

Last time

* You and I select a pattern from {HHH, HTH, HHT, HTT, THH, TTH, THT, TTT}

We toss a fair coin and record the sequence.

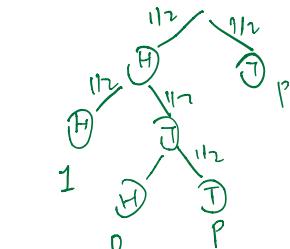
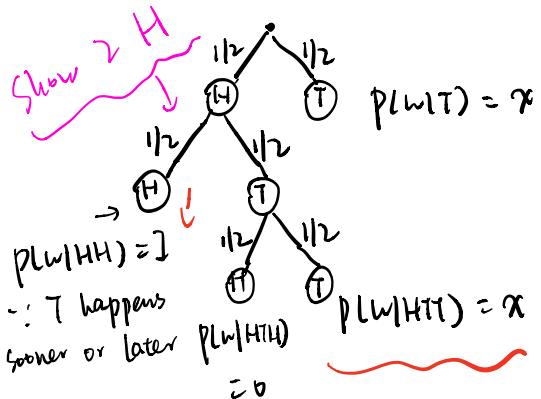
Whoever's pattern comes up first wins the game.

Q: Say, you choose HTH, I choose HHT.

Probability that I win? Continuous

Prob that I win = x

$$P(w) = x$$



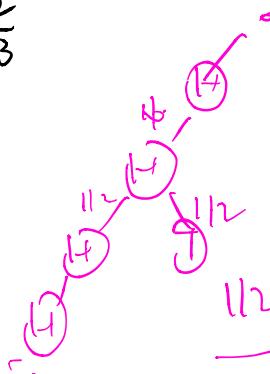
$$P = \frac{1}{4}x1 + \frac{1}{8}x0 + \frac{1}{8}xP + \frac{1}{2}P$$

$$P = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{8}P$$

$$\frac{3}{8}P = \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow P = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{8}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8}x$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}$$



$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots = \frac{2}{3}$$

Probability Space: Ω

$HTH \dots TH \dots$, which is the infinite sequences of H and T

Events: "Cylindrical Events"

Choose k positions and prescribe outcomes there "H" or "T"

$$\dots (H) \dots (T) \dots (T) \quad \text{prob} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^k$$

Add to the mix all events obtained by repeated countable unions and taking complements.

If works,

$$P(H\bar{T}\dots H\bar{T}\dots) = 0$$

Independent Events

Ω = probability space

$\{A_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ are events in Ω .

We say A_i are independent if for every finite $J \subset \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\underbrace{P(\bigcap_{i \in J} A_i)}_{i \in J} = \prod_{i \in J} P(A_i)$$

Ex / Caution:

I roll two fair dice.

A: The first die shows 3

B: The second die shows 4

C: The sum is 7.

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(B) = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(C) = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$1 \quad b \quad P(AB) = \frac{1}{36}, \quad P(AC) = \frac{1}{36}, \quad P(BC) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$2 \quad 5 \quad P(ABC) = \frac{1}{36} \neq P(A)P(B)P(C) = \frac{1}{216}$$

3 4 ✓

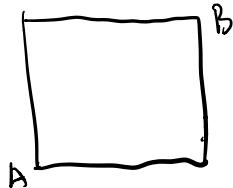
4 3 $\{A, B\}$ independent, $\{A, C\}$ independent, $\{B, C\}$ independent.

5 2

6 1 But $\{A, B, C\}$ not independent

Typical Example

Wires arranged like this: (a) calculate the prob of whole network working



Each fails with prob $0 < p < 1$

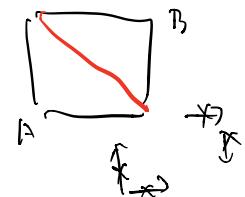
Independently of others

Q: Prob that there is a connection between A and B?

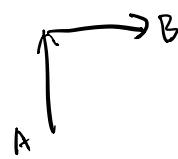
① diagonal x work

$$\text{Pr}(\text{diagonal } \times \text{ work}) = \text{Pr}(V_{\rightarrow} \uparrow)$$

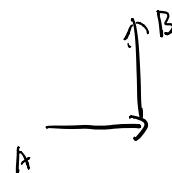
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(V_{\rightarrow} \uparrow) &= \text{Pr}(V_{\rightarrow} \uparrow) + \text{Pr}(B_{\rightarrow} \uparrow) - \text{Pr}(V_{\rightarrow} \uparrow \cap B_{\rightarrow} \uparrow) \\ &= 2(1-p)^2 - (1-p)^4 \end{aligned}$$



② diagonal work x else:



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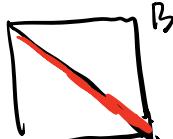
$$\text{Pr}(c) = \text{Pr}(c \cap (x \wedge) \cdot \text{Pr}(x \wedge) + \text{Pr}(c \cap \neg x) \cdot \text{Pr}(\neg x)(1-p)$$

$$A = 2(1-p)^2 - (1-p)^4$$

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$$= p \times [2(1-p)^2 - (1-p)^4]$$

No connection if either
 $p^2 \neq p$ or $p \neq p$
 $\text{Pr}(V_{\rightarrow} \uparrow)$



Each fails with prob p independently of others

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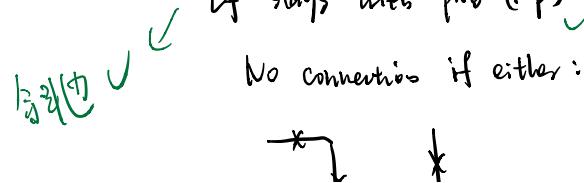
Condition on that extra.

$$\text{Pr}(c| \neg x) = \frac{2p^2 - p^4}{1 - 2p^2 + p^4}$$

if fails with prob p , there is connection with prob: $2(1-p)^2 - (1-p)^4$

if stays with prob $(1-p)$

No connection if either:



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(x \text{ conn}) &= \text{Pr}(x \uparrow) \cdot \text{Pr}(y \uparrow) \\ &= \text{Pr}(x \uparrow) \cdot \text{Pr}(y \uparrow) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{P}^2 \uparrow \quad \text{P}^2 \downarrow \\
 \therefore P(\text{at least one connection}) = 2P^2 - P^4 \\
 \therefore P(\text{no connection}) = 1 - 2P^2 + P^4 \\
 A := P(2(1-P)^2 - (1-P)^4) + (1-P)(1-2P^2+P^4) \\
 = -2P^5 + 5P^4 - 2P^3 + 2P^2 + 1
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 = P\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + P\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\
 - P\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \\
 = 2P^2 - P^4 \\
 \therefore P(\text{no connection}) \\
 = 1 - 2P^2 + P^4
 \end{array}$$

Self-test exercise:

A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n independent \Rightarrow replace some by some intersection still independent
 \Rightarrow replace some by the union still independent.

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) \cap L A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5$$

$$= P(A_1 \cup A_2) \times P(A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5)$$

e.g. A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5 independent, then $A_1 \cup A_2$, $A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5$ are independent.

Proof: To prove $A_1 \cup A_2$, $A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5$ are independent. $\text{trick: } (A_1 \cup A_2)^\complement = (A_1^\complement \cap A_2^\complement)$
we need to prove $P(A_1 \cup A_2) \times P(A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5) = P((A_1 \cup A_2) \cap (A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5))$

$$P(A_1^\complement \cap A_2^\complement)$$

$$\overbrace{A}^A \quad \overbrace{B}^B$$

$$A_1^\complement \cap A_2^\complement$$

$$A_3^\complement \cap A_4^\complement \cap A_5^\complement$$

To prove A, B indep $\rightarrow A^\complement, B^\complement$ indep $\rightarrow (A_1^\complement \cap A_2^\complement)$ $A_3^\complement \cap A_4^\complement \cap A_5^\complement$
and $(A_3^\complement \cap A_4^\complement \cap A_5^\complement)$ $A^\complement, B^\complement$ indep $\rightarrow A, B$ indep

Finite Probability Space with Equally Likely Outcomes

provable



If n is finite,

every $A \subseteq \Omega$ is an event.

Equality likely outcomes: $P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{\# \text{outcomes in } A}{\# \text{outcomes in } \Omega} [1 - P(A)]$

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2) = P(A_1) P(A_2)$$

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2^\complement) = P(A_1) P(A_2^\complement)$$

$|A| \leftarrow \# \text{outcomes in } A$

$|1 - P(A)| \leftarrow \# \text{outcomes in } \Omega$

Multiplication Principle:

clubs
diamonds
hearts
spades

If there are n ways to accomplish the task I.

After each of which, there are n ways to finish task II.

How many ways to finish task I and II?

$$n \times n$$

ex. ("Birthday Paradox")

Pick 50 people at random.

Q: What is the prob that some two of them will have birthdays on the same month and day?

think of these 50 people walking in the room one-by-one, and proclaiming their birthday.

1st has 366 possibilities.

$$|\Omega| = 366^{50}$$

2nd has 366 possibilities.

$$|\Lambda| = 366 \times 365 \times \dots \times 31$$

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50th has 366 possibilities.

$$= \frac{366!}{316!}$$

$$|\Omega| = 366^{50}$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{|\Lambda|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{366! / 316!}{366^{50}} , 1 - P = \textcircled{1}$$

Complementary Event: No two have birthdays on the same month/day

$$1st = 366$$

$$366!$$

$$2nd = 365$$

$$366 - \frac{366!}{316!} \cdot \frac{366^{50}}{366^{50}}$$

$$3rd = 364$$

$$\frac{366 \times 365}{366!}$$

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$$50th: 366 - 50 + 1 = 317$$

$$\therefore |\Lambda| = 366 \times 365 \times \dots \times 317 = \frac{366!}{316!}$$

$$\text{Answer: } 1 - \frac{366!}{316! \cdot 366^{30}} \approx 0.97$$

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Combinations

A group of n people

Q: In how many ways can we choose a committee of k from the group of n people?

Say, we choose a committee And also rank its members by importance.

We can choose the most important member in n ways.

We - - - - next - - - - - - - - $(n-1)$ - -

:

We - - - - . least - - - - - - - $(n-k+1)$ - -

ways to choose a committee and to rank its members is:

$$n(n-1) \dots (n-k+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

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If \times ranking, then we have: $\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ Combinations
 $(n-k)$ factorial

Now, forget about ranking. Each committee of k can be ranked in $k!$ ways.

A: The total # of (unranked) committees is:

$$\frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!} = \binom{n}{k}, \text{ "n choose k")}$$