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Probability



Experiment : An experiment is an act that can be repeated under ~~certain~~ ^{some} given conditions.

Example :- Tossing a fair coin to see the proportion of heads and tails.

Experiments are of two types

① **Deterministic experiment** : All possible outcomes are known and the outcome of a particular trial is also known.

② **Random experiment** : All possible outcomes are known but outcomes of a particular trial is not known.

Example : Tossing a coin, throwing a die.

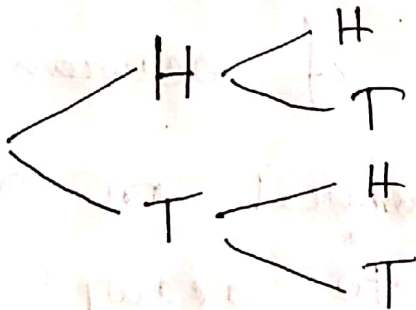
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Sample Space :- A sample space of an experiment is a set or collection of all possible outcomes. The sample space is denoted by S .

Example :- let us consider throwing a die which has 6 possible outcomes that is 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

So, sample space, $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Example :- If an experiment consist of tossing two coins and noting whether they land head (H) or tail (T). Then sample space, $S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$



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Event:- Any subset of a sample space is an event.

Example:- In our previous Example

$$S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$$

Here $\{HH\}$ is an event of two heads i.e. both the coins lands head.

$\{TH\}$ is the event that first coin land ~~head~~ tail and second coin land Head.

Equally likely events:- Equally likely events are the events that have the same probability of occurrence.

Example:- Each numeral on a die is equally likely to occur when the die is tossed.

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Mutually Exclusive Events :- Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur at the same time. Another word that means mutually exclusive is disjoint.

Example :- If we throw a die once the sample space $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$.

Let the event $A = \{1, 3, 5\}$ which is the event of odd numbers.

and $B = \{2, 4, 6\}$ which is the event of even numbers.

These two events are mutually exclusive.

Let $C = \{1, 2, 3\}$ is the event of first three numbers of a die.

Then A and C , B and C are not mutually exclusive.

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Sample Space:- A sample space of an experiment is a set or collection

Exhaustive Event:- The events are said to be exhaustive if they comprise the whole sample space.

Example:- Consider the example of throwing a die. $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
and $A = \{1, 3, 5\} \rightarrow$ odd number's event
 $B = \{2, 4, 6\} \rightarrow$ Even number's event
 A and B are exhaustive events as they comprise the sample space.

~~Exhaustive event:~~

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Definition of probability:- If a random experiment can result in $n(S)$ mutually exclusive, exhaustive and equally likely outcomes and if $n(A)$ of these outcomes are favorable to an event A , then the probability of A is the ratio of $n(A)$ to $n(S)$.

In symbol, $P(A) = \frac{n(A)}{n(S)}$.

Example:- Consider the previous die throwing example.

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, A = \{1, 3, 5\}, B = \{2, 4, 6\}$$

What is the probability that an even number will be faced if a die is thrown once?

Here, the event of even number

$$A = \{2, 4, 6\}, n(A) = 3,$$

$$n(S) = 6, P(A) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

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Problem :- A bag contains 4 white and 6 red balls. A ball is drawn at random from the bag. What is the probability that the ball is red? What is the probability that the ball is white?

Are the events of obtaining a red and the events of obtaining a white ball equally likely?

Solution :- Let W stands for white ball and R stand for red ball

Then a possible sample space for this experiment is

$$S = \{W, W, W, W, R, R, R, R, R, R\}$$

Let R_s is the event of red balls

$$\text{then } R_s = \{R, R, R, R, R, R\}$$

$$n(R_s) = 6$$

Let W_s is the event of white balls

$$W_s = \{W, W, W, W\}$$

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$$P(R_s) = \frac{6}{10}$$

$$P(W_s) = \frac{4}{10}$$

$$P(R_s) \neq P(W_s)$$

So, the events are not equally likely.

H.W Let us consider that a coin is tossed three times. Obtain the sample space. Find the probability of exactly two heads will be occurred.