcome - single possible result of a trial

④ Sample space - set of all possible outcomes that can occur.

⑤ Event - specific set of outcomes from a random experiment or process. subset of the sample space. An event can include a single outcome, or it can include multiple outcomes. One random experiment can have multiple events.

e.g. Tossing a coin twice

RE - Tossing a coin twice

Trial - Tossing a coin twice (once)

outcome -  $\{H, T\}$

sample space -  $\{(H, H), (H, T), (T, T), (T, H)\}$

Event - getting Two heads -  $\{(H, H)\}$

getting at least 1 tails -  $\{(H, T), (T, T), (T, H)\}$

Types of events

① Simple event: is a event that consists of exactly one outcome

② Compound event: consists of two or more simple events.

③ Independent event: Two events are independent if the occurrence of one event doesn't affect the probability of the occurrence of the other event.

④ Dependent event: Two events are dependent if the occurrence of one event affects the probability of the occurrence of the other event.

⑤ Mutually Exclusive Events: Two events are mutually exclusive (or disjoint) if they cannot both occur at the same time.

⑥ Exhaustive Events: A set of events is exhaustive if at least one of the events must occur when the experiment is performed.  
 e.g. When rolling a die, the events "roll an even number" and "roll an odd number" are exhaustive b/c one or the other must occur on any roll.

⑦ Impossible event & Certain Event

→ Probability: measure of the likelihood that a particular event will occur  
 $[0, 1]$

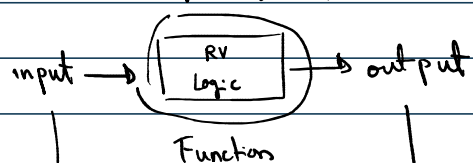
Probability

- Empirical: is a probability measure that is based on observed data rather than theoretical assumptions. It is calculated as the ratio of the number of times a particular event occurs to the total number of trials.
- Theoretical: is used when each outcome in a sample space is equally likely to occur. Let's take an event A,

Theoretical Probability of event A =  $\frac{\text{\# of Favourable outcomes}}{\text{Total \# of outcomes in the sample space}}$ .

\*  $\# \text{ of trials} \rightarrow \infty$ ; Empirical  $\rightarrow$  Theoretical

→ Random Variable Function: A random variable is a function that maps the outcomes of a random process (sample space) to a set of real numbers.



→ is a real number that we assign to each possible outcome

→ is an outcome from the sample space of a random process.

→ Random Variable is denoted by a capital letter e.g. X Y Z

\* The transformation from input to output in the function of a random variable is determined by how we choose to define the random variable.

And the choice of how to define a random variable often depends on the specific aspects of the random process (or event) that we are interested in studying.

e.g. RE  $\rightarrow$  Rolling 2 dice together

Event  $\rightarrow$  getting a sum of 7

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Sample space  $\rightarrow \{ (1,1), (1,2), (1,3) \dots \dots \dots (6,6) \}$

$X = \{ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 \}$

$\hookrightarrow$  Logic: add outcome of each die.

$\rightarrow$  Random variable  $\begin{cases} \text{Discrete} \\ \text{Continuous} \end{cases}$

$\rightarrow$  Probability distribution of a random variable: List of all possible outcomes of a random variable along with their corresponding probability values.

e.g. 1) Toss

X	1	0
Pr(x)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

$\hookrightarrow \text{Pr}(X=1) = \frac{1}{2}$

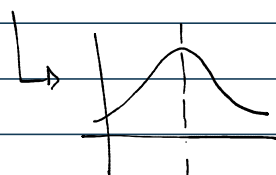
$\rightarrow$  Not always possible to draw up a table

we need to find a mathematical relationship b/w  $X$  and  $\text{Pr}(X=x)$

$\downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow$   
 $f(x) \leftarrow y$

$y = f(x) \Rightarrow$  graph [probability distribution function]

PDF  $\quad$  PMF  
(continuous)  $\quad$  (discrete)



$\rightarrow$  Expected value of a Random Variable: is essentially the average outcome of a random process that is repeated many times. It's a weighted average of the possible outcomes of the random variables, where each outcome is weighted by its probability of occurrence.

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Pr}(X=x_i) x_i$$

$\rightarrow$  Variance of a Random Variable: The variance of a random variable is a statistical measurement that describes how much individual observations in a group differ from the expected value.

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E(X))^2]$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E[X])^2]}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Var}(X) = E[X^2 - 2XE[X] + (E[X])^2] \quad * E[X+Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$$

$$= E[X^2] - E[2XE[X]] + E[(E[X])^2] \quad * E[XY] = E[X]E[Y] \text{ given } X \text{ \& } Y \text{ independent}$$

$$= E[X^2] - E[2]E[X]E[E[X]] + E[(E[X])^2] \quad * E[c] = c$$

$$= E[X^2] - 2(E[X])^2 + E[(E[X])^2]$$

$$= E[X^2] - 2(E[X])^2 + (E[X])^2$$

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2}$$

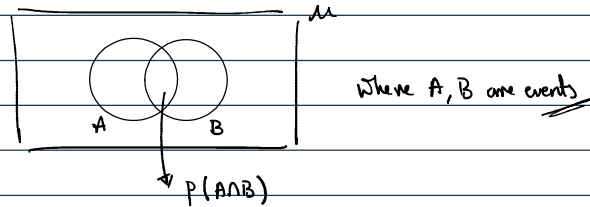
$$\rightarrow \text{Variance of a discrete random variable: } \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = \sum (x_i - E[X])^2 P_r(X=x_i)$$

$$= \sum [(x_i - \mu)^2 \cdot P(X=x_i)]$$

Venn diagrams $U = \text{sample set}$ 

$P(U) = 1$

$P(A') = 1 - P(A)$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \quad \leftarrow \text{General law of addition}$$

Joint probability

→ Let's say we have two random variables X and Y. The joint probability of X and Y, denoted as  $P(X=x, Y=y)$  is the probability that X takes the value x and Y takes the value y at the same time.

Contingency table / Cross table → normalize = 'all' → joint probability

→ joint probability distribution

Marginal / Simple / unconditional probability

→ Refers to the probability of an event occurring irrespective of the outcome of some other event. When dealing with random variables, the marginal probability of a random variable is simply the probability of that variable taking a certain value, regardless of the values of other variables.

→ Contingency / cross tab → Margins = True, Normalize = 'all'

Conditional probability

→ is a measure of the probability of an event occurring, given that another event has already occurred.  $P(A|B)$   
 $\uparrow$   
 probability A given B.

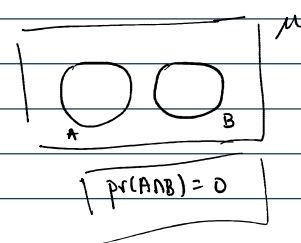
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

joint probability (pointing to  $P(A \cap B)$ )  
 marginal probability of B (pointing to  $P(B)$ )  
 → reduces sample space based on B

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## Independent vs Mutually Exclusive Events

	If statistically independent	If mutually exclusive
$P(A B) =$	$P(A)$	0
$P(B A) =$	$P(B)$	0
$P(A \cap B) =$	$P(A)P(B)$	0



## Bayes Theorem

→ Let A & B be two events

$$Pr(B) \times Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(A \cap B)}{Pr(B)} \times Pr(B)$$

$$Pr(B) \times Pr(A|B) = Pr(A \cap B) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$Pr(A) \times Pr(B|A) = \frac{Pr(B \cap A)}{Pr(A)} \times Pr(A)$$

$$Pr(A) \times Pr(B|A) = Pr(B \cap A) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Note:  $Pr(B \cap A) = Pr(A \cap B)$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad Pr(B|A) = \frac{Pr(A|B) \times Pr(B)}{Pr(A)}$$

$$Pr(B) \times Pr(A|B) = Pr(A) \times Pr(B|A)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(B|A) \times Pr(A)}{Pr(B)}$$

Likelyhood  
Prior  
Marginal/evidence

Posterior

Bayes Theorem

Bayes Theorem Extended: Revision of original probabilities in the light of new information.

$$P(x_i|y) = \frac{P(x_i)P(y|x_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(x_i)P(y|x_i)}$$

\* Laws & Rules of probability are for the 'LONG RUN'

Classical probabilities could be used unethically to lure a company or client into a potential short-run investment with the expectation of getting at least something in return, when in actuality the investor will either win or lose.

# Counting

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→ Counting made complex

→ Permutations - ORDER matters  $P(n, r)$

Combinations - ORDER DOESN'T MATTER  $C(n, r)$

$$C(n, r) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \quad P(n, r) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

Experiment:

→ Normal curve

→ Area under the curve

n	r	expr	comb	prop.
2	0	$C(2, 0)$	1	$\frac{1}{4}$
2	1	$C(2, 1)$	2	$\frac{1}{2}$
2	2	$C(2, 2)$	1	$\frac{1}{4}$
Total	////	////	4	1

## Permutations with Repetition

How many different ways can you arrange the letters in the word STATISTICS?

Because we can make no distinction between each S, T, or I in the word, we need to group the letters together. The letters in STATISTICS are grouped as

S: 3, T: 3, A: 1, I: 2, C: 1  $n = 10$

Special permutations involve objects that are identical. The number of distinguishable permutations of  $n$  objects, of which  $k_1$  are all alike,  $k_2$  are all alike, etc. is given by

$$\frac{n!}{k_1! k_2! \dots k_p!} = \frac{10!}{3! 3! 2!} = \frac{10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}$$
$$= 50,400$$