

Working Definition of Probability

$$P: 2^{\Omega} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

event space
the powerset
of the outcome
space

"degree" range

where 1 is certainty $P(\Omega) = 1$

where 0 is impossibility $P(\emptyset) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq \Omega \\ A &\in 2^{\Omega} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$$

What is the probability of getting a sum of 3 on two die rolls?

info about A

Ω

Step 1: Translate from English $\rightarrow \Omega, \Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \times \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Step 2: Count $|\Omega| = |\Omega_1| |\Omega_2| = 6 \cdot 6 = 36$

Step 3: Translate from English $\rightarrow A, A = \{\langle 1, 2 \rangle, \langle 2, 1 \rangle\}$

Step 4: Compute $|A|$

Step 5: Divide
$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{|\{\langle 2, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 2 \rangle\}|}{36} = \frac{2}{36}$$

What is the probability of getting 2 heads on 4 coin flips?

$$\Omega = \{H, T\}^4, |\Omega| = |\{H, T\}|^4 = 2^4 = 16$$

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{6}{16}$$

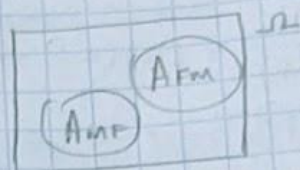
$$A = \{ \langle H, H, T, T \rangle, \langle T, T, H, H \rangle, \langle T, H, T, H \rangle, \langle H, T, H, T \rangle, \langle H, T, T, H \rangle, \langle T, H, H, T \rangle \}$$

$P(H, H, H, H) \stackrel{?}{=} P(H, H, H, T) \neq P(2H, 2T)$
all outcomes are equal

$$P(\text{alternating gender}) = \frac{(3!)^2}{6!} \cdot 2 = \frac{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot 2}{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{2}{20} = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$P(A) = P(A_{MF}) + P(A_{FM})$$

$$A = A_{MF} \cup A_{FM}$$



MALE $\frac{3}{1} \frac{2}{2} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{6} A_{MF}$

FEMALE $\frac{3}{1} \frac{2}{2} \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{6} A_{FM}$

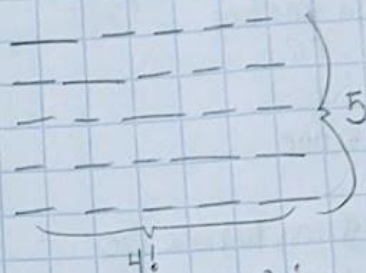
METHOD
M2

$$\frac{6}{1} \frac{3}{2} \frac{2}{3} \frac{2}{4} \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{6} \Rightarrow P(A) = \frac{6 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}{6!} = \frac{6 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2}{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$P(\text{Richard + Susan sit together}) = \frac{4! \cdot 5 \cdot 2}{6!} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Love seat $\frac{4}{1} \frac{3}{2} \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{4}$

seat $\frac{4}{1} \frac{3}{2} \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{4}$



$n=100$ balls, sample $k=3$ without replacement $\Rightarrow 100P_3 \approx .9702$
with replacement $\Rightarrow 100^3$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n P_k}{n^k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n} \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \frac{n-k+1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-k+1}{n} = 1$$

IF n is large, sampling w/ replacement \approx sampling w/o replacement

Sample n items w/o replacement ($n \in \mathbb{N}$). How many possible outcomes?

choices

$$\frac{n}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ sample}} \cdot \frac{n-1}{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ sample}} \cdots \frac{2}{(n-1)^{\text{th}} \text{ sample}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^{\text{th}} \text{ sample}} = n! = \prod_{i=1}^n i$$

Sample n items w/ replacement. How many outcomes?

$$\frac{n}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ sample}} \cdot \frac{n}{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ sample}} \cdots \frac{n}{n^{\text{th}} \text{ sample}} = n^n > n! \text{ for } n \geq 2$$

5 people, 3 chairs, how many seating arrangements?

$$\frac{5}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ chair}} \cdot \frac{4}{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ chair}} \cdot \frac{3}{3^{\text{rd}} \text{ chair}} = \frac{5!}{2!}$$

Sample n items K times w/o replacement. How many?

$$\frac{n}{1^{\text{st}} \text{ sample}} \cdot \frac{n-1}{2^{\text{nd}} \text{ sample}} \cdots \frac{n-K+1}{K^{\text{th}} \text{ sample}} = \frac{n!}{(n-K)!}$$

Permutations \Rightarrow unique ordering

NOTE: convention dictates $0! = 1$

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

$$n P_n = \frac{n!}{(n-n)!} = \frac{n!}{0!} = \frac{n!}{1}$$

3 couples (6 people): Bob-Jane, Richard-Susan, Charles-Mary

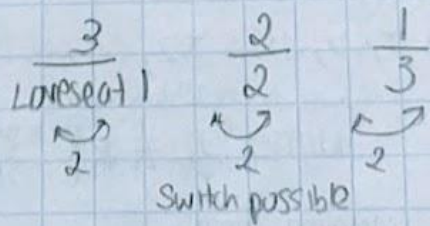
$$P(\text{that every couple sits together}) = \frac{|A|}{|S|} = \frac{6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}{6!} = \frac{6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2} = \frac{1}{15}$$

\downarrow
all orders of 6 people

$$\frac{6}{\text{Seat 1}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{6}$$

Alternative Method

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|S|} = \frac{3! \cdot 2^3}{6!}$$



Probability of at least 1 H on 4 tosses?

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{15}{16}$$

$$A = \{TTTT, TTTT, \dots\} = 15$$

Recall $|\Omega| = |A| + |A^c| \Rightarrow |A| = |\Omega| - |A^c| = 16 - 1 = 15$

$$A^c = \{\text{not at least 1 H}\} = \{\leq 1 H\} = \{TTTT, TTTT\}$$

$$|A^c| = 1 \Rightarrow P(A^c) = \frac{1}{16}$$

Complement Rule

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{|\Omega| - |A^c|}{|\Omega|} = 1 - \frac{|A^c|}{|\Omega|} = 1 - P(A^c)$$

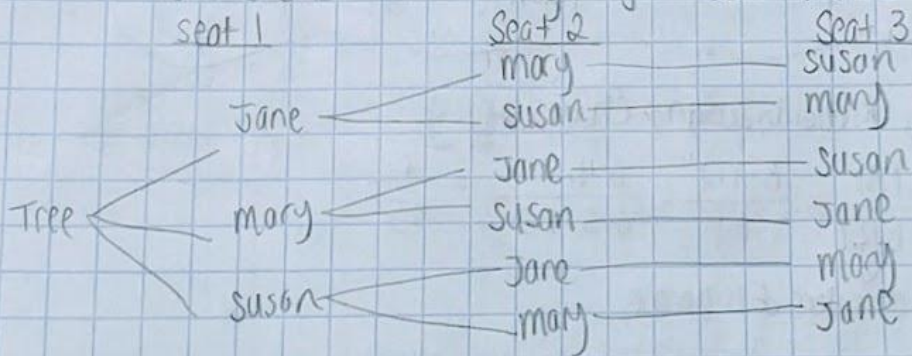
Flip 10 coins

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{1}{2^{10}} = \frac{1}{1024}$$

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$$F = \{\text{Jane, Mary, Susan}\}$$

There are 3 chairs. How many ways to seat those 3 women



Total # of ways

$$\frac{3}{\text{Seat \#1}} \cdot \frac{2}{\text{Seat \#2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Seat \#3}} = 6$$

$$\Omega = \{\langle J, M, S \rangle, \langle J, S, M \rangle, \langle M, J, S \rangle, \langle M, S, J \rangle, \langle S, J, M \rangle, \langle S, M, J \rangle\} \quad |\Omega| = 6$$

NOTE $\Omega \subset F^3 \quad |F^3| = 27$

NOTE $\Omega \neq F^3$
 no repetition
 Sampling 3 times w/ replacement
 "putting back in jar"
 Sampling 3 times
 "without replacement"
 "don't put back in jar"