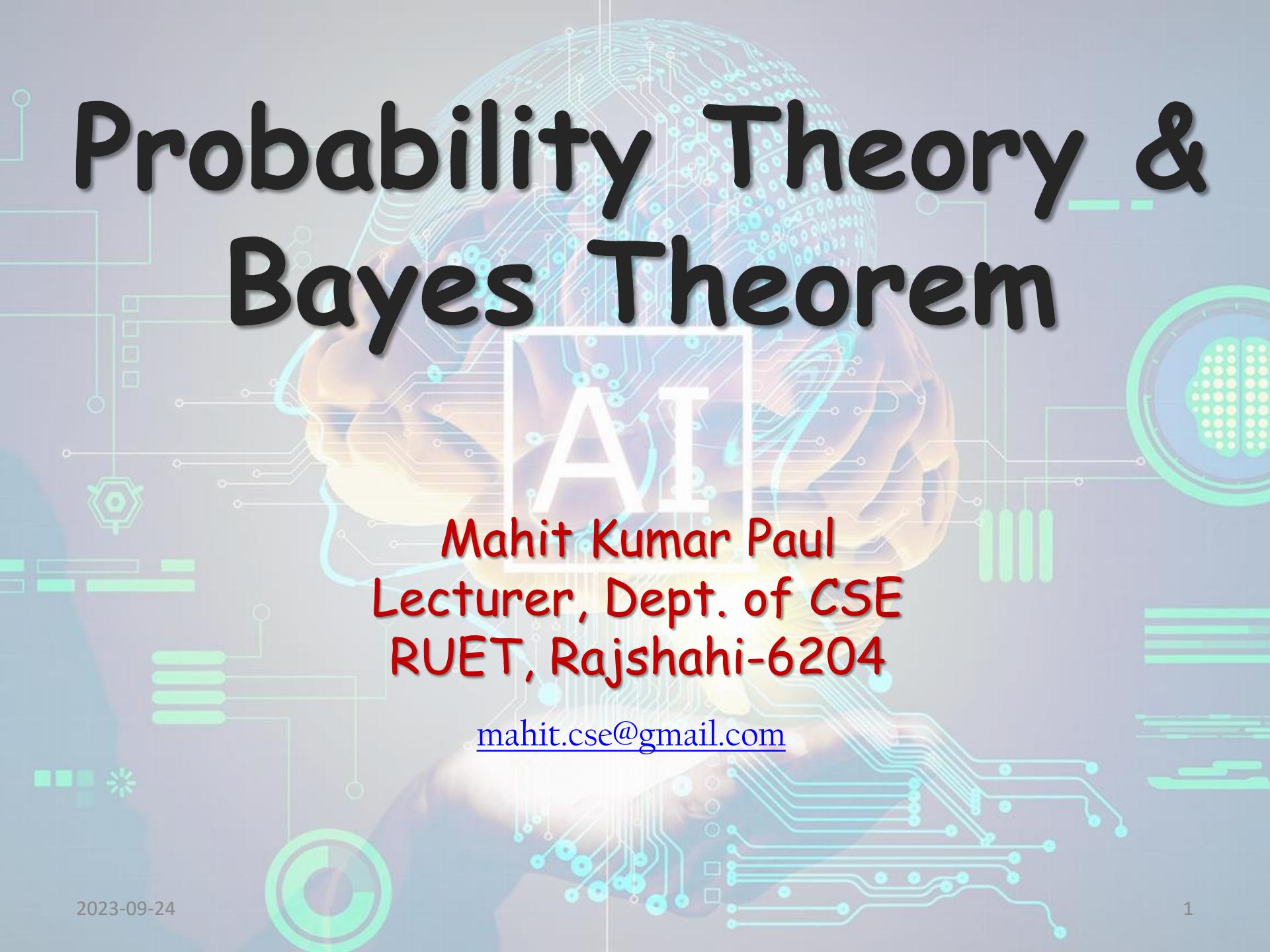


# Probability Theory & Bayes Theorem



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# Sample Space, Sample Points, Events

- **Sample space**  $\Omega$  is the set of all possible **sample points**  $\omega \in \Omega$ 
  - **Example 0.** Tossing a coin:  $\Omega = \{H, T\}$
  - **Example 1.** Casting a die:  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
  - **Example 2.** Number of customers in a queue:  $\Omega = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$
  - **Example 3.** Call holding time (e.g. in minutes):  $\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 0\}$
- **Events**  $A, B, C, \dots \subset \Omega$  are measurable subsets of the sample space  $\Omega$ 
  - **Example 1.** “Even numbers of a die”:  $A = \{2, 4, 6\}$
  - **Example 2.** “No customers in a queue”:  $A = \{0\}$
  - **Example 3.** “Call holding time greater than 3.0 (min)”:  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x > 3.0\}$

# Examples of Sample Space

1. Tossing a coin – Outcomes  $\Omega = \{\text{Head, Tail}\}$
2. Rolling a die – outcomes

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# Example of Events

Rolling a die – Outcomes

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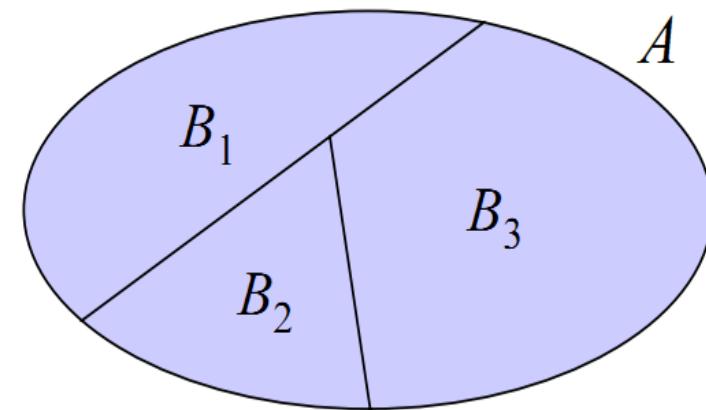
$E$  = The event that an even number is rolled

$$= \{2, 4, 6\}$$

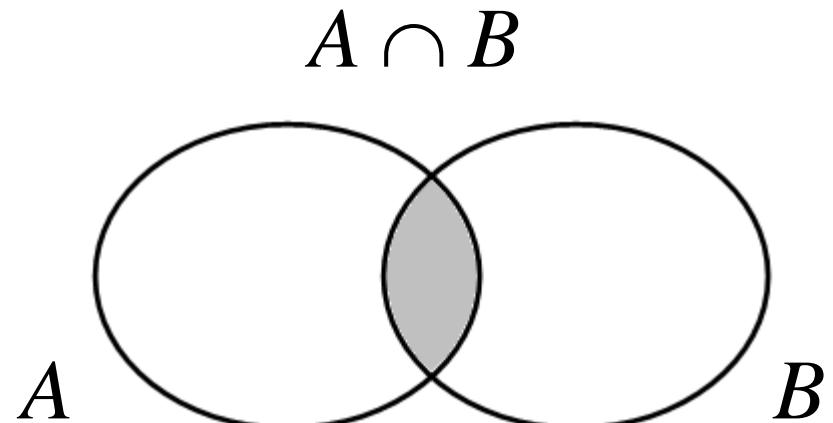
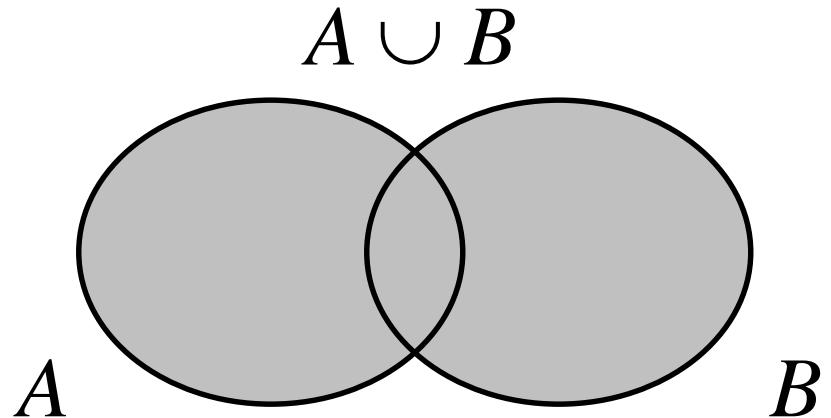
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# Combination of Events

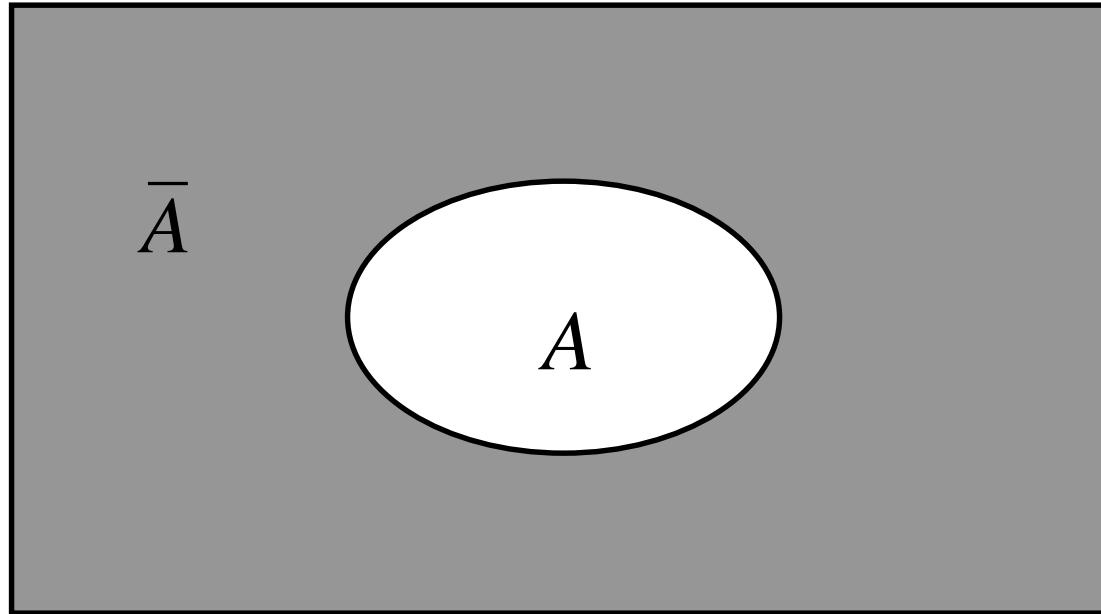
- **Union “A or B”:**  $A \cup B = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \omega \in A \text{ or } \omega \in B\}$
- **Intersection “A and B”:**  $A \cap B = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \omega \in A \text{ and } \omega \in B\}$
- **Complement “not A”:**  $A^c = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid \omega \notin A\}$
- Events  $A$  and  $B$  are **disjoint** if
  - $A \cap B = \emptyset$
- A set of events  $\{B_1, B_2, \dots\}$  is a **partition** of event  $A$  if
  - (i)  $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$  for all  $i \neq j$
  - (ii)  $\cup_i B_i = A$



# Union & Intersection



# Complement



# Notes

In problems you will recognize that you are working with:

1. **Union** if you see the word **or**,
2. **Intersection** if you see the word **and**,
3. **Complement** if you see the word **not**.

# Probability of an Event 'E'

Suppose that the **sample space**  $S = \{o_1, o_2, o_3, \dots o_N\}$  has a finite number,  $N$ , of observation points.

Also each of the observation is **equally likely** (because of symmetry).

Then for any event  $E$ , *probability* is

$$P(E) = \frac{n(E)}{n(S)} = \frac{\text{no. of observation points in } E}{\text{total no. of observation points}}$$

**Note :** the symbol  $n(A)$  = no. of elements of  $A$

# Probability of an Event 'E'...

**Applies only to the special case when**

1. The sample space has a **finite no. of observations**.
2. Each outcome is **equi-probable**.

**Note:** If this is not true a more general definition of probability is required.

# Example

Jar #	Red	White	Blue
1	3	4	1
2	1	2	3
3	4	3	2

**For Jar#1**

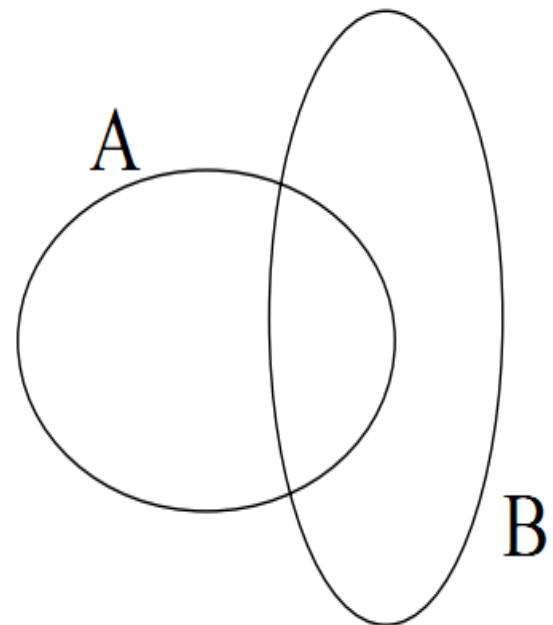
$$P(\text{Red}) = 3/8$$

# Basic Properties

- **Probability** of event  $A$  is denoted by  $P(A)$ ,  $P(A) \in [0,1]$ 
  - Probability measure  $P$  is thus a real-valued set function defined on the set of events  $\mathcal{I}$ ,  $P: \mathcal{I} \rightarrow [0,1]$

- **Properties:**

- (i)  $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
- (ii)  $P(\emptyset) = 0$
- (iii)  $P(\Omega) = 1$
- (iv)  $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
- (v)  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- (vi)  $A \cap B = \emptyset \Rightarrow P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$
- (vii)  $\{B_i\}$  is a partition of  $A \Rightarrow P(A) = \sum_i P(B_i)$
- (viii)  $A \subset B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$



# Joint Probability

- A joint probability is a statistical measure that calculates the likelihood of two events **occurring together** and **at the same point of time**.
- Joint probability is the probability of event Y occurring at the same time event X occurs.
- Notation for joint probability takes the form:

**P(X ∩ Y)** or **P(X and Y)** or **P(XY)** or **P(X,Y)**

which reads as the joint probability of X and Y

- The symbol “ $\cap$ ” in a joint probability is referred to as an **intersection**. The probability of event X and event Y happening is the same thing as the point where X and Y intersect. Therefore, **joint probability** is also called the **intersection of two or more events**.

# Joint Probability...

**Example:** From a deck of 52 cards, the joint probability of picking up a card that is both red and 6 is

$$P(6 \cap \text{red}) = 2/52 = 1/26$$

Can be also calculated as:

$$\begin{aligned} P(6 \cap \text{red}) &= P(6) * P(\text{red}) \\ &= (4/52) * (26/52) \\ &= (1/13) * (1/2) \\ &= 1/26 \end{aligned}$$

\*\*If the probability of one event doesn't affect the other, you have an **independent event**. Then **multiply the probability of one by the probability of another**.

# Joint Probability...

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	6	others	
Red	2	24	26
Black	2	24	26
Total	4	48	52

	6	others	
Red	$1/26$	$6/13$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Black	$1/26$	$6/13$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Total	$1/13$	$12/13$	1

# Total Probability

- Let  $\{B_i\}$  be a partition of the sample space  $\Omega$
- It follows that  $\{A \cap B_i\}$  is a partition of event  $A$ . Thus

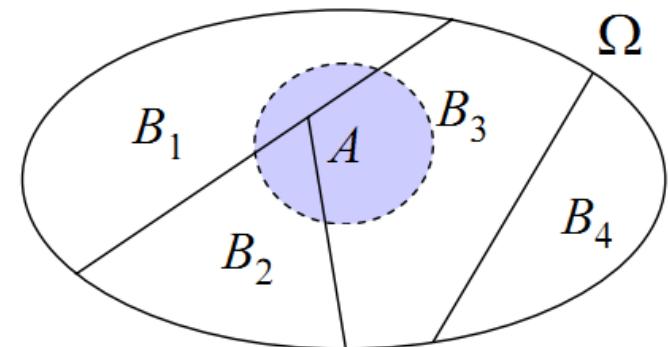
$$P(A) = \sum_i P(A \cap B_i)$$

- Assume further that  $P(B_i) > 0$  for all  $i$ . Then

$$P(A) = \sum_i P(B_i)P(A | B_i)$$

- This is the **theorem of total probability**

i.e.  $P(A) = P(B_1) + P(B_2) + P(B_3)$



# Conditional Probability

We will start through example:

Let an ordinary six sided die is to be rolled once.

What will be the sample space?

Equally likely samples  
 $S = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}$

What is the probability that a 2 is rolled?

$$P(2) = 1/6$$

# Conditional Probability...

Suppose, the die came up with an even number. And, no other info is given.

What will be the reduced sample space?

Equally likely samples

$$S_r = \{2, 4, 6\}$$

Given an even number is rolled, what is the probability that it is 2?

It's a conditional probability case.

$$P(2|Even) = 1/3$$

# Conditional Probability...

Frequently, before observing the outcome of a random experiment you are given information regarding the outcome

- Assume that  $P(B) > 0$
- **Definition:** The **conditional probability** of event A **given** that event B occurred is defined as

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

- It follows that

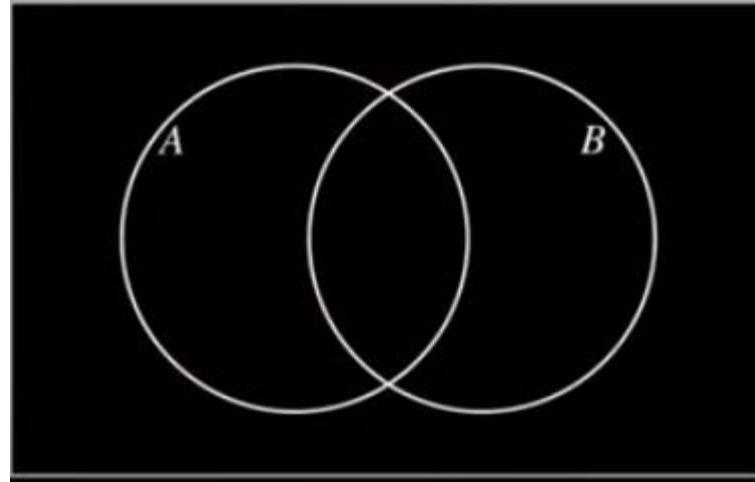
$$P(A \cap B) = P(B)P(A | B) = P(A)P(B | A)$$

# Conditional Probability...

How does this definition make sense?

Here, rectangle is total sample space.

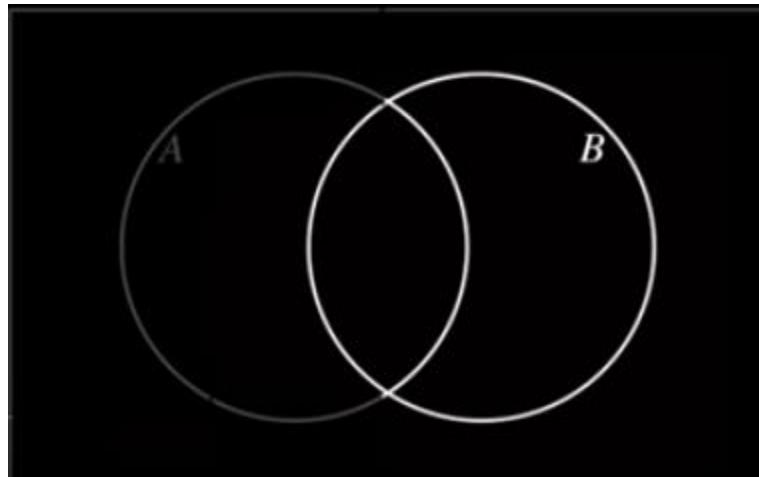
A and B are two individual event sets.



# Conditional Probability...

We would like to know the probability of A given that B has occurred.

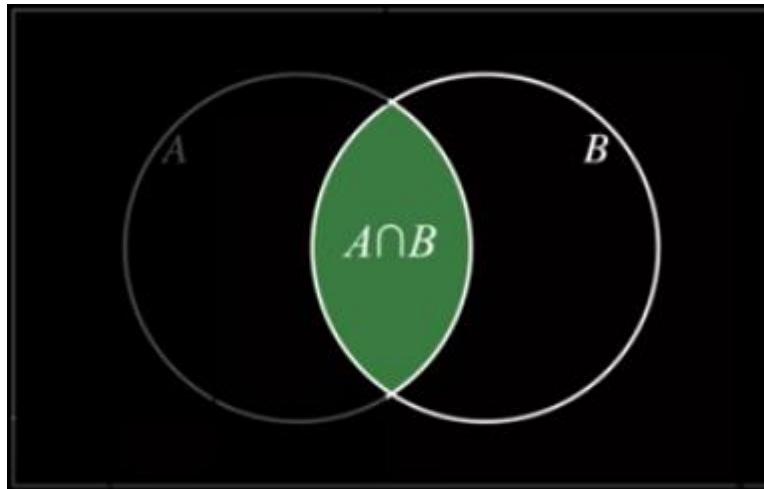
So, the sample space has been reduced to just event B.



If event B has occurred i.e. we are in circle B, then what is the probability that A has occurred.

# Conditional Probability...

Event A shares the green with B. i.e.  $A \cap B$ . That's definition of conditional probability make sense.



# Conditional Probability...

Finding solution using **classical probability**:

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

Back to rolling a die. Consider the two events:

$$A = \{1, 2, \underline{3}, \underline{4}, \underline{5}\}$$

$$B = \{\underline{3}, \underline{4}, \underline{5}, 6\} \leftarrow \text{Reduced sample space}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{3}{4}$$



What is the conditional probability of  $A$ , given  $B$ ?

so the probability of event A, given event B has occurred, is 3 out of 4.

# Conditional Probability...

Finding solution using Conditional Probability:

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$A \cap B = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{3/6}{4/6} = \frac{3}{4} \quad P(A \cap B) = \frac{3}{6}$$

**Note:** Here the unconditional probability of A is 5/6

# Conditional Probability...

**Example** Where the sample points are not equally likely.

A certain \$1 lottery ticket has the following payouts:

Payout	0	1	10	100
Probability	0.689	0.301	0.009	0.001

Given the payout is more than \$1, what is the probability it is \$10?

# Conditional Probability...

Finding solution using **classical probability**:

Payout	0	1	10	100
Probability	0.689	0.301	0.009	0.001

← Reduced sample space

**Result is:**

$$\frac{0.009}{0.009+0.001} = 0.9$$

# Conditional Probability...

Finding solution using Conditional probability:

$A$ : Payout is more than \$1     $A = \{10, 100\}$   
 $B$ : Payout is \$10                               $B = \{10\}$

$$P(A) = (0.009 + 0.001)/1 = 0.01$$

$$P(B) = (0.009)/1 = 0.009$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{0.009}{0.010} = 0.9 \quad B \cap A = \{10\}$$

$$P(B \cap A) = (0.009)/1 = 0.009$$

# Conditional Probability...

A card is drawn from a well-shuffled ordinary 52 card deck.  
What is the probability it is a jack?

Clubs:	A♣	2♣	3♣	4♣	5♣	6♣	7♣	8♣	9♣	10♣	J♣	Q♣	K♣
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$J$ : Drawing a jack

$$P(J) = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}$$

# Conditional Probability...

A card is drawn from a well-shuffled ordinary 52 card deck. If the card is red, what is the probability it is a jack?

\*\*Finding solution using classical probability:

Clubs:	A♣	2♣	3♣	4♣	5♣	6♣	7♣	8♣	9♣	10♣	J♣	Q♣	K♣
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R: Drawing a red card

$$P(J|R) = \frac{2}{26} = \frac{1}{13}$$

# Conditional Probability...

Finding solution using Conditional probability:

$$P(J|R) = \frac{P(J \cap R)}{P(R)} = \frac{2/52}{26/52} = \frac{1}{13}$$

$$P(J \cap R) = 2/52$$

In this example, **Unconditional** and **Conditional**, both probabilities are **1/13**. i.e. they are same.

# Conditional Probability...

In this example,

$$P(J|R) = P(J)$$

We say that the events:

$J$ : The card is a jack  
 $R$ : The card is red

are *independent*.

# Conditional Probability...

- Three jars contain colored balls as described in the table below.
  - One jar is chosen at random and a ball is selected. If the ball is red, what is the probability that it came from the 2<sup>nd</sup> jar?

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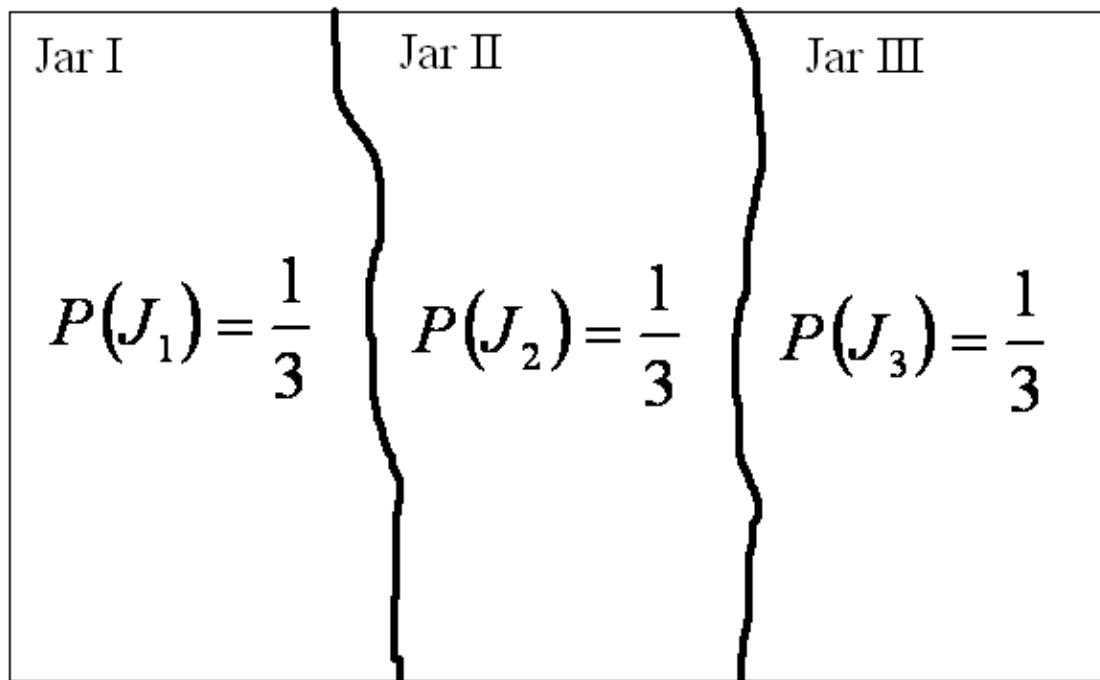
- We will define the following events:
  - $J_1$  is the event that *first* jar is chosen
  - $J_2$  is the event that *second* jar is chosen
  - $J_3$  is the event that *third* jar is chosen
  - $R$  is the event that a *red* ball is selected

# Conditional Probability...

- The events  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$ , and  $J_3$  are mutually exclusive
  - Why?
    - *You can't choose two different jars at the same time*
- Because of this, our sample space has been divided or *partitioned* along these three events

# Venn Diagram

- Let's look at the Venn Diagram



# Computing Probabilities

$$P(J_2|R) = \frac{P(J_2 \cap R)}{P(R)}$$

$$= \frac{P(J_2 \cap R)}{P(J_1 \cap R) + P(J_2 \cap R) + P(J_3 \cap R)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{4}{9}} = \frac{12}{71}$$

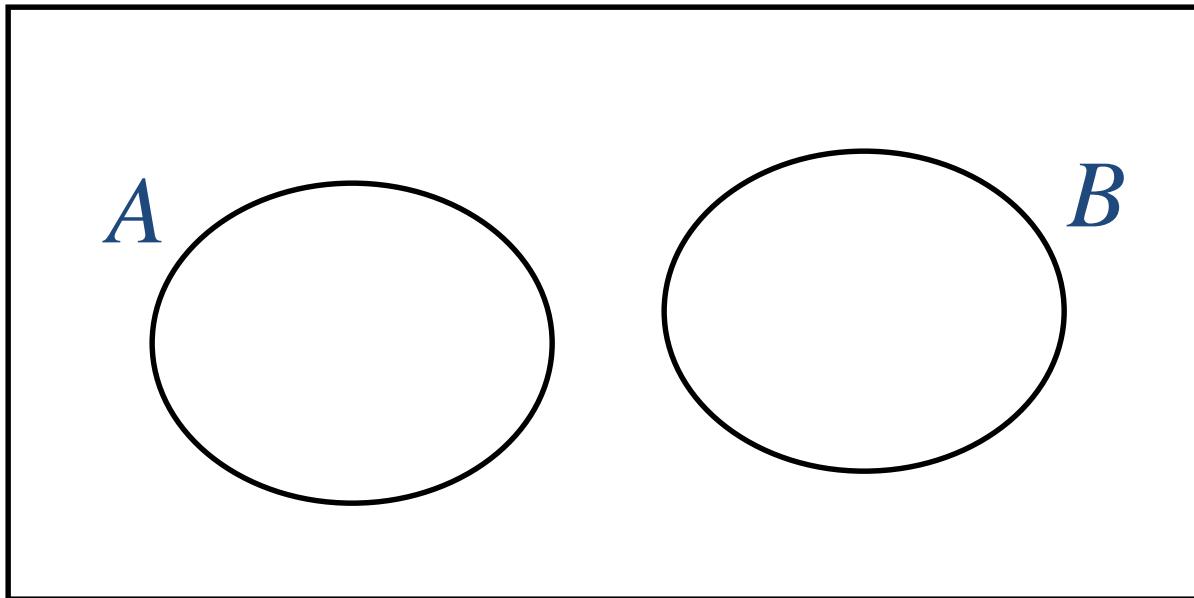
$$= 0.1690140845 \approx 0.17$$

# Mutually Exclusive/Disjoint

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are called **Mutually Exclusive/ Disjoint** if:

$$A \cap B = \phi$$

- They have **no outcomes in common**.
- They can't occur at the **same time**.



# Mutually Exclusive/Disjoint...

**Example:** What is the probability of choosing one card from a standard deck and getting either a Queen of Hearts or Ace of Hearts?

Since you can't get both cards with one draw, add the probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Queen of Hearts or Ace of Hearts}) &= P(\text{Queen of Hearts}) + P(\text{Ace of Hearts}) = 1/52 + 1/52 \\ &= 2/52. \end{aligned}$$

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\*The probability of two disjoint events A or B happening is:

$$\mathbf{P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B).}$$

# Independence of Events

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are called **independent** if occurrence of one does not affect the others.

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

**Example:** From a deck of 52 cards, the probability of picking up a card that is both red and 6 is:

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# Independence of Events...

## Note

*if  $P(A) \neq 0$  and  $P(B) \neq 0$  then*

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

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

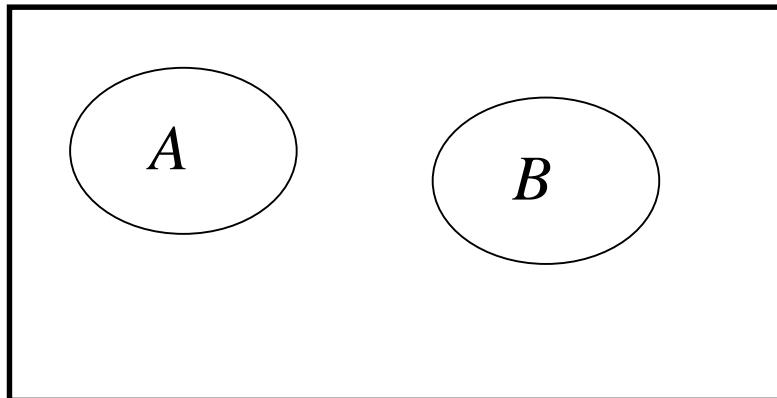
Thus in the case of independence the **Conditional Probability** of an event is not affected by the knowledge of the other event

# Independent Events Versus Mutually Exclusive Events

## Mutually Exclusive

Two **Mutually Exclusive** events are **Independent** only in the special case where

$$P(A) = 0 \text{ and } P(B) = 0; \text{ Also } P(A \cap B) = 0$$



Mutually Exclusive events are highly Dependent.  $A$  and  $B$  cannot occur simultaneously. If one event occurs the other event does not occur.

# Dependent Events

- When two events are dependent, one event influences the probability of the other.
- A dependent event is an event that relies on **another event to occur first**.
- If A and B are dependent events then

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B|A)$$

# Dependent Events...

**Example:** Suppose you have 52 candidates for a committee. Four are persons aged 18 to 21. If you randomly select one person, and then (without replacing the first person) randomly select a second person, what is the probability both persons will be between 18 and 21.

Let, choosing 1<sup>st</sup> one is event A and 2<sup>nd</sup> one is event B.

Step-1: 4 are aged between 18 and 21. Hence,  $P(A) = 4 / 52 = 1/13$

Step-2:  $P(B|A) = 3/51 = 1/17$

Step-3:  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B|A) = 1/13 * 1/17 = 1/221$

# Bayes Theorem

For a joint probability distribution  $P(A \cap B)$  over events A and B, the conditional probability of A given B is defined as

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}, \text{ if } P(B) \neq 0$$

Also, probability of B given A is defined as

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)}, \text{ if } P(A) \neq 0$$

$$\text{or, } P(B \cap A) = P(B|A) * P(A)$$

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Therefore,

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) * P(A)}{P(B)}$$

# Bayes Theorem...

Likelihood of Evidence B  
If A is True

Prior Probability of A

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) * P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Posterior Probability of  
A Given Evidence B

The Probability of  
B Being True

# Bayes Theorem-Example...

What is the probability of two girls given at least one is a girl?

$$\begin{aligned} p(2g|1g) &= \frac{p(1g|2g) * p(2g)}{p(1g)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Combination: gg, gb, bg, bb

# Bayes Theorem-Example...

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2	1	2	3
3	4	3	2

# Bayes Theorem-Example...

$$\begin{aligned} P(J_2|R) &= \frac{P(R|J_2) * P(J_2)}{P(R)} \\ &= \frac{P(R|J_2)*P(J_2)}{P(R \cap J_1) + P(R \cap J_2) + P(R \cap J_3)} \\ &= \frac{P(R|J_2)*P(J_2)}{P(R|J_1)*P(J_1) + P(R|J_2)*P(J_2) + P(R|J_3)*P(J_3)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{3}{8} * \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} * \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{9} * \frac{1}{3}} = \frac{12}{71} \\ &= 0.1690140845 \approx 0.17 \end{aligned}$$

# Bayes Theorem-Example...

Similarly,

$$P(J_1|R) = \frac{27}{71} = 0.38$$

$$P(J_3|R) = \frac{32}{71} = 0.45$$

**Note:** From the table, it is seen that the probability obtained using Bayes Theorem makes sense. Because, according to data point, Jar-3 should have highest probability, then Jar-1 should have 2<sup>nd</sup> highest and Jar-2 should have the lowest probability.

# Chain Rule

In probability theory, the **chain rule**, also called the **general product rule** permits the calculation of any member of the joint distribution of a set of random variables using only conditional probabilities. The rule is useful in the study of Bayesian networks, which describe a probability distribution in terms of conditional probabilities.

Let, consider a bunch of events  $A_n, A_{n-1}, \dots, A_1$  and if  $P(A_{n-1} \cap \dots \cap A_1) > 0$ , then the Joint Probability using the concept of Conditional Probability can be stated as Equation 1 which is called **Chain Rule**.

$$P(A_n \cap \dots \cap A_1) = P(A_n | A_{n-1} \cap \dots \cap A_1) \cdot P(A_{n-1} \cap \dots \cap A_1) \\ \dots \dots \dots \quad (1)$$

If  $n=2$  then,

$$P(A_2 \cap A_1) = P(A_2 | A_1) \cdot (A_1)$$

That is Equation 1 is the generalization of the **Joint Probability**.

# Chain Rule...

Thus the Equation 1 can be written as following:

$$P\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^n A_k\right) = \prod_{k=1}^n P\left(A_k \mid \bigcap_{j=1}^{k-1} A_j\right)$$

With four variables, the chain rule generates the below product of conditional probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned} & P(A_4 \cap A_3 \cap A_2 \cap A_1) \\ &= P(A_4 | A_3 \cap A_2 \cap A_1) \cdot P(A_3 | A_2 \cap A_1) \cdot P(A_2 | A_1) \cdot P(A_1) \end{aligned}$$

# Chain Rule...

Jar#	Black	White
1	1	2
2	1	3

Suppose we pick a Jar at random and then select a ball from that Jar. Then what is the probability of choosing the 1<sup>st</sup> jar and white ball from it?

Let **event A** be choosing the first Jar:  $P(A) = 1/2$ .

Let **event B** be the chance we choose a white ball.

The chance of choosing a white ball, given that we've chosen the first Jar, is  $P(B|A) = 2/3$ .

Event A, B would be their **intersection**: choosing the first Jar and a white ball from it. The probability can be found by the chain rule for probability:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B \cap A) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A) = \frac{2}{3} * \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier

- **Naive Bayes classifiers** are a family of simple "probabilistic classifiers" based on applying Bayes' theorem with strong (naive) independence assumptions between the features.
- Naïve Bayes is a **Conditional Probability** model: Given a problem instance to be classified, represented by a vector  $X = < x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n >$ , where  $n$  = **features** (**independent variables**) of that object.
- The main aim of **Naïve Bayes** is to assign the instances' probabilities for each of the  $C_k$  classes as:  $p(C_k | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
- Using Bayes' theorem, the **Conditional Probability** can be decomposed as:

$$P(C_k | X) = \frac{P(X | C_k)P(C_k)}{P(X)} \dots \dots \dots \quad (2)$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier...

- In Equation 2, the **denominator** does not depend on  $C_k$ .  
The values of the features  $x_i$  are given, so that the denominator is effectively constant.
- The **numerator** of Equation 2 can be written as:

$$P(X|C_k)P(C_k) = P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | C_k)P(C_k) \quad \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier...

**Naïve Bayes Assumption:** Features  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are Conditionally Independent given the class label  $C_k$  :

$$P(x_1, x_2 | C_k) = P(x_1 | C_k)P(x_2 | C_k)$$

More generally,

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n | C_k) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | C_k)$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier...

Thus, from Equation 2 & 3:

$$\begin{aligned} P(C_k | X) &\propto P(X|C_k)P(C_k) \\ &\propto P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | C_k)P(C_k) \\ &\propto P(C_k)P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | C_k) \\ &\propto P(C_k) \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | C_k) \end{aligned}$$

This means that under the above independence assumptions, the conditional distribution over the class variable  $C_k$  is:

$$P(C_k | X) = \frac{P(C_k) \prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i | C_k)}{P(X)}$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example

age	income	student	credit_rating	buys_computer
<=30	high	no	fair	no
<=30	high	no	excellent	no
30...40	high	no	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	low	yes	excellent	no
31...40	low	yes	excellent	yes
<=30	medium	no	fair	no
<=30	low	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	yes	fair	yes
<=30	medium	yes	excellent	yes
31...40	medium	no	excellent	yes
31...40	high	yes	fair	yes
>40	medium	no	excellent	no

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example...

Class:

$C_1$ : buys\_computer = ‘yes’

$C_2$ : buys\_computer = ‘no’

Data sample (**Test Sample**):

$\mathbf{X}$  = (age<=30, Income=medium, Student=yes, Credit\_rating=Fair)

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example...

$$P(yes|X) = \frac{P(X|yes)*P(yes)}{P(X)}$$

$$P(yes|X) = \frac{P(\text{age} \leq 30, \text{income} = \text{medium}, \text{student} = \text{yes}, \text{credit\_rating} = \text{fair} | yes) * P(yes)}{P(X)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\text{age} = " < 30 " | \text{buys\_computer} = "yes") * \\ & P(\text{income} = "medium" | \text{buys\_computer} = "yes") * \\ & P(\text{student} = "yes" | \text{buys\_computer} = "yes") * \\ P(yes|X) = & \frac{P(\text{credit\_rating} = "fair" | \text{buys\_computer} = "yes") * P(yes)}{P(X)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{0.222 * 0.444 * 0.667 * 0.0667 * 0.643}{P(x)} = \frac{0.028}{P(x)}$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example...

$$P(no|X) = \frac{P(X|no)*P(no)}{P(X)}$$

$$P(no|X) = \frac{P(\text{age} \leq 30, \text{income} = \text{medium}, \text{student} = \text{yes}, \text{credit\_rating} = \text{fair} | no) * P(no)}{P(X)}$$

$$P(no|X) = \frac{P(\text{age} = \text{"<30"} | \text{buys\_computer} = \text{"no"}) * \\ P(\text{income} = \text{"medium"} | \text{buys\_computer} = \text{"no"}) * \\ P(\text{student} = \text{"yes"} | \text{buys\_computer} = \text{"no"}) * \\ P(\text{credit\_rating} = \text{"fair"} | \text{buys\_computer} = \text{"no"}) * P(no)}{P(X)}$$

$$= \frac{0.6 * 0.4 * 0.2 * 0.4 * 0.357}{P(x)} = \frac{0.007}{P(x)}$$

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example...

## Class Decision:

X belongs to class “buys\_computer = yes”

# Naïve Bayes Classifier-Example...

Compute  $P(X|C_i)$  for each class:

$$P(\text{age}=\text{"<30"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"yes"}) = 2/9 = 0.222$$

$$P(\text{age}=\text{"<30"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"no"}) = 3/5 = 0.6$$

$$P(\text{income}=\text{"medium"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"yes"}) = 4/9 = 0.444$$

$$P(\text{income}=\text{"medium"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"no"}) = 2/5 = 0.4$$

$$P(\text{student}=\text{"yes"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"yes"}) = 6/9 = 0.667$$

$$P(\text{student}=\text{"yes"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"no"}) = 1/5 = 0.2$$

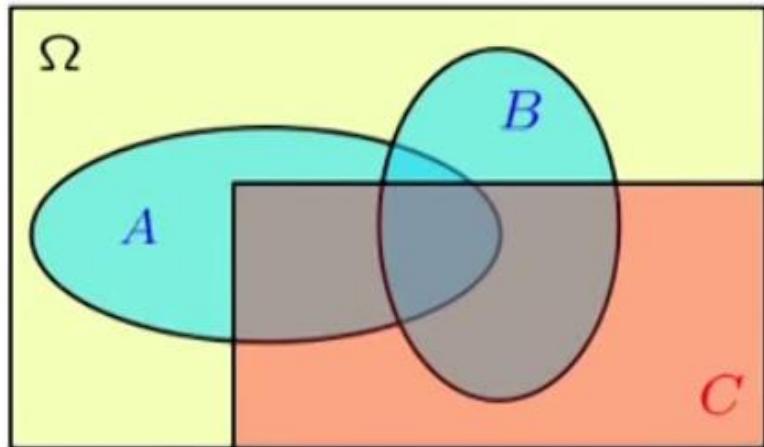
$$P(\text{credit\_rating}=\text{"fair"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"yes"}) = 6/9 = 0.667$$

$$P(\text{credit\_rating}=\text{"fair"} \mid \text{buys\_computer}=\text{"no"}) = 2/5 = 0.4$$

# Conditional Independence

**Definition:** Two events A and B are conditionally independent given an event C with  $P(C) > 0$  if

$$P(A \cap B|C) = P(A|C)P(B|C)$$



The gist of conditional independence: **Knowing C makes A and B independent.**

# Conditional Independence...

Occurrence of B and C together, doesn't hamper the occurrence of A and Vice Versa.

$$\begin{aligned} P(A|B \cap C) &= \frac{P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(B \cap C)} \\ &= \frac{P(A \cap B | C) \cdot P(C)}{P(B \cap C)} \\ &= \frac{P(A | C) \cdot P(B | C) \cdot P(C)}{P(B | C) \cdot P(C)} \\ &= P(A | C) \end{aligned}$$

i.e. if C is known, it doesn't hamper the independence of A and B.

# Conditional Independence...

The following two equations are equivalent statements of the definition of conditional independence.

$$P(A \cap B|C) = P(A|C)P(B|C)$$

$$P(A|B,C) = P(A|C)$$

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