# Chapter 1. Probability

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## Section 1.
## Properties of Probability

## Why Probability and Statistics?

Two main reasons are uncertainty and complexity.

Uncertainty is all around us and is usually modeled as randomness: it appears in call centers, electronic circuits, quantum mechanics, medical treatment, epidemics, financial investments, insurance, games (both sports and gambling), online search engines, for starters.

Probability is a good way of quantifying and discussing what we know about uncertain things, and then making decisions or estimating outcomes.

## Why Probability and Statistics?

Some things are too complex to be analyzed exactly (like weather, the brain, social science), and probability is a useful way of reducing the complexity and providing approximations.

## Definition: Experiments, Sample spaces, Events

We consider experiments for which the outcome cannot be predicted with certainty.

Such experiments are called random experiments. ex) Toss a fair coin

$S = \{H, T\}$

The collection of all possible outcomes is denoted by $S$ and is called the sample space.

Given a sample space $S$, let $A$ be a part of the collection of outcomes in $S$.

The subset $A$ is called an event. $A = \{H\}$

Goal "Quantify "size" of an event"

"uncertainty"

Example $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$A = \{1, 2\}$ , $B = \{2, 3\}$

$A \cup B = \{1, 2, 3\}$ $A \cap B = \{2\}$ $A^c = \{3, 4, 5\}$

## Algebra of sets

Empty set (Null set): $\phi$

$A$ is a subset of $B$: $A \subset B$, Every outcome in A belongs to B.

The union of $A$ and $B$ = $A \cup B$ = the set of outcomes in A or outcomes in B

The intersection of $A$ and $B$ = $A \cap B$ = the set of outcomes in A and in B

The complements of $A$ = $A^c$ = the set of outcomes not in A

$A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_k$ are mutually exclusive events: Any pairs $A_i \cap A_j = \phi$

$A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_k$ are exhaustive events: $S = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_k$

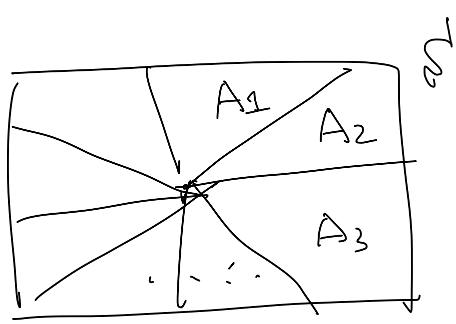
Every outcome in $S$ belongs to at least one of $A_1, \cdots, k$.

$A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_k$ are mutually exclusive and exhaustive events:



no outcome can belong to two subsets.

( Every outcome in $S$ belong to at most one subset among $A_1, \cdots, A_k$




mutually exclusive : no overlap.

exhaustive : cover $S$

$\Rightarrow$ A partition!

Operation : $\cup$ , $\cap$ , Complement , ...

## Algebra of sets

**Commutative Laws** 1 op. 2 sets Order doesn't matter.

$A \cup B = B \cup A$ and $A \cap B = B \cap A$

**Associative Laws** 1 op. twice, 3 sets Parenthesis doesn't matter

$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$ and $(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$

**Distributive Laws** 2 diff. op. $\cup$ / $\cap$

$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$ and $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$

**De Morgan's Laws** 2 diff op. $\cup$ + Comp / $\cap$ + Comp.

$(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$ and $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$

"Heuristic"

## Definition of Probability

toss a fair coin 100 times

Consider repeating the experiment a number of times, say, $n$ times. We call these repetitions trials.

$S = \{H, T\}$ , $A = \{H\}$

Count the number of times that event $A$ actually occurred throughout these $n$ trials; this number is called the frequency of event $A$ and is denoted by $N(A)$. $= 48 \leftarrow$ # of H

$52 \leftarrow$ # of T

The ratio $N(A)/n$ is called the relative frequency of event $A$ in these $n$ repetitions of the experiment. $= \frac{48}{100} = 0.48$ .

As $n$ increase, one can expect that the relative frequency tends to stabilize, close to some number $p$.

This $p$ is called the **probability of $A$**.



$n = 1000 \rightarrow \frac{N(A)}{n} = ?$

$n = 10000 \rightarrow \frac{N(A)}{n} = ?$

$\vdots$

$\downarrow$ Coverge

$\underline{\underline{p}}$

## Definition of Probability

$\mathbb{P} : \{ \text{Sets} \}$

**Definition** Events $\xmapsto{\text{assign}}$ a number $\in [0, 1]$

Probability is a real-valued set function $\mathbb{P}$ that assigns, to each event $A$ in the sample space $S$, a number $\mathbb{P}(A)$, called the probability of the event $A$, such that the following properties are satisfied:

1. $\mathbb{P}(A) \geq 0$ for all events $A$
2. $\mathbb{P}(S) = 1$
3. For mutually exclusive events $A_1, A_2, \cdots$, $\mathbb{P}(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots) = \mathbb{P}(A_1) + \mathbb{P}(A_2) + \cdots$

( No overlap )

$\mathbb{P}$( Union ) = Sum of Each $\mathbb{P}$( )



Example $\quad S = \{H, T\}$

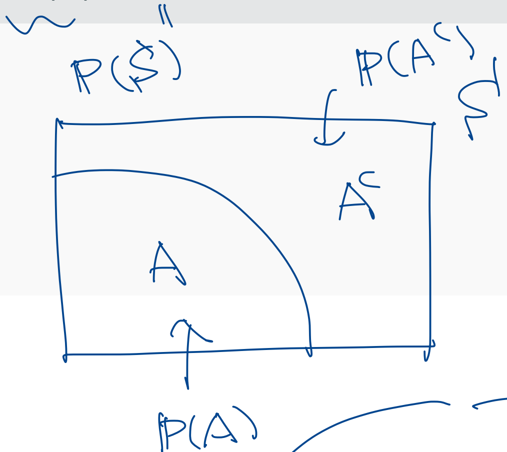
$$\mathbb{P} : \begin{array}{lcl} \phi & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \{H\} & \longrightarrow & \frac{1}{2} \ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \ \cancel{\tfrac{1}{3}} \text{ Probability} \\ \{T\} & \longrightarrow & \frac{1}{2} \ \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \ \cancel{\tfrac{1}{3}} \\ \{H, T\} = S & \longrightarrow & 1 \end{array}$$

## Definition of Probability

**Theorem**

Let $A, B$ be events.

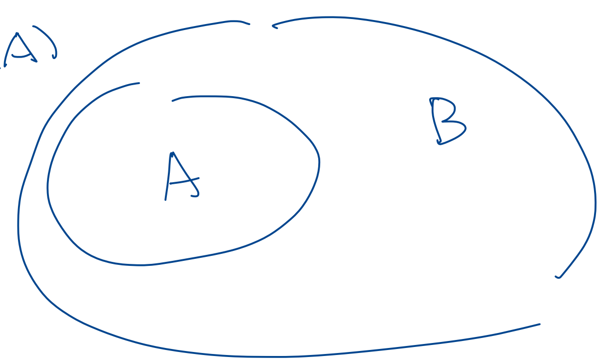
1. $\mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A^c)$
2. $\mathbb{P}(\varnothing) = 0$ $= 1 - \mathbb{P}(\phi^c) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(S) = 1 - 1 = 0.$
3. If $A \subset B$, then $\mathbb{P}(A) \leq \mathbb{P}(B)$. & special case $B = S$
4. $\mathbb{P}(A) \leq 1$ for all events $A$.




$\mathbb{P}(A) + \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(A^c)}_{} = \mathbb{P}(S) = 1$

$\mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A^c).$






$\Rightarrow \quad \mathbb{P}(A) \leq \mathbb{P}(B).$

## Definition of Probability

**Example**

A fair coin is flipped successively until the same face is observed on successive flips.

What is the probability that it will take three or more flips of the coin to observe the same face on two consecutive flips?

Possible Situations

$A^c$

T T / 2

H H / 2

$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

T H H / 3

H T T / 3

T H T T / 4

H T H H / 4

T H T H H / 5

H T H T T / 5

$\vdots$ $\quad$ $\vdots$

Event A

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A^c)$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

"Mutually Exclusive Sets" $\Rightarrow$ $\mathbb{P}$( Union ) = Sum of $\mathbb{P}$( )

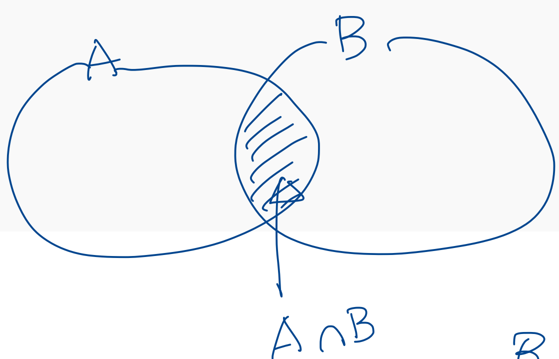
## Definition of Probability

**Theorem**

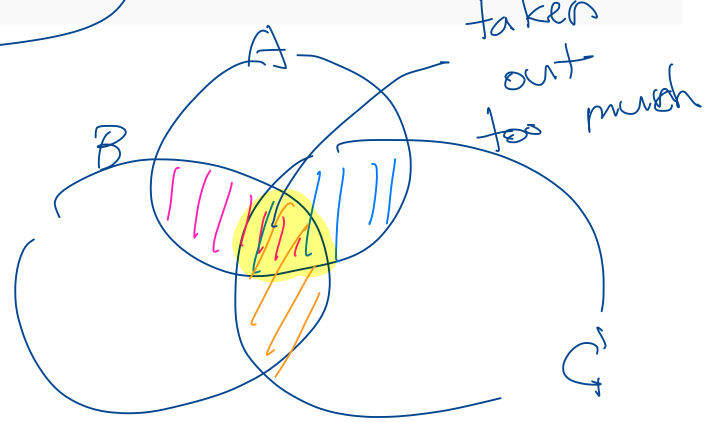
For events $A, B, C$,

$$\underbrace{\mathbb{P}(A \cup B)}_{\text{Union}} = \overbrace{\mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B)}^{\text{sum}} - \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) \quad \text{overlap part.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(A \cup B \cup C)}_{\text{Union}} = {} & \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B) + \mathbb{P}(C) && \leftarrow \text{sum} \\ & - \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) - \mathbb{P}(B \cap C) - \mathbb{P}(C \cap A) && \leftarrow \text{overlaps} \\ & + \mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C) \end{aligned}$$





## Definition of Probability

**Example**

Among a certain population of men, 30% are smokers, 40% are obese, and 25% are both smokers and obese.

Suppose we select a man at random from this population.

What is the probability that the selected man is either a smoker or obese?

$A = \{ \text{Smoker} \}$

$B = \{ \text{Obese} \}$

$P(\text{Either Smoker Or Obese})$

(AND)

$= P(A \cup B)$

$(\cap)$

$= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$= P(\text{Smoker}) + P(\text{Obese}) - P(\text{both})$

$= 0.3 + 0.4 - 0.25 = \underline{\underline{0.45}}$ //

$\{e_1, e_2\}$ , $\{e_2, e_3\}$

not mutually exclusive

## Probability with Equally likely outcomes

Let $S = \{e_1, e_2, ..., e_m\}$. Sample space finitely many outcomes

If each of these outcomes has the same probability of occurring, we say that the $m$ outcomes are equally likely.

In this case, $\mathbb{P}(A)$ is equal to

$$1 = P(S) = P(\{e_1, e_2, \cdots, e_m\})$$

$$= P(\underbrace{\{e_1\} \cup \{e_2\} \cup \cdots \cup \{e_m\}}_{\text{mutually exclusive events}})$$

$$= P(\{e_1\}) + P(\{e_2\}) + \cdots + P(\{e_m\})$$



$$P(\{e_1\}) = \cdots = P(\{e_m\}) = \frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{\#\text{ of total outcomes}}$$

In general $A$ an event with $k$ outcomes

$$P(A) = \frac{k}{m} = \frac{\#\text{ of outcomes in } A}{\#\text{ of total outcomes}}$$

Computing $P(A)$ = Counting

## Probability with Equally likely outcomes

**Example**

Let a card be drawn at random from an ordinary deck of 52 playing cards.

What is the probability that a king is drawn?

52 cards $= 13 \times 4$.

H : Ace, 2, 3, ..., 10, J, Q, K

D :

S :

C :



$$P(\text{King}) = \frac{\text{Outcomes in } A}{\text{total outcomes}} = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}.$$

Outcomes in A $= 4$

total outcomes $= 52$

## Section 2.
## Methods of Enumeration

= Counting.

## Multiplication Principle

Suppose that an experiment $E_1$ has $n_1$ outcomes and, for each of these possible outcomes, an experiment $E_2$ has $n_2$ possible outcomes.

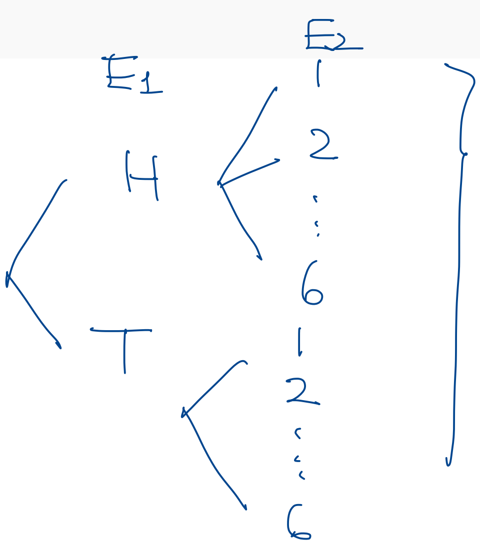
Then the composite experiment $E_1E_2$ that consists of performing first $E_1$ and then $E_2$ has $n_1n_2$ possible outcomes.

The **multiplication principle** can be extended to a sequence of more than two experiments or procedures.

$E_1$ : toss a coin $\{H, T\}$

$E_2$ : roll a die $\{1, 2, \cdots, 6\}$






Total $= 12 = 2 \cdot 6$.

## Multiplication Principle

**Example**

A cafe lets you order a deli sandwich your way.

There are: $E_1$, six choices for bread; $E_2$, four choices for meat; $E_3$, four choices for cheese; and $E_4$, 12 different garnishes (condiments).

What is the number of different sandwich possibilities, if you may choose one bread, 0 or 1 meat, 0 or 1 cheese, and from 0 to 12 condiments?

$E_1$ (Bread) $n_1 = 6$

$E_2$ (Meat) $n_2 = 1 + 4 = 5$



$E_3$ (Chees) $n_3 = 1 + 4 = 5$

$E_4$ (Condiments) $n_4 = 2 \cdot 2 \cdots 2 = 2^{12}$

Consists of 12 experiments

Tomato : In / out 2

Olives : in / out 2

Pickles : in / out 2

⋮

ANS $= 6 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 2^{12}$.

## Permutation

**Example**

What is the number of the arrangements of four letters $a, b, c, d$?

ordered arrangement

**Definition**

Each of the arrangements (in a row) of $n$ different objects is called a **permutation** of the $n$ objects.

permutation

→ a b c d

→ a b d c

→ a c b d

⋮

How many ?

| $E_1$ | $E_2$ | $E_3$ | $E_4$ |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

$\#$ permutation $= 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 4!$

In general, $n$ different objects

$\#$ of Permutation $= n \cdot (n-1) \cdots 1 = n!$

a b c d e 5 different letters

Choose 2. ordered arrangement

$n=5$

$r=2$

Ex

a b

a c

a d

b c

⋮

How many?

$20 = \frac{5!}{3!} = \frac{120}{6}$

$\boxed{\phantom{x}}$ $\boxed{\phantom{x}}$

$5$ $4$.

$5-2$?

## Permutation

$\boxed{\phantom{x}}$ $\boxed{\phantom{x}}$ - - - $\boxed{\phantom{x}}$

$n$ $\underbrace{n-1 \quad \cdots \quad ?}$ $r$ positions

$n-(r-1) = \underline{n-r+1}$

If only $r$ positions are to be filled with objects selected from $n$ different objects, $r \leq n$, then the number of possible ordered arrangements is

$n \cdot (n-1) \cdots (n-r+1)$

$= {}_nP_r$

### Definition

Each of the ${}_nP_r$, arrangements is called a permutation of $n$ objects taken $r$ at a time.

$${}_nP_r = \frac{n \cdot (n-1) \cdots (n-r+1)(n-r)(n-r-1) \cdots 2 \cdot 1}{(n-r)(n-r-1) \cdots 2 \cdot 1}$$



$$= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

## Permutation

**Example**

What is the number of ways of selecting a president, a vice president, a secretary, and a treasurer in a club consisting of ten persons?

| P | VP | S | T |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 |

ordered arrangement because distinct positions

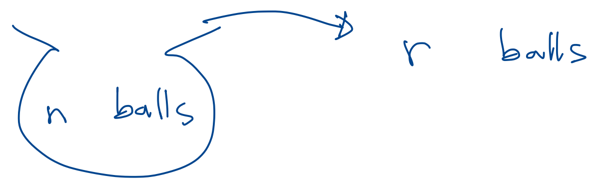


$$10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 = \frac{10!}{6!}$$

Note: Choose 4 people as a committee member.

| A | B | C | D |
|---|---|---|---|
| A | B | D | C |

not different




## Sampling

Suppose that a set contains $n$ objects. Consider the problem of selecting $r$ objects from this set.

- If $r$ objects are selected from a set of $n$ objects, and if the order of selection is noted, then the selected set of $r$ objects is called an ordered sample of size $r$.
- Sampling with replacement occurs when an object is selected and then replaced before the next object is selected.
- Sampling without replacement occurs when an object is not replaced after it has been selected.

## Sampling

**Example**

What are the number of ordered samples of five cards that can be drawn with/without replacement?

With Replacement.

52 52 52 52 52

$$= 52 \cdot 52 \cdot 52 \cdot 52 \cdot 52 = 52^5.$$



Without Replacement

52 51 50 49 48

$$= 52 \cdot 51 \cdot 50 \cdot 49 \cdot 48 = {}_{52}P_5 = \frac{52!}{47!}.$$

## Combination

**Definition**

Each of the unordered subsets of $\{1, 2, \cdots, n\}$ is called a **combination** of $n$ objects taken $r$ at a time.

Example  10 people $\rightarrow$ Choose 4 people for committee.

$N =$ How many possible committee?



Idea

$a, b, c, d$

$E_1$ : 4 from 10 without order  $N$.

$E_2$ : Give order  4 3 2 1  $4!$

$\Rightarrow E_1 E_2$ : 4 out of 10 with order

$= 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7 = \frac{10!}{6!} = {}_{10}P_4 = N \cdot 4!$

$$N = \frac{{}_{10}P_4}{4!} = \frac{10!}{6!\,4!} = \binom{10}{4} = {}_{10}C_4 .$$

$$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!\,(n-r)!} = \binom{n}{n-r} .$$

## Combination

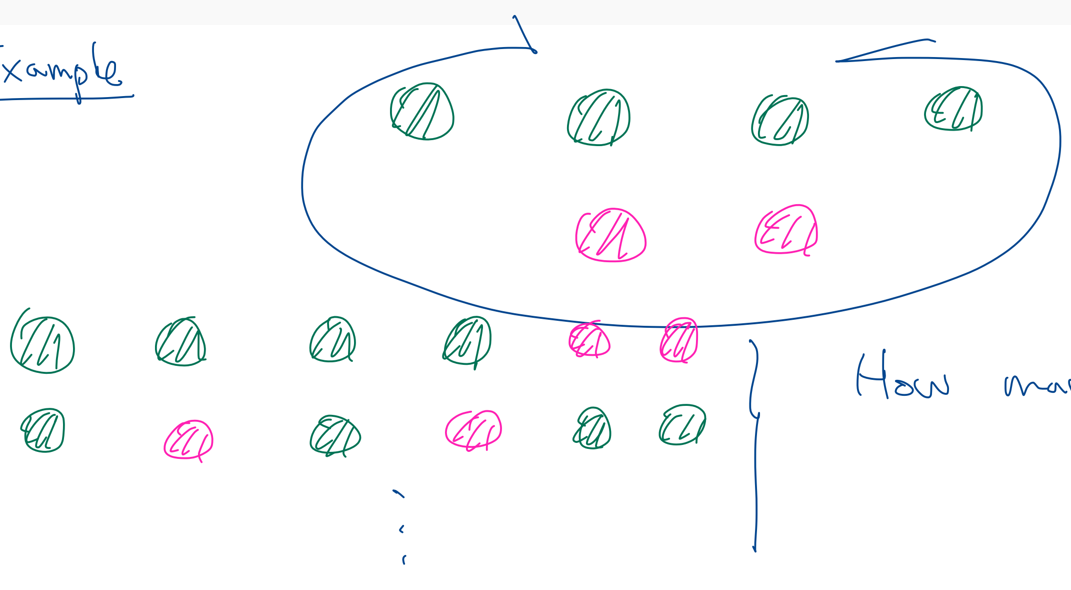
**Example**

The number of possible five-card hands (in five-card poker) drawn from a deck of 52 playing cards.

$${}_{52}C_5 = \binom{52}{5} = \frac{52!}{5!\;47!}$$



Example



4 Green balls

2 Red balls

How many ordered arrangement = ?

Choose 2 spots for Red

Rest for Green

$$= \binom{6}{2} = \frac{6!}{2!\,4!}$$

## Binomial Theorem

**Binomial Theorem**

$(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$

Suppose that a set contains $n$ objects of two types: $r$ of one type and $n-r$ of the other type.

The number of distinguishable arrangements is $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n}{n-r}$.

$$(a+b)^n = \underbrace{\overset{a/b}{(a+b)}\ \overset{a/b}{(a+b)}\ \cdots\ \overset{a/b}{(a+b)}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

↓ Expand

$$= \underset{\binom{n}{n} =}{1} \cdot a^n + n\, a^{n-1} b^1 + \underbrace{\cdots}_{?}$$

$$+ \binom{n}{k} a^k \cdot b^{n-k}$$

Choose $a$ $k$ times

$b$ $(n-k)$ times

$$= \binom{n}{n} a^n + \binom{n}{n-1} a^{n-1} b^1 + \binom{n}{n-2} a^{n-2} b^2 + \cdots$$

Permutation n diff. choose r with order

Combi " " without order

Sampling: Order / not; w. rep / w.o rep.

## Binomial Theorem

**Example**

A coin is flipped ten times and the sequence of heads and tails is observed.

Find the number of possible 10-tuples that result in four heads and six tails.

H H H H T . . . T

H T H T . . . . .

$\underbrace{\boxed{T}\ \boxed{T}\ \boxed{H}\ \boxed{H}\ \boxed{T}\ \boxed{H}\ \boxed{T}\ \boxed{H}\ \boxed{T}\ \boxed{T}}_{10 \text{ spots}}$

Choose 4 spots

10 different object. 4 choose without order.

$= {}_{10}C_4 = \binom{10}{4} = \frac{10!}{4!\,6!}$.

$_nP_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$

$_nC_r = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!\,r!}$

&

10 diff. objects, choose 4. with order

$= {}_{10}P_4 = 10 \cdot 9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7$

$10 \to \square\ {}^{9}\square\ {}^{8}\square\ {}^{7}\square$

## Binomial Theorem

**Multinomial coefficients**

The coefficient of $a_1^{r_1} a_2^{r_2} \cdots a_s^{r_s}$ in the expansion of $(a_1 + \cdots + a_s)^n$ is

## Section 3.
## Conditional Probability

## Conditional Probability

**Example**

Suppose that we are given 20 tulip bulbs that are similar in appearance and told that eight will bloom early, 12 will bloom late, 13 will be red, and seven will be yellow.

If one bulb is selected at random, the probability that it will produce a red tulip is

The probability that it will produce a red tulip given that it will bloom early is

New sample space

| | Early | Late | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Red | a = 6 | b = 7 | 13 |
| Yellow | c = 2 | d = 5 | 7 |
| | 8 | 12 | |



$P(\text{Red}) = \frac{13}{20}$, $P(\text{Yellow}) = \frac{7}{20}$, $P(\text{Early}) = \frac{8}{20}$

$P(\text{Late}) = \frac{12}{20}$.

$P(\text{Red when knowing Early}) = \frac{13}{20}$ ? $\frac{6}{8}$ ? $= \frac{\# \text{ in R. and E.}}{\# \text{ in Early}}$

$= \frac{6}{8} = P(\text{Red} \mid \text{Early})$

## Conditional Probability

**Definition**

The conditional probability of an event $A$, given that event $B$ has occurred, is defined by

$$\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$$

provided that $\mathbb{P}(B) > 0$.

If Every outcome is Equally Likely,

$$\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\#\text{ in } A \cap B \,/\, \#\text{ in } S}{\#\text{ in } B \,/\, \#\text{ in } S}$$

$$= \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}.$$

## Conditional Probability

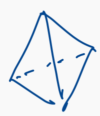
**Example**

If $\mathbb{P}(A) = 0.4$, $\mathbb{P}(B) = 0.5$, and $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = 0.3$, then $\mathbb{P}(A|B) =$

$$\mathbb{P}(A \mid \underset{\uparrow}{B}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)} = \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6$$

New Sample Space

## Conditional Probability



16 outcomes.

**Example** $S = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), \ldots\}$

Two fair four-sided dice are rolled and the sum is determined. Let $A$ be the event that a sum of 3 is rolled, and let $B$ be the event that a sum of 3 or a sum of 5 is rolled. The conditional probability that a sum of 3 is rolled, given that a sum of 3 or 5 is rolled, is

$$A = \{(1,2), (2,1)\} = A \cap B$$

$$B = \{(1,2), (2,1), (1,4), (2,3), (3,2), (4,1)\}$$

$$P(A \mid B) = \frac{\# \text{ in } A \cap B}{\# \text{ in } B} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

Def. of Probability $\quad \mathbb{P} : \{\text{Events}\} \to [0,1]$.

$$\begin{cases} ① & \mathbb{P}(A) \geq 0 \\ ② & \mathbb{P}(S) = 1 \\ ③ & A_1, A_2, \cdots \end{cases}$$

Sum of $\mathbb{P}(\cdot)$

Mutually Exclusive, $\mathbb{P}(\underline{\text{Union}}) = \mathbb{P}(A_1) + \mathbb{P}(A_2) + \cdots$

## Properties of Conditional probabilities

$\mathbb{P}(A^c) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A)$

**Theorem**

Suppose $\mathbb{P}(B) > 0$.

1. $\mathbb{P}(A|B) \geq 0$.
2. $\mathbb{P}(B|B) = 1$.
3. If $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_k$ are mutually exclusive events, then

$$\mathbb{P}(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_k|B) = \mathbb{P}(A_1|B) + \cdots + \mathbb{P}(A_k|B).$$

4. $\mathbb{P}(A^c|B) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A|B)$.

$\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$ , $\mathbb{P}(B \mid A) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(A)}$

## The multiplication rule

### The multiplication rule

The probability that two events, A and B, both occur is given by

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A|B)\mathbb{P}(B) = \mathbb{P}(B|A)\mathbb{P}(A).$$

$$A^c \cup B^c$$

$$= 1 - \mathbb{P}\big(\underbrace{(A \cap B)^c}_{=A^c \cup B^c}\big) \qquad A^c \cap B^c$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(\underbrace{\text{Neither Yellow}}_{=A^c \cap B^c})$$

## The multiplication rule

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B^c) = \mathbb{P}(B^c \mid A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A)$$

**Example**

At a county fair carnival game there are 25 balloons on a board, of which ten balloons are yellow, eight are red, and seven are green.

A player throws darts at the balloons to win a prize and randomly hits one of them.

Suppose the player throws darts twice.

What is the probability that the both balloons hit are yellow?

$A = \{ 1^{st} = \text{Yellow} \}$ $\quad \mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{10}{25}$ $\quad \mathbb{P}(B \mid A^c) = \frac{10}{24}$ ?

$B = \{ 2^{nd} = \text{Yellow} \}$ $\quad \mathbb{P}(B) = \frac{9}{24}$ ? $\quad$ ($\frac{9}{24} = \mathbb{P}(B \mid A)$)

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(B \mid A)\,\mathbb{P}(A)$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{9}^{3}}{\cancel{24}_{8}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{10}^{2}}{\cancel{25}_{5}} = \frac{3}{20}.$$

$$\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = ?$$



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$$\mathbb{P}(B) = \mathbb{P}(2^{nd} = Y) = \mathbb{P}(1^{st} = Y,\ 2^{nd} = Y) + \mathbb{P}(1^{st} \neq Y,\ 2^{nd} = Y)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) + \mathbb{P}(A^c \cap B)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B \mid A^c) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A^c)$$

$$= \frac{9}{24} \cdot \frac{10}{25} + \frac{10}{24} \cdot \frac{15}{25} = \ldots$$

## The multiplication rule

**Example**

A bowl contains seven blue chips and three red chips.

Two chips are to be drawn successively at random and without replacement.

Compute the probability that the first draw results in a red chip and the second draw results in a blue chip.

$A = \{ 1^{st} = R \}$, $B = \{ 2^{nd} = B \}$

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{7}{\cancel{9}_3} \cdot \frac{\cancel{3}}{10} = \frac{7}{30}$

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$\mathbb{P}(B) = \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) + \mathbb{P}(A^c \cap B) = \frac{7}{30} + \frac{\cancel{6}^2}{\cancel{9}_3} \cdot \frac{7}{10} = \frac{7 + 2 \cdot 7}{30} = \frac{7}{10}.$

$\mathbb{P}(A \mid B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)} = \frac{1}{3}.$

Beyes' rule

$\mathbb{P}(A^c \cap B) = \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(B \mid A^c)}_{= \frac{6}{9}} \cdot \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(A^c)}_{= \frac{7}{10}}$

# The multiplication rule

**Multiplication rule for three events**

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A)\mathbb{P}(B|A)\mathbb{P}(C|A \cap B).$$

## The multiplication rule

**Example**

Four cards are to be dealt successively at random and without replacement from an ordinary deck of playing cards.

The probability of receiving, in order, a spade, a heart, a diamond, and a club is

1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th

$\parallel$ A, $\parallel$ B, $\parallel$ C, $\parallel$ D

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C \cap D)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(B \mid A) \cdot \mathbb{P}(C \mid A \cap B)\, \mathbb{P}(D \mid A \cap B \cap C)$$

$$= \frac{13}{52} \cdot \frac{13}{51} \cdot \frac{13}{50} \cdot \frac{13}{49}.$$

## The multiplication rule

**Example**

A boy has five blue and four white marbles in his left pocket and four blue and five white marbles in his right pocket.

If he transfers one marble at random from his left to his right pocket, what is the probability of his then drawing a blue marble from his right pocket?

# Section 4.
# Independent Events

## Independent Events

For certain pairs of events, the occurrence of one of them may or may not change the probability of the occurrence of the other.

In the latter case, they are said to be independent events.

## Independent Events

**Example**

Flip a coin twice.

Let $A =$ heads on the first flip and $B =$ tails on the second flip.

Compute $\mathbb{P}(B|A)$ and $\mathbb{P}(B)$.

## Independent Events

**Definition: Independence**

Events $A$ and $B$ are **independent** if and only if $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = \mathbb{P}(A)\mathbb{P}(B)$.

Otherwise, $A$ and $B$ are called **dependent events**.

## Independent Events

**Example**

A red die and a white die are rolled.

Let $A = \{\text{red is } 4\}$ and $B = \{\text{sum is odd}\}$.

Are they independent?

## Independent Events

**Example**

A red die and a white die are rolled.

Let $A = \{\text{red is } 5\}$ and $B = \{\text{sum is } 11\}$.

Are they independent?

## Independent Events

**Theorem**

If $A$ and $B$ are independent, then the following pairs are independent:

- $A$ and $B^c$
- $A^c$ and $B$
- $A^c$ and $B^c$

## Independent Events

**Definition: Mutually independence**

Events $A$, $B$, and $C$ are **mutually independent** if and only if $A$, $B$, and $C$ are pairwise independent and

$$\mathbb{P}(A \cap B \cap C) = \mathbb{P}(A)\mathbb{P}(B)\mathbb{P}(C).$$

## Independent Events

**Example**

Three inspectors look at a critical component of a product.

Their probabilities of detecting a defect are different, namely, 0.99, 0.98, and 0.96, respectively. Assume independence.

Compute the following probabilities:

(a) that exactly two find the defect, and

(b) that all three find the defect.

# Section 5.
# Bayes' Theorem

# The law of total probabilities

**The law of total probabilities**

If $B_1, \cdots, B_n$ are mutually exclusive and exhaustive events (partition), then

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(A \cap B_k) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(A|B_k)\mathbb{P}(B_k).$$

## Bayes' Theorem

**Bayes' Theorem**

$$\mathbb{P}(B_k|A) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B_k)}{\mathbb{P}(A)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B_k)\mathbb{P}(A|B_k)}{\mathbb{P}(A)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B_k)\mathbb{P}(A|B_k)}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}(A|B_k)\mathbb{P}(B_k)}.$$

## Examples

**Example**

In a certain factory, machines I, II, and III are all producing springs of the same length.

Of their production, machines I, II, and III respectively produce 2%, 1%, and 3% defective springs.

Of the total production of springs in the factory, machine I produces 35%, machine II produces 25%, and machine III produces 40%.

If the selected spring is defective, what is the conditional probability that it was produced by machine III?

## Examples

**Example**

Bowl $B_1$, contains two red and four white chips, bowl $B_2$ contains one red and two white chips, and bowl $B_3$ contains five red and four white chips.

Choose one of three bowls with $\mathbb{P}(B_1) = 1/3$, $\mathbb{P}(B_2) = 1/6$, and $\mathbb{P}(B_3) = 1/2$ and draw a chip from the chosen bowl.

Let $R$ be the event that a red chip is chosen.

Compute $\mathbb{P}(R)$ and $\mathbb{P}(B_1|R)$.