

Lecture 2: Independence

Review

conditional prob

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

Multiplication Rule

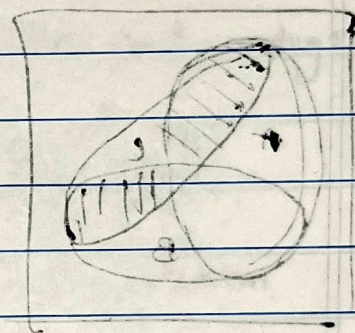
$$P(A \cap B) = P(B) \times P(A|B) \\ = P(A) \times P(B|A)$$

Total prob theorem

$$P(B) = P(A) \times P(B|A) + P(A^c) \times P(B|A^c)$$

Bayes Rule

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



What are Independent events?

→ Think it as this way assume the prob that first toss is heads and then the second toss is also heads is P , likewise if the first toss is tails, and second toss is heads also has prob P , it really does not matter what my first toss was as the prob to get H on second toss is always P , thus they are called Independent.

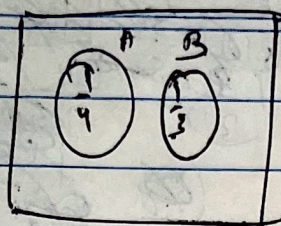
∴ Independence of two events

$$P(B|A) = P(B) \quad , \quad \text{occurrence of A provides no info about B occurrence.}$$

$$\text{Also we know } P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B|A)$$

$$= P(A) \times P(B) \quad (\text{if Independent})$$

the prop is also symmetric

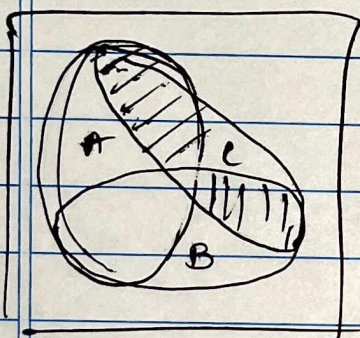


→ This is exclusive not Independent
as it tells me if A occurred, certainly B did not occur.

$$p(A|B) = 0 \neq p(A) = \frac{1}{4} \therefore \text{not independent.}$$

Conditional Independence

$$p(A \cap B | C) = p(A | C) \times p(B | C)$$



A and B are Independent

if C occurred,

The intersection of C with A and B

are Disjoint \therefore They are exclusive not

Independent.

The King's Siblings

The King comes from a family of two children, what is the probability that his sibling is female?

Ans)

BB $\frac{1}{4}$	BG $\frac{1}{4}$
GB $\frac{1}{4}$	GG $\frac{1}{4}$

or did not happen

Sibling is a girl

$$= \frac{2}{3} p(A) = \frac{2}{3} p(A) p(B)$$

$$p(A|B) \times p(B) = p(A \cap B)$$

$$p(B) \times p(A) =$$