

PROBABILITY THEORY CLASS 2

- Agenda for today

- Take home Q ✓
- Independence
- Conditional probability
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- Simpson's paradox
- Bayes Rule

- Independence

Two events A, B are independent iff.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P(AB) = P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \end{array} \right.$$

Proving independence } \rightarrow Assumption: 2 coin tosses
} \hookrightarrow Derived: $P(AB)$ = $P(A) \cdot P(B)$

Ex: $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

$$A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \quad P(A) = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$B = \{2, 4, 6\}, \quad P(B) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$AB = \{2, 4\}, \quad P(AB) = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

clearly $P(AB) = \frac{1}{3} = P(A) \cdot P(B)$

Occurance of B has no effect on A

Say B has happened, then

$$\underline{2 \in A}, \quad \underline{4 \in A}, \quad \underline{6 \notin A}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A|B) = \frac{2}{3} \text{ (same as above)}$$

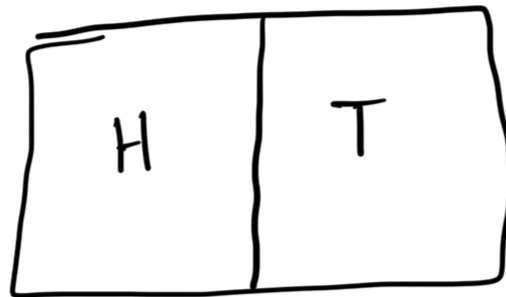
Ex: $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Dependent $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A = \{2, 4, 6\}, \quad P(A) = 1/2 \\ B = \{4, 5, 6\}, \quad P(B) = 1/2 \\ AB = \{4, 6\}, \quad P(AB) = 1/3 \end{array} \right.$

- Disjoint : $\{ \underline{H/T}, \underline{\text{odd/even}} \}$

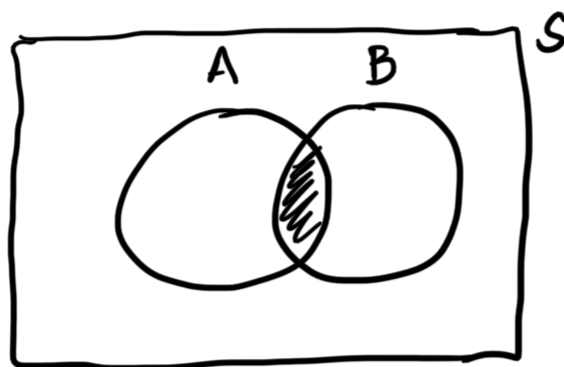
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Independence : $\{ 2 \text{ tosses}, \underline{2 \text{ days of stock ret}} \}$

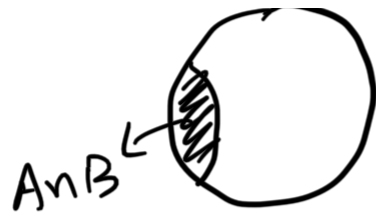


• Conditional Probability

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



$$\underline{n_{A \cap B} / N} = \underline{P(A \cap B)}$$



$$\frac{n_B}{N}$$

$$\frac{P(B)}{>0}$$

Normalize

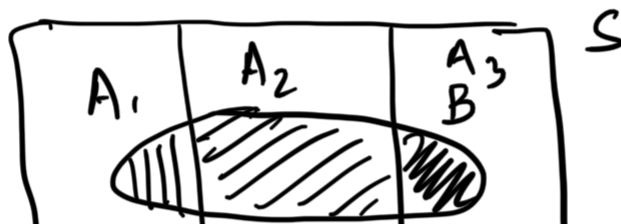
$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

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

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

$$P(A|B) = P(B|A) \cdot \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{P(A)}{P(B)}} \right\} \text{Bayes Rule}$$

- Law of total Prob.



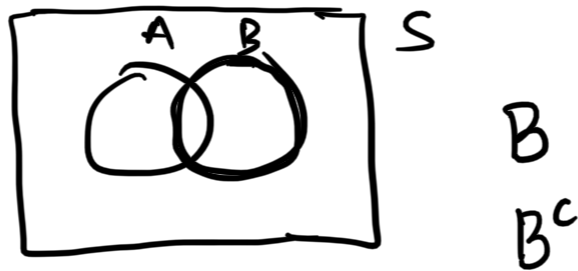


$$B = (B \cap A_1) \cup (B \cap A_2) \cup (B \cap A_3)$$

$$P(B) = P(BA_1) + P(BA_2) + P(BA_3)$$

$$P(B|A_1) = \frac{P(BA_1)}{P(A_1)}$$

$$P(B) = P(B|A_1) \cdot P(A_1) + P(B|A_2) \cdot P(A_2) + P(B|A_3) \cdot P(A_3)$$



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

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alarm

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- NOTES

$$(a) P(A|B) \neq P(B|A)$$

$$(b) P(A|B) \neq 1 - P(A|B^c)$$

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

$$(d) \underbrace{P(A|B)}_{\text{Posterior}} = \underbrace{\frac{P(B|A) \cdot \overbrace{P(A)}^{\text{Prior}}}{P(B)}}_{\text{Likelihood}}$$

- Conditional Independence

A and B are conditionally independent given C iff

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

Ex: Unconditional independence

\neq conditional independence

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Omega &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} // \\ \left\{ \begin{aligned} A &= \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, P(A) = 2/3 \\ B &= \{2, 4, 6\}, P(B) = 1/2 \end{aligned} \right. \\ AB &= \{2, 4\}, P(AB) = 1/3 \\ C &= \{2, 3, 4, 5\} // \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$A \cap C = \{2, 3, 4\} = P(A \cap C) = 1/2$$

$$B \cap C = \{2, 4\} = P(B \cap C) = 1/3$$

$$AB \cap C = \{2, 4\} \quad P(AB \cap C) = 1/3$$

$$\underline{P(A|C)} = \frac{P(A \cap C)}{P(C)} = \frac{3/6}{4/6} = \frac{3}{4} \quad 0$$

$$P(B|C) = \frac{2/6}{4/6} = \frac{1}{2} \quad 0$$

$$P(AB|C) = \frac{2/6}{4/6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$[\text{condt. dep.}] P(AB|c) \neq P(A|c) \cdot P(B|c)$$

$$[\text{Uncondt. Indep}] P(AB) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

Two events that are unconditionally independent but conditionally dependent

Ex: Two events that are dependent but conditionally independent

$$\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$A = \{2, 4, 6\}, P(A) = 1/2$$

$$B = \{4, 5, 6\}, P(B) = 1/2$$

$$AB = \{4, 6\}, P(AB) = 1/3$$

$$C = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\underline{A|c} = \{2, 4\}, P(A|c) = \frac{P(A \cap c)}{P(c)} = \frac{2/6}{4/6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\underline{B|c} = \{4, 5\}, P(B|c) = \frac{P(B \cap c)}{P(c)} = \frac{2/6}{4/6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$A \cap B \cap c = \{4\}, P(A \cap B|c) = \frac{P(A \cap B \cap c)}{P(c)} = \frac{1/6}{4/6} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(A \cap B|c) = \frac{1}{4} = P(A|c) \cdot P(B|c) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

- Simpson's Paradox

Dr. Dave (Good)

	Heart	Bandaid	
Success	70	10	80
Fail	20	0	20
	70	10	80

$\frac{70}{80} = 87.5\%, \frac{10}{20} = 50\%$

Dr. Nick (Bad)

	Heart	Bandaid	
	2	81	83
	8	9	17
	2	81	83

$\frac{2}{10} = 20\%, \frac{81}{90} = 90\%$

$$\frac{90 - 10}{100} = 80\%$$

$$\frac{10 + 73}{100} = 83\%$$

- confounding variables

$$Y \sim X$$

$$Y \sim \underbrace{X_1}_{\text{Heart}} + \underbrace{X_2}_{\text{Bandaid}}$$

• Bayes Theorem

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

$$P(\text{Hypothesis} | \underset{\text{Data}}{\text{Evidence}})$$

Ex: $P(\text{Car Theft}) = 1\%$

A B

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P(\text{Car Alarm} | \text{Theft}) &= 90\% \\ P(\text{Car Alarm} | \text{No theft}) &= 20\% \end{aligned} \right\}$$

A B^c

$$P(\text{Theft} | \text{Car Alarm})$$

$$P(\text{Theft} | \text{Car Alarm}) = \frac{P(\text{Car Alarm} | \text{Theft}) \times \overbrace{P(\text{Theft})}^{0.01}}{\underbrace{P(\text{Car Alarm})}_{0.9}}$$

$$P(\text{Car Alarm}) = \overbrace{P(\text{Car Alarm} | \text{Theft})}^{= 0.9} \times \overbrace{P(\text{Theft})}^{0.01} + \underbrace{P(\text{Car Alarm} | \text{No theft})}_{0.2} \times \underbrace{P(\text{No theft})}_{0.99}$$

$$P(\text{Car Alarm}) = 0.207$$

$$P(\text{Theft} | \text{Car Alarm}) = \frac{P(\text{CA} | \text{T}) \times \frac{P(\text{T})}{P(\text{CA})}}$$

$$= \frac{0.9}{0.207} \times \frac{0.01}{0.207} = 0.043$$

$$P(H_1 | \text{Data}) = P(D | H) \cdot \frac{P(H)}{P(D)}$$

$$H_2 | D$$