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Example B. Consider a box w/ numbered balls in it.

Let there be 3 balls w/ #1,
6 balls w/ #2,
3 balls w/ #3,
6 balls w/ #4.

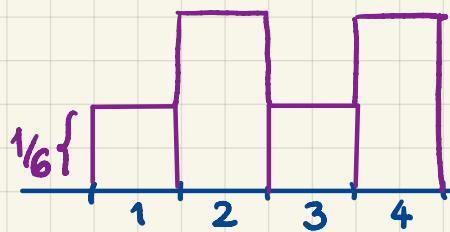
A ball is chosen @ random.

Let's draw the histogram of the distribution in this experiment

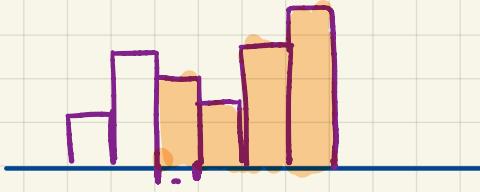
Elementary outcomes : 1, 2, 3, 4

The dist'n

Result	1	2	3	4
Prob.	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$



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What does the probability that the observed number is greater than or equal to i correspond to in the histogram?

Take the area of the shaded region and divide by the area under the entire histogram.

Note. We got the same distribution from two different experiments. We say that the two procedures are **probabilistically equivalent**.

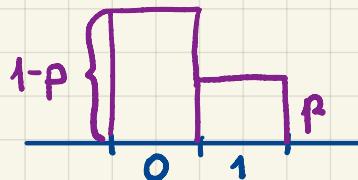
Named Distributions.

- * See Appendix of text
- * Most of them have parameters which are subject to constraints (like nonnegativity)

Bernoulli

Outcome space: $\Omega = \{0, 1\}$

p ... probability of outcome 1, i.e., $P[\{1\}] = p$
 our parameter in this situation
 w/ a constraint $p \in [0, 1]$

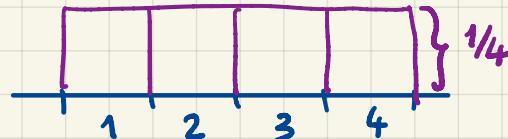


Uniform distribution on a finite set

Ω ... finite outcome space

$$\#(\Omega) = n$$

equally likely outcomes
 w/ prob = $\frac{1}{n}$



Example.

$$\begin{aligned} P[E] &= 11.16\% \\ P[A] &= 8.50\% \\ P[I] &= 7.54\% \\ P[O] &= 7.16\% \\ P[U] &= 3.63\% \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P[\text{a consonant is chosen}] &= 1 - 0.1116 - 0.085 - 0.0754 - 0.0716 - 0.0363 \\ &= \dots \end{aligned}$$

Problem. Let A and B be two events on the same outcome space. You know that $P[A] = \frac{1}{5}$ and $P[B] = \frac{2}{5}$.

Find the probability that at least one of the events A and B occurs, if

(i) $P[A \cap B] = 0.15$

$$\rightarrow: P[A \cup B] = P[A] + P[B] - P[A \cap B] = 0.2 + 0.4 - 0.15 = 0.45$$

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(ii) A and B are mutually exclusive

$$\rightarrow: P[A \cup B] = P[A] + P[B] = 0.6$$

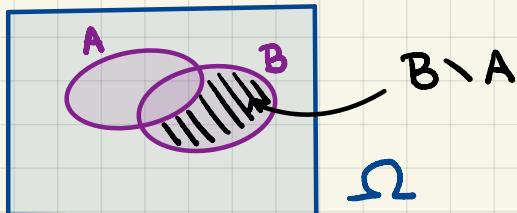
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(iii) If A, then B. $\Leftrightarrow A \subseteq B$

$$\rightarrow: P[A \cup B] = P[B] = 0.4$$

□

(iv) Def'n.



$P[B \setminus A] = 0.35$

mutually exclusive

$$P[A \cup B] = P[A \cup (B \setminus A)]$$

$$= P[A] + P[B \setminus A]$$

$$= 0.2 + 0.35 = 0.55$$

□

Problem. A class contains 10 men and 20 women. Half the men and half the women have brown eyes. Find the probability that a randomly chosen person is a man or has brown eyes.

$$\rightarrow: M = \{\text{person is man}\}$$

$$B = \{\text{person has brown eyes}\}$$

$$P[M \cup B] = P[M] + P[B] - P[M \cap B] = \frac{10}{30} + \frac{15}{30} - \frac{5}{30} = \frac{20}{30} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Inclusion

Exclusion

□