

# JACCARD COEFFICIENT CALCULATIONS

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# JACCARD

The table shows the pathological test results for three individuals.

Name	Gender	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	M	Y	N	P	N	N	A
Mary	F	Y	N	P	A	P	N
Jim	M	Y	P	N	N	N	A
	Symmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric	Asymmetric

Best guess:

- **Gender:** M (Male), F (Female)
- **Fever:** Y (Yes), N (No)
- **Cough:** N (Negative), P (Positive)
- **Test-1,2,3,4:** N (Negative), P (Positive), A (Absent – no result?)

Symmetry:

- Symmetric: No preference as to mapping to 0 or 1, same weight, like M/F.
- Asymmetric: Not equal importance. Preference to map.

Ignore Symmetric.

## Jaccard Coefficient

**Jaccard Coefficient** measures similarities between two sets.

- Asymmetric data. Outcomes not equal importance.
- Binary data
- Range: 0 to 1
- 0: No common elements between two sets (disjoint)
- 1: Identical sets.

The Jaccard Coefficient is defined as

$$J(A,B) = |A \cap B| / |A \cup B|$$

$J(A,B)$  = **intersection divided by union.**

This is also represented as:

$$J = f_{11} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11})$$

## Intersection and Union

- **Intersection** is common
- **Union** is when at least one of the sets has element.
  - 1 means attribute present
  - 0 means attribute absent

## Jaccard Distance

The assignment and lecturecast use the Jaccard Distance formula, even though it says Jaccard Coefficient.

**Jaccard Distance** is represented as:

$$d_J = f_{01} + f_{10} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11})$$

$$\text{or } d_J(A, B) = 1 - J(A, B) = (|A \cup B| - |A \cap B|) / |A \cup B|$$

Not all binary. Group:

- **Fever:** N (0), Y (1)
- **Cough:** N (0), P (1)
- **Test-1,2,3,4:** N or A (0), P (1)

Name	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	1	0	1	0	0	0
Mary	1	0	1	0	1	0
Jim	1	1	0	0	0	0

Calculate Jaccard Coefficient for the following pairs:

**(Jack, Mary):  $J = 0.67$ ,  $d_J = 0.33$**

Name	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	1	0	1	0	0	0
Mary	1	0	1	0	1	0

- Intersection =  $|A \cap B| = 2$
- Union =  $|A \cup B| = 3$

**Jaccard Coefficient = 0.67**

$$J(A, B) = |A \cap B| / |A \cup B| = 2/3 = 0.67$$

Or

$$J = f_{11} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = 2 / (1 + 0 + 2) = 2/3 = 0.67$$

**Jaccard Distance = 0.33**

$$d_J = f_{01} + f_{10} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = (1 + 0) / (1 + 0 + 2) = 1/3 = 0.33$$

or

$$d_J(A, B) = 1 - J(A, B) = 1 - 0.67 = 0.33$$

or

$$d_J(A, B) = (|A \cup B| - |A \cap B|) / |A \cup B| = (3 - 2) / 3 = 1/3 = 0.33$$

**(Jack, Jim):  $J = 0.33$ ,  $d_J = 0.67$**

Name	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jack	1	0	1	0	0	0
Jim	1	1	0	0	0	0

- Intersection =  $|A \cap B| = 1$
- Union =  $|A \cup B| = 3$

**Jaccard Coefficient = 0.33**

$$J = |A \cap B| / |A \cup B| = f_{11} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = 1 / 3 = 0.33$$

**Jaccard Distance = 0.67**

$$d_J = 1 - J(A, B) = f_{01} + f_{10} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = 2 / 3 = 0.67$$

**(Jim, Mary) =  $J = 0.25$ ,  $d_J = 0.75$**

Name	Fever	Cough	Test-1	Test-2	Test-3	Test-4
Jim	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mary	1	0	1	0	1	0

- Intersection =  $|A \cap B| = 1$
- Union =  $|A \cup B| = 4$

**Jaccard Coefficient = 0.25**

$$J = |A \cap B| / |A \cup B| = f_{11} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = 1 / 4 = 0.25$$

**Jaccard Distance = 0.75**

$$d_J = 1 - J(A, B) = f_{01} + f_{10} / (f_{01} + f_{10} + f_{11}) = 3 / 4 = 0.75$$