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Recitation 6

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Overview for Today

- Logistics
- Probability Review
- Question 1 (4 minutes)
- Question 2 (5 minutes)
- Question 3 (3 minutes)
- Question 4 (5 minutes)
- Question 5 (4 minutes)
- Question 6 (4 minutes)

Logistics

- HW4 is due 11:59 PM on Monday, October 28
- Midterm I grades will be released next week

Addition Rule

Events A and B are **mutually exclusive** if

$$A \cap B = \emptyset$$

For mutually exclusive events:

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

Addition Rule Example

Consider drawing a single card from a standard deck of cards. What's the probability of drawing a heart or a spade?

- Event A - Drawing a heart
- Event B - Drawing a spade

$$P(A) = \frac{\text{Number of hearts}}{\text{Total number of cards}} = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(B) = \frac{\text{Number of spades}}{\text{Total number of cards}} = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Since they are mutually exclusive,

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Complement Rule

The complement of an event A , (A' , \bar{A}) consists of **all** outcomes **not** in A

$$P(\bar{A}) = 1 - P(A)$$

Complement Rule Example

What is the probability of getting at least one head in 3 coin flips?

You could calculate it as:

$$P(\text{one head}) = \binom{3}{1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 3 \times \frac{1}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(\text{two heads}) = \binom{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 = 3 \times \frac{1}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(\text{three heads}) = \binom{3}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^0 = 1 \times \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$P(\text{at least one head}) = P(\text{one head}) + P(\text{two heads}) + P(\text{three heads}) = \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

(But what if there are 100 coin flips?)

$$P(\text{at least one head}) = 1 - P(\text{all tails})$$

$$1 - P(\text{all tails}) = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3$$

Experiment, Sample Space, Events, and Probability

Experiment: A procedure that yields one out of several possible outcomes. It's an action or process where the outcome is uncertain

Sample Space (S): the set of all possible outcomes of an **experiment**

Event: a subset of the sample space. An event occurs if the outcome of the experiment is an element of the event set.

$P[E_i]$ (*probability that event E_i occurs*) = $|E_i| / |S|$
(Positive outcomes) / (Total outcomes)

Example

Imagine a game where players spin a color wheel divided into seven equal sections, colored: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet.

Identify the experiment, the sample space, and some events.

Example Solutions

Experiment: Spinning the color wheel once and observing which color the pointer lands on.

Sample Space (S): The sample space consists of all possible outcomes when spinning the wheel. In this case: $S = \{\text{red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet}\}$

Events: We can define various events based on this sample space. Here are a few examples: a) Event A: The pointer lands on a primary color. $A = \{\text{red, yellow, blue}\}$ b) Event B: The pointer lands on a color starting with the letter 'v'. $B = \{\text{violet}\}$ c) Event C: The pointer lands on a warm color. $C = \{\text{red, orange, yellow}\}$

Example

Imagine a game where players spin a color wheel divided into seven equal sections, colored: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet.

- i) What is the probability of Event A (landing on a primary color?)
- ii) If we spin the wheel twice, what is the probability of getting orange on the first spin, and green on the second?
- iii) What is the probability that the pointer does not land on indigo?

Example Solutions

- i) Probability of landing on a primary color is $3/7$
- ii) the probability of landing on orange and then green is $(1/7) \times (1/7) = (1/49)$
- iii) The probability of landing not on indigo is $(6/7)$. We can also say it's $1 - P(\text{indigo})$, or $1 - (1/7)$

Inclusion - Exclusion Principle

Two events:

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

Three events:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B \cup C) &= P(A) + P(B) + P(C) \\ &\quad - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) \\ &\quad + P(A \cap B \cap C) \end{aligned}$$

Conditional Probability

The conditional probability is the probability that event A will occur given that event B has occurred.

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

Conditional Probability Examples

What is the probability of the card drawn is a queen given it is a spade?

- Event A - Drawing a queen
- Event B - Drawing a spade
- $P(A \cap B)$ is the probability of drawing the queen of spades
- $P(B)$ is the probability of drawing a spade

$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{\frac{1}{52}}{\frac{13}{52}} = \frac{1}{13}$$

Independence

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

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

Question 1

Exercise 1

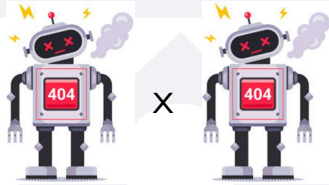
A box contains 100 items of which 4 are defective. Two items are chosen at random from the box. What is the probability of selecting:

- A. 2 defectives if the first item is not replaced?
- B. 2 defectives if the first item is put back before choosing the second item;
- C. 1 defective item and 1 non-defective item (in no particular order) if the first item is not replaced?

Consider both orders

Answer I (cont.)

A:



4 in 100

3 in 99

Answer I (cont.)

A. 2 defectives if the first item is not replaced?

Solution: $\frac{\binom{4}{2}}{\binom{100}{2}}$

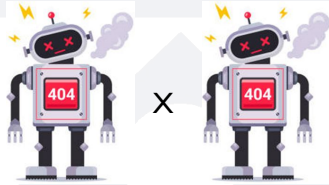
The total number of ways to choose 2 items out of 100 items is $\binom{100}{2}$. Out of those, there are $\binom{4}{2}$ ways to select 2 defective items out of the 4 defective items that exist.

Alternate approach: $\frac{4}{100} * \frac{3}{99}$

There is a 4 in 100 chance that the first item is defective, and then, since it is not replaced, we have 99 items left of which 3 are defective, so there is a 3 in 99 chance that the next item is defective.

Answer I (cont.)

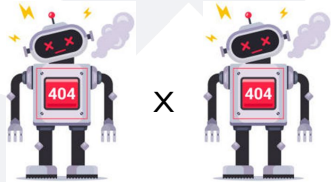
A:



4 in 100

3 in 99

B:



4 in 100

4 in 100



Answer I (cont.)



B. 2 defectives if the first item is put back before choosing the second item;


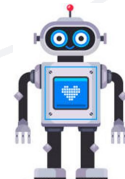
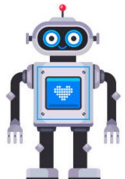

Solution: $\frac{4^2}{100^2}$

There is a 4 in 100 chance that the first item is defective, and then, since it replaced, we once again have 100 items, 4 of which are defective, so there is a 4 in 100 chance that the second item is defective.

Answer I

A:  × 
4 in 100 3 in 99

B:  × 
4 in 100 4 in 100

C:  ×  +  × 
4 in 100 96 in 99 96 in 100 4 in 96

Answer I (cont.)

C. 1 defective item and 1 non-defective item (in no particular order) if the first item is not replaced?

Solution:
$$\frac{\binom{4}{1} * \binom{96}{1}}{\binom{100}{2}}$$

Denominator has $\frac{1}{2}$ by combination formula

The total number of ways to choose 2 items out of 100 items is $\binom{100}{2}$. To choose a defective item and then a non-defective one, we would have to choose 1 out of the 4 defective items, and then 1 out of the 96 non-defective items.

Alternate approach: $2 * \frac{4}{100} * \frac{96}{99}$

There is a 4 in 100 chance that the first item is defective, and then, since it is not replaced, we have 99 items left of which 96 are not defective, so there is a 96 in 99 chance that the next item is defective. We could also have the reverse case where the first item has a 96 in 100 chance of being non-defective, and then the second item has a 4 in 99 chance of being defective, which is why we multiply by 2 overall.

Question 2

We are going to ask a random student about their birthday month.

What is the sample space?

What is the probability that they are

- i) born in a month with 31 days
- ii) born in a month starting with a J?
- iii) born in a month starting with J or with 31 days?

Question 2

What is the sample space? The set of all possible months $S = \{\text{Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec}\}$

i) there are 7 months with 31 days. So $7/12$

ii) there are 3 months that start with J, so $3/12$ or $1/4$

iii) $(7/12) + (3/12) - (2/12)$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

Question 2

Exercise 2

How many 10 bit numbers are there with no 2 consecutive ones? For 10 bit numbers, we allow the most significant bit to be 0.

Hint: Think about each case for the numbers of ones you'll have and how many positions they can be placed in!

0 0 0 0 0 0
_ _ _ _ _ _ _

Answer 2

Exercise 2

How many 10 bit numbers are there with no 2 consecutive ones? For 10 bit numbers, we allow the most significant bit to be 0.

Solution: No 2 consecutive ones can be broken in the following cases:

- (i) No ones at all. 1 way.
- (ii) A single one. 10 ways (just pick one of the 10 digits to be a one).
- (iii) 2 ones. That is 8 zeros in the form 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0. The ones can go into any of the gaps. That means $\binom{9}{2}$.
- (iv) 3 ones. That is 7 zeros in the form 0 0 0 0 0 0 0. The ones can go into any of the gaps. That means $\binom{8}{3}$.
- (v) 4 ones. That is 6 zeros. So 7 gaps which means $\binom{7}{4}$.
- (vi) 5 ones. That is 5 zeros. So 6 gaps which means $\binom{6}{5}$.

If we went any further we would only have 5 gaps in which to fill 6 ones, which wouldn't work. To have 6 or more ones in a 10 digit binary number would require us to have consecutive ones.

Add all cases together since they are mutually exclusive, and we get: $1 + 10 + \binom{9}{2} + \binom{8}{3} + \binom{7}{4} + \binom{6}{5} = 144$ ways.

Question 3

In a die-coin experiment, a standard, fair six-sided die is rolled and then a fair coin is tossed the number of times showing on the die. Let N denote the outcome on the die and H be the event that all coin tosses result in heads.

- a) Find $P(H)$
- b) Find $P(N = 5 \mid H)$

Answer 3

a) $N = [1, 6]$ and the probability for each event is $\frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N$:

$$P(H) = \frac{1}{6} \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 \right) \approx 0.164$$

b)

$$P(N = 5 \mid H) = \frac{P(N = 5 \cap H)}{P(H)} = \frac{\frac{1}{6} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5}{0.164} \approx 0.032$$

Question 3

Exercise 3

Provide a single counterexample to the following statement: If Q and R are relations on S , and both of them are transitive, then $Q \cup R$ is also going to be transitive. To be clear, a single counterexample means one single example with an actual set S and two actual relations Q and R such that this statement does not work out.

Answer 3

Exercise 3

Provide a single counterexample to the following statement: If Q and R are relations on S , and both of them are transitive, then $Q \cup R$ is also going to be transitive. To be clear, a single counterexample means one single example with an actual set S and two actual relations Q and R such that this statement does not work out.

Solution: The easiest way to do this is to come up with vacuously true transitive relations and then show their union messes it up. Take these two transitive relations:

$\{(1, 2)\}$

$\{(2, 3)\}$

They are vacuously true transitive relations: they never violate the transitive requirement, but don't really have a great example of transitivity in them. In other words, they are transitive because we cannot show that they are not transitive.

However, their union is: $\{(1, 2), (2, 3)\}$ which is not transitive because the tuple $(1, 3)$ is missing.

Question 4

Exercise 4

Simplify $(A \cap B) \cap \bar{B} \cap A$ into the simplest possible form. State all the rules being used in the simplification.

Name	Identities	
Idempotent laws	$A \cup A = A$	$A \cap A = A$
Associative laws	$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$	$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$
Commutative laws	$A \cup B = B \cup A$	$A \cap B = B \cap A$
Distributive laws	$A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$	$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$
Identity laws	$A \cup \emptyset = A$	$A \cap U = A$
Domination laws	$A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset$	$A \cup U = U$
Double complement law	$\overline{\overline{A}} = A$	
Complement laws	$A \cap \bar{A} = \emptyset$ $\overline{\overline{U}} = U$	$A \cup \bar{A} = U$ $\overline{\overline{\emptyset}} = \emptyset$
De Morgan's laws	$\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$	$\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$
Absorption laws	$A \cup (A \cap B) = A$	$A \cap (A \cup B) = A$

Answer 4

Exercise 4

Simplify $\overline{(A \cap B)} \cap \overline{B} \cap A$ into the simplest possible form. State all the rules being used in the simplification.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{(A \cap B)} \cap \overline{B} \cap A &= (\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}) \cap \overline{B} \cap A && \text{(De-Morgan's Law)} \\ &= ((\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cup (\overline{B} \cap \overline{B})) \cap A && \text{(Distributive)} \\ &= ((\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cap A) \cup (\overline{B} \cap A) && \text{(Distributive)} \\ &= ((\overline{A} \cap A) \cap (\overline{B} \cap A)) \cup (\overline{B} \cap A) && \text{(Distributive)} \\ &= ((\emptyset) \cap (\overline{B} \cap A)) \cup (\overline{B} \cap A) && \text{(Domination Law)} \\ &= (\emptyset) \cup (\overline{B} \cap A) && \text{(Domination Law)} \\ &= \overline{B} \cap A && \text{(Identity)}\end{aligned}$$

Question 5

Exercise 5

Consider the function: $f(n) = \lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor$ where we have both the domain and co-domain set to be \mathbb{N} .

The floor symbol truncates the decimal part $\lfloor 2.56 \rfloor = 2$. You can consider this to be similar to how floor division works in programming.

- A. Is the function f one-to-one? Why or why not?
- B. Is this same function f onto? Why or why not?

Answer 5

A. Is the function f one-to-one? Why or why not?

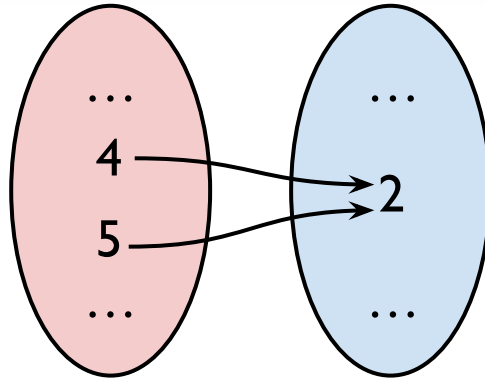
Solution: This function is not one-to-one.

$$f(4) = \lfloor \sqrt{4} \rfloor = \lfloor 2 \rfloor = 2$$

$$\text{But now consider } f(5) = \lfloor \sqrt{5} \rfloor$$

Since $\sqrt{5} < 3$, the floor function will take it down to 2, i.e. $f(5) = \lfloor \sqrt{5} \rfloor = 2$

This means that both $f(4)$ and $f(5)$ will map to 2, which means that this function cannot possibly be one-to-one.



Answer 5 (cont.)

B. Is this same function f onto? Why or why not?

Solution: This function is onto.

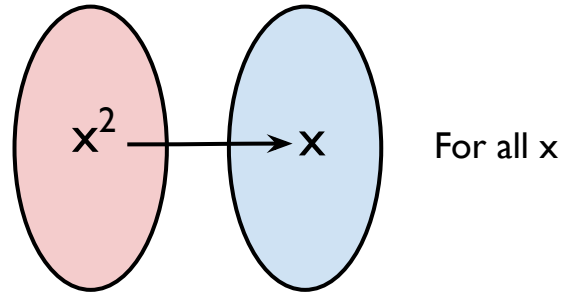
Proving it is onto:

Let's take x to be an arbitrary element.

We want to show that every $x \in \mathbb{N}$ will be mapped onto.

For every x , we can choose an x^2 such that:

$f(x^2) = \lfloor \sqrt{x^2} \rfloor = x$. We just showed that $f(x^2) = x$, which means that for every $x \in \mathbb{N}$, we can choose a number (x^2) that can map onto it. So this function must be onto.



Question 4

A deck of cards contain 52 cards: 26 red and 26 black. If a card is drawn at random and found to be red, what is the probability that it is a heart (given that there are 13 hearts and 13 diamonds, both red)?

Answer 4

Given: total cards = 52, red cards = 26 (13 hearts + 13 diamonds), black cards = 26

To Find: Probability that the card is a heart given that it is red, i.e., $P(\text{Heart}|\text{Red})$.

Solution:

Step 1: Define the events. Let H be the event that the card drawn is a heart. Let R be the event that the card drawn is red.

Step 2: Use the formula for conditional probability.

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

Step 3: Find $P(H \cap R)$. The probability that a card is both a heart and red is simply the probability that it's a heart (since all hearts are red). There are 13 hearts in a deck of 52 cards.

$$P(H \cap R) = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Step 4: Find $P(R)$. The probability that a card is red (either a heart or a diamond) is:

$$P(R) = \frac{26}{52} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Step 5: Plug in the values into the conditional probability formula.

$$P(H|R) = \frac{P(H \cap R)}{P(R)} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{4} \times 2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Conclusion: Given that a card drawn is red, the probability that it is a heart is $\frac{1}{2}$ or 50%.

Question 5

You roll two fair 6-sided dice (Die 1 and Die 2), and you flip a fair coin.

Define the following events:

- A : The sum of the two dice is 7.
- B : The outcome of the coin flip is heads.
- C : Both dice show the same number (a double).

Determine whether the events A and B are independent, and whether the events A and C are independent.

Answer 5

Probability of Event A (Sum of dice is 7):

Events = $\{(1, 6), (2, 5), (3, 4), (4, 3), (5, 2), (6, 1)\}$

$$P(A) = 6 / 36 = 1 / 6 .$$

Probability of Event B (Coin flip is heads):

$$P(B) = 1/2 .$$

Probability of Event C (Both dice show the same number):

$$P(C) = 6/36 = 1/6$$

Answer 5


For the dice rolls, there are $6 \times 6 = 36$ possible outcomes (since each die has 6 faces).

The possible outcomes of the coin flip are heads (H) and tails (T). Thus, there are $36 \times 2 = 72$ total outcomes when combining the dice rolls and the coin flip.

EX. $\{(1, 1), H\}$ means first and second roll is 1 and the coin is head. These are the 6 outcomes where the sum of the dice is exactly 7. (previous slides).

Therefore, the probability $P(A \cap B)$ is:

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{6}{72} = \frac{1}{12}$$


$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{12}.$$

Thus, $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$, meaning that A and B are independent.

Compute $P(A \cap C)$: For both dice to show the same number and the sum to be 7, there is no possible outcome. Therefore,

$$P(A \cap C) = 0.$$

Compare $P(A \cap C)$ with $P(A) \cdot P(C)$:

$$P(A) \cdot P(C) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}.$$

Clearly, $P(A \cap C) = 0 \neq \frac{1}{36} = P(A) \cdot P(C)$.

Thus, A and C are not independent.

Question 6

One of ten keys you have opens a door. If you try the keys one after another, what is the probability that that the door is opened

- i) on the first attempt?
- ii) on the second attempt?
- iii) on the 10th attempt?

Question 6

i) on the first attempt?

$$P(\text{1st attempt}) = (1 \text{ way to open}) / (10 \text{ keys})$$

ii) on the second attempt?

$$P(\text{2nd attempt})$$

We know the first attempt failed, $(9/10) * (1/9)$

iii) on the 10th attempt?

Same logic

$$(9/10)(8/9)(7/8)(6/7)(5/6)(4/5)(3/4)(2/3)(1/2) = 1/10$$



See you next week!
