Econometrics I - TA section

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Cheat sheet- Sigma algebra

Sigma algebras are "possible probability events". Ω is all events. A subset $S\subset \Omega$ is a sigma algebra if

- 1. $\Omega \in S$
- 2. $A \in S$ implies $A^c \in S$
- 3. $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in S$ i.e. $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 ... \in S$

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You measure events A in a sigma algebra using a probability measure μ .

- 1. $\mu(A) \geq 0$
- 2. $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- 3. $\mu(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n)$ when A_n are disjoint

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• Shoot 6 free-throws - $2^6 = 64$ outcomes

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• Can further break up $A \setminus B$ into disjoint events

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

The result follows.



Cheat sheet- Bayes' rule/Independence

- Conditional distribution (discrete RV) $P(A|B) = P(A \cap B)/P(B)$
- Bayes' rule P(A|B)P(B) = P(B|A)P(A)
- Independence $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$

Definition of conditional probabilities is a little deeper i.e. continuous outcomes...

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- Yes, $B = \Omega$
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- Ex: $A = B^c$, then $P(A|B) = 0 \le P(A)$

1.11 HIE P(A) > 0 and P(A|B) = 0. A and B are mutually exclusive i.e. $P(A \cap B) = 0$

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- P(positive|steriods) = .4
- *P*(positive|no steriods) = .01
- P(steriods|positive) =?

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- So, we get = $\frac{.4\times.01}{.4\times.01+.01\times.99}$

- **1.22 HIE**: In the poker game "Five Card Draw" a player first receives five cards drawn at random. The player decides to discard some of their cards and then receives replacement cards.
 - Assume a player is dealt a hand with one pair and three unrelated cards
 - and decides to discard the three unrelated cards to obtain replacements.
 - Calculate the following conditional probabilities for the resulting hand after the replacements are made.

1.22 HIE four of a kind

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- How many possible outcomes are there?
- 2 pair, 1 irrelevant. 1 irrelevant, 2 pair. 1 pair, irrelevant card, 1 pair.
- What is the probability one of these events occurs?

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- The 3 cards you discarded matter! Actually 6 possible events.
- 3/13 of the types only have 3 in the deck. 9/13 have 4 in the deck. This doubles the number of events.
- 1/13 have 2 in the deck

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- types with 3 cards 3 cards left = $45/47 \times 2/46 \times 42/45$
- first card could be anything... second card is it's pair (2 left)... last card is not one of the remaining pairs (45 2- 1).
- types with 4 cards 4 cards left = $45/47 \times 3/46 \times 41/45$
- Final answer, $3 \times (9/13 \times (3 \text{ cards left}) + \times 9/13 \times (4 \text{ cards left}))$