

### 1.3.3 Properties of Conditional Probability:

⇒ Conditional probability =  $P(A|B)$

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

### II Conditional Probability of Independent Events:

→ If  $A$  &  $B$  are independent events,  
then,  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ .

→ If A and B are independent events the conditional probability of event B given event A,  $P(B|A)$  is, the essentially the probability of event B,  $P(B)$ .

→ The <sup>formula</sup> ~~prob~~ is given by  $P(B|A) = P(B)$ .

→ Or, the conditional probability of two independent events are:

- When given event A, the probability of event B occurring is given by  

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

- And, the given event B, probability of event A occurring is given by  

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

## II Conditional Probability of Mutually Exclusive Events:

→ Under the probability theory, mutually exclusive events are events that ~~occur~~ cannot occur simultaneously.

→ Therefore, the probability of mutually exclusive events is always 0.

i.e.,  $P(B|A) = 0$ , and  $P(A|B) = 0$

## # Chain Rule & Multiplication Rule:

→ Let  $E$  be an event happening given  $F$  be another event that has occurred. In that condition, the formula of conditional probability can be written as :-

$$P(E|F) = P(E \cap F) / P(F)$$

→ This is known as a chain rule or multiplication rule.

→ Typically, it states that the probability of observing events,  $E$  and  $F$ , is the product of the probability of observing the  $F$  event and the probability of observing  $E$  given that event  $F$  has been observed.

→ The generalized form of multiplication rule is;

$$P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots \cap E_n) = P(E_1) \cdot$$

$$P(E_2 | E_1) \cdot$$

$$P(E_3 | E_1, E_2) \cdot$$

$$P(E_n | E_1, \dots, E_{n-1})$$

$$= P(E_1) \cdot P(E_2 | E_1) \cdot \dots \cdot P(E_n | E_1, \dots, E_{n-1})$$



⇒ Following are some fundamental properties of conditional probabilities:-

### 1) Property-1:-

→ Suppose,  $X$  and  $Y$  <sup>be</sup> the 2 events of a sample space  $S$  of an experiment, then it can be said that;

$$P(S|Y) = P(Y|Y) = \underline{\underline{1}}$$



$$P(S \cap Y) = \underline{\underline{P(Y)}}$$

### 2) Property-2:-

⇒ Let  $X$  and  $Y$  are 2 events of a sample space  $S$ , and  $F$  is the event such that  $P(F) \neq 0$ ;

$$P[(X \cup Y) | F] = P(X | F) + P(Y | F) - \underline{\underline{P(X \cap Y | F)}}$$

From;

$$\underline{\underline{P(X \cup Y) = P(X) + P(Y) - P(X \cap Y)}}$$

### 3.) Property-3 :-

→ In conditional probability, the order of the sets or events matters, so,

$$\underline{P(A|B) \neq P(B|A)}$$

→ The complement formula holds only in the context of the first ~~or~~ argument, there is not any corresponding formula for  $P(A|B')$ .

- Hence,  $P(A|B') = 1 - \underline{P(A|B)}$

→ But,  $P(A'|B) = 1 - \underline{P(A|B)}$