

Review The basic concepts and rules of probability Dr. Saba Alwan



Probability, objective Probability, subjective Probability, equally likely Mutually exclusive, multiplicative rule, Conditional Probability, independent events, Bayes theorem.

3.1 INTRODUCTION

- The concept of probability is frequently encountered in everyday communication. For example, a physician may say that a patient has a 50-50 chance of surviving a certain operation.
- Another physician may say that she is 95 percent certain that a patient has a particular disease.
- Most people express probabilities in terms of percentages. But, it is more convenient to express probabilities as fractions. Thus, we may measure the probability of the occurrence of some event by a number between 0 and 1.
- The more likely event, has a probability closer to one.
- An event that can't occur has a probability of zero,
- and an event that is certain(مؤكد) to occur has a probability of one
- **Probability:**

It is a number used to measure the chance of the occurrence of some event. <u>The number between 0 and 1.</u>



• <u>Some definitions</u>:

1.Equally likely outcomes (النتائج المتساوية الاحتمال):

Are the outcomes that have the same chance of occurring.

: (النتائج المتعارضة) 2. Mutually exclusive

Two events are said to be mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously such that $A \cap B = \Phi$.





 $A \cap B \neq \phi$

A and B are not mutually exclusive

 $A \cap B = \phi$

A and B are mutually exclusive (disjoint). A and B can not occur in the same time

- The universal Set (S): The set of all possible outcomes.
- **The empty set** Φ : Contain no elements.
- <u>The event ,E</u>: is a set of outcomes in S which has a certain characteristic.
- <u>Classical Probability</u>



• For Example: in the rolling of the die , each of the six sides is equally likely to be observed . So, the probability that a 4 will be observed is equal to 1/6.

• <u>Relative Frequency Probability (optional)</u>:

- <u>Def:</u> If some posses is repeated a large number of times, n, and if some resulting event E occurs m times, the relative frequency of occurrence of E, m/n will be approximately equal to probability of E. P(E) = m/n.
- *** <u>Subjective Probability</u> :
- Probability measures the confidence that a particular individual has in the truth of a particular proposition or occurrence of something.
- For Example :
- The probability of success of an operation is 0.85

Tree diagram

•A **Tree diagram** can be used to list the elements of the sample space systematically.

•Example 1. Flip a coin first. If a head occurs, flip it again; otherwise, toss a die.

 $S = \{HH, HT, T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, T6\}$



•Example 2. Three items are selected at random from a manufacturing process (D is refers to defective, N (not defective)).

 $S = \{DDD, DDN, DND, DNN, NDD, NDN, NND, NNN\}$

- •P (Two items are defective) = 3/8
- •P (No items are defective) = 1/8
- •P (no. of defectives = no. of not defectives) = 0
- •P (one item is defective) = 3/8



Elementary Properties of Probability:

• Given some process (or experiment) with n mutually exclusive events E₁, E₂, E₃,...., E_n,

Then

- $1 \ge P(E_i) \ge 0, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$
- $P(E_1) + P(E_2) + \dots + P(E_n) = 1$
- $P(E_i U E_j) = P(E_i) + P(E_j)$
- E_i,E_j are mutually exclusive



Rules of Probability

- Addition Rule
- $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) P(A \cap B)$
- If A and B are mutually exclusive (**disjoint**), then P(A \cap B) = 0
- Then, addition rule is $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$.
- Complementary Rule
- P(A') = 1 P(A)
- where, A' = = complement event
- Consider example <u>3.4.1 Page 63</u>





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$$P(E \cup \overline{C}) = P(E) + P(\overline{C}) - P(E \cap \overline{C})$$

= $\frac{141}{318} + \frac{63 + 57 + 113}{318} - (\frac{28 + 19 + 53}{318})$
= $0.44 + 0.73 - 0.31 = 0.86$

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5-The probability that this person is more than 18-years old and has family history of mood orders Unipolar and Bipolar(D)? $P(L \cap D) = \frac{60}{210} = 0.19$



From example 3

• suppose we pick a person at random and find he is 18 years or younger (E), what is the probability that this person will be one with Negative family history of mood disorders (A)?

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$$P(E \mid D) = \frac{P(E \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{\frac{53}{318}}{\frac{113}{318}} = \frac{53}{113} = 0.47$$

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Multiplicative Rule:

Joint probability.

- $P(\mathbf{A} \cap \mathbf{B}) = P(\mathbf{A} \setminus \mathbf{B}) P(\mathbf{B})$
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- Where,
- P(A): marginal probability of A.
- P(B): marginal probability of B.
- $P(B \mid A)$: The **conditional** probability.

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Independent Events:

- If A has no effect on B, we said that A,B are independent events.
- Then,

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

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 $P(E \cap B) = P(E \mid B) * P(B) = 0.4 * 0.4 = 0.16$

- Suppose that of 1200 admission to a general hospital during a certain period of time,750 are private admissions.
 If we designate these as a set A, then compute P(A), P(A).
- For the following diagram find the probabilities of the following Events
- A ∩ B
- AUB
- A'
- B'
- A ∩ B ∩ C



Marginal Probability:

• **Definition**:

Given some variable that can be broken down into m categories designated

by $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_i, \dots, A_m$ and another jointly occurring variable that is broken down into n categories

designated by $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_j, \dots, B_n$,

the marginal probability of A_i with all the categories of B. That is, $P(A_i) = \sum P(A_i \cap B_j)$, for all value of j

<u>Example 9</u>

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Exercises

Q3.4.1: In a study of violent victimization of women and men, Porcelli et al. (A-2) collected information from 679 women and 345 men aged <u>18 to 64</u> years at several family practice centers in the metropolitan Detroit area. Patients filled out a health history questionnaire that included a question about victimization.

The following table shows the sample subjects crossclassified by sex and type of violent victimization reported. The victimization categories are defined as **no** victimization, partner victimization (and not by others), victimization by persons other than partners (friends, family members, or strangers), and those who reported multiple victimization

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	No Victimization	Partners	Nonpartners	Multiple Victimization	Total
Women	611	34	16	18	679
Men	308	10	17	10	345
Total	919	44	33	28	1024

(a) Suppose we pick a subject at random from this group. What is the probability that this subject will be a women?

- (b) What do we call the probability calculated in part a?
- (c) Show how to calculate the probability asked for in part a by two additional methods.
- (d) If we pick a subject at random, what is probability that the subject will be a women and have experienced partner abuse?
- (e) What do we call the probability calculated in part d?
- (f) Suppose we picked a man at random. Knowing this information, what is the probability that he

experienced abuse from nonpartners?

(g) What do we call the probability calculated in part f?

(h) Suppose we pick a subject at random. What is the probability that it is a man or someone who experienced abuse from a partner?

(i) What do we call the method by which you obtained the probability in part h?

Q3.4.3: Fernando et al. (A-3) studied drug-sharing among injection drug users in the South Bronx in New York City. Drug users in New York City use the term "split a bag" or "get down on a bag" to refer to the practice of diving a bag of heroin or other injectable substances. A common practice includes splitting drugs after they are dissolved in a common cooker, a procedure with considerable HIV risk. Although this practice is common, little is known about the prevalence of such practices. The researchers asked injection drug users in four neighborhoods in the South Bronx if they ever

"got down on" drugs in bags or shots. The results classified by gender and splitting practice are

given below: State the	Gender	Split Drugs	Never Split Drugs	Total
	Male	349	324	673
following	Female	220	128	348
probabilities in	Total	569	452	1021

words and calculate:

- (a) P(Male∩Split Drugs)Ans: 0.3418
 (b) P(Male∪Split Drugs)Ans: 0.8746
- (c) P(Male | Split Drugs) Ans: 0.6134

(d) *P(Male)*Ans: 0.6592

Q3.4.4: Laveist and Nuru-Jeter (A-4) conducted a study to determine if doctor-patient race concordance was associated with greater satisfaction with care. Toward that end, they collected a national sample of African-American, Caucasian, Hispanic, and Asian-American respondents. The following table classifies the race of the subjects as well as the race of their physician:

Patient Race					
Physician's Race	Caucasian	African- American	Hispanic	Asian- American	Total
White	779	436	406	175	1796
African- American	14	162	15	5	196
Hispanic	19	17	128	2	166
Asian/Pacific -Island	68	75	71	203	417
Other	30	55	56	4	145
Total	910	745	676	389	2720

(a) What is the probability that a randomly selected subject will have an Asian/Pacific-Islander physician? Ans: 0.1533

(b) What is the probability that an African-American subject will have an African- American physician? Ans: 0.2174

(c) What is the probability that a randomly selected subject in the study will be Asian-American and have an Asian/Pacific-Islander physician? Ans: 0.075

(d) What is the probability that a subject chosen at random will be Hispanic or have a Hispanic physician? Ans: 0.2625

(e) Use the concept of complementary events to find the probability that a subject chosen at

random in the study does not have a white physician? Ans: 0.3397

Q3.4.5:

If the probability of left-handedness in acertain group of people is 0.5, what is the probability of right-handedness (assuming no ambidexterity)?

Q3.4.6:

The probability is 0.6 that a patient selected at random from the current residents of a certain hospital will be a male. The probability that the patient will be a male who is in for surgery is 0.2. A patient randomly selected from current residents is found to be a male; what is the probability that the patient is in the hospital for surgery?

Ans: 0.3333

Q3.4.7:

In a certain population of hospital patients the probability is 0.35 that a randomly selected patient will have heart disease. The probability is 0.86 that a patient with heart disease is a smoker. What is the probability that a patient randomly selected from the population will be a smoker and have heart disease?

Ans: 0.301

Example: Our sample space S is the population of adults in a small town. They can be categorized according to gender and employment status (see Table 2.1).

Table 2.1: C	ategorized adul	t population in a sn	1all town.
	Employed	Unemployed	Total
Male	460	40	500
Female	140	260	400
Total	600	300	900

- One individual is to be selected at random for a publicity tour.
- The concerned events
 - \circ M: a man is chosen
 - E: the one chosen is employed
 - F: a Female is chosen
 - U: The one chosen is unemployed

$$\Pr(M|E) = \Pr(M \cap E) / \Pr(E) = \frac{n(P(M \cap E)/n(S))}{n(E)/n(S)} = \frac{n(P(M \cap E))}{n(E)} = \frac{460/600}{100}$$

2.8 Bayes' Rule:

Definition:

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The events $A_1, A_2, ..., and A_n$ constitute a partition of the sample space S if:

Theorem 1: (Total Probability) If the events $A_1, A_2,...$, and A_n constitute a partition of the sample space *S* such that $P(A_k) \neq 0$ for k=1, 2, ..., n, then for any event *B*:

$$P(B) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} P(A_k) P(B|A_k)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} P(A_k \cap B)$$





Example 10:

Three machines A_1 , A_2 , and A_3 make 20%, 30%, and 50%, respectively, of the products. It is known that 1%, 4%, and 7% of the products made by each machine, respectively, are defective. If a finished product is randomly selected, what is the probability that it is defective?

Solution:

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Define the following events:

- *B* = {the selected product is defective}
- $A_1 = \{$ the selected product is made by machine $A_1 \}$
- $A_2 = \{$ the selected product is made by machine $A_2 \}$
- $A_3 = \{\text{the selected product is made by machine } A_3 \}$

$$P(A1) = \frac{20}{100} = 0.2; \quad P(B \mid A1) = \frac{1}{100} = 0.01$$

$$P(A2) = \frac{30}{100} = 0.3; \quad P(B \mid A2) = \frac{4}{100} = 0.04$$

$$P(A3) = \frac{50}{100} = 0.5; \quad P(B \mid A3) = \frac{7}{100} = 0.07$$

$$P(B) = \sum_{k=1}^{3} P(A_k) P(B \mid A_k)$$

$$P(A_1) P(B|A_1) + P(A_2) P(B|A_2) + P(A_3) P(B|A_3)$$

$$0.2 \times 0.01 + 0.3 \times 0.04 + 0.5 \times 0.07$$

$$0.002 + 0.012 + 0.035$$

$$0.049$$

Question:

If it is known that the selected product is defective, what is the probability that it is made by machine A_1 ?

Answer:

$$P(A1|B) = \frac{P(A_1 \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.2 \times 0.01}{0.049} = \frac{0.002}{0.049} = 0.0408$$

This rule is called Bayes' rule.

Theorem 2 : (Bayes' rule) If the events $A_1, A_2, ..., and A_n$ constitute a partition of the sample space S such that $P(A_k) \neq 0$ for k=1, 2, ..., n, then for any event B such that $P(B) \neq 0$:

$$P(A_{i}|B) = \frac{P(A_{i} \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A_{i})P(B|A_{i})}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} P(A_{k})P(B|A_{k})} = \frac{P(A_{i})P(B|A_{i})}{P(B)}$$
for $i = 1, 2, ..., n$.



Example 11:

In Example 2.38, if it is known that the selected product is defective, what is the probability that it is made by:

- (a) machine A_2 ?
- (b) machine A_3^- ?

Solution:

$$(a)P(A_2|B) = \frac{P(A_2)P(B|A_2)}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} P(A_k)P(B|A_k)} = \frac{P(A_2)P(B|A_2)}{P(B)}$$
$$= \frac{0.3 \times 0.04}{0.049} = \frac{0.012}{0.049} = 0.2449$$



(b)P(A₃|B) =
$$\frac{P(A_3)P(B|A_3)}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} P(A_k)P(B|A_k)} = \frac{P(A_3)P(B|A_3)}{P(B)}$$

= $\frac{0.5 \times 0.07}{0.049} = \frac{0.035}{0.049} = 0.7142$

Note: $P(A_1|B) = 0.0408$, $P(A_2|B) = 0.2449$, $P(A_3|B) = 0.7142$

•
$$\sum_{k=1}^{3} P(A_k | B) = 1$$

• If the selected product was found defective, we should check machine A_3 first, if it is ok, we should check machine A_2 , if it is ok, we should check machine A_1 .