

Probability model $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \Pr)$

↑
a collection of subsets of Ω
-sigma field-

Union Bound

$$\Pr\left[\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right] \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr(A_i)$$

} equality only holds if
mutually exclusive
or
 $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \quad \forall i, j$

Conditional Probability

$$\Pr(A|B) = \frac{\Pr(A \cap B)}{\Pr(B)}$$

↑
new sample space

← normalization factor

Total Probability Theorem

If $\{E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k\}$ partition Ω

then

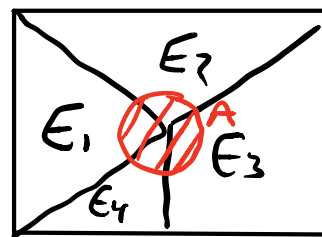
$$\Pr(A) = \sum_{i=1}^k \Pr(A \cap E_i)$$

This makes more sense
since you know base event which occurred

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \underbrace{\Pr(A|E_i)}_{\text{generative models}} \Pr(E_i)$$

Example of Partition for $k=4$

Ω



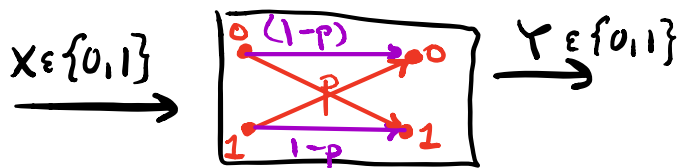
No intersections
 $\bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i = \Omega$

Bayes Rule

Want to find "ground truth" that gave this observation.

$$Pr[E_j | A] = \frac{Pr[A \cap E_j]}{Pr[A]} = \frac{\overset{\text{prior knowledge}}{Pr[E_j]} \overset{\text{generative model}}{Pr[A|E_j]}}{\sum_{i=1}^K Pr[E_i] Pr[A|E_i]} \leftarrow Pr(A) \text{ by TPT}$$

Example: Binary Symmetric Channel



$$Pr(X=0) = Pr(X=1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Pr(Y=0 | X=0) = 1-p$$

$$Pr(Y=1 | X=0) = p$$

If $Y=0$, what is \hat{X}_{opt} ?

$$\hat{X} = 0$$

wrong if $\hat{X}=1 \rightarrow Y=0$

$$Pr(\text{error}) = Pr(X=1 | Y=0)$$

or

$$\hat{X} = 1$$

wrong if $\hat{X}=0 \rightarrow Y=1$

$$Pr(\text{error}) = Pr(X=0 | Y=1)$$

Want the answer which is LESS likely to be wrong?

$$Pr(\text{error}) = \frac{Pr(X=1) Pr(Y=0 | X=1)}{Pr(X=1) Pr(Y=0 | X=1) + Pr(X=0) Pr(Y=1 | X=0)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} p}{\frac{1}{2} p + \frac{1}{2} (1-p)}$$

Independence

Two events, A_1, A_2 , are independent if $\Pr(A_1 \cap A_2) = \Pr(A_1)\Pr(A_2)$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr[A_1 | A_2] = \frac{\Pr[A_1 \cap A_2]}{\Pr[A_2]} = \frac{\Pr(A_1)\Pr(A_2)}{\Pr(A_2)}$$

Can be extended:

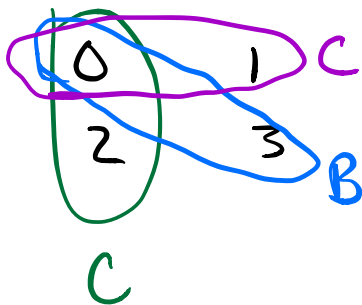
Events $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ are independent if

$$\Pr(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n) = \Pr(A_1)\Pr(A_2) \dots \Pr(A_n) \quad \forall \substack{k \in [2, n] \\ k \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

Note: Pairwise independence \nRightarrow independence!

Example: $\Omega = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$; all occur w/ equal probability

$$A = \{0, 1\} \quad B = \{0, 2\} \quad C = \{0, 3\}$$



$$\Pr(AB) = \Pr(\{0\}) = 1/4$$

$$\Pr(BC) = \Pr(\{0\}) = 1/4$$

$$\Pr(AC) = \Pr(\{0\}) = 1/4$$

$$\Pr(ABC) = \Pr(\{0\}) = 1/4$$

$$\text{BUT } \Pr(A)\Pr(B)\Pr(C) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}!$$

Random Variables

Given $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \Pr)$ a random variable is a function
 $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \{\omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\} \in \mathcal{F} \subseteq \Omega$

Example: Throw two dice: d_1, d_2

$\Omega = \{(1,1), \dots, (6,6)\}$ w/ each event occurring w/ \Pr of $1/36$

Define $X = \max(d_1, d_2) - \min(d_1, d_2)$

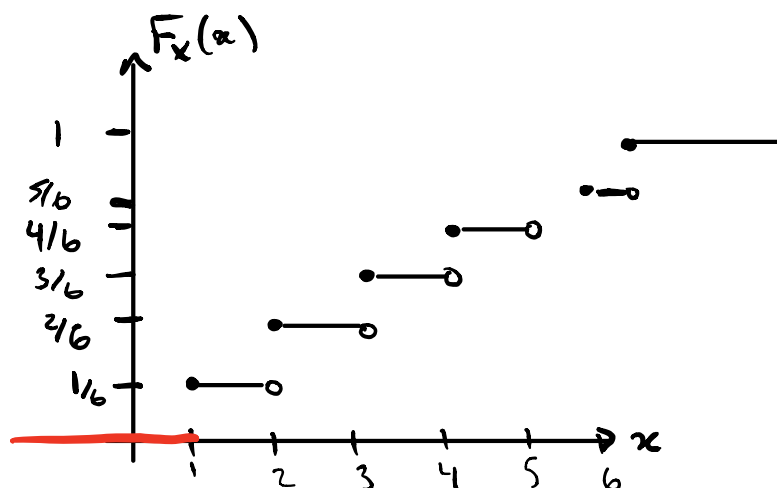
$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(X=3) &= \Pr(\{\omega \mid X(\omega)=3\}) \\ &= \Pr(\{(1,4), (2,5), (3,6), (4,1), (5,2), (6,3)\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \quad \leftarrow \frac{6 \text{ outcomes}}{36 \text{ total outcomes}}\end{aligned}$$

Cumulative Distribution Function

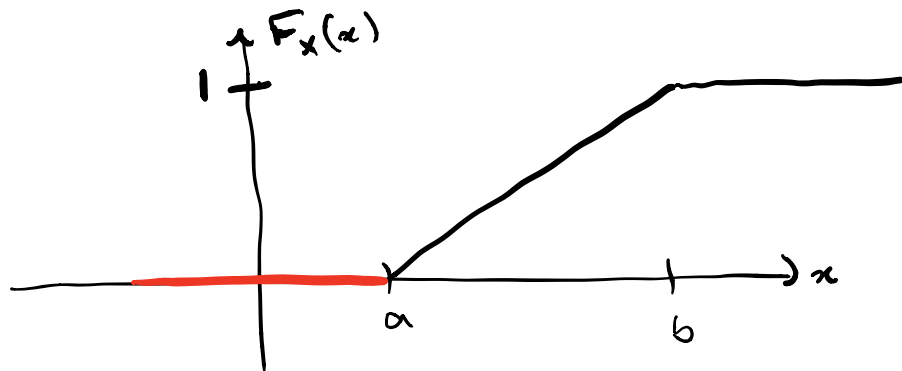
The CDF is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}F_X(x) &= \Pr(X \leq x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \\ &= \Pr(\{\omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\})\end{aligned}$$

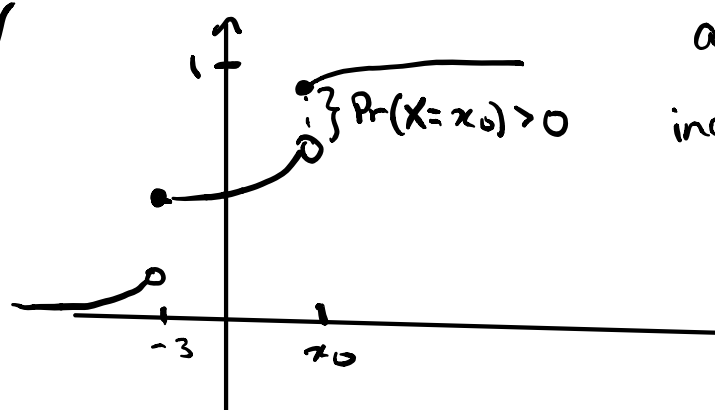
Throw a die



Uniform



Mixed RV



always monotonically increasing

Probability Mass Function

For a discrete r.v.

$$P_X(x) = \Pr(X=x)$$

i.e Die

