

## Lecture - 12

### Independence of Three events

$(S, F, P)$

$A_1, A_2, A_3 \in F$

then  $A_1, A_2$  and  $A_3$  are said to be independent if

$$(i) P(A_i A_j) = P(A_i) P(A_j), i \neq j \quad | \overline{AB} = A \cap B$$

$$(ii) P(\overline{A_1 A_2 A_3}) = P(\overline{A_1}) P(\overline{A_2}) P(\overline{A_3})$$

$${}^3C_2 + {}^3C_3 = 2^3 - (3+1) = 4$$

We required four equations to establish the independence of 3 events.

Ex. If we rolled two dice.

A: The sum of points appear on the dice is 7.

B: Point 3 came up on the die 1

C: Point 4 appears on the die 2.

$$P(A) = \frac{6}{36}, P(B) = \frac{1}{6}, P(C) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$A \cap B = \{3, 4\}, P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{36}$$

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$$P(A)P(B) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = P(AB) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$B \cap C = \{3, 4\}, \quad P(B \cap C) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(B)P(C) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(BC) = P(B)P(C)$$

$$AC = \{3, 4\}, \quad P(AC) = P(A)P(C)$$

$$ABC = BC = \{3, 4\}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(ABC) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(A)P(B)P(C) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{216}$$

$$P(ABC) \neq P(A)P(B)P(C)$$

So we can say that events A, B, C are mutually pairwise independent, but not ~~independent~~ independent.

Note (1) Pairwise independence only does not imply the independence of three events.

(2) If three events are independent then any one is independent of intersection of others.

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for example:-  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  are independent.

$$\begin{aligned} P[A_1(A_2 A_3)] &= P[A_1 A_2 A_3] \\ &= P(A_1) P(A_2) P(A_3) \\ &= P(A_1) [P(A_2 A_3)] \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow A_1$  and  $(A_2 A_3)$  are independent.

(3) If three events are independent then any triple of events obtained by replacing one or more by their complements are also independent, i.e. if

$A_1, A_2, A_3$  are independent then  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  are also independent, where  $B_i = \underline{A_i}$  or  $\underline{\bar{A}_i}$   
 $i = 1, 2, 3$  —

$$\frac{A_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}, \frac{A_1 \bar{A}_2 A_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}, \frac{\bar{A}_1 A_2 A_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}, \frac{A_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}, \frac{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 A_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3}, \frac{\bar{A}_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3}{\bar{A}_1 \bar{A}_2 \bar{A}_3},$$

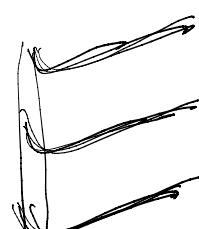
Eg. If  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  are independent  $\Rightarrow A_1, A_2$  and  $\bar{A}_3$  are independent.

i.e. I want to show that

$$P(A_1 A_2) = P(A_1) P(A_2)$$

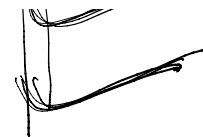
$$P(A_1 \bar{A}_3) = P(A_1) P(\bar{A}_3)$$

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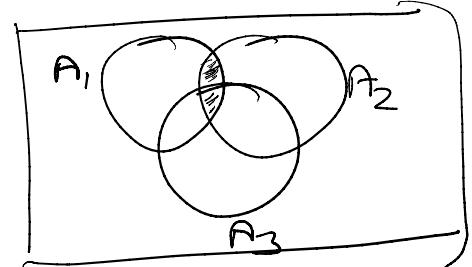


$$\underline{P(A_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3)} = P(A_1) P(A_2) P(\bar{A}_3)$$

$$\underline{A_1 A_2} = \underline{(A_1 A_2 A_3)} \cup \underline{(A_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3)}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A_1 A_2) = P(A_1 A_2 A_3) + \\ P(A_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A_1 A_2 \bar{A}_3) = P(A_1 A_2) \\ - \underline{P(A_1 A_2 A_3)}$$



$$= P(A_1 A_2) - P(A_1 A_2) P(A_3)$$

$$= P(A_1 A_2) [1 - P(A_3)]$$

$$= P(A_1 A_2) P(\bar{A}_3)$$

$$= \underline{P(A_1) P(A_2) P(\bar{A}_3)}$$

(4) If three events are independent then any one event is independent of the union of the other two.

Ex-2 Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  are independent.

We want to show  $A_1$  and  $(A_2 \cup A_3)$  are independent.

$$P[A_1 (A_2 \cup A_3)] = P[A_1 A_2 \cup A_1 A_3] \\ = P[A_1 A_2] + P(A_1 A_3) - P(A_1 A_2 A_3)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= P(A_1, A_2) + P(A_1, A_3) - P(A_1, A_2, A_3) \\
 &= P(A_1)P(A_2) + P(A_1)P(A_3) - P(A_1)P(A_2, A_3) \\
 &= P(A_1) \left[ P(A_2) + P(A_3) - P(A_2, A_3) \right] \\
 &= P(A_1) P(A_2 \cup A_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow A_1$  and  $A_2 \cup A_3$  are Independent.

Independence of  $n$ -events

Inductive def<sup>n</sup>  $\vdash A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  are independent

(i) if any  $(n-1)$  events out of these  $n$ -events are independent and

$$(ii) P(A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n) = P(A_1)P(A_2) \cdots P(A_n)$$

Note  $\vdash 2^n - (n+1)$  equations are required to establish the independence of  $n$ -events.

$${}^n C_2 + {}^n C_3 + {}^n C_4 + \cdots + {}^n C_n$$

$$= 2^n - (n+1) \quad 2^4 - (4+1)$$

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Definition we say that a countably infinite collection of events is independent if any finite sub-collection of events is independent.

$$\{A_i\}, i=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$\underline{\{A_{i1}, A_{i2}, \dots, A_{in}\}}$$