



Econ 2250: Stats for Econ

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What we will do today?

- Something that we discussed last time?
- Probability rules
 - Work through <https://ethanweed.github.io/pythonbook/04.02-probability.html> via [colab](#)
 - First section of https://mixtape.scunning.com/02-probability_and_regression

Today's materials

<https://colab.research.google.com/github/jonkrohn/ML-foundations/blob/master/notebooks/5-probability.ipynb#scrollTo=hKciO43C5ChT>

Words, words, words

- elementary event: each draw will only be one event
- sample space: list of all possible events
- independent event: $P(A|B) = P(A)$
- joint probabilities: $P(A,B) = P(A)P(B)$

Equations

Review: Standard Deviation

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}}$$

σ = population standard deviation

N = the size of the population

x_i = each value from the population

μ = the population mean

Code:

Likelihood of event

$$P(\text{event}) = \frac{\text{\# of outcomes of event}}{\text{\# of outcomes in } \Omega}$$

Basic Rules

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B).$$

For example, if two coins are flipped, then the chance of both being heads is $\frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B).$$

For example, when drawing a card from a deck of cards, the chance of getting a heart or a face card (J,Q,K) (or both) is $\frac{13}{52} + \frac{12}{52} - \frac{3}{52} = \frac{11}{26}$

Summary of probabilities

| Event | Probability |
|-----------|--|
| A | $P(A) \in [0, 1]$ |
| not A | $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$ |
| A or B | $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$ $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) \quad \text{if A and B are mutually exclusive}$ |
| A and B | $P(A \cap B) = P(A B)P(B) = P(B A)P(A)$ $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) \quad \text{if A and B are independent}$ |
| A given B | $P(A B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B A)P(A)}{P(B)}$ |

Combinatorics

Code:

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

Exercise

Does everyone feel that they have at very least the tools needed for the homework?

End of class form



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