

Regina's

In person office hours: Thu, 11³⁰ - 12³⁰
in SSW 1017

Online office hours: Wed, 2-3 pm
in the same online classroom

example Suppose a blood test is
100% effective in detecting (certain)
disease, when it is present. Also,
the test yields "false positives"
for 1% of healthy population.

If .1% of the population has
the disease, what's the probability
that a person who tests positive actu-
ally has the disease?

D = person has the disease

$(+)$ = person tests positive

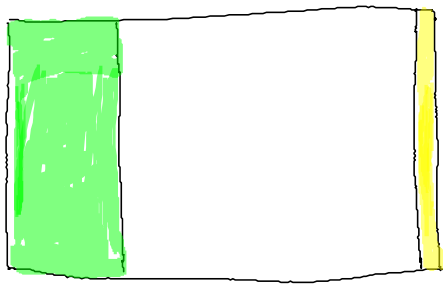
What to compute $P(D | (+))$.

Know: $P(+ | D) = 1$

$P(+ | D^c) = .01$

$$P(D) = .001$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(D | \oplus) &= \frac{P(D \cap \oplus)}{P(\oplus)} = \\
 &= \frac{P(\oplus | D) P(D)}{P(\oplus | D) P(D) + P(\oplus | D^c) P(D^c)} \\
 &= \frac{1 \times .001}{1 \times .001 + .01 \times .999} \\
 &= \frac{100}{100 + 999} = \frac{100}{1099} \approx \frac{1}{11}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{yellow} = D, P(D) = .001$$

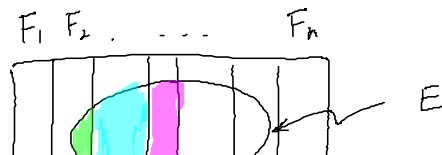
$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\oplus \cap D^c) &= \\
 &= P(\oplus | D^c) P(D^c) \\
 &= .01 \times .999 = .00999 \\
 &\approx .01
 \end{aligned}$$

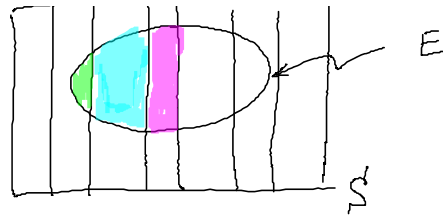
$$\begin{aligned}
 \oplus &= (\oplus \cap D^c) \cup (\oplus \cap D) \\
 &= (\oplus \cap D^c) \cup D
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{green} = \oplus \cap D^c$$

The prevalence & "false positive" rate
need to always be considered together. //

Suppose F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n are events
such that $S = \bigcup_{k=1}^n F_k$ and $F_j \cap F_i = \emptyset$
 $i \neq j$





$$E = E \cap S = E \cap \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n F_k \right)$$

$$= \bigcup_{k=1}^n (E \cap F_k)$$

$$P(E) = P \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n (E \cap F_k) \right) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n P(E \cap F_k) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n P(E | F_k) P(F_k) = P(E)$$

Law of Total Probability.

Bayes Formula

Think of E = outcome of an experiment
("data")

F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n = hypothesis $\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F_i = S \right)$
 $i \neq j : F_i \cap F_j = \emptyset$

$$P(F_k | E) = \frac{P(F_k \cap E)}{P(E)}$$

$$= \frac{\overbrace{P(E | F_k)}^{\text{models}} \overbrace{P(F_k)}^{\text{prior}}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \overbrace{P(E | F_k)}^{\text{models}} \overbrace{P(F_k)}^{\text{prior}}}$$

$$= \frac{P(E|F_k) P(F_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(E|F_i) P(F_i)}$$

Bayes Formula ↑

example A plane is missing and it is equally likely to have gone down in one of 3 regions. Let $1 - \beta_i$ be the probability that the plane would be found upon a search of the i^{th} region, $i=1,2,3$, if it is this region.

What's the probability that the plane is in region $i \in \{1,2,3\}$, given that the search of region 1 was unsuccessful?

F_1, F_2, F_3 = events that the plane is in region 1, 2, 3.

E = search of region 1 is fruitless.

prior: $P(F_1) = P(F_2) = P(F_3) = \frac{1}{3}$

model: $P(E|F_1) = \beta_1, \quad P(E|F_2) = 1 = P(E|F_3)$

$$P(F_1|E) = \frac{P(E|F_1) P(F_1)}{\sum_{i=1}^3 P(E|F_i) P(F_i)} = \frac{\beta_1 \cdot \frac{1}{3}}{\beta_1}$$

$$= \frac{\beta_1 \cdot \frac{1}{3}}{\beta_1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_1 + 2}$$

$$P(F_2 | E) = \dots = \frac{1}{\beta_1 + 2} = P(F_3 | E)$$

$$\frac{1}{\beta_1 + 2} > \frac{\beta_1}{\beta_1 + 2} \quad \text{as long as } \beta_1 < 1$$

\Rightarrow plane is now more likely to be in region 2 or 3.

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In general, $P(E|F)$ is not equal to $P(E)$.

Independence

Sometimes new information does not change your beliefs.

$$P(E|F) = P(E)$$

$$\text{" } \frac{P(E \cap F)}{P(F)} //$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{P(E \cap F) = P(F)P(E)}.$$

Def. Two events E and F are

independent if $P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F)$.

(dependent = not independent).

example Draw a card from a standard 52 card deck.

$E = \text{"ace"} \quad , \quad F = \text{"spade"}$

$$P(E \cap F) = \frac{1}{52}$$

$$P(E) = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13} \quad ; \quad P(F) = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(E \cap F) = P(E) P(F)$$

$\Rightarrow E$ and F are independent.

We will write $E \perp\!\!\!\perp F$
 $\quad \quad \quad \nwarrow$ "independent". //

example 2 coins, "fair"

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 $\{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$ equally likely
$$H_1 = 1^{\text{st}} \text{ coin comes up heads}$$

$H_2 = 2^{\text{nd}}$ coin comes up heads

$$P(H_1) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \quad P(H_2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(H_1 \cap H_2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(H_1 \cap H_2) = P(H_1) P(H_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow H_1 \perp H_2 //$$

example ① Toss 2 fair dice

E_1 = sum of the upturned faces is 6.

F = 1st die comes up 4.

$$P(E_1 \cap F) = \frac{1}{36} ; P(F) = \frac{1}{6} ; P(E_1) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$P(E_1 \cap F) \neq P(F)P(E_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow E_1 \not\perp F. //$$

② 2 fair dice, F = same

E_2 = sum of upturned faces is 7.

$$P(E_2 \cap F) = \frac{1}{36} ; P(F) = \frac{1}{6} ; P(E_2) = \frac{6}{36}$$

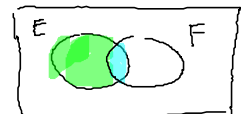
$$P(E_2 \cap F) = P(F)P(E_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow E_2 \perp F.$$

Always check your intuition! //

Note : If $E \perp F$ then so are

$$E \perp F^c.$$



$$P(E \cap F^c) = P(E) - P(E \cap F)$$

$$= P(E) - P(E)P(F)$$

$$= P(E)(1 - P(F)) = P(E)P(F^c)$$

.. +c

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$$\Rightarrow E \perp F^c.$$

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example (motivating independence of more than 2 events)

Suppose $E \perp F$, $E \perp G$, $F \perp G$
 "pairwise independent"

$$| \quad E \perp (F \cap G)?$$

2 fair dice

E = sum is 7

F = 1st die is 4

G = 2nd die is 3

$$\{ E \perp F, E \perp G, F \perp G \}$$

\Rightarrow pairwise independence.

$$P(E) = \frac{1}{6} \neq P(E | F \cap G) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow E \not\perp (F \cap G) \quad //$$

So, pairwise independence is not enough!

Def Three events E, F, G are independent

if $P(E \cap F \cap G) = P(E)P(F)P(G)$

and $\left. \begin{aligned} P(E \cap F) &= P(E)P(F) \\ P(E \cap G) &= P(E)P(G) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{pairwise independence}$

$$\text{and } \begin{cases} P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F) \\ P(E \cap G) = P(E)P(G) \\ P(F \cap G) = P(F)P(G) \end{cases} \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F) \\ P(E \cap G) = P(E)P(G) \\ P(F \cap G) = P(F)P(G) \end{matrix}} \right\} \text{pairwise independence}$$

example (illustration that this definition is better)

So E, F, G are independent

Is $E \perp (F \cup G)$?

$$\begin{aligned} P(E \cap (F \cup G)) &= P((E \cap F) \cup (E \cap G)) \\ &= P(E \cap F) + P(E \cap G) - \overbrace{P((E \cap F) \cap (E \cap G))}^{E \cap F \cap G} \\ &= P(E)P(F) + P(E)P(G) - P(E)P(F)P(G) \\ &= P(E) \{ P(F) + P(G) - P(F)P(G) \} \\ &= P(E)P(F \cup G) \end{aligned}$$

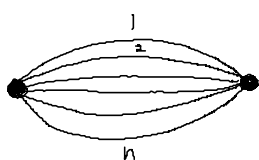
$$\Rightarrow E \perp (F \cup G).$$

And this will hold for any events formed from different events among E, F, G .

Def For any finite collection of events F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n we say that they are independent if for every subset $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\} \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ($1 \leq k \leq n$)

$$P(F_{i_1} \cap F_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap F_{i_k}) = P(F_{i_1})P(F_{i_2}) \dots P(F_{i_k})$$

example 1) A system of n components is said to be parallel if it functions as long as at least one of the components is functioning.



Assume that component i functions with probability p_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$.

independently of each other.

What's the chance of the system being functional?

A_i = component i is functioning

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = 1 - P\left(\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c\right)^c\right)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c\right)$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(A_i^c)$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - p_i) //$$

$\rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^n p_i //$

2) Roll 2 fair dice, independently,

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many times.

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \dots \right\}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\{ \textcircled{7}, \textcircled{5}, \textcircled{8}, \dots \}$$

What is the probability that sum of 5
appears before sum of 7?

E = sum of 5 before sum of 7

E_n = event that neither 5 nor 7
appear in the first $(n-1)$ rolls
and 5 appears on the n^{th} roll.

(e.g. $\{6, 8, 12, \underset{E_4}{5}, \dots\}$)

$$E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n, \quad E_n' \text{ s are disjoint}$$

$$P(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(E_n)$$

$$P(E_n) = \left(\frac{26}{36}\right)^{n-1} \times \frac{4}{36} = \left(\frac{13}{18}\right)^{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{9}$$

$$P(E) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{9} \cdot \left(\frac{13}{18}\right)^{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{13}{18}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} \quad //$$

geometric series

$$|a| < 1$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a^n = \frac{1}{1-a}$$

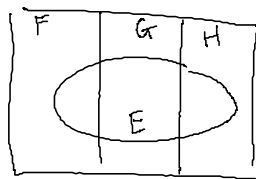
another approach

let E = sum of 5 occurs before sum of 7

F = 1st trial results in "5"

G = 1st trial results in "7"

H = 1st trial results in neither



$$\begin{aligned} P(E) &= P(E|F)P(F) + \\ &+ P(E|G)P(G) + \\ &+ P(E|H)P(H) = \\ &= 1 \times \frac{1}{9} + 0 \times P(G) + \\ &+ P(E) \cdot \frac{13}{18} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(E) = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{13}{18} \cdot P(E)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(E) = \frac{2}{5} \quad //$$

example

You are given a choice

i) win a prize by shooting basket ball once & making it

or

2) shoot 3 times & win

if you make it at least 2 times.

Which option should you choose?

Which option

"Make" the shot w/ prob. p ,
 $0 < p < 1$.

$$(1) P(\text{win}) = p$$

S = "success", F = "failure" = $P(SS)$

$$(2) P(\text{win}) = \overbrace{P(SSS) + P(SSF) + P(FSS) + P(SFS)} \\ = p^3 + 3p^2(1-p) //$$