

CS 222 Lec 20

Probability cont.

Sum Rule (general version)

$$\Pr(E_1 \text{ or } E_2)$$

$$= \Pr(E_1) + \Pr(E_2) - \Pr(E_1 \text{ and } E_2)$$

e.g.

Given a standard shuffled deck of cards, what is the chance of the top 3 cards being either 3 face cards or 3 cards from the same suit?

Let E_1 : 3 face cards on top

E_2 : top 3 card from same suit

$$Pr(E_1) = \frac{\binom{16}{3}}{\binom{52}{3}}$$

$$Pr(E_2) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \cdot \binom{13}{3}}{\binom{52}{3}}$$

$$Pr(E_1 \cap E_2) = \frac{\binom{4}{1} \cdot \binom{4}{3}}{\binom{52}{3}}$$

choose suit (pointing to the first $\binom{4}{1}$)

choose 3 face cards (pointing to the second $\binom{4}{3}$)

$$Pr(E_1 \text{ or } E_2) = \frac{\binom{16}{3} + \binom{4}{1} \cdot \binom{13}{3} - \binom{4}{1} \cdot \binom{4}{3}}{\binom{52}{3}}$$

$$\approx .0615$$

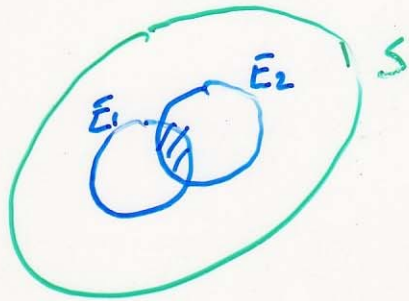
Product Rule

E_1, E_2 : independent

$$\Rightarrow \Pr(E_1 \wedge E_2) = \Pr(E_1) \cdot \Pr(E_2)$$

E_1, E_2 : could be dependent:

$$\Pr(E_1 \wedge E_2) = \Pr(E_1) \cdot \Pr(E_2 | E_1)$$



↑
the conditional
prob. of E_2 occurring
given that E_1
occurs.

$$= \Pr(E_2) \cdot \Pr(E_1 | E_2)$$

$$\Pr(E_1 | E_2) = \frac{\Pr(E_1 \wedge E_2)}{\Pr(E_2)}$$

$E_1 = 1^{\text{st}}$ marble is red

$E_2 = 2^{\text{nd}}$ marble is red

(original bag contains: 3 red
5 white)
8 green)

$$Pr(E_1 \wedge E_2) = Pr(E_1) \cdot Pr(E_2|E_1)$$

$$= \frac{3}{16} \cdot \frac{2}{15} = \frac{6}{240}$$

$$= \frac{1}{40}$$

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Bernoulli Trials

- flip a biased coin
n times, what is
of heads?

- let p = probability
of getting
a 'head'

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n flips

$\Pr(\text{exactly } k \text{ heads}) =$

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

↖ Bernoulli
distribution

Given we roll a fair die
10 times, what's the chance
we get exactly five 6's?

$$\binom{10}{5} \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^5 \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^5 \approx 0.013$$

Expected Value of a Random Variable

Random Variable

$S = \text{numerical values}$

$X = \#$ of games needed
to win series

What is average value of x ?

$$E(x) = \sum_{x \in S} x \cdot \text{Pr}(x)$$

\uparrow
expected value of x

e.g. $x = \text{value of die roll.}$

$$\begin{aligned} E(x) &= 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + \dots + 6 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6) = \boxed{3.5} \end{aligned}$$

Game Cost \$2 to play:

- roll 2 dice
- win \$5 for every '6' that appears

let $X = \#$ of 6's that
occur

$$X \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= 0 \cdot Pr(0) + 1 \cdot Pr(1) + 2 \cdot Pr(2) \\ &= 1 \cdot \left(\frac{10}{36}\right) + 2 \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{12}{36} \end{aligned}$$

$$E(\text{pay}) = \$5 \cdot \frac{12}{36} = \$\frac{60}{36} = \$1.67$$

Baseball Series (best of 5) Series

teams R + G

$$\Pr(R \text{ wins}) = p$$

$X = \#$ length of series

$$E(X) = ?$$

$$X = \{3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\underline{\Pr(X=3)}$$

possible outcomes

$$\begin{array}{ll} R R R & p^3 \\ G G G & (1-p)^3 \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\Pr(X=4)}$$

possible outcomes

$$\begin{array}{ll} _ _ _ R & \binom{3}{2} p^3 (1-p) \\ _ _ _ G & \binom{3}{2} (1-p)^3 p \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\Pr(X=5)}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} _ _ _ _ R & \binom{4}{2} p^3 (1-p)^2 \\ _ _ _ _ G & \binom{4}{2} (1-p)^3 p^2 \end{array}$$

$$E(X) = 3 \cdot \Pr(3) + 4 \cdot \Pr(4) + 5 \cdot \Pr(5)$$