

## GENERALIZED RULE OF COUNTING

$$n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_r = \prod_{i=1}^r n_i$$

## PERMUTATIONS

$$n \times (n-1) \times \cdots \times 2 \times 1 = n!$$

If  $n$  objects are alike,

$$\frac{n!}{n!n_2!\dots n_r!}$$

## NUMBER OF PERMUTATIONS

$$n \times (n-1) \times \cdots \times (n-r+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

## COMBINATIONS

If we have  $n$  items and want to select  $r$  of them,

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

$$\binom{n}{0} = 1$$

$$\binom{n}{1} = n$$

$$\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n}{n-r}$$

$$\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r} + \binom{n-1}{r-1}$$

## BINOMIAL THEOREM

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

Any event  $E$  is a subset of the sample space  $S$ .

$$E \subset S$$

**Intersection-**  $A \cap B$  (both occur)

**Union-**  $A \cup B$  (at least one occurs)

**Complement-**  $A^c$  ( $A$  does not occur)

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are mutually exclusive/disjoint if they have no outcomes in common, i.e.  $A \cap B = \emptyset$

Rules for these:

$$A \cup B = B \cup A, A \cap B = B \cap A$$

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

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

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

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

## DEMORGAN'S LAWS

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

$$\left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i^c$$

## AXIOMS OF PROBABILITY

Let  $P$  be a function that assigns a nonnegative real number to each event  $E$  of a sample space  $S$ . We call  $P$  a probability if:

**Axiom 1: non-negative**

$$0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$$

**Axiom 2: total one**

$$P(S) = 1$$

**Axiom 3: countable addition**

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i) \text{ if } E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j$$

For  $k$  disjoint events  $E_1 \dots E_k$ ,

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(E_i)$$

## COMPLEMENT RULE

$$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

## DIFFERENCE RULE

$$P(B \cap A^c) = P(B) - P(A), \text{ if } A \subseteq B$$

## INCLUSION-EXCLUSION

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

## SAMPLE SPACES WITH EQUALLY LIKELY OUTCOMES

For event  $E$  in a sample space  $S$  with equally likely outcomes,

$$P(E) = \frac{\#(E)}{\#(S)}$$

## CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY

Given two events  $A$  and  $B$  with  $P(B) > 0$ , the conditional probability of  $A$  given  $B$  has occurred is:

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

$$P(A|A) = 1$$

$$P(A^c|A) = 0$$

$$P(A^c|B) = 1 - P(A|B)$$

## MULTIPLICATION RULE

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B)$$

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = P(A_1)P(A_2|A_1)P(A_3|A_1, A_2) \dots P(A_n|A_1, \dots, A_{n-1})$$

## LAW OF TOTAL PROBABILITY

For events  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are disjoint, and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = S$ ,

then for any event  $B$ ,

$$P(B) = P(B|A_1)P(A_1) + \dots + P(B|A_n)P(A_n)$$

## BAYES THEOREM

Suppose events  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are disjoint, and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = S$ ,

with  $P(A_i) > 0, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then for any event  $B$  with  $P(B) > 0$ ,

$$P(A_i|B) = \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^n P(B|A_j)P(A_j)}, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$= \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{P(B|A_1)P(A_1) + \dots + P(B|A_n)P(A_n)}$$

$P(A_i)$  is the prior probability.  $P(A_i|B)$  is called posterior probability.

## INDEPENDENCE

Events  $A$  and  $B$  are independent if:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$$

If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then:

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

If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then  $B$  and  $A$  are independent.  $A$  and  $B^c$  are also independent, as are  $A^c$  and  $B^c$ . Independent  $\neq$  disjoint.

## MUTUAL INDEPENDENCE

Three events  $A, B, C$  are mutually independent if:

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

$$P(B \cap C) = P(B)P(C)$$

$$P(A \cap C) = P(A)P(C)$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A)P(B)P(C)$$

If the first three hold true but not the last, then  $A, B, C$  are pairwise independent.

## RANDOM VARIABLES

A random variable  $X$  is a real-valued function on the sample space  $S$ .

## CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x), -\infty < x < \infty$$

$X$ - random variable

$x$ - real valued number

$$F(n) = P(X \leq n) = 1 - (1 - p)^n$$

$$P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$

$$P(X < b) \neq P(X \leq b)$$

## DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

A random variable  $X$  that can take on at most a countable number of possible values is a discrete random variable.

$$p(x) = P(X = x)$$

For a discrete random variable  $X$ , there exists a countable sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots$ , so that

$$P(x_i > 0) \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$p(x) = 0 \text{ for all other values of } x$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p(x_i) = 1$$

$$F(a) = \sum_{all x \leq a} p(x)$$

## EXPECTED VALUE

$$E[x] = \sum_{x:p(x)>0} x \cdot P(X = x) = \sum_{x:p(x)>0} xp(x)$$

$$E[aX + b] = aE[X] + b$$

$$E[aX] = aE[X]$$

$$E[b] = b$$

## VARIANCE

$$\sigma^2 = \text{Var}[x] = E[(x - E(x))^2] = E[(X - \mu)^2] = E(x^2) - \mu^2 = E(x^2) - (E(x))^2$$

$$\sigma = \text{SD}[x] = \sqrt{\text{Var}[x]}$$

$$\text{Var}[x] \geq 0$$

$$\text{Var}[aX + b] = a^2 \text{Var}[x]$$

$$\text{Var}[X] + b = \text{Var}[x]$$

$$\text{Var}[b] = 0$$

$$\text{Var}[X + Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$$

## DIFFERENCE RULE

$$P(B \cap A^c) = P(B) - P(A)$$

## MISC. INFO / EXTRAS

- $X$  people shaking hands-  $\binom{x}{2}$

-Solving for  $P(A)$  when disjoint vs. independent:

$$\text{Disjoint- } P(A) + P(B) = P(A \cup B)$$

$$\text{Independent- } P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cup B)$$

$$-E(Y^2) = \text{Var}(Y) + [E(Y)]^2$$

-PMF (example of Bernoulli):

$$p_x(1) = p, p_x(0) = 1 - p$$

$$p_y(Y(1)) = p, p_y(Y(0)) = 1 - p$$

-CDF (example of Bernoulli):

$$F_y(Y) =$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } y \text{ is less than } Y(0) \\ y(\text{smaller val}) & \text{if } Y(0) \leq y < Y(1) \\ 1 & \text{if } y \geq Y(1) \end{cases}$$

-Number of different circles formed by  $N$  people is  $(n-1)!$

-Disjoint = mutually exclusive

$$-P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$$

-For every two sets  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A \cap B$  and  $A \cap B^c$  are disjoint and  $A = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B^c)$ . In addition,  $B$  and  $A \cap B^c$  are disjoint and  $A \cup B = B \cup (A \cap B^c)$ .

-Birthday shared probability-  $\frac{365!}{(365-k)!365^k}$

$$-\text{Other multiplication rule value- } P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B|A)$$

## Joint Distributions and Expectations

Joint CDF

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = P[X \leq x, Y \leq y]$$

$$F_X(x) = F_{X,Y}(x, \infty)$$

$$F_Y(y) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, y)$$

$$P(X > x, Y > y) = 1 - F_X(x) - F_Y(y) + F_{X,Y}(x, y)$$

$$P(X = x) = \sum_y P(X = x, Y = y) = \sum_y P(X = x|Y =$$

$$y)P(Y = y)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y)$$

Marginal PDF

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

Independent Random Variables

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = P(X \in A)P(Y \in B)$$

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$$

$$p_{X,Y}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y)$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$

Sums of Continuous Random Variables

$$f_{X+Y}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, z-x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(z-y, y) dy$$

$$f_{X+Y}(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x)f_Y(z-x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(z-y)f_Y(y) dy \text{ (if independent)}$$

$F_{X+Y}$  is called the convolution of  $F_X$  and  $F_Y$

Expected Value  $E[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y)f(x, y) dx dy$

$$E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

$$E(X - Y) = E(X) - E(Y)$$

$$E(XY) = E(X) \cdot E(Y)$$

Covariance

Need sums of independent random variables and all distribution from chart