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CSE400: Fundamentals of Probability in Computing

Lecture 4: Joint Probability and Conditional Probability Scribe: Fagun Rathod - AU2440111 **Date:** January 15, 2026

1. Introduction to Probability Theory

2. Definitions and Notation

Experiment (E): A procedure we perform that produces some result.

- *Example:* Tossing a coin five times (E5).

- **Outcome (ξ):** A possible result of an experiment.

- *Example:* $\xi_1 = \text{HHTHT}$ is one possible outcome of E5.

- **Event (Any Letter):** A certain set of outcomes of an experiment.

- *Example:* Event C (all outcomes consisting of an even number of heads) within experiment E5.

- **Sample Space (S):** The collection or set of "all possible" distinct outcomes of an experiment. It is the universal set of outcomes and can be discrete, countably infinite, or continuous.

- **Mutually Exclusive:** Outcomes where you can get one result or another, but not both (e.g., heads or tails).

- **Collectively Exhaustive:** Outcomes where you cannot get anything other than the defined set (e.g., nothing other than heads or tails).

- **Probability:** A function of an event that produces a numerical quantity measuring the likelihood of that event.

3. Assumptions / Conditions

- **Classical Approach:** Probability is assigned to various outcomes and events based on a finite sample space.

- **Relative Frequency Approach:** To get an exact measure, the event must be repeatable an infinite number of times.

4. Main Results / Theorems (Axioms and Propositions)

- **Axiom 1:** For any event A, $0 \leq \Pr(A) \leq 1$.

- **Axiom 2:** If S is the sample space, $\Pr(S) = 1$.
- **Axiom 3:** If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B)$.
- **Proposition 2.1:** $\Pr(A^c) = 1 - \Pr(A)$.
- **Proposition 2.2:** If $A \subset B$, then $\Pr(A) \leq \Pr(B)$.
- **Proposition 2.3:** $\Pr(A \cup B) = \Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A \cap B)$.

6. Worked Examples

- **Example 2.6 (Coin flipping):** Compute $\Pr(H)$ and $\Pr(T)$.
- **Example 2.7 (Dice rolling):** Compute $\Pr(\text{even number is rolled})$.
- **Example 2.8 (Pair of dice):** Compute $\Pr(A)$ where A is the event of the sum equaling five.
- **Relative Frequency Table for sum of 5:** As n increases from 1000 to 10,000, nA/n converges toward approximately 0.110.

2. Joint Probability

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Joint Probability: The probability of the intersection of two or more events that are not mutually exclusive.

- **Notation:** Denoted as $\Pr(A, B)$ or $\Pr(A \cap B)$.
- **Multiple Events:** Denoted as $\Pr(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_M)$.

5. Proofs / Derivations (Calculation Approaches)

- **Step 1 (Classical):** Express events A and B in terms of atomic outcomes.
- **Step 2 (Classical):** Identify atomic outcomes common to both events.
- **Step 3 (Classical):** Calculate the probabilities of these common outcomes.
- **Relative Frequency Formula:** $\Pr(A, B) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} nA, B$.

6. Worked Examples

- **Example 1: Card Deck:** In a set of 52 cards, let A = Red card, B = Number card (Ace included), C = Heart card.
 - $\Pr(A) = 26/52 = 1/2$.
 - $\Pr(B) = 40/52 = 5/13$.
 - $\Pr(C) = 13/52 = 1/4$.
 - $\Pr(A, B) = 20/52 = 5/13$.
 - $\Pr(A, C) = 13/52 = 1/4$.
 - $\Pr(B, C) = 10/52 = 5/26$.
- **Example 2: Costume Party:** Alex has 4 tops (3 t-shirts, 1 cape) and 6 bottoms (2 pants, 4 boxers).

- **Step 1:** $\Pr(\text{Cape}) = 1/4$.
- **Step 2:** $\Pr(\text{Boxers}) = 4/6 = 2/3$.
- **Step 3 (Joint Probability):** $\Pr(\text{Cape}) \times \Pr(\text{Boxers}) = (1/4) \times (2/3) = 1/6$.

3. Conditional Probability

2. Definitions and Notation

- **Conditional Probability:** The probability of event A occurring given that event B has already occurred.
- **Notation:** $\Pr(A|B)$.

4. Main Results / Theorems

- **Definition Formula:** $\Pr(A|B) = \frac{\Pr(A, B)}{\Pr(B)}$ where $\Pr(B) > 0$.
- **Product Rule:** $\Pr(A, B) = \Pr(A|B)\Pr(B) = \Pr(B|A)\Pr(A)$.
- **Chain Rule (M events):** $\Pr(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_M) = \Pr(A_M|A_1, \dots, A_{M-1}) \dots \Pr(A_2|A_1)\Pr(A_1)$.

6. Worked Examples

Example 3: Cards Without Replacement: Select two cards; first card (A) is a Spade, find probability second card (B) is a Spade.

- Initial: 13 Spades in 52 cards.
- After A: 12 Spades and 51 total cards remain.
- Result: $\Pr(B|A) = 12/51$.

- **Example 4: Poker Flush:** Probability of a flush in Spades (5 cards).

- Calculation: $5213 \times 5112 \times 5011 \times 4910 \times 489$.
- Any Flush: $4 \times \Pr(\text{Spade Flush})$.

- **Example 5: Missing Key:** Key is in jacket ($P(K) = 0.8$), specifically Left Pocket ($P(L) = 0.4$) or Right Pocket ($P(R) = 0.4$). Search of Left Pocket fails (L_c).

- **Calculation:** $P(R|L_c) = P(L_c)P(R \cap L_c) = 1 - P(L)P(R) = 0.6 \times 0.4 = 2/3$.

Would you like me to create a summary of the engineering applications (Speech Recognition, Radar, and Communication Networks) mentioned in the lecture?