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Probability:

- It is used to understand what patterns in nature are "real" and which are due to chance.
 - Tool that let us make an inference from a Sample to a Population.
 - If represents the relative frequency of outcomes after infinitely many repetitions.
- Probability is a tool that quantify outcomes of an experiment

whose exact values cannot be predicted with certainty.

Example

from a 52 cards, draw one card. What is the probability without putting in back, draw a second card

- ① What is the p of getting a Queen in the first draw?
- ② What is the (p') of getting a Diamond in the second draw?

Example Prevalence of any incident outcomes -

probabilistic Model, law of Conditional Probability,

Probabilistic Model:

→ the Sample Space Ω : the set of all outcomes from an experiment.

→ the probability law: which assigns a number $p(A)$ to a set A of possible outcome.

Where A is called an Event. An Event is a subset of the Sample Space Ω or a collection of possible outcome.

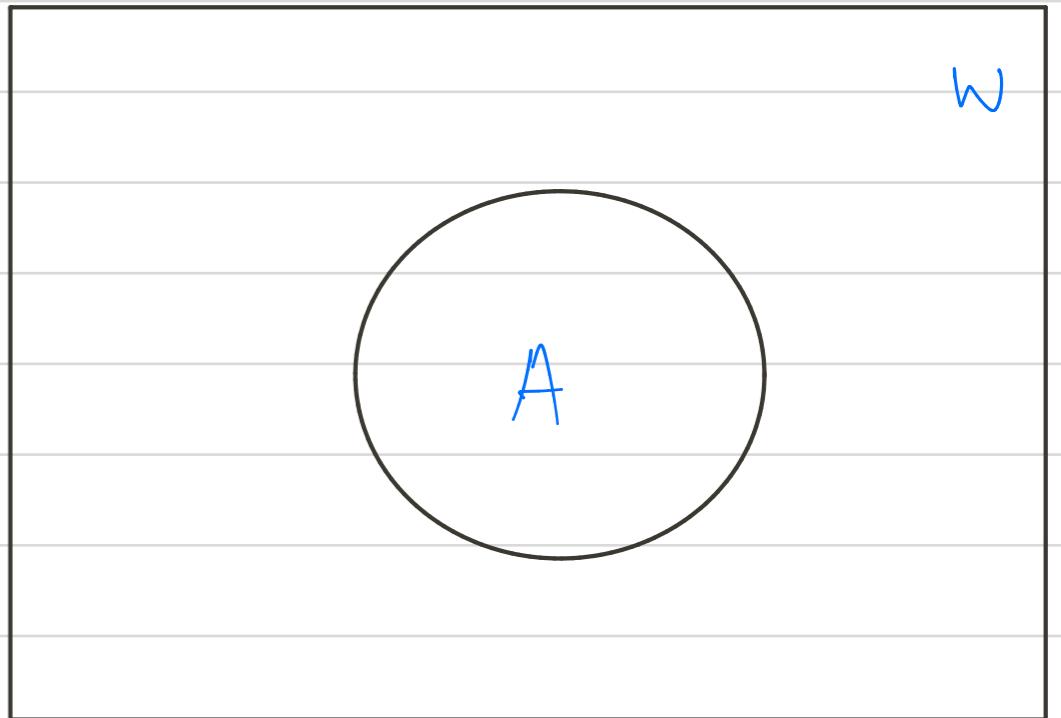
• $p(A)$ is called the Probability of A

⇒ $p(A)$ encodes our knowledge or belief about the "likelihood" of A .

► Interpretation in terms of frequency.

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|W|}$$

assuming the events in W are finite, discrete and equally likely.



Examples of Events:

- Draw an ace from a pack of cards
 - Sample Space: all possible draws
 - Event: $E = \{1 \text{ Heart}, 1 \text{ Spade}, 1 \text{ Club}, 1 \text{ Diamond}\}$
 - $P(E) = ??$

① Draw two Spades from a Pack of Cards-

$$E = \{ (1S, 2S), (1S, 3S), \dots, (2S, 1S), \dots \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{ (xS, yS) \mid x \in 1 \dots 13, y \in 1, 2, \dots, 13 \\ \quad x \neq y \}$$

Example: Probability of getting an even number when rolling a dice

• The Sample Space : $S_2 : \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

• $A = \{2, 4, 6\}$ represents an event of getting an even number

$$P(A) = \frac{\text{Number of elements in } A}{\text{Total number of elements in } \Omega}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{6} \quad \Rightarrow 0.5$$

Note: that in this experiment each outcome is equally likely
 Hence, we call the dice 'fair'.

Probability Axioms: Things to keep in mind

① (Non-Negativity): For every event A

$$P(A) \geq 0$$

② (Additivity): If A and B are two disjoint events

then the probability of their union satisfies-

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

more generally, if A_1, A_2, \dots is a sequence of disjoint events, then

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots$$

⑧ Normalization: The probability of the entire Sample Space S is 1.
 $P(S) = 1.$

Definition: for two events A and B whose $P(B) > 0$, the conditional probability of A given B is defined by

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

Remark:

For discrete events, conditional probability can be estimated as -

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

$\Rightarrow \frac{\# \text{ of both } A \& B \text{ in the sample}}{\# \text{ of event } B}$

Independence:

When A is independent of B.

$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

→ eqn(i)

By the definition of Conditional Probability.

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B) \cdot P(A|B)$$

→ eqn(ii)

Combining eqn(i) and eqn(ii) we get - A is independent of B

if and only if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

• A is independent of B if and only if B is independent of A.

• We usually simply say A and B are independent.

Draw one card without putting it back,

① first draw = $\frac{4}{52}$

② Second draw = $\frac{13}{51}$
only Diamond $\cancel{P(D)}$

③ Compute $P(Q \cap D) \Rightarrow P(Q) \cdot P(D)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{13}{51}$$

$$\left[P(Q \cap D) \right] = \frac{1}{51}$$

Q. Compute $P(D|Q) \cdot = \frac{P(Q \cap D)}{P(Q)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{51} \times \frac{51}{13} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{13}$.

Total Probability theorem

Let A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n be disjoint events that form a partition of the sample and assume that $P(A_i) > 0$ for all i . Then for any event B .

$$P(B) = P(A_1 \cap B) + P(A_2 \cap B) + \dots + P(A_n \cap B)$$

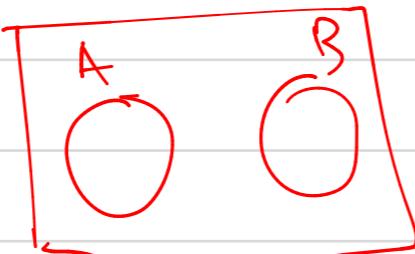
$$\Rightarrow P(A_1) \cdot P(B|A_1) + P(A_2) \cdot P(B|A_2) + \dots + P(A_n) \cdot P(B|A_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)$$

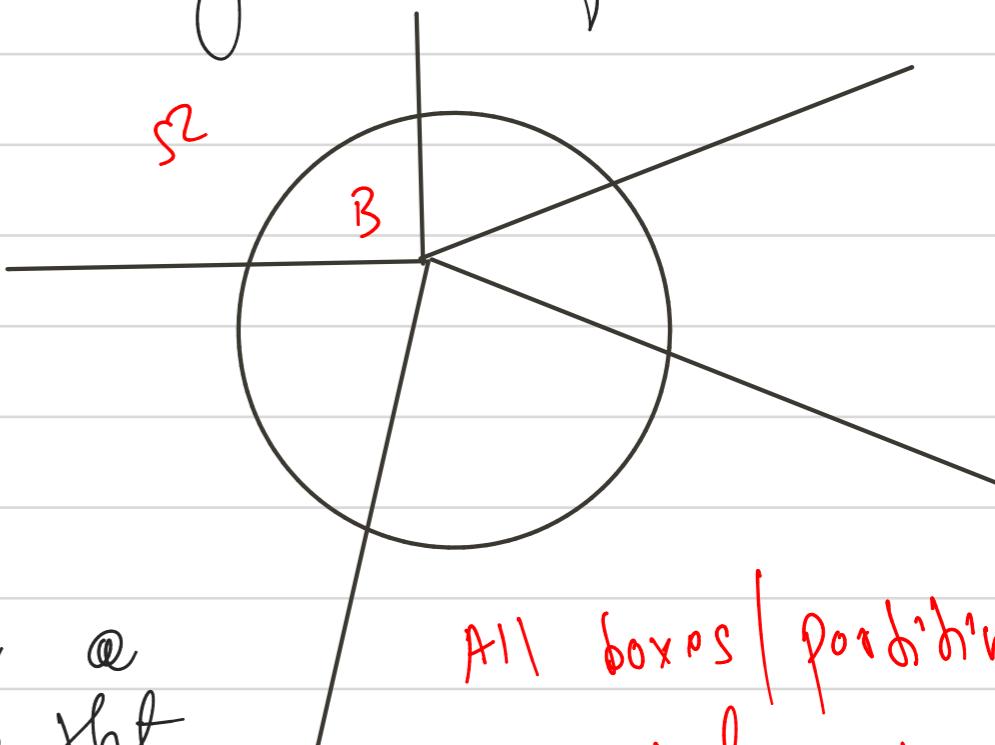
Recall that A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n is a partition of B if A_i are disjoint and $B = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n$.

So, the visualization of total probability or we say law of Total Probability -

Bayes Rule!



Disjoint Sets.



All boxes / partitions
No any intersection.

Let $A_1, A_2 \dots$ be disjoint events that form a partition of the Sample Space, and assume that

$P(A_i) > 0$ for all i . Then for any event B such that

$$P(B) > 0.$$

$$P(A_i | B) = \frac{P(A_i) P(B|A_i)}{P(B)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(A_i) P(B|A_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)}$$

$$\propto P(A_i) \cdot P(B|A_i)$$

Where $P(B)$ is the Total Probability Theorem -

Implication of Bayes Rule:

- prevalence of Diabetes in Nepal is 25%. Let D be an event that a person has diabetes

$$P(D) = 0.25$$

- Number of men with diabetes is 100,000 in Bonepa. Total # of men in the area is 250,000. While the total population is 500,000. Let M be the event that a random person in the city is a man, ie-
- $$P(M) = \frac{250,000}{500,000} \neq 0.5$$

and $P(D|M) \Rightarrow \frac{75000}{250000}$

$$\Rightarrow 0.4$$

$$P(D) \cdot P(M) \Rightarrow 0.25 \times 500,000 \Rightarrow \frac{P(D \cap M)}{P(M)}$$

$$= 75000$$

$$\Rightarrow P(D) \cdot P(M/D)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(D) \cdot P(M/D)}{P(M)}$$

$$P(M/D) = P(M)$$

~~Disjoint sets~~

for

$$\Rightarrow 0.4$$

Q. What is the probability that a random person with diabetes has bone pain?

$$P(M/D) = ?$$

Using Bayes Rule,

$$P(M/P) = \frac{P(M \cap P)}{P(P)}$$

$$P(D/M) = P(D)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(D/M) \cdot P(M)}{P(D)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(0.4 \times 0.5)}{0.25}$$

$$P(D|M) \Rightarrow \text{Given } 0.4.$$

$$P(M) \Rightarrow 0.5$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.8$$

$$P(D) \Rightarrow 0.25 \text{ (given)}$$

Source:

NAAMII : Introduction to Probability - Part I

YouTube

H Statistical Inference:

The process of generating conclusions about a population from a noisy sample.

Example: Predicting and analyzing the weather forecast, MRI of Medical Report Analysis and Prediction.

There are more than one way to think about the Inference and Probability.