

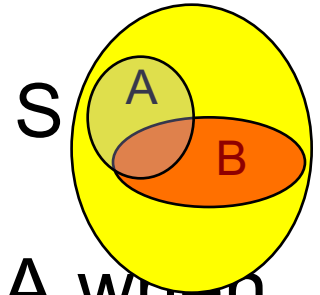
# Conditional probability (*refresher*)

- Given:

1. A probability space
2. two events A and B,

- $p(A|B)$  is the **conditional probability** of A when B has happened.

e.g.,  $p(1|\text{red})$



- **The law (axiom) of conditional probability:**
- $p(A|B) = p(AB) / p(B)$
- $p(AB) = p(B)p(A|B) = p(A)p(B|A)$

# Independent events (*refresher*)

- B is independent of A if,  
$$p(B|A)=p(B)$$
- That is  $p(AB) = p(A)p(B|A)=p(A)p(B)$
- This means A is independent of B also.  
$$p(A|B)=p(A)$$

Example: outcome of two rolls of the dice

# Example

- $X: \{0, 1\}$  - 1 means “it rains”, 0 means it does not
- $Y: \{0, 1\}$  - 1 means “gets cold”, 0 means it does not
- We are given:
$$\begin{aligned}p(X=0, Y=0) &= 1/3 \\p(X=0, Y=1) &= 1/6 \\p(X=1, Y=0) &= 1/12 \\p(X=1, Y=1) &= 5/12\end{aligned}$$
- Find probability of (cold, given that it rains)
- $$p(Y=1 | X=1) = \frac{p(X=1, Y=1)}{p(X=1)} = \frac{5/12}{1/2} = \frac{5}{6}$$
- Find probability of (cold, given that it does not rain)
- $$p(Y=1 | X=0) = \frac{p(X=0, Y=1)}{p(X=0)} = \frac{1/6}{1/2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

# Example

- $p(1|\text{red})$   
 $= p(1, \text{red})/p(\text{red})$   
 $= (1/6)/(2/3) = 1/4$

- $p(3|\text{blue}) =$   
 $= p(3, \text{blue})/p(\text{blue})$   
 $= (1/12)/(1/3) = 1/4$

- $p(\text{blue}|3)$   
 $= p(3, \text{blue})/p(3) = (1/12)/(1/12) = 1$

	Red	Blue
1	1/6	0
2	0	1/12
3	0	1/12
4	0	1/6
5	1/6	0
6	1/3	0

# Joint distribution of XY

- Two variables X and Y with a joint distribution:

P(XY)	Y=0	Y=1
X=0	1/3	1/6
X=1	5/12	1/12

- $p(X=1, Y=1)=1/12$        $p(X=0, Y=0)= 1/3$
  - $p(X=1, Y=0)=5/12$        $p(X=0, Y=1)= 1/12$
- $$\sum_{a,b \in \{0,1\}} p(X=a, Y=b) = 1$$

- Marginal distributions:

$$\sum_{a \in \{0,1\}} p(X = a)=1$$
$$\sum_{b \in \{0,1\}} p(Y = b)=1$$

# Joint Entropy

- The **joint entropy**  $H(X, Y)$  of a pair of random variables  $(X, Y)$  with joint distribution  $p(X, Y)$  is defined as

$$H(X, Y) = -\sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} p(x, y) \log p(x, y)$$

- $H(X, Y) = -E(\log p(x, y))$   
is the expected value of  $-\log p(x, y)$

# Joint Entropy of XY

- Two variables X and Y with a joint distribution:

P(XY)	Y=0	Y=1
X=0	2/6	1/6
X=1	1/6	2/6

- $p(X=1, Y=1) = p(X=0, Y=0) = 2/6$
- $p(X=1, Y=0) = p(X=0, Y=1) = 1/6$
- $H(X, Y) = -\sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} p(x, y) \log p(x, y) = 1.918 \text{ bits}$

# Entropy of each variable

- Two variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with a joint distribution:

$P(XY)$	$Y=0$	$Y=1$
$X=0$	$2/6$	$1/6$
$X=1$	$1/6$	$2/6$

- Find  $H(X)$  and  $H(Y)$  using marginal distributions:
- $p(Y=0)=p(Y=1)=1/2 \quad \rightarrow H(Y) = 1 \text{ bit}$
- $p(X=0)=p(X=1)=1/2 \quad \rightarrow H(X) = 1 \text{ bit}$
- $\rightarrow H(X) + H(Y) = 2 \text{ bits}$

$\rightarrow$  Observe:  $H(X, Y) \leq H(X) + H(Y)$