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Experiment

- Sample space Ω : set of all possible outcomes

- Example: rolling a dice

$$\Omega = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}$$

- Event: subset of the sample set

- Example: rolling an odd number

$$A = \{1,3,5\}$$

- An event is realized if the outcome of the experiment is an element of the event
- Probability of the event: $P(A)$

Events

- For an event A
 - A^C is the complimentary event (A is not realized)
- For two events A and B
 - $A \cup B$ is the event where A or B are realized
 - $A \cap B$ is the event where A and B are realized
- Example: dice roll
 - $\Omega = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}$, $A = \{1,3,5\}$, $B = \{1,2,3\}$
 - $A^C = \{2,4,6\}$
 - $A \cup B = \{1,2,3,5\}$
 - $A \cap B = \{1,3\}$

Probabilities

- $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
- $P(\Omega) = 1$
- $P(\emptyset) = 0$
- $P(A^C) = 1 - P(A)$
- $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- If A and B are independent, $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$
 - Example: the chance of two coin flips being heads is $\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$
- If A and B are mutually exclusive, $P(A \cap B) = P(\emptyset) = 0$
- If A and B are mutually exclusive, $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$

Discrete uniform distribution

- Ω is finite
- Every outcome ω are equally likely to be observed
- $P(\omega) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|}$ ($|\Omega|$ is the number of elements in Ω)
- Example: the probability of each result of a dice roll is $\frac{1}{6}$
- For an event A , $P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$
- Example: the probability of rolling an odd number is $\frac{3}{6}$

Permutations

- If $E = \{1, \dots, n\}$ is a finite set, a permutation of E is a specific order of its element.
- Example: the permutations of $\{1, 2, 3\}$ are:
 $\{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 3, 2\}, \{2, 1, 3\}, \{2, 3, 1\}, \{3, 1, 2\}, \{3, 2, 1\}$
- The number of permutations of a set of n elements is $n!$
$$n! = 1 \times \dots \times n$$
- Examples:
 - $0! = 1$
 - $1! = 1$
 - $6! = 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times 4 \times 5 \times 6 = 720$

Combinations

- A subset of k elements taken from a set of n elements
- Example: if $E = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$, the combinations of 3 elements are:
 $\{1,2,3\}, \{1,2,4\}, \{1,2,5\}, \{1,3,4\}, \{1,3,5\}$
 $\{1,4,5\}, \{2,3,4\}, \{2,3,5\}, \{2,4,5\}, \{3,4,5\}$
- The number of combinations of k -elements of a set of n elements is:

$$C_n^k = \frac{n!}{k! (n - k)!}$$

- With the above example:

$$C_5^3 = \frac{5!}{3! 2!} = \frac{5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 2 \times 1} = \frac{5 \times 4}{2} = 10$$

Bernoulli trial

- Experiment with exactly two possible outcomes, “success” and “failure”
- If p is the probability of success, $1 - p$ is the probability of failure
- Example: rolling a 6 (event A)
 - $P(A) = \frac{1}{6}$
 - $P(A^c) = \frac{5}{6}$

Binomial experiment

- n Bernoulli trials, probability of k successes?

$$P(k) = C_n^k p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$$

- Example: rolling exactly three 6 from 5 dice:

$$P(3) = C_5^3 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 = 3.22\%$$

Yams (Yahtzee)

- Goal: Scoring points by rolling 5 dice to make certain combinations
- Up to 3 rolls per turn
- After each roll, the player can keep any number of dice and roll the other ones
- Combinations:
 - Pair
 - Three of a kind
 - Four of a kind
 - Full house
 - Straight
 - Yahtzee



Example: rolling a three of a kind of 6

- A three of a kind of 6 can be:
 - Exactly three 6
 - Exactly four 6
 - Exactly five 6
- Using the binomial experiments, and noticing that those 3 events are mutually exclusive:

$$\begin{aligned}P &= P(3) + P(4) + P(5) \\&= C_5^3 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 + C_5^4 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^4 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + C_5^5 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^5 \\&= 3.55\%\end{aligned}$$

Example: rolling a 6 full of 5

- The number of possible outcomes from rolling 5 dice is 6^5
- The number of combinations giving a 6 full of 5 is the number of combinations of three (or two!) dice taken from 5:

$$C_5^3 = C_5^2 = 10$$

- The probability of getting a 6 full of 5 is:

$$P = \frac{C_5^3}{6^5} = 0.13\%$$

Example: rolling a 6 straight

- The number of possible outcomes from rolling 5 dice is 6^5
- The number of outcomes being a 6 straight is the number of permutations of $\{2,3,4,5,6\}$, which is $5!$
- The probability of rolling a 6 straight is:

$$P = \frac{5!}{6^5} = 1.54\%$$

Exercises

- Implement two functions that return:
 - The number of permutation in a set of n element
 - The number of combination of k elements in a set of n elements
- Implement a function that returns the probability of rolling a specific combination by rolling 5 dice.
- Implement a function that takes 5 rolled dice and a combination, and returns the number of dice to reroll