

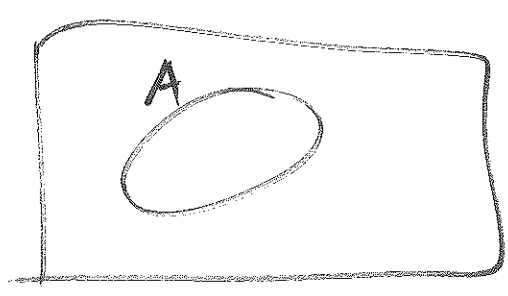
This conditional time: probability

read: JJ ch. 1-3 (A) AM57  
JJ (B) ch. 1-9 26 April

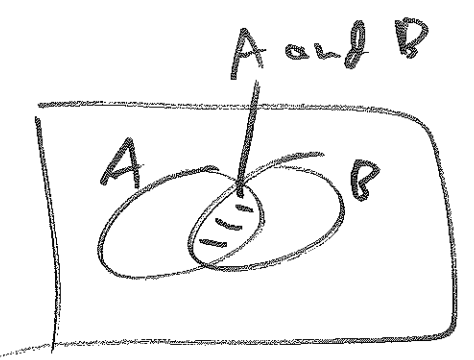
next time: prob. models for sums

today: LN pp. 95-118; ①  
next time: LN pp. 119-126

conditional probability



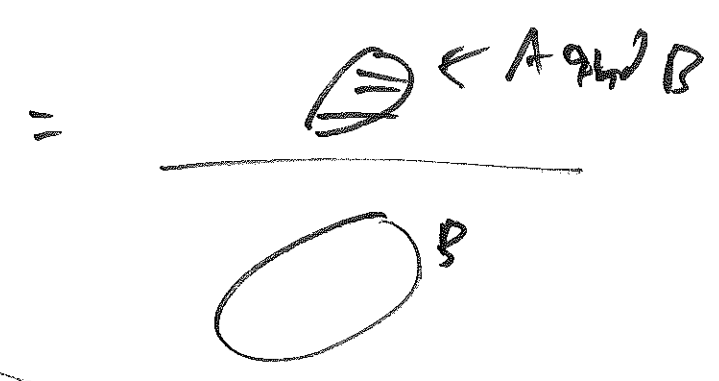
$$P(A) = \frac{\text{Area of } A}{\text{Area of Rectangle}}$$



$$P(A \text{ given } B) = ?$$

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

def: (de Moivre 1705)



$$P(A | B) = \begin{cases} \frac{P(A \text{ and } B)}{P(B)} & \text{if } P(B) > 0 \\ \text{undefined} & = \end{cases}$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \text{ and } B)}{P(B)} \rightarrow$$

(2)

$$P(B) \cdot P(A|B) = P(\underline{\underline{A \text{ and } B}})$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \text{ and } B)}{P(A)} \rightarrow$$

(prob. chain rule)

$$P(A) \cdot P(B|A) = P(\underline{\underline{A \text{ and } B}})$$

$$P(Q_1 = 2 \text{ (and) } Q_2 = 2) \stackrel{\text{SR}_1}{=} \underline{\underline{=}}$$

$$P(Q_1 = 2) \cdot P(Q_2 = 2 | Q_1 = 2)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$P(I_1 = 2 \text{ and } I_2 = 2) \stackrel{\text{IID}}{=} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$P(I_1 = 2) \cdot P(I_2 = 2 | I_1 = 2)$$

$$= 1/2$$

$$= P(I_1 = 2) \cdot P(I_2 = 2)$$

def.  $A, B$  are independent

if & only if information about  $A$  doesn't change chances of  $B$  & vice versa:

$$P(A \text{ and } B) \stackrel{\text{indep}}{=} P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

P(1 or more T-S babies in family of 5, both parents carriers)

Toy ④  
Sachs  
Core  
Study

$$= 1 - P(0 \text{ T-S babies})$$

$$= 1 - P(\text{1st baby not T-S} \text{ and } \text{2nd not T-S} \dots \text{and } \text{5th not T-S})$$

① =  $1 - P(\text{not T-S on 1st}) \cdot P(\text{not T-S on 2nd}) \cdot \dots \cdot P(\text{not T-S on 5th})$

② =  $1 - (1 - \frac{1}{4}) \cdot (1 - \frac{1}{4}) \cdot \dots \cdot (1 - \frac{1}{4})$

$$= 1 - (1 - \frac{1}{4})^5 = 0.76 = 76\%$$

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UCLA marijuana case study

② - 37



Q: Are gender & MLP independent or dependent in this dataset?

A: dependent (G & MLP are associated)

strongly dependent: 76% → 91% M  
7 → 59% F

91% differs from 59% by an amount that large in practical terms (ie, highly significant (practically))

death penalty case study: 8-51

outcome (I): death penalty or not ⑦

treatment (X): white vs. black  
(defendant)

basic  
design

obs. study

bias from  
PCFs  
a

key:

leading  
PCF:

④

ethnicity of  
victim (white  
vs. black)

ethnic  
composition  
of jury

state

how  
defeat  
PCF

held it constant  
in relating X & Z

top  
table

$$P(DP | DW) = \frac{19}{160} = 11.9\% \quad (8)$$

dear  
fidelity

white  
defendant

$$P(DP) = \frac{36}{326} = 11\%$$

$$P(DP | DB) = \frac{17}{166}$$

defendant  
block = 10.2%

middle  
table

$$P(DP | VW) = \frac{30}{214} = 14.0\%$$

virtin  
white

$$P(DP | DW \text{ and } VW) = \frac{19}{151} = 12.6\%$$

$$P(DP | DB, VW) = \frac{11}{63} = 17.5\%$$



bottom  
table

$$P(DP | VB) = \frac{6}{112} = 5.4\% \textcircled{9}$$

↑  
victim  
block

$$P(DP | VB, DW) = \frac{0}{9} = 0\%$$

$$P(DP | VB, DB) = \frac{6}{103} = 5.8\%$$

direction of relationship between

$X$  &  $Y$  changes when  $Z$

is accounted for: Simpson's

(1950)

Paradox

Roulette

(P-52)

Probability models  
for sums & means

$P(\text{win on a single play, single } \#) = \frac{1}{38}$  (10)

$\approx 2.5\%$

split  $= \frac{2}{38}$

$= \frac{1}{19} \approx 5\%$

$$\mu = \frac{37(-\$1) + (+\$35)}{38}$$

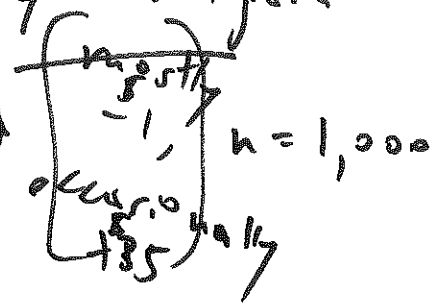
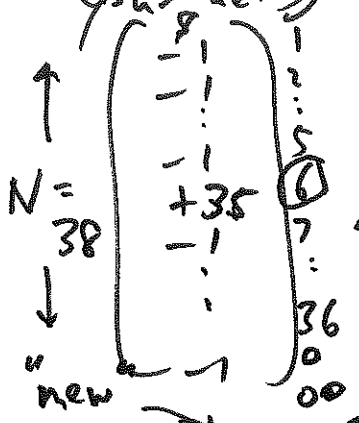
$$= \frac{-\$2}{38} \approx -0.05$$

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36 } 38  
ELM? ✓  
IID ✓

(A) single #: 6

pop possible outcomes on a single spin  
your net gain

sample the observed spins  
your net gain



mean  $\mu = -\$0.05$

SD  $\sigma =$   
"sigma"

on average I expect to ~~lose~~ win  $\mu = -\$0.05$

on each \$1 bet on a single #