

Example: Coin toss

$$\Omega: \{H, T\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}: \{\emptyset, \{H\}, \{H, T\}\}$$

$$P: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

(Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is the probability space

- $P(\Omega) = 1$
- $P(A) \geq 0, A \in \mathcal{F}$
- $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$ if $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$
- $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
- $P(A) \leq 1$

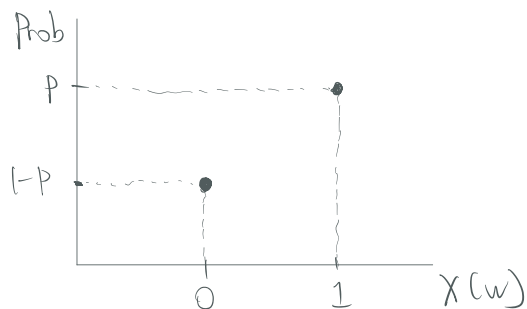
- $P(\emptyset) = 0$
- $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} \leftarrow \text{Bayes' Rule}$
- $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ if A, B are independent
 $P(A|B) = P(A)$ if independent.

A random variable $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$X(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \omega = \{H\} \\ 0 & \text{if } \omega = \{T\} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(1) &= P(X=1) \\ &= P(\{\omega \mid X(\omega)=1\}) \\ &= P(\{H\}) \end{aligned}$$

Distribution of our coin toss:



Bernoulli Trial

X_1, X_2, \dots

Probability that it takes K tosses to get the first H .

$$P_{X_1}(0) P_{X_2}(0) P_{X_3}(0), \dots, P_{X_k}(1) \\ = (1-p)^{k-1} p$$

Geometric distribution

Probability of getting K H's in N toss:

$$P_n(k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

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Binomial Distribution.

Flip a coin over a large period of time, on average 60 H's/hour

Poisson Distribution:

$$P(k) = \frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!} \quad \text{where } \lambda \text{ is the rate}$$

With a continuum of possible outcomes,

$P(X < t) \leftarrow$ continuous dist

$$P(\text{time between consecutive H's}) \\ = e^{-\mu t}$$

Probability Density function

$$P(t \in [t_1, t_2]) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \mu e^{-\mu t} dt \\ = P(t \geq t_1, t \leq t_2)$$