

Lecture 5 Mar 29 9/8/16

5-card draw poker. You get 5 cards... what is $p(\text{win})$ for each way to win? [1]

$$P(\text{Royal Flush}) = \frac{|\text{Roy Fl}|}{\binom{52}{5} = 2,598,960} = \frac{\binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} \approx \frac{1}{650,000}$$

10, J, Q, K, A are suit

only 4 suits

$$P(\text{Str. Flush}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{9}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{9}{1} \binom{5}{5}}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{9}{1} - 4}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

\uparrow all comb in a row \uparrow all cards same suit

A 2 3 4 5

2 3 4 5 6

3 4 5 6 7

9 10 J Q K

$\binom{40}{1}$

10 J Q K A

roy. fl.

$$P(\text{A of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

AAAA 3 ♦

$$P(\text{full house}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{1} \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}} \neq \frac{\binom{13}{2} \binom{4}{3} \binom{4}{2}}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{1}{2} (P(\dots)) \quad \boxed{2}$$

AAA33

$$\binom{13}{1} \binom{12}{1} = 13 \cdot 12 \quad \binom{13}{2} = \frac{13 \cdot 12}{2}$$

why?

AAA33 \neq 333AA

$$P(\text{flush}) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \binom{13}{5} - \binom{4}{1} \binom{10}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} \rightarrow \text{technically } \dots$$



$$P(\text{straight}) = \frac{\binom{10}{1} \binom{4}{1}^5 - \binom{4}{1} \binom{10}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} \quad \text{why not } \binom{10}{2}?$$

$$P(3 \text{ of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{1} \binom{4}{3} \binom{12}{2} \binom{4}{1}^2}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

AA330 \neq 33AA0

$$P(2 \text{ of a kind}) = \frac{\binom{13}{2} \binom{4}{2}^2 \binom{11}{1} \binom{4}{1}}{\binom{52}{5}} \quad \text{why not } \binom{13}{1} \binom{12}{1}?$$

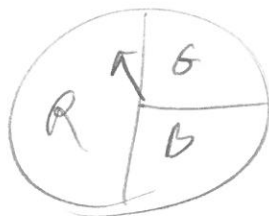
$$P(\text{no pair}) = \frac{\binom{13}{5} \binom{4}{1}^5 - \text{straights} - \text{flushes} + \text{5+1 flushes}}{\binom{52}{5}}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} \quad \text{if } P(\omega) = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \rightarrow \text{all outcomes equally likely}$$

How to guess
everybody likely
with people
sitting?

In reality, ... difficult

$$\Omega = \{R, G, B\} \quad \text{experiment:}$$



$$P(R) = \frac{2}{4} = \frac{1}{2} \quad ? \quad \text{No...}$$

Weather $\Omega = \{sunny, cloudy, rain, snow\}$

$P(sunny) = \frac{1}{4}$? No...

$\Omega = \{Temp, Climate\}$

$P(Temp) = \frac{1}{2}$? No...

$P(H) = P(T) = \frac{1}{2}$? Are you sure?

If $P(\omega) \neq \frac{1}{\Omega}$ then... need better def. of prob.

① Lim. Freq. Def. (most popular) Indicator Function

$\mathbb{1}_{\omega \in A} := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \omega \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } \omega \notin A \end{cases}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\omega_i \in A}}{n}$ prop. of times
event occurs

Problem ① $n \neq \infty$... we have seen it! thus, $P(A) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{1}_{\omega_i \in A}$
 we only can get approx. probs. Need representative sample!
 ② Is ω drawn in same way each time? \uparrow ③ $P(\text{slipped coin being H}) = 0 \text{ or } 1$
 ④ Non general $P(\text{DJ Simpson guilty})$? $P(\text{Trump wins})$? No!

History of prob... began with gambling games... Some game played over and over

1654 M. de Chevalier de Mere wrote in a letter to Pascal, Fermat

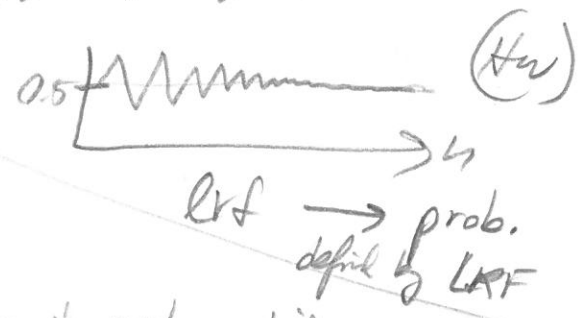
$$P(\{\geq 1 \text{ double 6 in 24 rolls of two dice}\}) < \frac{1}{2}$$

turns out... it's .4914 (proof soon)

Also... LRF is an objective definition i.e. a property of the physical world. If he wants to... $P(H) = \frac{1}{2}$ still.

II Propensity Theory

Objects have an inherent propensity to go one way or another... thus the prob. which defines the LRF.



e.g. U238 has $\frac{1}{2}$ life of 4.5 Bgr. hardwired in due to quantum mechanics. Still objective... if we not have U238 still is radioactive.

Problems

- ① Calculate it? ② Not good... (as given guidelines) even deadly happened...
- $P(\text{trap})$... stretch!!



"astragali"

III Logical Theory - given a set of evidence... all people agree on prob. [5]

- wrong - Mach 341 discusses this

IV Subjective Theory - do not need to agree on prob

$$P_1(\text{Trump}) = \dots$$

$$P_2(\text{Trump}) = \dots \{0, 1\} \text{ objective}$$

$$P(\text{Coin flip is H}) \in [0, 1] \text{ subjective}$$

$$P(\text{OJ Simpson guilty}) \in [0, 1]$$

$$P(\text{F=ma is true}) = \dots \text{Can be addressed}$$

"degree of belief"
"degree of corroboration"

Problems

① Engine has different opinions... no grand truth...

$$P(\text{Engine's return is true})$$

$$= \{0, 1\} \text{ only}$$

$\in [0, 1]$ only because we don't know how the engine works

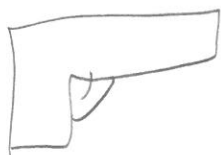
we are ignorant...

$P(H) = \frac{1}{2}$... is it really random?? If we understand anything about the universe wouldn't it be 0 or 1?? Certainly

Laplace ... quote ... determinism...

[6]

Cuvier ... 1820's



double slit



wave-particle
duality

quantum theory \Rightarrow

Randomness fundamental

parts of universe
(at least for very
~~small~~ small

things)

Einstein "dice with the universe"

Why didn't prob get interest before 1600's?

Greeks did geometry... why not probability??

<bores prime> not equally likely...

Europeans ... ^{even} dice, coins, cards...

\Rightarrow No way to define prob. in the "real world"

But there is a mathematical theory of prob...

In particular, we find the usual admiration for Newtonian mechanics, and the consequent belief in *universal determinism*. Indeed, Laplace's *Philosophical Essay on Probabilities* of 1814 gives one of the most famous formulations of the thesis of universal determinism. This is the formulation involving what is known as *Laplace's demon*. I will expound it in the next section.

Universal determinism and Laplace's demon

Laplace writes:

We ought then to regard the present state of the universe as the effect of its anterior state and as the cause of the one which is to follow. Given for one instant an intelligence which could comprehend all the forces by which nature is animated and the respective situation of the beings who compose it – an intelligence sufficiently vast to submit these data to analysis – it would embrace in the same formula the movements of the greatest bodies of the universe and those of the lightest atom; for it, nothing would be uncertain and the future, as the past would be present to its eyes.

(1814: 4)

The vast intelligence here described has come to be known as Laplace's demon. The idea is obviously founded on that of a human scientist (perhaps Laplace himself) using Newtonian mechanics to calculate the future paths of planets and comets. Extrapolating from this success, it was natural to suppose that a sufficiently vast intelligence could calculate the entire future course of the universe. Laplace himself relates his vast intelligence to human successes in astronomy. As he says:

The human mind offers, in the perfection which it has been able to give to astronomy, a feeble idea of this intelligence. Its discoveries in mechanics and geometry, added to that of universal gravity, have enabled it to comprehend in the same analytical expressions the past and future states of the system of the world.

(Laplace 1814: 4)

↳

"P" is a prob function st.

(a) $\exists \Omega \neq \emptyset$ s.t. $P(\Omega) = 1$

(b) $P(A) \geq 0 \quad \forall A \subseteq \Omega$

(c) If A_1, A_2, \dots disjoint $\Rightarrow P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$
probs of you can add disjoint

Thm 1 $P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$

$\Omega = A \cup A^c$ set theory

$P(\Omega) = P(A \cup A^c)$ by def of function

$P(\Omega) = P(A) + P(A^c)$ via (c)

$1 = P(A) + P(A^c)$ via (a)

$\Rightarrow P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$ (algebra)

Thm 2 $P(\emptyset) = 0$

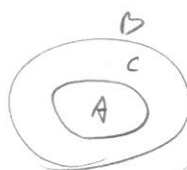
$P(\Omega) = 1 - P(\Omega^c) = 1 - P(\emptyset) \Rightarrow 1 = 1 - P(\emptyset) \Rightarrow P(\emptyset) = 0$

Thm 3

$A \subseteq B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$

$\Rightarrow C := B \setminus A$

$\Rightarrow A \cup C = B \text{ \& } A \cap C = \emptyset$



$P(A \cup C) = P(B)$

$P(A) + P(C) = P(B)$ (c)

$P(C) = P(B) - P(A) \geq 0$ (b)

$P(B) \geq P(A)$ ✓