

1.4.2. YOU HAVE A SIX-SIDED DIE THAT YOU ROLL ONCE

LET  $R_i$  DENOTE THE EVENT THAT YOU ROLL IS  $i$ .

LET  $G_j$  DENOTE THE EVENT THAT THE ROLL IS GREATER THAN  $j$ .

LET  $E$  DENOTE THE EVENT THAT THE ROLL OF THE DIE IS EVEN NUMBERED.

A WHAT IS  $P[R_3 | G_1]$ , THE CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY THAT 3 IS ROLLED GIVEN THAT THE ROLL IS GREATER THAN 1.

DEF CONDITIONAL PROB. CORRESPOND TO A MODIFIED PROB. MODEL THAT REFLECTS PARTIAL INFO ABOUT THE OUTCOME OF AN EXPERIMENT. THE MODIFIED MODEL HAS A SMALLER SAMPLE SPACE THAN THE ORIGINAL MODEL.

$P[A]$  A PRIORI PROBABILITY OF  $A$ .

$P[R_3 | G_1]$  THE PROBABILITY THAT 3 IS ROLLED, GIVEN THAT THE ROLL IS  $> 1$ .

SAMPLE SPACE IS  $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

$$R_3 = \{3\}$$

$$G_1 = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$P[R_3] = 1/6$$

$$P[G_1] = 5/6$$

$$G_1 \cap R_3 = \{3\} = R_3$$

$$P[G_1 \cap R_3] = P[R_3] = 1/6$$

$$P[R_3 | G_1] = \frac{P[R_3 \cap G_1]}{P[G_1]} = \frac{P[R_3]}{P[G_1]} = \frac{1/6}{5/6} = \frac{1}{5} = 20\%$$

$$\therefore P[R_3 | G_1] = 20\%$$

1.4.4. PHONESMART IS HAVING A SALE ON BANANAS.

IF YOU BUY 1 BANANA AT FULL PRICE, YOU GET A SECOND AT HALF PRICE.

WHEN COUPLES COME TO BUY A PAIR OF PHONES, SALES OF APRICOTS & BANANAS ARE EQUALLY LIKELY.

GIVEN THAT THE FIRST PHONE SOLD IS A BANANA,

THE SECOND IS TWICE AS LIKELY TO BE A BANANA RATHER THAN AN APRICOT.

WHAT IS THE PROBABILITY THAT A COUPLE BUYS A PAIR OF BANANAS?

LET  $B_N$  DENOTE THE EVENT THAT THE  $N$ TH PHONE THAT IS SOLD IS A BANANA

& LET  $A_N$  DENOTE THE EVENT THAT THE  $N$ TH PHONE THAT IS SOLD IS AN APRICOT

IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THE PROB. THAT A COUPLE BUYS A PAIR OF BANANAS,  
WE MUST FIND  $P[B_1, B_2]$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} P[A_1, A_2] = ? \\ P[A_1, B_2] = ? \\ P[B_1, A_2] = ? \\ P[B_1, B_2] = ? \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{HOWEVER WE KNOW} \\ \text{THAT THE FOLLOWING} \\ \text{IS TRUE, GIVEN OUR} \\ \text{UNKNOWN.} \end{array}$$

$$- P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] + P[B_1, A_2] + P[B_1, B_2] = 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{TOTAL PROBABILITIES} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} & P[A_1] = P[B_1] = 1/2 \\ & P[A_2] = P[B_2] = 1/2 \\ - & P[A_1] = P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] = 1/2 \\ - & P[A_2] = P[A_2, A_1] + P[A_2, B_1] = 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  "SALES OF APRICOTS & BANANAS  
ARE EQUALLY LIKELY"

$$- \frac{P[B_1, B_2]}{P[B_1]} = 2 \left( \frac{P[B_1, A_2]}{P[B_1]} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P[B_1, B_2]}{P[B_1]} = 2 \left( \frac{P[B_1, A_2]}{P[B_1]} \right)$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  "GIVEN FIRST PHONE SOLD IS A BANANA,  
THE SECOND PHONE IS TWICE AS LIKELY  
TO BE A BANANA"

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P[B_1, B_2]}{2} = P[B_1, A_2] \quad \text{REPLACE}$$

$$P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] + P[B_1, A_2] + P[B_1, B_2] = 1 \Rightarrow P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] + \frac{3}{2} P[B_1, B_2] = 1$$

$$P[A_1] = P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow P[A_1, A_2] + P[A_1, B_2] = 1/2$$

$$P[A_2] = P[A_2, A_1] + P[A_2, B_1] = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow P[A_1, A_2] + 1/2 P[B_1, B_2] = 1/2$$

$$P[A, A_2] + P[A, B_2] + \frac{3}{2} P[B, B_2] = 1$$

$$P[A, A_2] + P[A, B_2] = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} P[B, B_2] = 1 \\ - \frac{1}{2} \quad \quad - \frac{1}{2} \\ \hline \frac{3}{2} P[B, B_2] = \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \Rightarrow P[B, B_2] = \frac{1}{3}$$

THEREFORE PROB. THAT A COUPLE BUYS A PAIR OF BANANAS IS  $33.\bar{3}\%$ .

## 1.5.2

1.5.2\* For the telephone usage model of Example 1.18, let  $B_m$  denote the event that a call is billed for  $m$  minutes. To generate a phone bill, observe the duration of the call in integer minutes (rounding up). Charge for  $M$  minutes  $M = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  if the exact duration  $T$  is  $M - 1 < T \leq M$ . A more complete probability model shows that for  $m = 1, 2, \dots$  the probability of each event  $B_m$  is

$$P[B_m] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^{m-1}$$

where  $\alpha = 1 - (0.57)^{1/3} = 0.171$ .

(a) Classify a call as long,  $L$ , if the call lasts more than three minutes. What is  $P[L]$ ?

(b) What is the probability that a call will be billed for nine minutes or less?

$M$  IS THE PROB. THAT A CALL IS BILLED FOR MORE THAN 3 MINUTES,  
"3 OR FEWER BILLED MINUTES"

$$P[L] = 1 - P[B_m \leq 3] \quad \text{BREAK UP}$$

$$= 1 - P[B_1] - P[B_2] - P[B_3]$$

SINCE WE KNOW  $P[B_m] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^{m-1}$

$$P[B_1] \Rightarrow P[B_1] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^{1-1}$$

$$= \alpha(1-\alpha)^0$$

$$= \alpha(1)$$

$$= \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P[B_1] = \alpha$$

$$P[B_2] \Rightarrow P[B_2] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^{2-1}$$

$$P[B_2] = \alpha(1-\alpha)$$

$$P[B_3] \Rightarrow P[B_3] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^{3-1}$$

$$P[B_3] = \alpha(1-\alpha)^2$$

$$P[L] = 1 - P[B_1] - P[B_2] - P[B_3]$$

$$= 1 - \alpha - \alpha(1-\alpha) - \alpha(1-\alpha)^2$$

$$= (1-\alpha)^3$$

WHERE  $\alpha = 1 - (0.57)^{1/3} = 0.171$

$$\alpha = 0.171$$

$$= (1 - 0.171)^3$$

$$P[L] \approx 0.5697227...$$

$\therefore$  THE PROB. THAT A CALL WILL LAST MORE THAN 3 MIN. IS APPROX. 57%.

(B) PROB. BILL FOR 9 MIN OR LESS IS

$$P[B_m \leq 9] = \sum_{i=1}^9 \alpha(1-\alpha)^{i-1} = 1 - \alpha - \alpha(1-\alpha) - \alpha(1-\alpha)^2$$

$$- \alpha(1-\alpha)^3 - \alpha(1-\alpha)^4 - \alpha(1-\alpha)^5$$

$$- \alpha(1-\alpha)^6 - \alpha(1-\alpha)^7 - \alpha(1-\alpha)^8$$

$$= 1 - (0.171) - 0.171(1 - 0.171) - 0.171(1 - 0.171)^2 \dots - 0.171(1 - 0.171)^8$$

$$= 1 - (0.5697)^3$$

$\therefore$  PROB. BILL FOR 9 MIN OR LESS IS = 81%.

1.6.2 EVENTS  $A$  &  $B$  ARE EQUIPROBABLE (3)

ARE MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE (2)

ARE INDEPENDENT (1)

THUS WHAT IS  $P[A]$

$$(3) P[AB] = P[A] P[B]$$

$$(2) P[AB] = 0$$

$$(1) P[A] = P[B]$$

$$\text{THUS } 0 = P[AB] = P[A] P[B] = P[A] P[A]$$

$$0 = P[A] P[A]$$

$$\therefore 0 = P[A]$$

$$\& 0 \neq P[B]$$

1.6.6

(A)

1.6.6 In an experiment,  $C$  and  $D$  are independent events with probabilities  $P[C] = 5/8$  and  $P[D] = 3/8$ .

(a) Determine the probabilities  $P[C \cap D]$ ,  $P[C \cap D^c]$ , and  $P[C^c \cap D^c]$ .

(b) Are  $C^c$  and  $D^c$  independent?

$$P[C \cap D] = P[C] P[D] = (5/8)(3/8) = 15/64$$

$$P[C \cap D^c] = P[C] - P[C \cap D] = (5/8) - (15/64) = 25/64$$

COMPLEMENT

$$P[C \cup D^c] = P[C] + P[D^c] - P[C \cap D^c]$$

$$= 5/8 + (1 - 3/8) - 25/64$$

$$P[C \cup D^c] = 55/64$$

(B) YES, BY DEF EVENTS  $C$  &  $D$  ARE INDEP. IFF  $P[CD] = P[C] P[D]$