

Matching Problem (cont.):

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_k) = \frac{(n-k)!}{n!} \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Any subset of size } k, \text{ in fact.} \\ \text{It's the same for all of them by symmetry.} \end{array} \right]$$

there are $\binom{n}{k}$ subsets of size k .

$$P(\text{no match}) = P\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^n A_j^c\right) = \frac{1}{e} = 1 - P(\text{a match})$$

Definition of Independence:

— Events A and B are indep. if $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cap P(B)$

Note: This is completely different than disjointness.

Disjointness: If A occurred, B can't occur.

— Events A, B, C, \dots are independent if

- All are Pairwise indep. and

- $P(A, B, C, \dots) = P(A) P(B) P(C) \dots$

Note: One doesn't imply the other.

Newton-Pepp's Problem:

Assuming Fair Dice, which is the most likely?

A) at least one 6's with 6 dice

B) " " two 6's " 12 dice

C) " " three 6's " 18 dice.

$$P(A) = 1 - P(\text{no 6}) = 1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^6 \approx 0.665$$

$$P(B) = 1 - P(\text{no 6}) - P(\text{one 6}) = 1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{12} - 12 \times \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{11} \approx 0.619$$

$$P(C) = 1 - \sum_{k=0}^2 \binom{18}{k} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^k \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{18-k} \approx 0.597$$

Binomial Coefficient.

Conditional Probability:

How should you update Probs / Uncertainty based on new evidence?

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

Intuition: Conditioning on B, we assume that B has happened,

So we have to look at the subSpace in which

B has happened. (If any other event like C happens as well,

It'll only make the subSpace smaller since we'll have to take

Its intersection with B.)

Couple of Theorems:

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

2) $P(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = P(A_1) P(A_2|A_1) P(A_3|A_1, A_2) \dots P(A_n|A_1, \dots, A_{n-1})$

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