

80% chance of rain

Let A_j be the event of rain at 9 a.m. on day j this term

Suppose the event A have probability $0 \leq j \leq n$ independently P

1. Event and probabilities

Consider an "experiment" which has a set of Ω of outcomes

$$\omega \in \Omega$$

For example

a. tossing a coin $\Omega = \{\text{H} | \text{T}\}$

b. throwing a dice

$$\Omega \{ (i, j); i, j \in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] \}$$

let make them distinguishable  
or red one a blue one

$$\{(i, j) ; i, j \in [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]\}$$

A subset of Ω is called an event
For example

a) coin comes up tail $A = \{T\}$

b) We observe a total of 9

$$A = \{(3, 6), (4, 5), (5, 4), (6, 3)\} \quad \boxed{\text{dice}}$$

If $\omega \in \Omega$ is the outcome, we say
that A occurs if $\omega \in A$

Complement of A:

A^c occurs if A does not occur

Union $A \cup B$ occurs if A or B

occurs,
(or both)

Intersection: $A \cap B$

occurs if both A and B
occurs

Set difference: $A \setminus B = A \cap B^c$ occurs
if A occurs and B does not occur

A and B are disjoint if

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

i.e. A and B cannot occur together

We assign a probability $P(A)$ of each A

Simplest case:

Ω is finite and all outcomes are equally likely

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

Probability of any event A

a) $\left. \begin{array}{l} |\Omega| = 2 \\ |A| = 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$ H T

b) $\left. \begin{array}{l} |\Omega| = 36 \\ |A| = 4 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow P(A) = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}$ 

Elementary combinatorics

Arrangements of distinguishable objects or different

Suppose we have n distinguishable objects

? How many ways are there to order them?
(permutation)

e.g. $1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, n$

or $n, n-1, n-2, \dots, 2, 1$

There are n options for ordering the first object

then $n-1$ — 2nd —

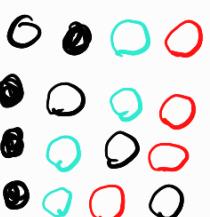
inductively $n- (m-1) - m^{\text{th}}$
until n^{th}

So in all there are

$$n(n-1)\dots 2 \cdot 1 = n! \text{ Permutations}$$

Example

m	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
	○	●	○	○

1st


There are n options for the 1st object
or n positions

Once you've chosen the 1st object

2nd


$n-1$ remaining options
for 2nd object

3rd
2nd
1st

$n-1$ options for the 2nd

$n-2=2$ $n-2$
2

4th

So n - 1st

$n-1$ - 2nd

$n-(m-1)$ 3rd

until 1 - last n^{th} 4th

Example

There are $6!$ ways to order
the letters of GALOIS

Evariste Galois
(20: 1811 – 1832)
French math

If randomly reorder the letters
what is probability that

the Vowels (A, O, I)
are all before
consonants?
(G, L, S)

"uniformly
of random"

There are $3! * 3! = 36$

arrangement of 3 vowels and then 3 consonants
If Ω is the set of all arrangements
and $A \subseteq \Omega$ the set of arrangements
with all vowels

before all consonants,

$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|} = \frac{3! \cdot 3!}{6!} = \frac{36}{720} = \frac{1}{20}$$

So you can try the same with other words

Arrangements when not all objects are indistinguishable

How many different arrangements of A, A, A, B, C, D

If we had

A, A₂ A₃ B C D there would be 6! orderings

B A₂ D A₁ A₃ C

B A D A A C

B A₁ D A₂ A₃ C

correspond to the same ordering of AAA BCD

Each one is one of 3! which differ only in the order of A, A₂ A₃

So the 6! fall into groups

which are indistinguishable of size 3!

if A₁ = A₂ = A₃ = A₄

We want to count the number of groups which is $\frac{6!}{3!}$

Generalizations

The number of the N objects

$$\underbrace{x_1, \dots, x_1}_{m_1}, \underbrace{x_2, \dots, x_2}_{m_2}, \dots, \underbrace{x_k, \dots, x_k}_{m_k}$$

where $n = m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_k$

$$\frac{n!}{m_1! m_2! \dots m_k!}$$

Case $k = 2$

Ordering of $\underbrace{v, v, \dots, v}_m \underbrace{x, x, \dots, x}_{n-m}$

is $\frac{n!}{m! (n-m)!} = \binom{n}{m} = \binom{n}{n-m}$



Binomial
coefficient

Binomial coefficient

(which you have written
as $\binom{n}{m}$)

But here in Oxford we very
much like this way of writing $\boxed{\binom{n}{m}}$

That binomial coefficient is something that you are familiar with and it usefull in many way, not just in order to find arrangements of objects, but also to choose M of the given objects from the total N .

And you can do that with ties \checkmark and crosses \times for example to work out how many are there to form football team of size M from squad of size N just by identifying football team as the players where you assign a tick \checkmark whereas the other players are assign as \times and so counting

John	\times
Jack	\checkmark
Mike	\checkmark
:	
Tom	\times
Frank	\checkmark

how many ways there are to select team is exactly the same as number of ways to order the order the ticks and crosses but I haven't got time to write that \times

I leave you with that to maybe think about more, if you haven't put this together at this stage

So this leave us to say
what about

" 80% chance of rain on
Friday "

I will see you later
on next lecture... anyway



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