

4.1 Experiments and Counting Rules

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* Experiment is a process that generates well-defined outcomes.
- Sample Space for an experiment is the set of all experimental outcomes (S)

Example: What is the sample space for the following experiments

(a) Toss a coin $S = \{\text{Head, Tail}\} = \{H, T\}$

(b) Roll a die $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

(c) Play a game $S = \{\text{win, lose, tie}\}$

* Experimental outcomes are also called sample points

Counting Rules

(1) Multiple-step experiment

(2) Combinations (3) Permutations

(1) Multiple step experiment:

If an experiment has K steps with
 n_1 possible outcomes for step 1,
 n_2 = = = step 2,
 $\vdots$
 n_K = = = step K

then the total number of experimental outcomes is $n_1 n_2 \dots n_K$

Example: Consider the experiment of tossing two coins.

How many experimental outcomes are possible for this experiment

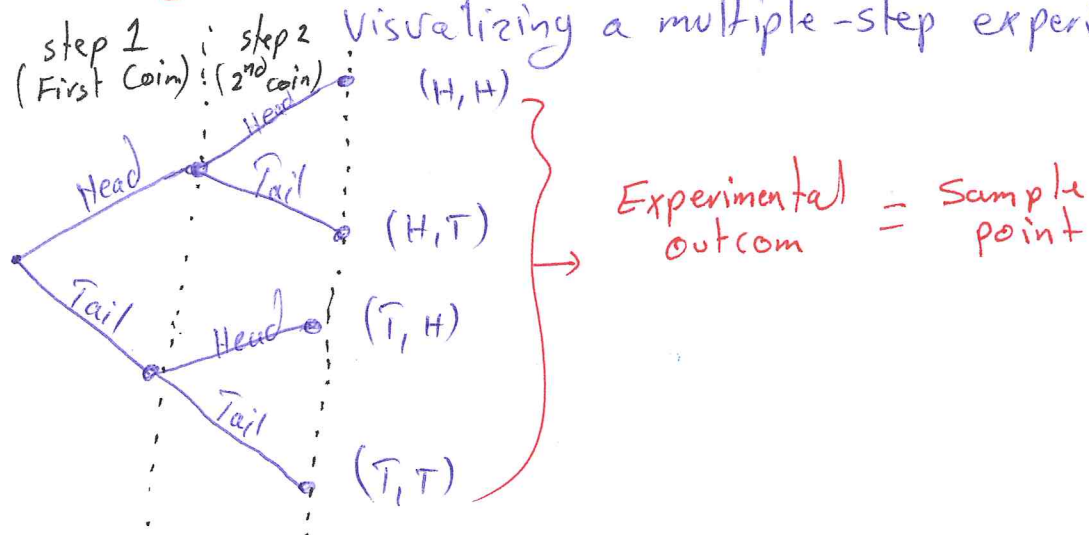
Tossing one coin ($n_1 = 2$) and tossing the other coin ($n_2 = 2$)

The number of experimental outcomes $= (n_1)(n_2) = (2)(2) = 4$.

$S = \{(H, H), (H, T), (T, H), (T, T)\}$

If we toss 5 coins, then the number of experimental outcomes is $(2)(2)(2)(2)(2) = 32$.

* **Tree diagram:** A graphical representation that helps in visualizing a multiple-step experiment.



[2] Combinations (when the experiment involves selecting n objects from a set of N objects, $N \geq n$)
 (The order is not important)

$${}_N C_n = \binom{N}{n} = \frac{N!}{n! (N-n)!}$$

where

We use combination to find the number of different samples of size n that can be selected.

$$N! = N(N-1)(N-2) \dots (2)(1)$$

$$n! = n(n-1)(n-2) \dots (2)(1)$$

$$0! = 1$$

$$4! = 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 24 \quad * \text{ see an example on the back?}$$

$$5! = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 120$$

Example (Q2 page 150) : How many ways can three items be selected from a group of six items?
 Use the letters A, B, C, D, E, F to identify them, and list each of the different combinations of the three items.

$${}_6 C_3 = \frac{6!}{3! (6-3)!} = \frac{6!}{3! 3!}$$

$$= \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{3 \times 2 \times 1 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1} = 20$$

ABC	ACD	ADF	BCF	CDE
ABD	ACE	AEF	BDE	CDF
ABE	ACF	BCD	BDF	CEF
ABF	ADE	BCE	BEF	DEF

Example: How many ways 3 digit numbers can be formed from the digits 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 which are even without repeating the digits

$$(2)(5)(4) = 40$$

Example: A hotel surveyed 100 guests with the following data:

	satisfied	unsatisfied
Female	42	2
Male	40	16

If two guests are randomly selected, what is the prob. that both are unsatisfied?

$$\frac{18}{100} \times \frac{17}{99} = 0.03$$

or

$$\frac{\binom{18}{2}}{\binom{100}{2}} = 0.03$$

Example In how many ways can the letters of the word (Formula) be rearranged.

$${}^7P_7 = \frac{7!}{(7-7)!} = \frac{7!}{0!} = 7! = 5040$$

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[3] Permutations: (when the experiment involves selecting n objects from a set of N objects $N \geq n$, where the order of selection is important.)

$$P_n^N = \frac{N!}{(N-n)!}$$

Example (Q3 page 150) How many permutations of three items can be selected from a group of six?

$$P_3^6 = \frac{6!}{3!} = \frac{6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 120$$

ABC, ACB, BAC, BCA, CAB, CBA are different outcomes here
~~see the back for one more example:-~~

Assigning Probabilities

Basic requirements for assigning probabilities:

① Each experimental outcome E_i must have
 $0 \leq P(E_i) \leq 1$

② Considering all experimental outcomes, we must have
 $P(E_1) + P(E_2) + \dots + P(E_n) = 1$

• Three methods for assigning probabilities:

1) Classical method: when all the experimental outcomes are equally likely. $\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$

Example ① Toss a fair coin $\Rightarrow S = \{H, T\}$ $n=2$
 $P(H) = P(T) = \frac{1}{2}$ "equally likely" $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

② Roll a die $\Rightarrow S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ $n=6$
 $P(1) = P(2) = P(3) = P(4) = P(5) = P(6) = \frac{1}{6}$ $\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)$

[2] Relative frequency method (when data are available to estimate the proportion of the time the experimental outcome will occur if the experiment is repeated a large number of items. (98)

Example: $\frac{\text{Number of patients waiting}}{\text{Number of days}}$ ^{outcome}

4.3 + 4.2 Events and their Probability

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Event: is a collection of sample points.

Probability of an event: is the sum of the probabilities of the sample points in the event.

Example (Q14 page 154) An experiment has four equally likely outcomes E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4 .

(a) What is the prob. that E_2 occurs? $\frac{1}{4}$

(b) = = = = any two of the outcomes occur? i.e. (E_1 or E_3)

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(c) = = = = Three = = = ? (E_1 or E_2 or E_3)

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

Example (Q21 page 156)

Assume a person is randomly chosen.

(a) what is the prob. the person is 20-24 years old?

$$\frac{19}{281.6} = 0.067$$

Age	Number (million of people)
≤ 19	80.5
20-24	19.0
25-34	39.9
35-44	45.2
45-54	37.7
55-64	24.3
≥ 65	35.0

281.6 million

(b) what is the prob. the person is 20-34 years old?

$$\frac{19 + 39.9}{281.6} = \frac{58.9}{281.6} = 0.21$$

(c) what is the prob. the person is 45 years or older?

$$\frac{37.7 + 24.3 + 35}{281.6} = \frac{97}{281.6} = 0.34$$

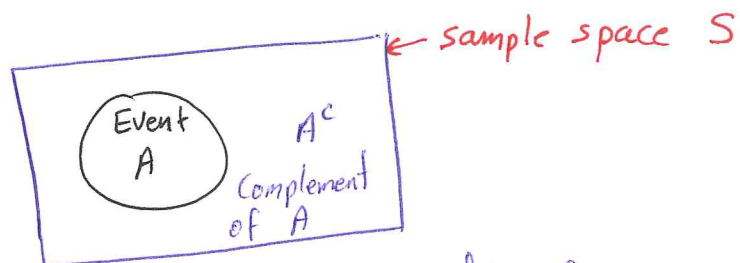
4.3 Some Basic Relationships of Probability

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Given an event A . The complement of A , denoted by A^c , consists of all sample points that are not in A .

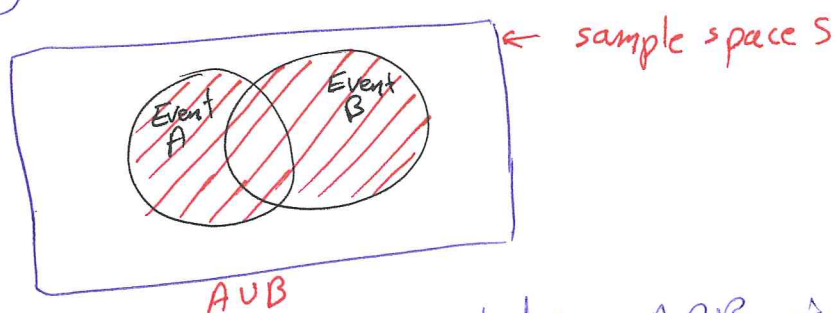
$$P(S) = 1$$

$$P(A) + P(A^c) = 1$$

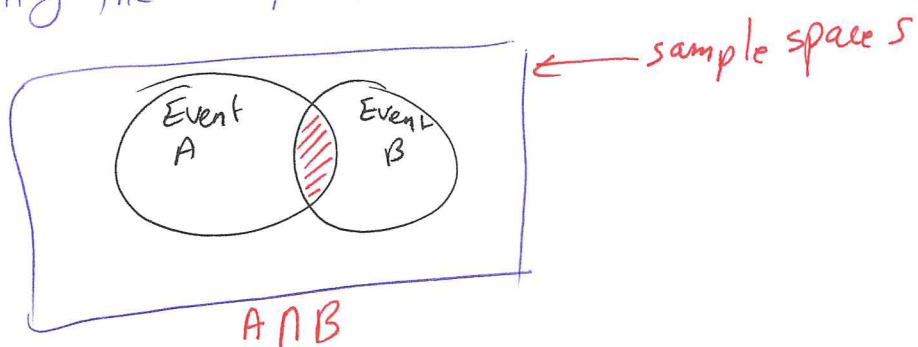


The figure above is called Venn diagram.

- Given the events A and B .
 - The union of A and B is the event containing all sample points belonging to A or B or Both. Denoted by $A \cup B$.



- The intersection of A and B , denoted by $A \cap B$, is the event containing the sample points belonging to both A and B .



- Addition law:

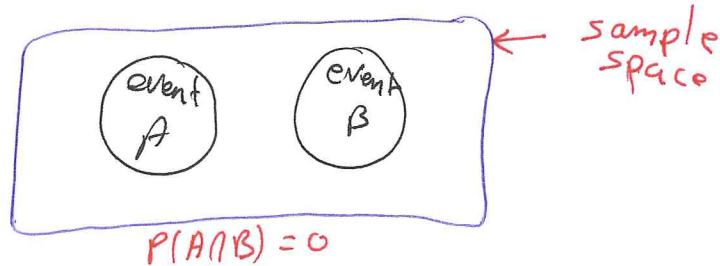
$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

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* Two events A and B are said to be **mutually exclusive** if the events A and B have no sample points in common ($P(A \cap B) = 0$).

* Addition law for **mutually exclusive** events:

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



Example: (Q 23 page 161) Suppose we have a sample space

$S = \{E_1, E_2, E_3, E_4, E_5, E_6, E_7\}$ where E_i are the sample points.

Given $P(E_1) = P(E_7) = 0.05$, $P(E_2) = P(E_3) = 0.20$

$P(E_4) = 0.25$, $P(E_5) = 0.15$, $P(E_6) = 0.10$.

Let $A = \{E_1, E_4, E_6\}$, $B = \{E_2, E_4, E_7\}$, $C = \{E_2, E_3, E_5, E_7\}$.

[a] Find $P(A)$, $P(B)$, $P(C)$

$$P(A) = P(E_1) + P(E_4) + P(E_6) = 0.05 + 0.25 + 0.1 = 0.4$$

$$P(B) = P(E_2) + P(E_4) + P(E_7) = 0.2 + 0.25 + 0.05 = 0.5$$

$$P(C) = P(E_2) + P(E_3) + P(E_5) + P(E_7) = 0.20 + 0.20 + 0.15 + 0.05 = 0.60$$

[b] Find $A \cup B$ and $P(A \cup B)$

$$A \cup B = \{E_1, E_2, E_4, E_6, E_7\}$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) + P(E_4) + P(E_6) + P(E_7) = 0.05 + 0.20 + 0.25 + 0.10 + 0.05 = 0.65$$

[c] Find $A \cap B$ and $P(A \cap B)$

$$A \cap B = \{E_4\}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = P(E_4) = 0.25$$

[d] Are the events A and C mutually exclusive?

Yes, they are mutually exclusive because $P(A \cap C) = 0$

[e] Find B^c and $P(B^c)$

$$B^c = \{E_1, E_3, E_5, E_6\} \Rightarrow P(B^c) = 1 - P(B) = 1 - 0.5 = 0.5$$

4.4 Conditional Probabilities

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Let A and B be two events:

- The conditional probability of A given B is

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

- The conditional probability of B given A is

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

- The events A and B are independent if

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

Otherwise, they are dependent.

- If A and B are independent, then

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

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

- The events A and B are mutually exclusive

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if $P(A \cap B) = 0$

Example: Suppose that we have two events A and B, ⁽⁵³⁾
with $P(A) = 0.2$, $P(B) = 0.4$, $P(A \cap B) = 0.08$

(a) Find $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.08}{0.4} = 0.2$

(b) Find $P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{0.08}{0.2} = 0.4$

(c) Are A and B independent? why or why not?

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

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

Example (Q32 page 168) Sample data representative of the national health insurance coverage are shown here:

		Health Insurance		Total
		Yes	No	
Age	18-34	750	170	920
	35 and older	950	130	1080
Total		1700	300	2000

(a) Develop a joint probability table for these data

joint probabilities

		Health insurance		Total
		Yes	No	
Age	18-34	$\frac{750}{2000} = 0.375$	0.085	0.46
	35 and older	0.475	0.065	0.54
Total		0.850	0.150	1.00

Marginal probabilities

b) what do the marginal probabilities tell you about the age of the US population?

46 % of the population are within age 18-34
54 % of the population are 35 and older.

c) what is the probability that a randomly selected individual does not have health insurance?

0.15

d) If the individual is between the ages 18-34, what is the probability that the individual does not have health insurance?

$$P(\text{No} | 18-34) = \frac{0.085}{0.46} = 0.1848$$

e) If the individual age is 35 or older, what is the probability that the individual does not have health insurance.

$$P(\text{No} | 35 \text{ or older}) = \frac{0.065}{0.54} = 0.1204$$

f) If the individual does not have health insurance, what is the prob. that the individual is in 18-34 age?

$$P(18-34 | \text{No}) = \frac{0.085}{0.150} = 0.567$$

g) what does the prob. information tell you about the health insurance in United state?

From d and e, we see higher probability of No for 18-34