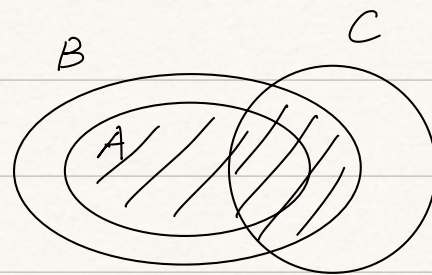


1. (a) Assuming that $A \subset B$

$$\text{RHS} = B \cap (C \cup A)$$

$$= (B \cap C) \cup (B \cap A)$$

$$= (B \cap C) \cup A = \text{LHS}$$



(b) Assuming that (i) holds for some subset C ,

Suppose $\forall x \in A$,

since $A \subset (B \cap C) \cup A$, we have $x \in (B \cap C) \cup A$

due to $(B \cap C) \cup A = B \cap (C \cup A)$, we also have $x \in B \cap (C \cup A)$

since $B \cap (C \cup A) \subset B$, $x \in B$

Thus, $\forall x \in A$, $x \in B$. $\Rightarrow A \subset B$

2. 5 vowel $\{a, e, i, o, u\}$, 21 consonants

$$|\Omega| = A_{26}^2 = 26 \times 25 = 650$$

$$\Omega = \{\{a, b\}, \dots, \{a, z\}, \{b, a\}, \{b, c\}, \dots, \{b, z\}, \dots, \{y, a\}, \dots, \{y, z\}\}$$

The sample space Ω has 650 possible outcomes and above format.

$$(a) P(\text{vowel and consonant}) = \frac{5 \times 21 + 21 \times 5}{650} = \frac{210}{650} = \frac{21}{65}$$

in either order

$$(b) P(\text{two vowels}) = \frac{5 \times 4}{650} = \frac{20}{650} = \frac{2}{65}$$

in any order

$$3. \quad P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = 1 - P\left[\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right)^c\right] \\ = 1 - P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^c\right)$$

Suppose that $B_N = \bigcup_{n=1}^N A_n^c$, then we have $B_N \subset B_{N+1}$ for each N

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_N\right) &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P(B_N) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^N A_n^c\right) \\ &\Downarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \Downarrow \\ &= P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^c\right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left[\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^N A_n\right)^c\right] \\ &= 1 - P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \quad \text{equal} \quad = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [1 - P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^N A_n\right)] \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad = 1 - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^N A_n\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^N A_n\right)$$

4. Since, $\mathcal{A} = A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ be a partition of Ω ,

Then, we have $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$, for all $i \neq j$ and $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = \Omega$

All subsets of Ω can be represented by countable unions, intersections and complements of A_1, \dots, A_n . Since, A_1, \dots, A_n are mutually exclusive, any subset of Ω formed by operations on A_i , like unions, intersections, and complements, is either be an individual A_i , a union of some A_i , the empty set \emptyset , or Ω .

Since, A_1, \dots, A_n is finite and mutually exclusive, the unions of some A_i will be a finite union, the intersection will be a empty space \emptyset , and the complement of any A_i in Ω will be $\bigcup_{j \neq i} A_j$.

Therefore, $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ consists of empty set along with all unions of the form $\bigcup_i A_{k_i}$, where k_i is a finite sequence of distinct elements from $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

5. (a) Assume $\mathcal{F}_i \in \mathcal{I}$ is a σ -algebra, where \mathcal{I} is an index set.

We define that $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i$

contains the empty set; since, \mathcal{F}_i is a σ -algebra, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}_i$. Thus, $\emptyset \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i = \mathcal{F}$

closed under complements: Suppose A is an element of \mathcal{F} , $A \in \mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i$,

which means that $A \in \mathcal{F}_i$, for each i ,

Since \mathcal{F}_i is σ -algebra, $A \in \mathcal{F}_i$, $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_i$, for each i ,

then we have $A^c \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i = \mathcal{F}$

closed under countable unions: Suppose $\{A_n\}$ is a countable collection of sets where

each $A_n \in \mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i$, which implies that $A_n \in \mathcal{F}_i$ for each i .

Since, \mathcal{F}_i is σ -algebra, $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{F}_i$ for each i . Therefore $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{F}_i = \mathcal{F}$

Therefore, \mathcal{F} meets all the criteria of a σ -algebra, \mathcal{F} is a σ -algebra.

(b) Assume that \mathcal{F}_1 and \mathcal{F}_2 are two σ -algebra, consider $A \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

contains the empty set: since $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}_1$, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}_2$, we have $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

Closed under complement: If $A \in \mathcal{F}_1$ but $A \notin \mathcal{F}_2$, we have $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_1$, $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$
If $A \in \mathcal{F}_2$, $A \in \mathcal{F}_2$, we have $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_2$, $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

Closed under countable unions: Suppose $\{A_i\}$ are sets, such that each $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

This means that each A_i is either in \mathcal{F}_1 or \mathcal{F}_2 .

If A_i are all in \mathcal{F}_1 , $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_1$, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

If A_i are all in \mathcal{F}_2 , $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_2$, $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$

However, if some A_i in \mathcal{F}_1 and some A_i in \mathcal{F}_2 , $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$ might not belong entirely to \mathcal{F}_1 or \mathcal{F}_2 , which is conflicted to \mathcal{F}_1 and \mathcal{F}_2 are both σ -algebra.

For example, if $\mathcal{F}_1 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$

$\mathcal{F}_2 = \{\emptyset, \{b\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$

$$\mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2 = \{\emptyset, \{a\}, \{b\}, \{b, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{a, b, c\}\}$$

$$\text{However, } \{a\} \cup \{b\} = \{a, b\} \notin \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$$

Therefore, the union of two σ -algebras is not a σ -algebra in general.

6. $A =$ No two students have the same birthdays

$$P(A) = \frac{365}{365} \times \frac{364}{365} \times \dots \times \frac{365-k+1}{365}$$

$$= \frac{365!}{365^k (365-k)!}$$

$$\text{If } k=30, \text{ we have } P(A) = \frac{365!}{365^{30} \times 335!}$$

$$= \frac{365 \times 364 \times \dots \times 336}{365^{30}}$$

$$\approx 0.2937$$

7. $A =$ Alice and Betty have the same birthday

$B =$ Betty and Carol have the same birthday

$C =$ Carol and Alice have the same birthday

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{365}, \quad P(B) = \frac{1}{365}, \quad P(C) = \frac{1}{365}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{365^2} = P(A)P(B)$$

$$P(B \cap C) = \frac{1}{365^2} = P(B)P(C)$$

$$P(A \cap C) = \frac{1}{365^2} = P(A)P(C)$$

Therefore, events $\{A, B, C\}$ are pairwise independent

Since $P(A \cap B \cap C) =$ Probability that all three have the same birthday $= \frac{1}{365^2}$

$$P(A)P(B)P(C) = \frac{1}{365^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A \cap B \cap C) \neq P(A)P(B)P(C)$$

Thus, all three events are not independent

8. (a) $A = \text{Bobby is an only child}$

$B = \text{Bobby has no brother}$

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

When Bobby is an only child, he has no brother, which means $P(B|A) = 1$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{4}{7}$$

(b) $A = \text{Bobby is an only child}$

$B = \text{Bobby has no sister}$

The result and procedure are as same as problem (a)

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{4}{7}$$

9. (\Rightarrow) Assume that A and B are independent

Then we have $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$

We need to show that any $E \in \mathcal{F}^A$ and $F \in \mathcal{F}^B$, we will have $P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F)$

Since $\mathcal{F}^A = \{\emptyset, \Omega, A, A^c\}$, $\mathcal{F}^B = \{\emptyset, \Omega, B, B^c\}$

$$P(\emptyset \cap \emptyset) = P(\emptyset)P(\emptyset) = P(\emptyset \cap \Omega) = P(\emptyset)P(\Omega) = P(\emptyset \cap B) = P(\emptyset)P(B) = P(\emptyset \cap B^c) = P(\emptyset)P(B^c) = 0$$

$$P(\Omega \cap \emptyset) = P(\Omega)P(\emptyset) = 0, P(\Omega \cap \Omega) = P(\Omega)P(\Omega) = 1, P(\Omega \cap B) = P(\Omega)P(B) = P(B)$$

$$P(\Omega \cap B^c) = P(\Omega)P(B^c) = P(B^c)$$

$$P(A \cap \emptyset) = P(A)P(\emptyset) = 0, P(A \cap \Omega) = P(A)P(\Omega) = P(A), P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A \cap B) = P(A) - P(A)P(B) = P(A)(1 - P(B)) = P(A)P(B^c)$$

$$P(A^c \cap \emptyset) = P(A^c)P(\emptyset) = 0, P(A^c \cap \Omega) = P(A^c)P(\Omega) = P(A^c),$$

$$P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B) = P(B) - P(A)P(B) = P(B)(1 - P(A)) = P(B)P(A^c)$$

$$P(A^c \cap B^c) = P(B^c) - P(B^c \cap A) = P(B^c) - P(A)P(B^c) = P(B^c)(1 - P(A)) = P(B^c)P(A^c)$$

Therefore, the σ -algebras \mathcal{F}^A and \mathcal{F}^B are independent

(\Leftarrow) Assume that \mathcal{F}^A and \mathcal{F}^B are independent

Since $A \in \mathcal{F}^A$, $B \in \mathcal{F}^B$, $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$

Event A and B are independent.

Therefore, A and B are independent if and only if σ -algebra \mathcal{F}^A and \mathcal{F}^B are independent