

Discrete Mathematics and Probability Theory

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1 Basic Facts

$$(P \implies Q) \equiv (\neg P \vee Q)$$

$$\mathbb{Q} \equiv \{\frac{a}{b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$(|S| = k) \implies (|\mathcal{P}(S)| = 2^k)$$

$$(S \subseteq \mathbb{N}) \wedge (S \neq \emptyset) \implies \exists \min(S)$$

2 Stable Matching

Definition 2.1 (Stable Matching). Stable Matching is job optimal and candidate pessimal.

3 Graphs

4 Modular Arithmetic

Definition 4.1 (Greatest Common Divisor). $(\exists a, b) (\gcd(x, y) = ax + by)$

Definition 4.2 (Galois Field). $(\forall \text{prime } n) (\text{GF}(n) := \text{mod } n \text{ space})$

Definition 4.3 (Chinese Remainder Theorem).

5 Discrete Probability

Definition 5.1 (Discrete Probability Space). For any discrete probability space Ω

- $(\forall \omega \in \Omega) (0 \leq \mathbb{P}(\omega) \leq 1);$
- $\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} \mathbb{P}(\omega) = 1.$

Definition 5.2 (Event). For all events $A \in \Omega$,

$$\mathbb{P}(A) = \sum_{\omega \in A} \mathbb{P}(\omega) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$$

5.1 Conditional Probability

Definition 5.3 (Conditional Probability).

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

Definition 5.4 (Total Probability Rule). Let A_1, \dots, A_n be partitions of Ω . Then

$$\mathbb{P}(B) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(B \cap A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(B|A_i)\mathbb{P}(A_i)$$

Remark. If events A and B are positively correlated, $\mathbb{P}(A|B) > \mathbb{P}(A)$. If they are negatively correlated, $\mathbb{P}(A|B) < \mathbb{P}(A)$.

Definition 5.5 (Maximum Likelihood Estimation).

$$\theta_{MLE} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \mathbb{P}(X|\theta)$$

Definition 5.6 (Maximum A Posteriori Estimation).

$$\theta_{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \mathbb{P}(\theta|X) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \frac{\mathbb{P}(X|\theta)\mathbb{P}(\theta)}{\mathbb{P}(X)} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \mathbb{P}(X|\theta)\mathbb{P}(\theta)$$

Remark. If the probability space Ω is uniform, then $\theta_{MLE} = \theta_{MAP}$.

Definition 5.7 (Mutual Independence).

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i)$$

Remark. Events A and B are independent *iff* $\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \mathbb{P}(A)$.

5.2 Product Rule

Definition 5.8 (Product Rule).

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}\left(A_i \mid \bigcap_{j<i} A_j\right)$$

5.3 Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

Definition 5.9 (Inclusion-Exclusion Principle).