

# **Lecture\_4 scribe**

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Task Instructions: Using the same structure as the example provided above, generate a comprehensive lecture scribe based on the attached context for Lecture 4 (L4.pdf). This scribe is authored by Vansh Lilani (ID: AU2320146). It is intended to serve as a primary exam-oriented reference material for a reading-based/closed-notes exam.

#### Requirements:

Faithfulness & Detail: Include all definitions, notation, and assumptions exactly as presented. Every formula, theorem statement, and worked example from the lecture must be included in full.

Step-by-Step Explanations: For all proofs and derivations, provide the complete step-by-step logic shown in the slides. Do not summarize; ensure the explanation covers the transition between each mathematical step to ensure exam readiness.

Scope: Stick strictly to the provided PDF. Do not invent new content or add external "intuition" not present in the lecture materials.

Correctness & Tone: Maintain a formal academic tone. Prioritize mathematical precision and clarity in the layout of formulas.

Structure: Adhere strictly to the organizational pattern (headings, lists, and layout) demonstrated in the "Example Lecture Scribe" provided above.





## 1. Topic Title

Joint Probability and Conditional Probability CSE 400 - Fundamentals of Probability in Computing Vansh Lilani - AU2320146

## 2. Definitions and Notation

- **Experiment (  $E$  ):** A procedure performed that produces some result. Example: Tossing a coin five times (  $E_5$  ). +1
- **Outcome (  $\xi$  ):** A possible result of an experiment. Example: One outcome of  $E_5$  is  $\xi_1 = HHTHT$  . +1
- **Sample Space (  $S$  ):** The set of all possible outcomes of an experiment.
- **Event (  $A, B, \dots$  ):** A subset of the sample space.
- **Joint Probability**  $P(A \cap B)$  : The probability that both event  $A$  and event  $B$  occur simultaneously.
- **Conditional Probability**  $P(A | B)$  : The probability of event  $A$  occurring given that event  $B$  has already occurred.

## 3. Assumptions / Conditions

- **Axioms of Probability:** All probability assignments must satisfy the fundamental axioms of probability theory.
- **Probability Assignment:** Probabilities can be assigned using either the Classical approach or the Relative Frequency approach.
- **Non-zero Probability for Condition:** For conditional probability  $P(A | B)$  to be defined, the probability of the conditioning event  $B$  must be greater than zero (  $P(B) > 0$  ).

## 4. Main Results / Theorems

- **Joint Probability Concepts:** Joint probability measures the likelihood of the intersection of two or more events.

- **Conditional Probability Concepts:** Conditional probability involves updating the sample space based on the knowledge that a specific event has occurred.
- **Corollaries and Propositions:** These are derived directly from the fundamental axioms of probability to solve complex event interactions.

## 5. Proofs / Derivations

*Note: The provided lecture materials focus on conceptual introductions and outlines for these topics; detailed mathematical derivations for Lecture 4 results are typically built upon the following logical flow:*

- **Step 1: Define the Sample Space (  $S$  ):** Identify all possible outcomes for the given experiment.
- **Step 2: Identify Events (  $A$  and  $B$  ):** Define the specific subsets of  $S$  that correspond to the outcomes of interest.
- **Step 3: Apply Joint Probability:** Calculate  $P(A \cap B)$  by identifying the outcomes common to both  $A$  and  $B$  .
- **Step 4: Derive Conditional Probability:** Use the relationship between joint and marginal probabilities to find  $P(A | B)$  , effectively restricting the sample space to outcomes in  $B$  .

## 6. Worked Examples

- **Example 1: Card Deck (Joint Probability):** Determining the probability of drawing a card that is both an Ace and a Heart from a standard deck.
- **Example 2: Costume Party (Joint Probability):** Calculating the likelihood of a guest wearing a specific combination of costume elements.
- **Example 3: Cards Without Replacement (Conditional Probability):** Calculating the probability of drawing a specific second card given the first card drawn and not returned to the deck.
- **Example 4: Game of Poker (Conditional Probability):** Evaluating the probability of a specific hand given the cards already dealt.
- **Example 5: The Missing Key (Conditional Probability):** Determining the probability of finding a key in a specific location given it was not found in previous locations.