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1. S is a simple space.

$$(i) P(\phi) = 0 \quad (ii) P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E) \text{ where } E \subseteq S$$

$$(iii) E_1 \subseteq S, E_2 \subseteq S \text{ and } E_1 \subseteq E_2 \Rightarrow P(E_2 - E_1) = P(E_2) - P(E_1) \text{ and } P(E_1) \text{ and } P(E_1) \leq P(E_2)$$

$$(iv) E_1, E_2 \text{ are events of } S \Rightarrow P(E_2 - E_1) = P(E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_2)$$

$$(v) E \subseteq S \Rightarrow 0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$$

$$(vi) \text{ Number of sample points favorable to } E = n(E) = m \\ (\text{S is taken to contain equally likely simple events})$$

$$\text{Total number of sample points in } S = n(S) = n. \quad P(E) = \frac{m}{n}.$$

2. Conditional event

If E_1, E_2 are events of a sample space S and if E_2 occurs after the occurrence of E_1 , then the even of occurrence of E_2 after the even E_1 is called conditional event.

It is denoted by $\frac{E_2}{E_1}$. Similarly we define $\frac{E_1}{E_2}$.

3. Conditional Probability

$E_1 \subseteq S, E_2 \subseteq S$ and $P(E_1) \neq 0$. Then the probability of E_2 after the event E_1 has occurred is called the conditional probability of E_2 given E_1 and is denoted by $P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)$.

$$\text{We define } P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) = \frac{P(E_1 \cap E_2)}{P(E_1)}.$$

$$\text{Similarly we define } P\left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right) = \frac{P(E_1 \cap E_2)}{P(E_2)}$$

$$\text{Note that } P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) = \frac{n(E_1 \cap E_2)}{n(E_1)}, P\left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right) = \frac{n(E_1 \cap E_2)}{n(E_2)}$$

$$\text{Also } P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) + P\left(\frac{\bar{E}_2}{E_1}\right) = 1.$$

4. If E is an even of a sample space S , then the odds in favour of E are defined as $P(E) : P(\bar{E})$ and the odds against E are defined as $P(\bar{E}) : P(E)$.

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If $P(E) : P(\bar{E}) = m : n$, then $P(E) = \frac{m}{m+n}$ and $P(\bar{E}) = \frac{n}{m+n}$.

5. Independent and dependent events

If the occurrence of the even E_2 is not affected by the occurrence or non-occurrence of the event E_1 , then the event E_2 is said to be independent of E_1 and $P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) = P(E_2)$. If $P(E_1) \neq 0$, $P(E_2) \neq 0$ and E_2 is independent of E_1 , then E_1 is independent of E_2 . In this case we say that E_1 , E_2 are mutually independent or simply independent.

If the occurrence of the event E_2 is effected by the occurrence of E_1 then the events E_1 , E_2 are dependent and $P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) \neq P(E_2)$.

e.g.: If a ball is drawn from a bag containing balls and replaced, the result of this drawing does not effect the outcome of the second and the two drawings are independent events.

If a ball is drawn from a bag containing balls and not replaced, the result of this drawing does effect the outcome of the second and the two drawing are dependent events.

6. Multiplication Theorem

$E_1 \subseteq S$, $E_2 \subseteq S$ and $P(E_1) \neq 0$, $P(E_2) \neq 0$.

Then $P(E_1 \cap E_2) = P(E_1) \cdot P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right)$ and $P(E_2 \cap E_1) = P(E_2) \cdot P\left(\frac{E_1}{E_2}\right)$.

7. If E_1 , E_2 are independent events, then

(i) $P(E_1 \cap E_2) = P(E_1) \cdot P(E_2)$

(ii) $P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) - P(E_1) \cdot P(E_2)$

❖ Note: If E_1 , E_2 are mutually exclusive we write $P(E_1 \cup E_2)$ as $P(E_1 + E_2)$ and if E_1 , E_2 are mutually independent we write $P(E_1 \cap E_2) = P(E_1 E_2)$.

Mutually exclusive events in general are not independent.

If E_1 , E_2 are mutually independent events such that $P(E_1) \neq 0$, $P(E_2) \neq 0$, then E_1 , E_2 will have at least one common sample point.

$(\Theta E_1, E_2 \text{ are independent} \Rightarrow P(E_1 \cap E_2) = P(E_1) P(E_2) \neq 0 \Rightarrow E_1 \cap E_2 \neq \phi)$.

8. (i) If E_1 , E_2 , E_3 are mutually independent events, then $P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3) = P(E_1) \cdot P(E_2) \cdot P(E_3)$ and conversely. Thus mutually independent events are pairwise independent.

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(ii) If E_1, E_2, E_3 are dependent events, then $P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3) = P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3) = P(E_1 \cap E_2) \cdot P\left(\frac{E_3}{E_1 \cap E_2}\right)$

$$= P(E_1) \cdot P\left(\frac{E_2}{E_1}\right) \cdot P\left(\frac{E_3}{E_1 \cap E_2}\right).$$

9. If A and B are independent events, then

- (i) \bar{A} and \bar{B} (ii) A and \bar{B} (iii) \bar{A} and B are independent events

10. If A, B, C are any three events of a sample space S, then $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(B \cap C) - P(C \cap A) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$.

11. If M and N are two events of a sample space S, the probability that exactly one of them occurs

$$= P[(M \cap \bar{N}) \cup (\bar{M} \cap N)] = P(M \cap \bar{N}) + P(\bar{M} \cap N)$$

$$= P(M) - (M \cap N) + P(N) - P(M \cap N)$$

$$= P(M) + P(N) - 2P(M \cap N)$$

$$= 1 - P(\bar{M}) + 1 - P(\bar{N}) - 2[1 - P$$

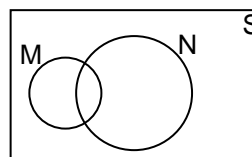
$$(\bar{M} \cap \bar{N})]$$

$$= -P(\bar{M}) - P(\bar{N}) + 2P(\bar{M} \cap \bar{N})$$

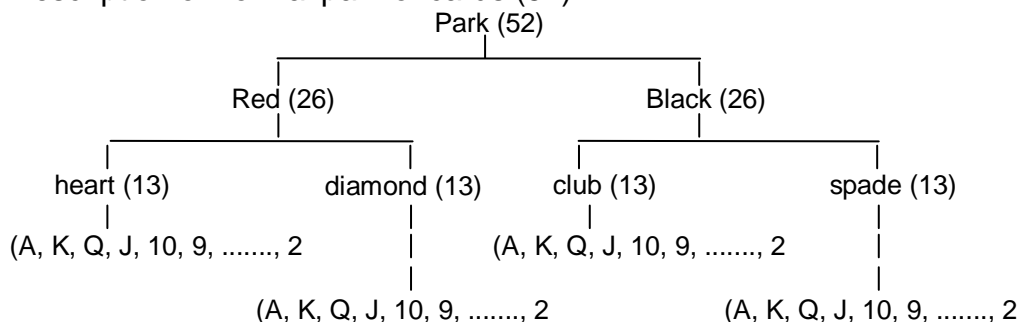
$$= -P(k) - P(\bar{N}) + 2(P(\bar{M})) + P(\bar{N}) - P$$

$$(\bar{M} \cap \bar{N})$$

$$= P(\bar{M}) + P(\bar{N}) - 2P(\bar{M} \cap \bar{N})$$



12. Description of normal pack of cards (52)



Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs, Spades are four colours of a pack. King card, Queen card, Jack card are called face card. Thus there are 12 face cards in a normal pack.

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