

Lecture 5: Conditional Prob.

Ex. $10^{\text{red}} = r$ passengers on bus route w/
 $n=5$ stops.

Driver record # people that exit at each stop.

Q: How many possible records are there?

Stop	#
1	0
2	3
3	1
4	2
5	4

$\leftarrow \rightarrow \{2, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 5, 5\}$

$$\binom{n+r-1}{r} = \binom{5+10-1}{10} = \binom{14}{10} = 1001$$

Ex. Jar w/ 4 marbles: y, b, o, g

Draw $r=3$ from $n=4$.

(w/ repl., w/o ordering)

Q: Prob I get a y and b?

E

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

$$E = \{\{y, b, o\}, \{y, b, g\}, \{y, b, b\}, \{y, b, y\}\}$$

$$|E| = 4$$

S = all such samples,

$$|S| = \binom{n+r-1}{r} = \binom{4+3-1}{3} = \binom{6}{3} = 20$$

$$\text{So } P(E) = 4/20 = 1/5.$$

	w/o repl.	w/ repl.
ordered	$\frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$	n^r
unordered	$\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$	$\binom{n+r-1}{r}$

Ex. Flip coin twice.

What's prob of getting H and T?

Option 1: unordered

$$S = \{HH, TT, HT\}$$

$$E = \{HT\}$$

$$\text{so } P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Option 2: ordered

$$S = \{HH, TT, TH, HT\}$$

$$E = \{HT, TH\}$$

$$P(E) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Point of counting:

$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|S|} \leftarrow \text{equally likely}$$

General rule:

If I build S through a seq. of independent actions then typically an ordered S makes sense.

When sampling w/ repl. this matters.
Often doesn't matter when sampling w/o repl.

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

Ex. Survey W&M Students
- favorite dessert: Icecream
Cake
- living: On campus/off

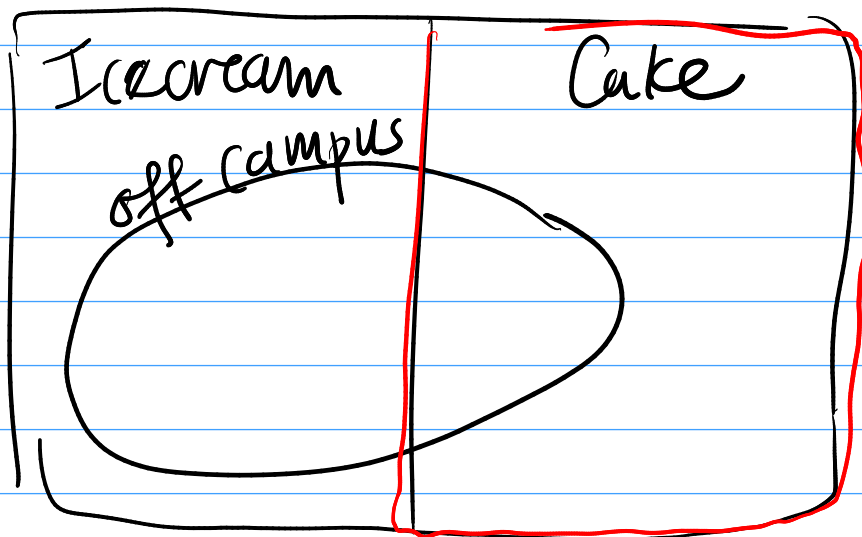
	Icecream	Cake	
On Campus	501	238	739
off campus	782	123	905
	361	361	1694

Q1: Select student, what's prob. they live off campus?

$$P(\text{off campus}) = \frac{905}{1694}.$$

Q2: Given that student likes cake, what's prob they live off campus?

$$P(\text{off given cake}) = \frac{123}{361}.$$



Q1: $P(\text{off campus}) = \frac{0}{\boxed{}}$

Q2: $P(\text{off given cake}) = \frac{D}{\boxed{}}$
 $= \frac{0 \text{ or } \boxed{}}{\boxed{}}$

Defn: Conditional Prob

If $A, B \subset S$ and $P(B) > 0$ then
 the conditional prob of A given B

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

← read: given

Fact: ① $P(B|B) = 1$

pf. $P(B|B) = \frac{P(BB)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B)}{P(B)} = 1.$

② If $AB = \emptyset$ then $P(A|B) = 0.$

pf. $P(A|B) = \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(\emptyset)}{P(B)} = \frac{0}{P(B)} = 0.$

Ex. Roll two dice.

Q! What's the prob. the first is 2
 given sum is ≤ 5 .

A
B

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

$$= \frac{|AB|/\cancel{15}}{|B|/\cancel{15}}$$

$$= \frac{|AB|}{|B|} \quad \text{first}$$

second

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	○	⊗	○	○		
2	○	⊗	○			
3	○	⊗				
4	○	⊗				
5		⊗				
6		⊗				

○ = B
⊗ = A

↓ = 3/10

Theorem: Compound Prob.

$$\begin{aligned} P(AB) &= P(A|B)P(B) \\ &= P(B|A)P(A) \end{aligned}$$

pf. $P(A|B) = \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)}$

rearrange: $P(A|B)P(B) = P(AB)$

Recall partitioning theorem:

If (A_i) partition S then

$$P(B) = \sum_i P(B|A_i).$$

Theorem: Law of Total Prob.

If (A_i) partition S then BCS,

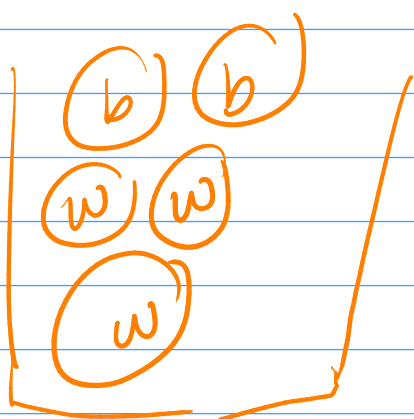
$$P(B) = \sum_i P(B|A_i) P(A_i).$$

pf. $P(B) = \sum_i P(B|A_i)$ [partitioning]
 $= \sum_i P(B|A_i) P(A_i)$ [compound prob.]

Special Case: A and A^c partition S

$$P(B) = P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A^c)P(A^c)$$

Ex. Basket 1



Basket 2



Step 1: Select ball from basket 1,
place in basket 2

Step 2: randomly select ball from
basket 2

Q: What's probs of getting (b) on step 2?

$B_1 =$ choose (b) step 1

$B_1^c =$ // (w) //

$B_2 =$ choose (b) step 2

$B_2^c =$ // (w) //

Want: $P(B_2)$.

Soln: Condition on B_1 .

Law of total prob:

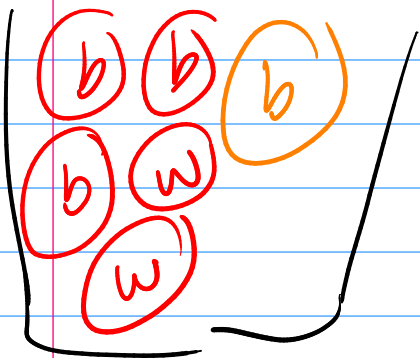
$$P(B_2) = P(B_2 | B_1) P(B_1) + P(B_2 | B_1^c) P(B_1^c)$$

$$P(B_1) = \frac{2}{5} \quad , \quad P(B_1^c) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$P(B_2 | B_1) = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P(B_2 | B_1^c) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Basket 2



Basket 2



$$\begin{aligned} P(B_2) &= P(B_2 | B_1) P(B_1) + P(B_2 | B_1^c) P(B_1^c) \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \frac{17}{30} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Bayes' Theorem

Go from $P(A|B)$ to $P(B|A)$.

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

pf -
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}.$$

Ex. Cont. prev.

Given choose (b) on step 2,
what's prob I chose (w) step 1?

Use Bayes'

$$P(B_1^c | B_2) = \frac{P(B_2 | B_1^c) P(B_1^c)}{P(B_2)}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) / \left(\frac{17}{30}\right)$$

Theorem: Law total prob + Bayes

(A_i) partition S then

$$P(A_i|B) = \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{\sum_j P(B|A_j)P(A_j)}$$

Pf. $P(A_i|B) = \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{P(B)}$ [Bayes']

$$= \frac{P(B|A_i)P(A_i)}{\sum_j P(B|A_j)P(A_j)} \text{ [total prob].}$$

Special Case: A and A^c partition S

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A^c)P(A^c)}$$