

# Lecture 24

Recap:

$$Pr[E|F] = \frac{Pr[E \cap F]}{Pr[F]}$$

Example

- 0.1% of users are ND students
- 5% of people who watched Rudy are ND students
- 1% of <sup>all</sup> users watched Rudy.

$$Pr[Rudy | ND] = \frac{Pr[ND | Rudy] \cdot Pr[Rudy]}{Pr[ND]} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{Pr[ND | Rudy] \cdot Pr[Rudy]}{Pr[ND]}} \right\} \text{ Bayes Theorem}$$

## Random Variable, Expected Value, and Gamble

- If a variable  $X$  is random, its value is determined with some probabilities.

$$E[X] = (1) \times P[X=1] + 2 \times P[X=2] + \dots + 5 \times P[X=5] + 6 \times P[X=6]$$

↑  
value  
of  
a die

so expected value:  $E[X] = 1(\frac{1}{6}) + 2(\frac{1}{6}) + \dots + 5(\frac{1}{6}) + 6(\frac{1}{6})$

$$E[X] = 3.5$$

## Linearity

$$E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$$

$$E[cX] = cE[X]$$

### • Example

•  $X = \#$  of different birthdays in the room (97 people in room)

• Assuming uniform distribution, what is  $E[X]$

$$E[X] = (1) \cdot P[X=1] + 2 \cdot P[X=2] + \dots + 365 \cdot P[X=365]$$

or

Define Indicator variable  $I_y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{someone was born on day } y \\ 0 & \text{no one was born on day } y \end{cases}$

$$X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_{364} + I_{365}$$

$$E[X] = E[I_1 + \dots + I_{365}] = E[I_1] + E[I_2] + \dots + E[I_{365}]$$

arbitrary day 16  $\rightarrow E[I_{16}] = 0 \times P[I_{16}=0] + 1 \times P[I_{16}=1]$

$$P[I_{16}=1] = 1 - P[I_{16}=0]$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{364}{365}\right)^{97}$$

This is the value for  $P[I_1=1] = P[I_2=1] = \dots = P[I_{365}=1]$

$$\text{• so } E[X] = 365 \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{364}{365}\right)^{97} \right]$$

• Indicator variable and expected values will likely be on final exam.

- All expected values of casino games are negative.

- Algorithm Taehoon uses to make money in Vegas.

1. Sit on roulette Table (minimum bet is \$1)

2. Bet \$1 on red or black

- ↳ If you lose, double the bet and repeat step 2

- ↳ If I win, reset the bet to \$1 and repeat step 2

- Casinos know this, that's why they put high limits.