

Probability A

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Def^m. Random Experiments: All outcomes form an outcome/sample space

Ω - the set of all outcomes

An outcome is some $\omega \in \Omega$

An event is some $A \subset \Omega$

\emptyset is the impossible event.

Def^m. Classical probability spaces with equally likely events:

A finite model $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, $\mathcal{P}(\omega) = \frac{1}{n}$, where $\omega \in \Omega$, but we want to define probability on events not outcomes

Def^m. Let $\Omega \neq \emptyset$. A system of subsets of Ω , \mathcal{A} is called an algebra if:

i) $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$

ii) $A, B \in \mathcal{A} \implies A \cup B \in \mathcal{A}$

iii) $A \in \mathcal{A} \implies A^c \in \mathcal{A}$

Cor^{ly}. $A \cap B \in \mathcal{A}$

Def^m. $B_1, \dots, B_n \subset \Omega$ is called a partition if:

i) $\bigcup_{i=1}^n B_i = \Omega$

ii) $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset \quad \forall i \neq j$

Def^m. Let $\Omega \neq \emptyset$ & B_1, \dots, B_n be a partition of Ω

1. (Ω, \mathcal{A}) is called a classical measurable space & b_1, \dots, b_n are called basic events.

2. (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) is called a classical probability space if:

• (Ω, \mathcal{A}) is a classical measurable space

• $P : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a set function *s.t.* $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$ comprised of k basic events B_i , $P(A) = \frac{k}{n}$

Def^m. A measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{A}^*) is called a submodel of (Ω, \mathcal{A}) if $\mathcal{A}^* \subset \mathcal{A}$

Th^m. *Given*

$$\begin{array}{lll} n_1 & \text{distinct elements} & a_1, \dots, a_{n_1} \\ n_2 & \text{distinct elements} & b_1, \dots, b_{n_2} \\ & \vdots & \\ n_\nu & \text{distinct elements} & x_1, \dots, x_{n_\nu} \end{array}$$

$\exists N = \prod_{i=1}^\nu n_i$ *distinct ordered* ν -*tuples* (a_i, \dots, x_{ν_i})

Def^m. A permutation of a finite set is any ordering of its elements in a list.

Th^m. *A set with n elements has $n!$ different permutations.*

Def^m. Sampling Types: If we sample r from n distinct elements the method is called:

- with replacement if any element that was drawn is replaced *s.t.* it may be drawn again.
- without replacement if once drawn an element cannot be drawn again.

The record is called:

- ordered if the order is recorded, use: $(, ,)$
- unordered if the order is not recorded, use: $\{ , , \}$

Th^m. Suppose we sample $r \geq 1$ from n distinct elements. Let $O(r, n)$ be the number of distinct ordered records & $N(r, n)$ be the number of distinct not ordered records. Then:

- *with replacement*: $O(r, n) = n^r$, $N(r, n) = \binom{n+r-1}{r} = \frac{(n+r-1)!}{r!(n-1)!}$
- *without replacement*: $O(r, n) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$, $N(r, n) = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$

Th^m. In allocating r indistinguishable elements to n coordinates, the number of distinct allocations N is:

- i) $\binom{n+r-1}{r}$
- ii) if $r \geq n$ & no position unoccupied $\binom{r-1}{r-n}$

Def^m. Let $\Omega \neq \emptyset$. A system of subsets of Ω , \mathcal{A} is called a σ -algebra if:

- i) $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$
- ii) $A_i \in \mathcal{A} (i \in \mathbb{N}) \implies \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i = \Omega$
- iii) $A \in \mathcal{A} \implies A^c \in \mathcal{A}$

Def^m. $B_i \subset \Omega (i \in \mathbb{N})$ is a partition if it is exhaustive *i.e.* $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} B_i = \Omega$ and mutually exclusive *i.e.* $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset \forall i \neq j$

Def^m. Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}) be a measurable space. A set function $P : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is called a probability measure if:

- i) $P(\Omega) = 1$
- ii) P is σ -additive: $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{A} (i \in \mathbb{N})$ with $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \forall i \neq j$ $P(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(A_i)$

(Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) is called a probability space.

Deductions from Axioms:

- i) Empty sets: $P(\emptyset) = 0$
- ii) Finite Additivity: $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{A} (i \in \{1, \dots, n\})$ with $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \forall i \neq j$, $P(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$
- iii) Complement: $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
- iv) Partition by another event: $P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c)$
- v) Difference: $P(A \setminus B) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$
- vi) Subset: $B \subset A \implies P(A \setminus B) = P(A) - P(B)$
- vii) Monotony: $B \subset A \implies P(B) \leq P(A)$
- viii) Addition Rule: $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$
- ix) Subadditivity: $P(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) \leq \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(A_i)$

Def^m. The smallest σ -algebra containing all open intervals (hence all closed intervals & all countable unions and intersections of open and closed intervals) is called a Borel σ -algebra and on \mathbb{R} is denoted $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

Propⁿ. If $\Omega = [0, 1]$, $\omega \in \Omega$, $P(\{\omega\}) = 0$, then for random numbers on $[0, 1]$, $P([a, b]) = b - a$

Def^m. Let P be a probability measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$. If $F(x) = P((-\infty, x])$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies:

- i) F is non-decreasing i.e : $x > y \implies F(x) \geq F(y)$
- ii) $\lim_{x \searrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$ & $\lim_{x \nearrow \infty} F(x) = 1$
- iii) F is continuous from the right i.e : $\forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R} \lim_{x \searrow x_0} F(x) = F(x_0)$

then it is called a cumulative distribution function for P .

Propⁿ. There is a one to one correspondence between probability measures on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ and cumulative distribution functions.

Def^m. Probability distributions can be classified as:

- i) Discrete: $P(\{x_0\}) > 0$, x_0 is an atom, P has finitely many or countably finitely many atoms & F is a step function.
- ii) Continuous F is differentiable & called density.
- iii) Mixed: A combination of (i) & (ii).

Def^m. Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) be a probability space & $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$. Given $P(B) > 0$. The conditional probability of A given B is $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$.

Th^m. Given the above $P(\cdot|B) : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a probability space?????

Th^m.

Multiplication Rule: $P(A \cap B) = P(A|B) \cdot P(B) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A)$

"Flip around" Formula: $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} \cdot P(A|B)$

Averaging Conditional Probabilities: $P(A) = P(A|B) \cdot P(B) + P(A|B^c) \cdot P(B^c)$

Baye's Theorem: $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B)P(B)}{P(A|B) \cdot P(B) + P(A|B^c) \cdot (1 - P(B))}$

Th^m. Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) be a probability space & B_1, \dots, B_n be a partition of Ω , then $P(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A|B_i) \cdot P(B_i)$.

Th^m. (Baye's Theorem) Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) be a probability space & $B_1, \dots, B_n \in \mathcal{A}$ a partition of Ω , then

$$P(B_k|A) = \frac{P(A|B_k) \cdot P(B_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(A|B_i) \cdot P(B_i)}$$

$P(B_i)$ are called prior-probabilities known before A .

$P(A|B_i)$ are called likelihoods - probabilities of A given different B_i .

$P(B_i|A)$ are called posterior-probabilities after knowing about A .

Def^m. Let (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) be a probability space & $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$. A & B are called independent if $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ and dependent otherwise.

Th^m. General multiplication rule: $P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n) = P(A_1) \cdot P(A_2|A_1) \cdot \dots \cdot P(A_n|A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_{n-1})$.

Def^m. Events are pairwise independent if $P(A_j \cap A_k) = P(A_j) \cdot P(A_k) \quad \forall j, k \in \{1, \dots, n\}, j \neq k$

Bernoulli Trials:

- i) 2 possible outcomes: Success or Failure.
- ii) Probability $p \in [0, 1]$ for success is the same for each experiment.

$q = 1 - p$ - probability for failure.

$\Omega = \{0, 1\}^n$ or $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$

$S_k = \text{"}k \text{ successes in } n \text{ trials"} = \{\omega : \sum_{i=1}^n \omega(i) = k\}$ where $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$

$P(\{\omega\}) = p^k q^{n-k} \quad \forall \omega \in S_k$ hence $P(S_k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k}$

Def^m. The probability measure on the measure space $(\{0, \dots, n\}, \mathcal{P}(\{0, \dots, n\}))$ with weights $p_k = \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k}$ for $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ is called the binomial distribution with parameters n & p , denoted $\text{Bin}(n, p)$.

Def^m. The probability measure on $(\mathbb{N}, \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}))$ with weights $p_k = q^{k-1} p$ with $k \in \{1, \dots\}$ is called the geometric distribution with parameter p , denoted $\text{Geom}(p)$.

Def^m. The probability measure on $(\{r, r+1, \dots\}, \mathcal{P}(\{r, r+1, \dots\}))$ with weights $p_k = \binom{k-1}{r-1} p^r q^{k-r}$ with $k \in \{r, r+1, \dots\}$ is called the negative binomial distribution with parameters p & r .

Th^m. Let $\lambda > 0$ $\mathcal{E} (p_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ where $p_n \in [0, 1] \quad \forall n$ with $np_n \rightarrow \lambda$, then $\forall k \in \{0, 1, \dots\}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(H_k(n, p_n)) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$, where $H_k(n, p) = \text{Bin}(n, p)$ with k successes.

Def^m. Let $\mu > 0$. The probability measure on $(\mathbb{N}_0, \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}_0))$ with weights $p_k = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\mu^k}{k!}$ is called the Poisson distribution with parameter μ , denoted $\text{Po}(\mu)$.

Th^m. Using $\text{Bin}(\infty, p)$ $\mathcal{E} S_n(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i = \text{"}N^{\text{th}} \text{ successes"} \quad \forall \epsilon > 0 \quad P(|\frac{1}{n} S_n - p| < \epsilon) \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.