

Lecture 3.

Definition of probability

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

even space

the power set of
outcome space

"degree"

value 1 is

value 0 is impossibility

$$p(\Omega) = 1$$

$$p(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$A \subseteq \Omega \Rightarrow A \in 2^{\Omega}$$

[Ex] What is the probability of getting a sum = 3 on two die roll?

Step 1: Translate from English $\rightarrow \Omega$, $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots, 6\} \times \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, $|\Omega| = 36$

Step 2: Count $|\Omega|$

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

Step 4: Compute $|A|$, $|A| = 2$

Step 5: Divide $p(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{2}{36}$

Ex What is prob of getting 2 heads on 4 coins flip?

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

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

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

Q: $P(H, H, H, H) \stackrel{?}{=} P(H, H, T, T)$

Yes because LHS is one outcome, RHS is one outcome. All outcomes are equal probabilities. Noticed that above probabilities are not the same as $P(2H, 2T)$

Ex Prob of at least 1 H on 4 tosses?

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

Recall $|\Omega| = |A| + |A^c|$

$$|A| = |\Omega| - |A^c| = 16 - 1$$

$$|A^c| = \{ \text{Not at least 1 H} \} = \{T, T, T, T\}$$

Therefore Complement Rule can help us

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

Ex $F = \{ \text{June, Mary, Susan} \}$. There are 3 chairs. How many ways to seat those 3 seats?

$$\text{Total of ways: } \frac{3}{\text{Seat \#1}} \cdot \frac{2}{\text{Seat \#2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\text{Seat \#3}} = 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 6 \text{ ways} = |\Omega|$$

Noted that $\Omega \subseteq F^3$. $|F^3| = 27$ and $|\Omega| \neq F^3$
 \uparrow without replacement \uparrow replacement / with repetition
 Ex. $\{ \text{June, June, June} \}$

Ex Sample n items without replacement. How many possible outcome?

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

Ex Sample n items with replacement. How many possible outcome?

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

Ex 5 people 3 chairs. How many ways? (without replacement)

$$\frac{5}{1^{st}} \cdot \frac{4}{2^{nd}} \cdot \frac{3}{3^{rd}} = 60 \text{ ways}$$

Ex Sample n items k times without replacement?

$$\frac{n}{1^{st}} \cdot \frac{n-1}{2^{nd}} \cdot \frac{n-2}{3^{rd}} \cdot \frac{n-k+1}{k^{th} \text{ sample}} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

Permutation (unique ordering)
 $nPr = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$ (without replacement)

Ex 3 couples, Bob-Jane, Richard-Susan, Charles-Mary.

$$P(\text{Every couple sit together}) = \frac{6}{\#1} \cdot \frac{1}{\#2} \cdot \frac{4}{\#3} \cdot \frac{1}{\#4} \cdot \frac{2}{\#5} \cdot \frac{1}{\#6}$$

Alternative:

$$\frac{3}{\#1 \& \#2} \cdot \frac{2}{\#3 \& \#4} \cdot \frac{1}{\#5 \& \#6} = 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 24$$

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Ex 6 people alternative gender sit together.

$$PCA = \frac{6}{\#1} \cdot \frac{3}{\#2} \cdot \frac{2}{\#3} \cdot \frac{2}{\#4} \cdot \frac{1}{\#5} \cdot \frac{1}{\#6}$$

Alternative:

$$\text{Male First } \frac{3}{\#1} \cdot \frac{3}{\#2} \cdot \frac{2}{\#3} \cdot \frac{2}{\#4} \cdot \frac{1}{\#5} \cdot \frac{1}{\#6} + \text{Female First } \frac{3}{\#1} \cdot \frac{3}{\#2} \cdot \frac{2}{\#3} \cdot \frac{2}{\#4} \cdot \frac{1}{\#5} \cdot \frac{1}{\#6}$$

Addition between two probabilities

$$PCA = P(A_{\text{male first}}) + P(A_{\text{female first}}) = 1 \text{ Works because the two possibilities are disjoint.}$$

Ex $P(\text{Richard \& Susan sit together})$

$$\frac{R-S}{\#1 \& \#2} \cdot \frac{4}{\#3} \cdot \frac{3}{\#4} \cdot \frac{2}{\#5} \cdot \frac{1}{\#6} \times 5 \times 2$$

Ex $n=100$ balls. Sample $k=3$ without replacement $= \frac{100!}{97!} \approx 970099$
 with replacement $\Rightarrow 100^3 \approx 1,000,000$

Ratio $\frac{nPr}{n^k}$

If n is large, sample without replacement