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Boolean logic vs Fuzzy logic

Lecture 1/2 – Probability theory

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I Repetitive operations and sample spaces

Repetitive operation is the notion of being able to repeat an operation over and over again «under essentially the same conditions».

- a) Tossing a coin
- b) Throwing a die
- c) Shuffling a pack of playing cards and then cutting the pack
- d) Taking two screws «at random» from a box of 100 screws



I Repetitive operations and sample spaces

Sample space is the set or collection of all possible outcomes of a repetitive operation.

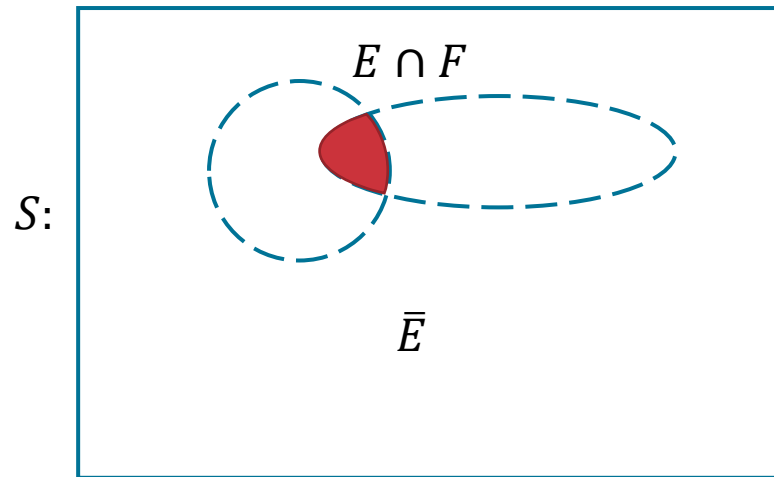
- a) Coin: $S = \{H, T\}$
- b) Die: $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- c) Playing cards: 52 outcomes
- d) Screws: 4950 possible outcomes

II Events

$$S = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$$

$$E \subset S$$

Event is some subset E of the sample space S of particular interest.



III Probability

$$S = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$$

Example: $S = \{e_1 = H, e_2 = T\}$

Experiment: toss a coin 200 times



Heads: 108

$$f_1 = \frac{108}{200}$$

→ repeat this experiment infinitely many times

Tails: 92

$$f_2 = \frac{92}{200}$$

→ idealized values for the f 's

In general, the quantities $p(e_1), \dots, p(e_m)$ are called *probabilities* of occurrence of e_1, \dots, e_m respectively and

$$p(e_1) + p(e_2) + \dots + p(e_m) = 1$$

Suppose E is any event in S , $E = \{e_{i_1}, \dots, e_{i_r}\}$. The probability of the occurrence of E is denoted by $P(E)$, and is defined as follows:

$$P(E) = p(e_{i_1}) + \dots + p(e_{i_r})$$

The axioms of probability

1. If E is any event in S , then $P(E) \geq 0$
2. $P(S) = 1$
3. If E and F are two disjoint events, then $P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F)$

Rule of complementation

If E is an event in a sample space S , then

$$P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E)$$

General rule of complementation

If E_1, \dots, E_k are events in a sample space S , then

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^k \bar{E}_i\right) = 1 - P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i\right)$$

Rule of addition of probabilities for mutually exclusive events

If E_1, \dots, E_k are *disjoint* events in a sample space S , then

$$P(E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_k) = P(E_1) + \dots + P(E_k)$$

Rule for addition of probabilities for two arbitrary events

If E_1 and E_2 are *any* two events in a sample space S , then

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_2)$$

More generally, for n events E_1, \dots, E_n , we have

$$P(E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{j>i=1}^n P(E_i \cap E_j) + \sum_{k>j>i=1}^n P(E_i \cap E_j \cap E_k) + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} P(E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_n)$$

IV Conditional probability

The probability that an event F occurs if it is known that an event E has occurred is called the *conditional probability of F given E* , and it is denoted by $P(F|E)$

$$P(F|E) = \frac{P(E \cap F)}{P(E)},$$

where $P(E) \neq 0$.

Rule of multiplication of probabilities

If E and F are events in a sample space S , such that $P(E) \neq 0$, then

$$P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F|E)$$

Rule of multiplication of probabilities of two independent events

E and F are independent events if and only if

$$P(E \cap F) = P(E)P(F)$$

V Example

A box of 1000 screws contains:

- 50 screws with type *A* defects;
- 32 screws with type *B* defects;
- 18 screws with type *C* defects;
- 7 screws with type *A* and type *B* defects;
- 5 screws with type *A* and type *C* defects;
- 4 screws with type *B* and type *C* defects;
- 2 screws with all three types of defects.



Event	Number of elements
E_A	50
E_B	32
E_C	18
$E_A \cap E_B$	7
$E_A \cap E_C$	5
$E_B \cap E_C$	4
$E_A \cap E_B \cap E_C$	2

- a) The probability that the screw will have a type *A* or type *B* defect, or both, is

$$P(E_A \cup E_B) = P(E_A) + P(E_B) - P(E_A \cap E_B)$$

- b) The probability that the screw will have *at least one of three* types of defect is

$$P(E_A \cup E_B \cup E_C) = P(E_A) + P(E_B) + P(E_C) - P(E_A \cap E_B) - P(E_A \cap E_C) - P(E_B \cap E_C) + P(E_A \cap E_B \cap E_C)$$

- c) The probability that the screw will be *free of these defects* is

$$P(\bar{E}_A \cap \bar{E}_B \cap \bar{E}_C) = 1 - P(E_A \cup E_B \cup E_C)$$

- d) Let the screw drawn from the box has a type *A* defect. The probability that it *also* have a type *B* defect is

$$P(E_B|E_A) = \frac{P(E_A \cap E_B)}{P(E_A)}$$