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Abstract:

Independence means two or more events occurred irrelevantly. There are no related effect to both events and none of events effect to other. However that does not meant there are no intersect between of them. In the other words, it does not meant they are disjointed. With famous trial of 'O.J Simpson' is the well known example of conditional probability and independence.

For the English:

unusual, indictment, got booted, get by

Lec 20. INDEPENDENCE:

DEF: an event A is independence of an event B if $\Pr(A|B) = \Pr(A)$ or if $\Pr(B) = 0$

ex) flip 2 fair "Ind" coins

B = event 1st coin is H $\Rightarrow \Pr(B) = 1/2$ // A = " 2nd " $\Rightarrow \Pr(A) = 1/2$

then $\Pr(A|B) = 1/2 = \Pr(A)$

Disjoint \neq Tndependence $\Rightarrow \Pr(A|B) = 0 \neq \Pr(A)$

THM: product rule for indep events

If A is indep of B, then $\Pr(A \cap B) = \Pr(A) \cdot \Pr(B)$

Pf: case 1 = $\Pr(B) = 0$, then $\Pr(A|B) = 0 = \Pr(A) \cdot \Pr(B)$

case 2 = $\Pr(B) > 0$, then $\Pr(A \cap B) = \Pr(A) \cdot \Pr(B) = \Pr(A)$

THM: Symmetry of Independence

If A is indep of B, then B is indep of A

ex) 2 fair indep coins \Rightarrow A = event coins match // B = " 1st coin is H

$\Pr(A|B) = \Pr(2\text{nd coin is H}) = 1/2$ // $\Pr(A) = \Pr(HH) + \Pr(TT) = 1/4 + 1/4 = 1/2 \rightarrow$ indep

$\Pr(H) = p$ / $\Pr(T) = 1-p$ / $\Pr(A|B) = p$ / $\Pr(A) = p^2 + (1-p)^2$

A&B are indep- iff $\Pr(B) = 0$ ($p = 0$) or $p = 1-2p+2p^2 \Rightarrow (1-2p)(1-p) = 0 \Rightarrow p = 1$ or $1/2$

- O.J.Simpson = Blood type and murdered by husband

$1/10 \Rightarrow$ O type // $1/5 =$ rh factor // $1/4 =$ marker xyz $\Rightarrow 1/200$ match all three

DEF: events $a_1, a_2 \dots a_n$ are mutually indep if $\forall i \ \& \ \forall J \subseteq [1, n] - \{i\}$

$\Pr(A_i | \cap A_j) = \Pr(A_i \text{ or } \Pr(\cap A_j)) = 0$

Equivalnet DEF: Product rule

$A_1 \sim A_n$ are mutually indep- if $\forall J \subseteq [1, N]$, $\Pr(\cap A_j) = \prod \Pr(A_j)$ product

EX: $n = 3$ $a_1 \sim a_3$ are mutually indep- if $\Pr(A_1 \cap A_2) = \Pr(A_1)\Pr(A_2)$ vice versa in 3 cases

$\Pr(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3) = \Pr(A_1)\Pr(A_2)\Pr(A_3)$

ex) flip 3 fair mut- indep- coins $A_1 =$ event coin 1 matches coin 2 / $A_2 =$ " 2A3 / $A_3 =$ " 1A3

A_1, A_2, A_3 are mut- indep- ??

