

# Probability and Statistics

## Tutorial 3

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## 1. Definition of Conditional Probability $P(A|B)$

- Given two events  $A, B$  where  $P(B) > 0$ , define  $P(A|B) = \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)}$ .

## 2. Properties of Conditional Probability $P(A|B)$

- $P(A|B) \in [0, 1]$
- $P(\Omega|B) = 1$
- $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i|B) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i|B)$ , where  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ , for any  $i \neq j$ .  
(Countable Additivity)
- $P(AB) = P(A|B)P(B)$
- $P(A_1A_2...A_n) = P(A_n|A_1A_2...A_{n-1})P(A_1A_2...A_{n-1}) =$   
 $P(A_n|A_1A_2...A_{n-1})P(A_{n-1}|A_1A_2...A_{n-2})P(A_1A_2...A_{n-2}) = \dots =$   
 $P(A_n|A_1A_2...A_{n-1})P(A_{n-1}|A_1A_2...A_{n-2})...P(A_2|A_1)P(A_1).$
- $P(A_1A_2A_3) = P(A_1|A_2A_3)P(A_2A_3) = P(A_1|A_2A_3)P(A_2|A_3)P(A_3).$

## 3. Law of Total Probability

- Suppose  $\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$ , where  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for any  $i \neq j$ . For any event  $A$ , we have 
$$P(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(AB_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A|B_i)P(B_i).$$

## 4. Bayes Formula

- Suppose  $\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i$ , where  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for any  $i \neq j$  and  $P(A) > 0, P(B_k) > 0$  for any  $k$ . Then, we have 
$$P(B_i|A) = \frac{P(A|B_i)P(B_i)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A|B_i)P(B_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^n P(A|B_j)P(B_j)}.$$

## 5. Independence

- Given two events  $A$  and  $B$ , we say they are independent if  $P(AB) = P(A)P(B)$ .
- Property: If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then so does  $\bar{A}$  and  $\bar{B}$ .

## 6. Pairwise Independence and Mutual Independence

- For event  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ , we say they are pairwise independent if  $P(A_i A_j) = P(A_i)P(A_j)$  for any  $i \neq j$ .
- For event  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ , we say they are mutually independent if  $P(A_{i_1} A_{i_2} \dots A_{i_k}) = P(A_{i_1})P(A_{i_2}) \dots P(A_{i_k})$  for any  $1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n$ .
- Mutual Independence implies Pairwise Independence; the converse is not true.

46. A 盒中有 3 个红球和 2 个白球, B 盒中有 2 个红球和 5 个白球. 抛掷一枚质地均匀硬币. 如果硬币正面朝上, 就从 A 盒中抽取一球, 否则从 B 盒中抽取.
- 抽到红球的概率是多少?
  - 如果抽到红球, 那么硬币正面朝上的概率是多少?

# Homework

## Solution

Let  $R = \{\text{Draw a red ball}\}$ ,  $W = \{\text{Draw a white ball}\}$ ,  $A = \{\text{Select box A}\}$  and  $B = \{\text{Select box B}\}$ . Then, we have  $P(A) = P(B) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $P(R|A) = \frac{3}{5}$  and  $P(R|B) = \frac{2}{7}$ .

a.  $P(R) = P(RA) + P(RB) = P(R|A)P(A) + P(R|B)P(B) = \frac{31}{70}$

b.  $P(A|R) = \frac{P(AR)}{P(R)} = \frac{P(R|A)P(A)}{P(R)} = \frac{21}{31}$ .

53. 火险公司有高、中和低三种类型的风险客户，他们的年度索赔概率分别是 0.02, 0.01, 0.0025. 三类客户的市场份额分别是 0.10, 0.20, 0.70. 每一年来自高风险客户索赔的概率是多少？



## Solution

Let  $H = \{\text{High risk}\}$ ,  $M = \{\text{Medium risk}\}$ ,  $L = \{\text{Low risk}\}$   $A = \{\text{Claim filed}\}$ . Then, we have  $P(H) = 0.1$ ,  $P(M) = 0.2$ ,  $P(L) = 0.7$  and  $P(A|H) = 0.02$ ,  $P(A|M) = 0.01$ ,  $P(A|L) = 0.025$ .

$$P(A) = P(A|H)P(H) + P(A|M)P(M) + P(A|L)P(L)$$

$$P(H|A) = \frac{P(HA)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A|H)P(H)}{P(A|H)P(H) + P(A|M)P(M) + P(A|L)P(L)} = \frac{8}{23}.$$

54. 该习题介绍一个简单的气象模型, 更复杂的版本参见气象学文献. 考虑连续几天的天气, 令  $R_i$  表示  $i$  天下雨这个事件. 假设  $P(R_i|R_{i-1}) = \alpha$  和  $P(R_i^c|R_{i-1}^c) = \beta$ . 进一步假设只有今天的天气才与明天的天气预报有关, 即  $P(R_i|R_{i-1} \cap R_{i-2} \cap \cdots \cap R_0) = P(R_i|R_{i-1})$ .
- a. 如果今天下雨的概率是  $p$ , 那么明天下雨的概率是多少?
  - b. 后天下雨的概率是多少?
  - c.  $n$  天之后下雨的概率是多少? 当  $n$  趋于无穷时又会怎样?

## Solution

*Let today be day 1.*

$$a. P(R_2) = P(R_2|R_1)P(R_1) + P(R_2|R_1^c)P(R_1^c) = \alpha p + (1 - \beta)(1 - p) = (\alpha + \beta - 1)p + 1 - \beta.$$

$$b. P(R_3) = P(R_3|R_2)P(R_2) + P(R_3|R_2^c)P(R_2^c) = \alpha[(\alpha + \beta - 1)p + 1 - \beta] + (1 - \beta)(1 - ((\alpha + \beta - 1)p + 1 - \beta)) = ((\alpha - 1)^2 + (\beta - 1)^2 + 2\alpha\beta - 1)p + (\alpha + \beta - \alpha\beta - \beta^2).$$

$$c. \text{Let } P_n = P(R_n). \text{ We have } P_{n+1} = \alpha P_n + (1 - \beta)(1 - P_n) = (\alpha + \beta - 1)P_n + (1 - \beta) = (\alpha + \beta - 1)^n p + (1 - \beta) \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha + \beta - 1)^{i-1}.$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = \frac{1 - \beta}{2 - \alpha - \beta}.$$

63. 假设人活到 70 岁的概率是 0.6, 活到 80 岁的概率是 0.2. 如果一个人已经活到 70 岁, 他将庆祝第 80 个生日的概率是多少?

## Solution

Let  $S = \{Age \geq 70\}$  and  $E = \{Age \geq 80\}$ .

$$P(E|S) = \frac{P(ES)}{P(S)} = \frac{P(E)}{P(S)} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

68. 如果  $A$  和  $B$  独立,  $B$  和  $C$  独立, 那么  $A$  和  $C$  亦独立. 若该陈述为假, 给出反例, 否则证明之.

## Solution

*False.*

$$\Omega = \{1, 2\}, A = C = \{1\}, B = \emptyset, P(\{1\}) = P(\{2\}) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

*Then,  $P(AB) = 0 = P(A)P(B)$ ,  $P(BC) = 0 = P(B)P(C)$ . But  $P(AC) = P(\{1\}) = \frac{1}{2} \neq P(A)P(C)$ .*

71. 证明: 如果  $A$ ,  $B$  和  $C$  相互独立, 那么  $A \cap B$  和  $C$  是独立的,  $A \cup B$  和  $C$  是独立的.



## Solution

$$P(ABC) = P(A)P(B)P(C) = P(AB)P(C).$$

$$\begin{aligned} P((A \cup B) \cap C) &= P((AC) \cup (BC)) = P(AC) + P(BC) - P(ABC) = \\ &= P(A)P(C) + P(B)P(C) - P(AB)P(C) = [P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)]P(C) = \\ &= P(A \cup B)P(C). \end{aligned}$$

74. 如果每个单元独立地工作，且失效的概率是  $p$ ，那么下面的系统正常工作的概率是多少（见图 1.5）？

## Solution

$$P_u = 2p - p^2, P_m = p, P_l = 2p - p^2.$$

$$\text{Then, } P = 1 - (2p - p^2)^2 p = 1 - 4p^3 + 4p^4 - p^5.$$

**77.** 玩家向目标扔飞镖. 每次试验都独立地进行, 他命中靶心的概率是 0.05. 他扔多少次才能使命中靶心至少一次的概率为 0.5?

## Solution

$$P_n = 1 - (1 - 0.05)^n = 1 - 0.95^n.$$

$$N = \min_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \{n : P_n \geq 0.5\} = 14.$$

79. 很多人类疾病是遗传的 (例如, 血友病或泰萨二氏病). 这里是此类疾病的一个简单模型. 基因型  $aa$  是有病的, 在交配之前死亡. 基因型  $Aa$  是一个携带者, 但是没有病. 基因型  $AA$  不是携带者, 也没有病.
- a. 如果两个携带者交配, 他们的后代是这三种基因型之一的概率分别是多少?
  - b. 如果两个携带者的男性后代没有疾病, 他是疾病携带者的概率是多少?
  - c. 假设 b 项的无病后代与没有家族病史的个体交配, 并设其配偶是病毒携带者的概率是  $p$  ( $p$  是一个非常小的数). 那么他们的第一代具有基因型  $AA$ ,  $Aa$  和  $aa$  的概率是多少?
  - d. 假设 c 项的第一代没有疾病, 那么基于此证据, 其父辈是病毒携带者的概率是多少?

## Solution

a.  $P(\{AA\}) = P(\{aa\}) = \frac{1}{4}, P(\{Aa\}) = \frac{1}{2}.$

b.  $P(M \cap \{Aa\} | M \cap \{Aa, AA\}) = \frac{2}{3}.$

c. *Let the gene of the first offspring be O. Then,*

$$P(O = AA) = P(O = AA | H = AA, W = AA)P(H = AA, W = AA) + P(O = AA | H = AA, W = Aa)P(H = AA, W = Aa) + P(O = AA | H = Aa, W = AA)P(H = Aa, W = AA) + P(O = AA | H = Aa, W = Aa)P(H = Aa, W = Aa) = \frac{1-p}{3} + \frac{1}{2} * \frac{p}{3} + \frac{1}{2} * \frac{2(1-p)}{3} + \frac{1}{4} * \frac{2p}{3} = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}p.$$

$$P(O = Aa) = P(O = Aa | H = AA, W = AA)P(H = AA, W = AA) + P(O = Aa | H = AA, W = Aa)P(H = AA, W = Aa) + P(O = Aa | H = Aa, W = AA)P(H = Aa, W = AA) + P(O = Aa | H = Aa, W = Aa)P(H = Aa, W = Aa) = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{p}{3} + \frac{1}{2} * \frac{2(1-p)}{3} + \frac{1}{2} * \frac{2p}{3} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6}p.$$

## Solution

$$P(O = aa) = P(O = aa|H = AA, W = AA)P(H = AA, W = AA) + P(O = aa|H = AA, W = Aa)P(H = AA, W = Aa) + P(O = aa|H = Aa, W = AA)P(H = Aa, W = AA) + P(O = aa|H = Aa, W = Aa)P(H = Aa, W = Aa) = \frac{1}{4} * \frac{2p}{3} = \frac{1}{6}p.$$

$$d. P(H = Aa \text{ or } W = Aa|O = AA \text{ or } Aa) = \frac{P(\{H=Aa \text{ or } W=Aa\} \cap \{O=AA \text{ or } Aa\})}{P(O=AA \text{ or } Aa)} = \frac{\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{6}p}{1 - \frac{1}{6}p} = \frac{4-p}{6-p} \approx \frac{2}{3}.$$



# Supplement Exercises

## Exercise 1

有三扇门,其中一扇后面是轿车,其余两扇后面是绵羊。你先选其中一扇,比如A。



主持人(他知道车在哪里) 打开另外两扇中没有车的一扇,比如B,当然,你会看到绵羊。



现在,给你一次机会重新选择,保持原来的A,还是改选C?



# Supplement Exercises

## Solution

Let  $M_i = \{\text{Car in door } i\}$ ,  $N_i = \{\text{Host opens door } i\}$ ,  $L_i = \{\text{You choose door } i\}$ ,  $i = A, B, C$ . We want to compare  $P(M_A|N_B L_A)$  and  $P(M_C|N_B L_A)$ .

$$P(N_B L_A) = P(N_B L_A M_A) + P(N_B L_A M_B) + P(N_B L_A M_C).$$

$$P(N_B L_A M_A) = P(N_B | M_A L_A) P(M_A L_A) = P(N_B | M_A L_A) P(M_A) P(L_A) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{18}.$$

$$P(N_B L_A M_B) = 0.$$

$$P(N_B L_A M_C) = P(N_B | M_C L_A) P(M_C L_A) = P(N_B | M_C L_A) P(M_C) P(L_A) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

$$P(N_B L_A) = \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{9} = \frac{1}{6}.$$

$$P(M_A | N_B L_A) = \frac{P(M_A N_B L_A)}{P(N_B L_A)} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$P(M_C | N_B L_A) = \frac{P(M_C N_B L_A)}{P(N_B L_A)} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

Hence, You should change your choice.

## Exercise 2

2. 据以往资料表明,某一三口之家,患某种传染病的概率有以下规律:↵

$$P\{\text{孩子得病}\} = 0.6, \leftarrow$$

$$P\{\text{母亲得病}|\text{孩子得病}\} = 0.5, \leftarrow$$

$$P\{\text{父亲得病}|\text{母亲及孩子得病}\} = 0.4. \leftarrow$$

求母亲及孩子得病但父亲未得病的概率.↵

## Solution

Let  $F = \{\text{Father is sick.}\}$ ,  $M = \{\text{Mother is sick.}\}$  and  $C = \{\text{Child is sick.}\}$ .  
 $P(MC) = 0.6 \cdot 0.5 = 0.3$ ,  $P(MCF) = 0.4 \cdot 0.3 = 0.12$ ,  
 $P(MC\bar{F}) = 0.3 - 0.12 = 0.18$ .

## Exercise 3

3. 对以往数据分析结果表明,当机器调整得良好时,产品的合格率为 0.98;而当机器发生某种故障时,产品的合格率为 0.55. 每天早上机器开动时,机器调整良好的概率为 0.95. 试求:已知某日早上的第一件产品是合格品时,机器调整得良好的概率.

# Supplement Exercises

## Solution

$$P = \frac{0.98 \cdot 0.95}{0.95 \cdot 0.98 + 0.05 \cdot 0.55} = \frac{0.931}{0.9585} = \frac{1862}{1917}.$$

## Exercise 4

1. 设两个独立事件 A 和 B 都不发生的概率为  $1/9$ , A 发生 B 不发生的概率与 B 发生 A 不发生的概率相同, 求事件 A 发生的概率.↵

## Solution

*Let  $p = P(A)$ ,  $q = P(B)$ . We have  $(1 - p)(1 - q) = \frac{1}{9}$  and  $p(1 - q) = q(1 - p)$ . Then,  $p = \frac{2}{3}$ .*



## Exercise 5

2. 设两两相互独立的三事件  $A, B, C$  满足条件:  $ABC = \phi, P(A) = P(B) = P(C)$ , 且已知 $\leftarrow$   
 $P(A \cup B \cup C) = 9/16$ , 求  $P(A)$ . $\leftarrow$

## Solution

Let  $p = P(A) = P(B) = P(C)$ . Then, we have  
 $\frac{9}{16} = P(A \cup B \cup C) = 3p - 3p^2$ . Hence,  $p = \frac{3}{4}$  or  $p = \frac{1}{4}$ . However, since  
 $p = P(A) \leq P(A \cup B \cup C) = \frac{9}{16}$ , then  $P(A) = p = \frac{1}{4}$ .

# Thank you!