2.3 Counting Techniques

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Counting Techniques

▶ When various outcomes of an experiment are <u>equally</u>



Same probability is assigned to each simple event



Task of computing probabilities reduces to counting

Letting

- ▶ *N* denote number of outcomes in a sample space and
- (2.1)
- ▶ N(A) represent number of outcomes contained in event A

$$P(A) = \frac{N(A)}{N}$$

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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

- Our <u>first counting rule</u> applies to any situation in which a set (event) consists of ordered pairs of objects and we wish to count the number of such pairs
- ▶ By an ordered pair, we mean that, if O₁ and O₂ are objects, then the pair (O₁, O₂) is different from the pair (O₂, O₁).

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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

For example



- if an individual selects one airline for a trip from Los Angeles to Chicago and (after transacting business in Chicago)
- Second one for continuing on to New York,
- One possibility is (American, United), another is (United, American), and still another is
- (United, United).

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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

Proposition

- If the **first element or object** of an ordered pair can be selected in n_1 ways, and for each of these n_1 ways the **second element** of the pair can be selected in n_2 ways, then the number of pairs is $n_1 n_2$.
- An alternative interpretation involves carrying out an operation that consists of two stages.
- If the first stage can be performed in any one of n₁ ways, and for each such way there are n₂ ways to perform the second stage, then n₁n₂ is the number of ways of carrying out the two stages in sequence.

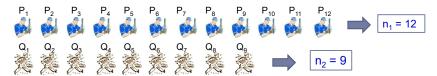
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Example 17





- ▶ Homeowner doing some remodeling requires services of both plumbing contractor (ผู้รับเหมางานประปา) and electrical contractor (ผูรับเหมางานไฟฟ้า).
- ▶ If there are 12 plumbing contractors and 9 electrical contractors available in the area, in how many ways can the contractors be chosen?



- If we denote plumbers by $P_1, P_2, P_3, \ldots, P_{12}$ and electricians by $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, \ldots, Q_9$
- **Product rule** yields N = (12)x(9) = 108 possible ways of choosing the two types of contractors

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Example 18

Family has just moved to a new city and requires the services of both an obstetrician and a pediatrician. There are two easily accessible medical clinics, each having two obstetricians and three pediatricians.



medical clinics # 2

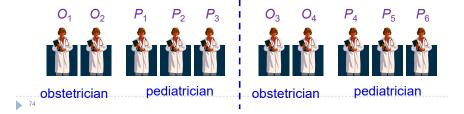
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obstetrician

pediatrician

Example 18

- ▶ Family will obtain maximum health insurance benefits by joining a clinic and selecting both doctors from that clinic.
- In how many ways can this be done?
- ▶ Denote the obstetricians by O₁, O₂, O₃, and O₄ and the pediatricians by P₁, P₂, P₃, P₄, P₅, P₆.



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Example 18

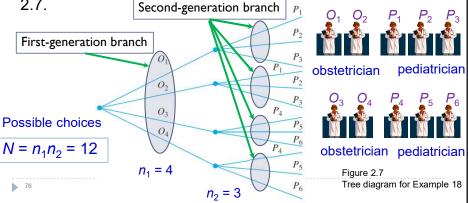
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- ▶ Then we wish the number of pairs (O_i, P_j) for which O_i and P_i are associated with the <u>same clinic</u>.
- ▶ Because there are four obstetricians, n_1 = 4, and for each there are three choices of pediatrician, so n_2 = 3.
- Applying the product rule gives $N = n_1 n_2 = 12$ possible choices.

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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

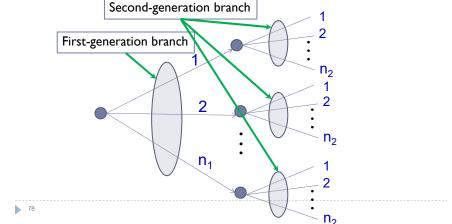
- In many counting and probability problems, configuration called a <u>tree diagram</u> can be used to represent pictorially all the possibilities.
- Tree diagram associated with Example 18 appears in Figure 2.7.



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Product Rule for Ordered Pairs

- ▶ Generalizing, suppose there are n_1 first-generation branches, and for each first generation branch there are n_2 second-generation branches.
- ▶ Total number of second-generation branches is then n_1n_2 .



A More General Product Rule

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A More General Product Rule

▶ If six-sided die is tossed five times in succession rather than just twice, then each possible outcome is an ordered collection of five numbers

such as (1, 3, 1, 2, 4) or (6, 5, 2, 2, 2).



Each outcome of the die-tossing experiment is **5-tuple**

We will call an ordered collection of k objects a k-tuple (so a pair is a 2-tuple and a triple is a 3-tuple)

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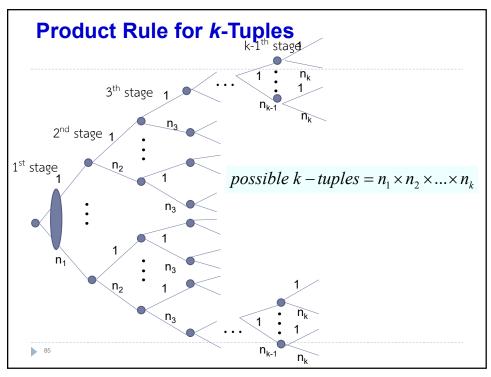
A More General Product Rule

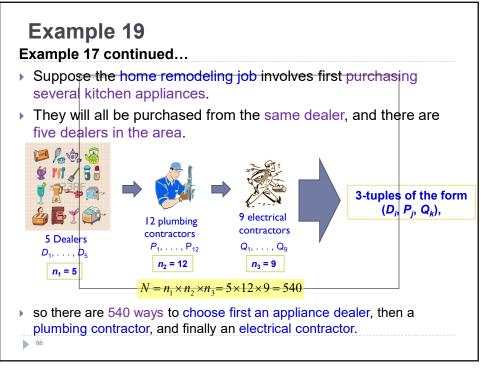
Product Rule for *k***-Tuples**

- ▶ Suppose a set consists of ordered collections of *k* elements (*k*-tuples) and that
- \blacktriangleright there are n_1 possible choices for the first element;
- ▶ for each choice of the first element, there are n₂ possible choices of the second element; . . . ;
- ▶ for each possible choice of the first k-1 elements, there are n_k choices of the kth element.
- ▶ Then there are $n_1 n_2 \cdot \cdots \cdot n_k$ possible k-tuples.

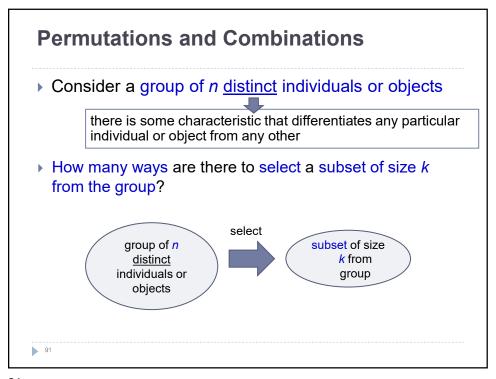
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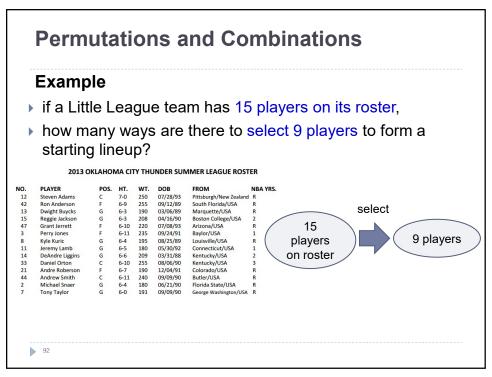
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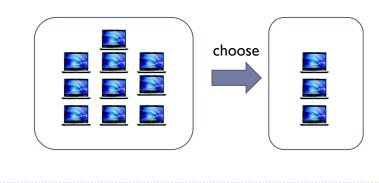
Permutations and Combinations (วิธีเรียงสับเปลี่ยน) (วิธีการจัดหมู่)





Example

Or if a university bookstore sells ten different laptop computers but has room to display only three of them, in how many ways can three be chosen?



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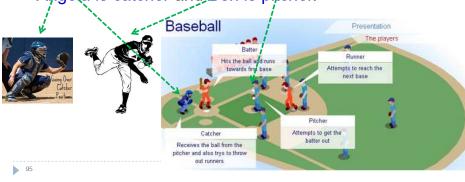
Permutations and Combinations

- ▶ An answer to the general question just posed requires that we distinguish between two cases.
- 1) The order of selection is important
- 2) The order of selection is not important

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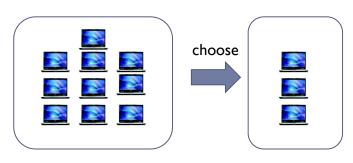


- ▶ In some situations, such as the baseball scenario, the <u>order of selection is important</u>.
- For example, Angela being the <u>pitcher</u> and Ben the <u>catcher</u> gives a different lineup from the one in which Angela is catcher and Ben is pitcher.



Permutations and Combinations

Often, though, <u>order is not important</u> and one is interested only in which individuals or objects are selected, as would be the case in the laptop display scenario.

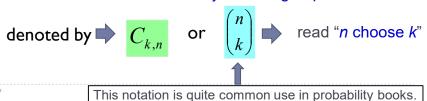


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- Definition
- ▶ An ordered subset is called a **Permutation** (วิฐีเรียงสับเปลี่ยน)
 - Number of permutations of size **k** that can be formed from the **n** individuals or objects in a group

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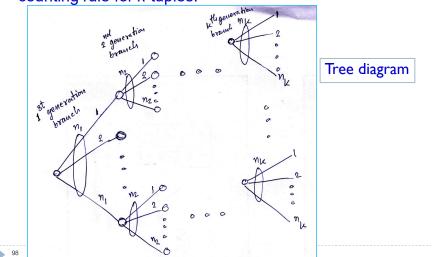
- An <u>unordered subset</u> is called a <u>Combination</u>. (วิธีการจัดหมู่)
 - Number of combination of size k that can be formed from the n individuals or objects in a group



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Permutations and Combinations

Number of permutations can be determined by using counting rule for *k*-tuples.



- Suppose, for example, that a college of engineering has seven departments, which we denote by a, b, c, d, e, f, and g.
- ▶ Each department has one representative on the college's student council.
- From these seven representatives,
 - one is to be chosen chair.
 - another is to be selected vice-chair, and
 - a third will be secretary.



How many ways are there to select the three officers?



That is, how many permutations of size 3 can be formed from 7 representatives?

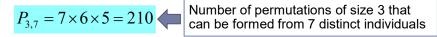
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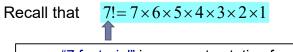
- ▶ To answer this question, think of forming a triple (3-tuple)
 - ▶ The first element is the chair,
 - The second is the vice-chair, and
 - The third is the secretary.
- One such triple is (a, g, b), another is (b, g, a), and yet another is (d, f, b).
 - Now the chair can be selected in any of $n_1 = 7$ ways.
- For each way of selecting the chair, there are $n_2 = 6$ ways to select **the vice-chair**, and hence $7 \times 6 = 42$ (chair, vice-chair) pairs.

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- Finally, for each way of <u>selecting a chair and vice-chair</u>, there are $n_3 = 5$ ways of choosing the <u>secretary</u>.
- This gives

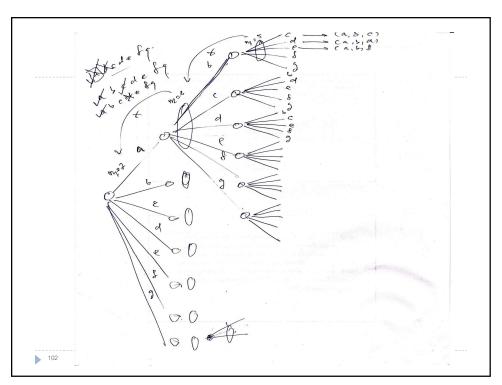


- Tree diagram representation would show three generations of branches.
- ► Expression for P_{3,7} can be rewritten with the aid of *factorial* notation.



"7 factorial" is compact notation for descending product of integers

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▶ More generally, for any positive integer *m*,

$$m! = m \times (m-1) \times (m-2) \times (m-3) \times \cdots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$$

This gives 1! = 1, and we also define 0! = 1. Then

$$P_{3,7} = 7 \times 6 \times 5 = \boxed{7 \times (7-1)(7-(3-1))}$$

$$= 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times \left(\frac{4!}{4!}\right) = 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times \left(\frac{4!}{(7-3)!}\right) = \frac{7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4!}{(7-3)!} = \frac{7!}{4!}$$

More generally,

$$P_{k,n} = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times (n-3) \cdots (n-(k-2)) \times (n-(k-1))$$

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Permutations and Combinations

$$P_{k,n} = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times (n-3) \cdots (n-(k-2)) \times (n-(k-1))$$

Multiplying and dividing this by (n - k)! gives a compact expression for the number of permutations.

$$P_{k,n} = n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times (n-3) \cdots (n-(k-2)) \times (n-(k-1)) \times \frac{(n-k)!}{(n-k)!}$$

$$=\frac{n\times(n-1)\times(n-2)\times(n-3)\cdots(n-(k-2))\times(n-(k-1))\times(n-k)!}{(n-k)!}$$

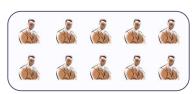
▶ Proposition

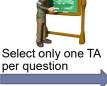
$$P_{k,n} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

Number of permutations of size k that can be formed from n distinct individuals

Example 21 (permutations)

- ▶ There are <u>ten teaching assistants (10 TAs)</u> available for grading papers in a calculus course at a large university.
- First exam consists of <u>four questions</u>, and the professor wishes to <u>select a different TA</u> to grade each question (only one TA per question).







n = group size = 10

k = subset size = 4

How many ways can the TAs be chosen for grading?

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Example 21

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▶ The number of permutations is

$$P_{k,n} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

$$P_{4,10} = \frac{10!}{(10-4)!} = \frac{10!}{6!} = 10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 = 5,040$$

▶ That is, the professor could give 5040 different four-question exams without using the same assignment of graders to questions, by which time all the teaching assistants would hopefully have finished their degree programs!

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- Now let's move on to combinations (i.e., unordered subsets).
- Again refer to the student council scenario, and suppose that three of the seven representatives are to be selected to attend a statewide convention.



➤ The number of combinations of size 3 that can be formed from the 7 individuals is



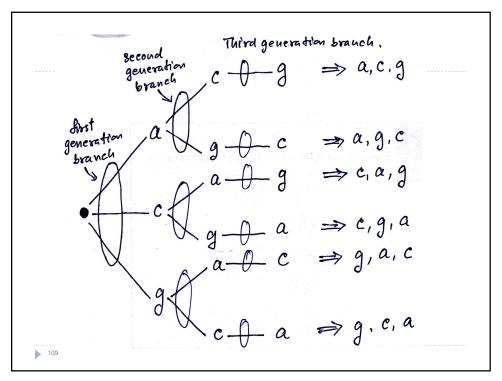
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Permutations and Combinations

- Consider for a moment combination a, c, g.
- ▶ These three individuals can be <u>ordered</u> in 3! = 6 ways to produce permutations:
- a, c, g a, g, c c, a, g c, g, a g, a, c g, c, a
- Similarly, there are 3! = 6 ways to order combination b, c, e to produce permutations, and
- ▶ in fact 3! ways to order any particular combination of size 3 to produce permutations.

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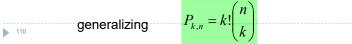


Permutations and Combinations

► This implies the following relationship between the number of combinations and the number of permutations:

$$P_{3,7} = (3!) {7 \choose 3} = {P_{3,7} \over 3!} = {7! \over (3!)(4!)} = {7 \times 6 \times 5 \over 3 \times 2 \times 1} = 35$$

- ▶ It would not be too difficult to list the 35 combinations, but there is no need to do so if we are interested only in how many there are.
- Notice that the number of permutations 210 far exceeds the number of combinations; the former is larger than the latter by a factor of 3! since that is how many ways each combination can be ordered.



Generalizing foregoing line of reasoning gives a simple relationship between the number of permutations and the number of combinations that yields a concise expression for latter quantity.

 $P_{k,n} = k! \binom{n}{k}$

Proposition

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{P_{k,n}}{k!} = \frac{n!}{k! \times (n-k)!}$$

Notice that

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

Since there is only one way to choose a set of (all) *n* elements or of no elements

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

Since there are *n* subsets of size 1

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Example 22 : Permutation

▶ A particular iPod playlist contains 100 songs, 10 of which are by the Beatles.



Suppose the shuffle feature is used to play the songs in random order (the randomness of the shuffling process is investigated in "Does Your iPod Really Play Favorites?"

Example 22

What is <u>probability</u> that the first Beatles song heard is the fifth song played?



- In order for this event to occur, it must be the case that
 - ▶ First four songs played are not Beatles' songs (NBs) and
 - Fifth song is by the Beatles (B).
- Random shuffle assumption implies that any particular set of 5 songs from amongst the 100 has the same chance of being selected as the first five played as does any other set of five songs; each outcome is equally likely.

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Example 22

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▶ Therefore desired probability is

Number of outcomes for which event of int erest occurs

Number of possible outcomes

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Example 22

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Number of ways to select the first five songs is

100 x 99 x 98 x 97 x 96



Number of ways to select these five songs so that the first four are NBs and the next is B is

90 x 89 x 88 x 87 x 10

 $90 \times 89 \times 88 \times 87 \times 10$ $P(1^{st} B is the 5^{th} song played) =$

Order of song is important Permutation

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Example 23: Combination

- University warehouse has received a shipment of 25 printers, of which
 - 10 are laser printers and
 - ▶ 15 are inkjet model

Laser printer

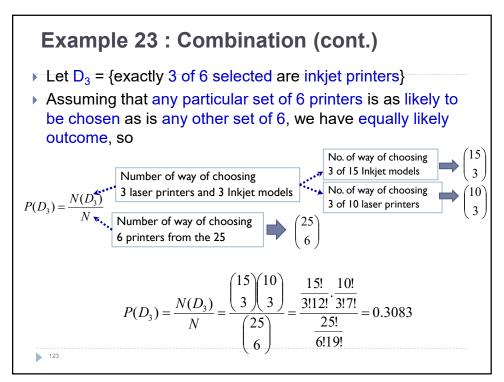




Inkjet printer

- ▶ If 6 of these 25 are selected at random to be checked by a particular technician,
- What is the probability that exactly 3 of those selected are inkjets printers (so that the other 3 are lasers?)

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Example 23 : Combination (cont.)

- What is the probability that <u>at least</u> 3 inkjet printers are selected?
- Let
 - D₃ = {exactly 3 of 6 selected are inkjet printers}
 - D₄ = {exactly 4 of 6 selected are inkjet printers}
 - ▶ D₅ = {exactly 5 of 6 selected are inkjet printers}
 - ▶ D₆ = {exactly 6 of 6 selected are inkjet printers}

$$P(D_3 \cup D_4 \cup D_5 \cup D_6) = P(D_3) + P(D_4) + P(D_5) + P(D_6)$$

$$= \frac{\binom{15}{3}\binom{10}{3}}{\binom{25}{6}} + \frac{\binom{15}{4}\binom{10}{2}}{\binom{25}{6}} + \frac{\binom{15}{5}\binom{10}{1}}{\binom{25}{6}} + \frac{\binom{15}{6}\binom{10}{0}}{\binom{25}{6}}$$

$$= 0.8530$$

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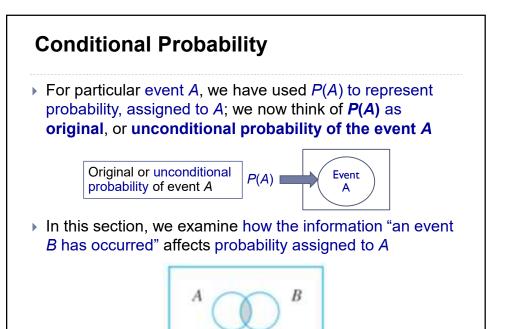
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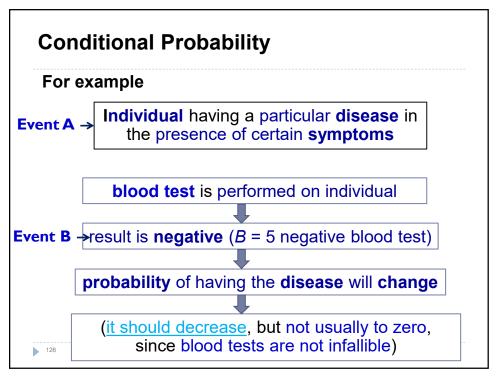
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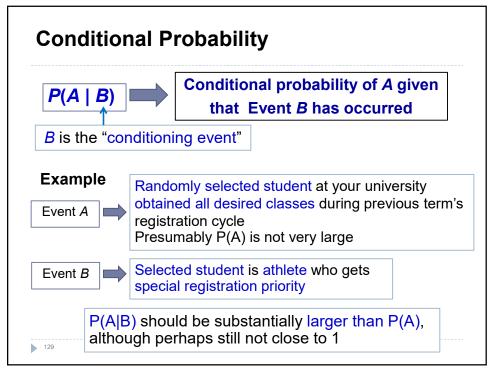
Conditional Probability

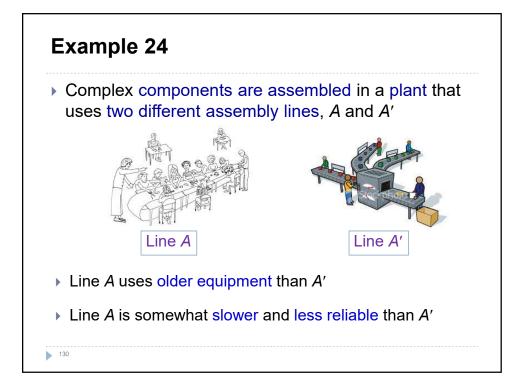
- Probabilities assigned to various events depend on what is known about experimental situation when assignment is made
- ▶ Subsequent to initial assignment, <u>partial information</u> <u>relevant to outcome of experiment may become available.</u>
- ▶ Such <u>information</u> may cause us to <u>revise</u> some of our probability assignments.

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Suppose on a given, line A and A' has <u>assembled 18</u>
 components



Line A'

- ▶ 8 components
 - ▶ 2 defective (B)
 - ▶ 6 nondefective (B')
- ▶ 10 components
 - ▶ 1 defective
 - 9 nondefective

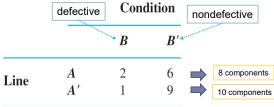
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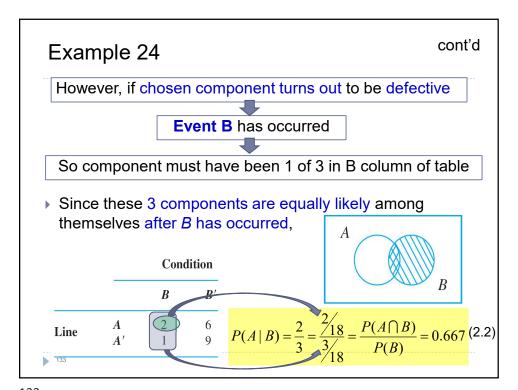
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This information is summarized in the accompanying table



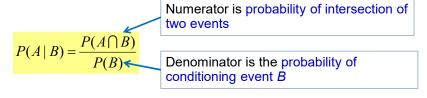
- ▶ Unaware of this information, sales manager randomly selects 1 of these 18 components for a demonstration.
- Prior to the demonstration

P(line A component selected = $P(A) = \frac{N(A)}{N} = \frac{8}{18} = 0.44$

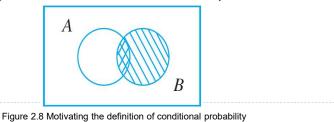


Conditional Probability

▶ In Equation (2.2), conditional probability is expressed as a ratio of unconditional probabilities:

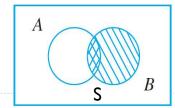


A Venn diagram illuminates this relationship



Conditional Probability

- ▶ Given that <u>B</u> has occurred, relevant sample space is no longer <u>S</u> but consists of outcomes in B;
- ▶ **A** has occurred if and only if one of outcomes in intersection occurred, so conditional probability of **A** given **B** is proportional to $P(A \cap B)$.
- ▶ Proportionality constant 1/P(B) is used to ensure that the probability $P(B \mid B)$ of the <u>new sample space</u> B equals 1.



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

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Definition of Conditional Probability

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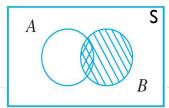
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Definition of Conditional Probability

Definition

For any two events A and B with P(B) > 0, the conditional probability of A given that B has occurred is defined by

$$P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$
(2.3)



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Example 25



- Suppose that of all individuals buying a certain digital camera,
 - ▶ 60% include an optional memory card in their purchase,



- ▶ 40% include an extra battery, and
- ▶ 30% include both a card and battery
- Consider randomly selecting a buyer and let





B = {battery purchased}



Then

$$P(A) = 0.60,$$

 $P(B) = 0.40,$

P(both purchased) = $P(A \cap B) = 0.30$

Example 25

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 Given that selected individual purchased extra battery (event B), probability that optional memory card (event A) was also purchased is

$$P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.30}{0.40} = 0.75$$

- ▶ That is, of all those purchasing an extra battery, 75% purchased an optional memory card.
- Similarly,

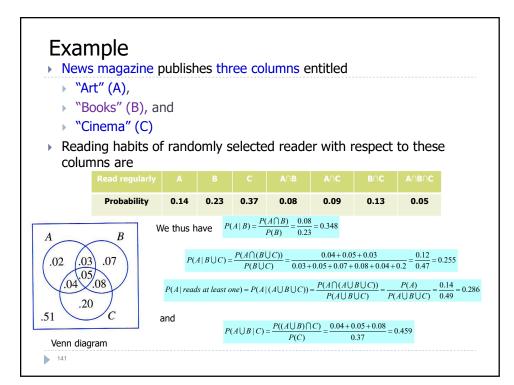
$$P(battery \mid memory \ card) = P(B \mid A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{0.30}{0.60} = 0.50$$

Notice that

$$P(A \mid B) \neq P(A)$$
 and $P(B \mid A) \neq P(B)$

Event whose probability is desired might be union or intersection of other events, and the same could be true of the conditioning event

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Multiplication Rule for $P(A \cap B)$

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Multiplication Rule for $P(A \cap B)$

 Definition of conditional probability yields the following result, obtained by multiplying both sides of Equation

(2.3) by
$$P(B)$$
. $P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$ conditional probability of A given that B has occurred

Multiplication Rule

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

This rule is important because it is often the case that $P(A \cap B)$ is desired, whereas both P(B) and $P(A \mid B)$ can be specified from problem description.

Consideration of P(B|A) gives $P(A \cap B) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A)$

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- Four individuals have responded to a request by a blood bank for blood donations.
- None of them has donated before, so their blood types are unknown

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- Suppose only type O+ is desired and only one of four actually has this type.
- If potential donors are selected in random order for typing,
- ▶ What is probability that at least three individuals must be typed to obtain the desired type?

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Example 27









- Making the identification
- not O+ not O+ not O+

B = {first type not O+} and

 $A = \{\text{second type not O+}\},\$

 $P(B) = \frac{3}{4}$

- Given that first type is not O+,
 - two of the three individuals left are not O+, so

Multiplication rule now gives

 $P(at least three individuals are typed) = P(A \cap B)$

 $= P(A \mid B) \cdot P(B)$

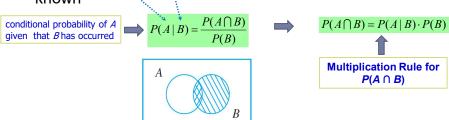
= 0.5

Example 27

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- Multiplication rule is most useful when experiment consists of several stages in succession.
- ► Conditioning event *B* then describes outcome of first stage and *A* outcome of the second, so that

 $P(A \mid B)$ —conditioning on what occurs first—will often be known



- Rule is easily extended to experiments involving
- more than two stages.

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Example 27

 $P(A \mid B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \longrightarrow P(A \cap B) = P(A \mid B) \cdot P(B) \text{ cont'd}$

▶ For example,

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3) = P(A_3 | A_1 \cap A_2) \cdot P(A_1 \cap A_2)$$

$$= P(A_3 | A_1 \cap A_2) \cdot P(A_2 | A_1) \cdot P(A_1)$$
 (2.4)

where A_1 occurs first, followed by A_2 , and finally A_3 .

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Example 2.28

B = {first type not O+} and A = {second type not O+}, C = {third type is O+}



brand 3 (20%)

For the blood typing experiment of Example 2.27

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

 $P(third\ type\ is\ O+) = P(third\ is\ |\ first\ isn't\ \cap sec\ ond\ isn't)$ $\cdot P(sec\ ond\ isn't\ |\ first\ isn't) \cdot P(first\ isn't)$ $= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25$

- When experiment of interest consists of a sequence of several stages, it is convenient to represent these with a tree diagram.
- Once we have an appropriate tree diagram, probabilities and conditional probabilities can be entered on the various branches; this will make repeated use of the multiplication rule quite straightforward

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brand 1 (50%) brand 2 (30%)

Example 2.29

- A chain of video stores sells three different brands of DVD players.
- Of its DVD player sales,
 - ▶ 50% are brand 1 (the least expensive),
 - → 30% are brand 2, and
 - ▶ 20% are brand 3.
- ▶ Each manufacturer offers a 1-year warranty on parts and labor.
- It is known that
 - ▶ 25% of brand 1's DVD players require warranty repair work,
 - whereas the corresponding percentages for brands 2 and 3 are 20% and 10%, respectively.

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brand 1 (50%) brand 2 (30%) brand 3 (20%)

Example 2.29

1. What is probability that a randomly selected purchaser has bought a brand 1 DVD player that will need repair while under warranty?

2. What is probability that a randomly selected purchaser has a DVD player that will need repair while under warranty?

3. If a customer returns to store with DVD player that needs warranty repair work,
what is probability that it is
a brand 1 DVD player
a brand 2 DVD player"
a brand 3 DVD player?

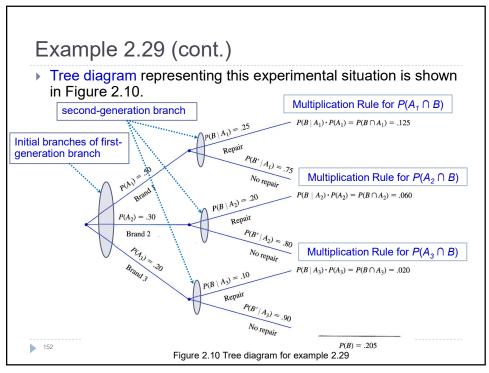
a brand 3 DVD player?

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Example 2.29 (cont.)

- ▶ The first stage of the problem involves a customer selecting one of the three brands of DVD player
- ▶ Let A_i={brand i is purchased}, for i=1, 2, and 3.
- ▶ Then $P(A_1)=0.50$, $P(A_2)=0.30$, and $P(A_3)=0.20$.
- Once a brand of DVD player is selected, the second stage involves observing whether the selected DVD player needs warranty repair.
- With B = {needs repair} and B' = {doesn't need repair}, the given information implies that P(B|A₁) =0.25, P(B|A₂) =0.20, and P(B|A₃)=0.10

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Example 2.29 (cont.)

- Initial branches correspond to different brands of DVD players;
- there are two second-generation branches emanating from the tip of each initial branch,
 - one for "needs repair" and
 - the other for "doesn't need repair."
- ▶ Probability P(A_i) appears on the ith initial branch, whereas conditional probabilities P(B|A_i) and P(B'|A_i) appear on second generation branches.
- ➤ To the right of each second-generation branch corresponding to the occurrence of B, we display the product of probabilities on branches leading out to that point.
- ▶ 153This is simply multiplication rule in action

Example 2.29 (cont.)

What is probability that a randomly selected purchaser has bought a brand 1 DVD player that will need repair while under warranty?

Answer to question posed in 1 is thus

$$P(A_1 \cap B) = P(B|A_1) \cdot P(A_1) = 0.125$$

What is probability that a randomly selected purchaser has a DVD player that will need repair while under warranty?

Answer to question 2 is

 $P(B) = P[(brand \ 1 \ and \ repair) \ or \ (brand \ 2 \ and \ repair) \ or \ (brand \ 3 \ and \ repair)]$ = $P(A_1 \cap B) + P(A_2 \cap B) + P(A_3 \cap B)$

= 0.125 + 0.060 + 0.020 = 0.205

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Example 2.29 (cont.)

▶ Finally,

$$P(A_1 \mid B) = \frac{P(A_1 \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.125}{0.205} = 0.61$$

If a customer returns to store with DVD player that needs warranty repair work,

what is probability that it is a brand 1 DVD player a brand 2 DVD player" a brand 3 DVD player?

$$P(A_2 \mid B) = \frac{P(A_2 \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.060}{0.205} = 0.29$$

and

$$P(A_3 \mid B) = 1 - P(A_1 \mid B) - P(A_2 \mid B) = 0.10$$

- ▶ Initial or prior probability of brand 1 is 0.50.
 - Once it is known that the selected DVD player needed repair, the posterior probability of brand 1 increases to 0.61.
- This is because brand 1 DVD players are more likely to need warranty repair than are the other brands.
- The posterior probability of brand 3 is P(A₃|B)=0.10, which is much less than the prior probability P(A₃)=0.20

Bayes' Theorem

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Bayes' Theorem

- ightharpoonup Computation of posterior probability $P(A_j|B)$ from
 - ▶ given prior probabilities P(A₁) and
 - conditional probabilities $P(B|A_i)$ occupies a central position in elementary probability.
- General rule for such computations, which is really just a simple application of multiplication rule, goes back to Reverend <u>Thomas Bayes</u>, who lived in the eighteenth century.
- ▶ To state it we first need another result.
 - ▶ Recall that events A_1, \ldots, A_k are mutually exclusive if no two have any common outcomes.
 - ▶ Events are *exhaustive* if one *A_i* must occur, so that

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_k = S$$

Bayes' Theorem

The Law of Total Probability

▶ Let A_1, \ldots, A_k be mutually exclusive and exhaustive events. Then for any other event B,

$$P(B) = P(B \mid A_1)P(A_1) + P(B \mid A_2)P(A_2) + \dots + P(B \mid A_k)P(A_k)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k} P(B \mid A_i)P(A_{ii})$$
(2.5)

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Bayes' Theorem

Proof

- Because the A_i s are mutually exclusive and exhaustive, if B occurs it must be in conjunction with exactly one of the A_i's
- ▶ That is, $B = (A_1 \cap B) \cup \cdots \cup (A_k \cap B)$
- lacktriangle where events $A_i \cap B$) are mutually exclusive
- ▶ This "partitioning of B" is illustrated in Figure 2.11. Thus

 $P(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} P(A_i \cap B) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} P(B \mid A_i) P(A_{i_i})$

as desired.

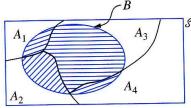


Figure 2.11 Partition of B by mutually exclusive and exhaustive A_i 's

Bayes' Theorem

- ▶ An example of the use of Equation (2.5) appeared in answering question 2 of Example 2.29,
- where

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A_1 = {brand 1},

A_2 = {brand 2},

A_3 = {brand 3}, and B = {repair}
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$$P(B) = P(B \mid A_1)P(A_1) + P(B \mid A_2)P(A_2) + \dots + P(B \mid A_k)P(A_k)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k} P(B \mid A_i)P(A_{ii})$$
Equation (2.5)

answering question 2 of Example 2.29

$$\begin{split} P(B) &= P[(brand \ 1 \ and \ repair) \ or \ (brand \ 2 \ and \ repair) \ or \ (brand \ 3 \ and \ repair)] \\ &= P(A_1 \cap B) + P(A_2 \cap B) + P(A_3 \cap B) \\ &= 0.125 + 0.060 + 0.020 = 0.205 \end{split}$$

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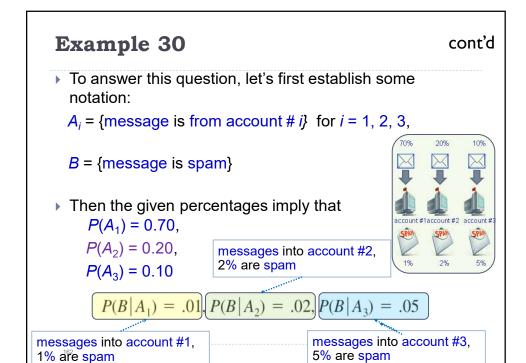
Example 30

- An individual has 3 different email accounts
- Most of her messages, in fact
 - ▶ 70%, come into account #1, whereas
 - > 20% come into account #2 and
 - the remaining 10% into account #3



- ▶ Of messages into account #1, only 1% are spam, whereas the corresponding percentages for accounts #2 and #3 are 2% and 5%, respectively.
- What is probability that a randomly selected message is spam?

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Example 30

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Now it is simply a matter of substituting into the equation for the law of total probability:

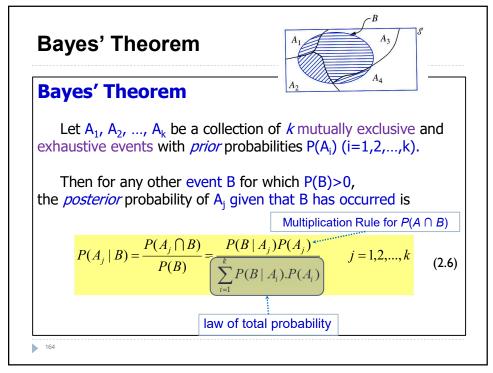
$$P(B) = P(B \mid A_1)P(A_1) + P(B \mid A_2)P(A_2) + \dots + P(B \mid A_k)P(A_k)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{k} P(B \mid A_i)P(A_{ii})$$
Equation (2.5)

$$P(B) = (0.01)(0.70) + (0.02)(0.20) + (0.05)(0.10) = 0.016$$

In the long run, 1.6% of this individual's messages will be spam.

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Example

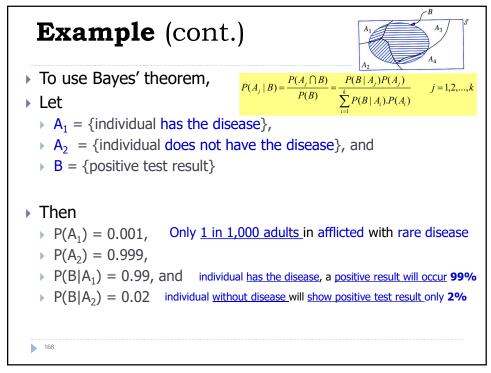
- Incidence of a rare disease.
- ▶ Only 1 in 1,000 adults in afflicted with a rare disease for which a diagnostic test has been developed.
- The test is such that when an <u>individual</u> actually <u>has the disease</u>, a <u>positive result will</u> <u>occur</u> **99%** of the time,

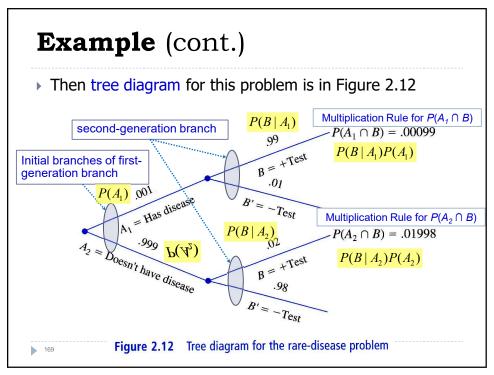
whereas

an <u>individual</u> <u>without the disease</u> will <u>show a positive test</u> <u>result</u> only **2%** of the time.

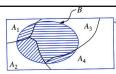
If a randomly selected individual is tested and the <u>result is</u> <u>positive</u>, what is <u>probability</u> that <u>individual has the</u> <u>disease?</u>

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Example (cont.)



- Next to each branch corresponding to a positive test result, multiplication rule yields the recorded probabilities
- Therefore,

law of total probability

$$P(B) = P(B \mid A_1)P(A_1) + P(B \mid A_2)P(A_2) = \sum_{i=1}^{2} P(B \mid A_i)P(A_{ij})$$
 Equation (2.5)

$$P(B) = (0.99 \times 0.001) + (0.02 \times 0.999)$$

$$P(B) = 0.00099 + 0.01998 = 0.02097$$

From which we have

$$P(A_1 \mid B) = \frac{P(A_1 \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.00099}{0.02097} = 0.047$$

If a randomly selected individual is tested and the <u>result is positive</u>, what is **probability** that **individual has the disease?**