

Probability and its notations		Probability and its notations (cont)		Probability and its notations (cont)	
Deterministic processes	outcome can be predicted exactly in advance	Probability events	$P(A \cap B)$	Continuous random variable	range of X is uncountably infinite (that makes a physical measurement)
Random processes	outcome is not known exactly (can desc the probability distribution of possible outcomes)	A and B both occur			
Probability of event A	$0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$	Events A and B are mutually exclusive or disjoint cannot occur at the same time	$P\{A B\} = 0, P\{A \cap B\} = 0$		
Probability of whole sample space	$P(S) = 1, P(A) + P(B) + P(C) = 1$	Probability events	$P(A \cup B)$	Mutually exclusive/disjoint (if both events cannot occur together)	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$
Event A will almost definitely not occur	$P(A) = 0$	A or B occur		Collectively exhaustive (if at least one of the events must occur)	$A \cup B = S$
Only small chance that event A will occur	$P(A) = 0.1$	Conditional probability (event A occurs, given that event B has occurred)	$P(A B)$	Events A and B are independent	$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$
50-50 chance that event A will occur	$P(A) = 0.5$	Independent (event A does not change the probability of event B)	$P\{A B\} = P(A)$	Events A and B are not independent	$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B A)$
Strong chance that event A will occur	$P(A) = 0.9$	Complement (event that not occurring)	$P(A')$	Conditional probability of A given B	$P(A B) = P(A, B) / P(B)$
Event A will almost definitely occur	$P(A) = 1$	Rule of subtraction (event A will occur)	$P(A) = 1 - P(A')$	If A and B are statistically independent	$P(A B) = (P(A) \times P(B)) / P(B) = P(A)$
Probability of successful outcome (S)	$P(S) = r/n$; r: num of successful outcomes, n: total num of equally likely outcomes	Rule of multiplication (probability of the intersection of two events)	$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B A)$	if A and B are statistically dependent	$P(A B) \neq P(A)$
Permutations	Order is taken into account	Rule of addition (either event occurs, not mutually exclusive)	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$	Multiplication rule for conditional probabilities	$P(A \cap B) = P(B A) \times P(A)$
Combinations	Order is not important		$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - (P(A) \times P(B A))$	Bayes Theorem	$P(A B) = (P(B A) \times P(A)) / P(B)$
Permutation with repetition	n^r	Random variable	determined by a chance event, outcome of a random experiment, measurable real-valued		$P(S F) = (P(F S) \times P(S)) / (P(F S) \times P(S)) + (P(F S') \times P(S'))$
Permutation without repetition	$n!/(n-r)!$	Discrete random variable	range of X is finite or countably infinite (values X can take on, not the size of the values)	Prior probability	originally obtained before any additional information is obtained
				Posterior probability	has been revised by using additional information that is later obtained

Combin-
ation with
repetition

$(r+n-1)!/r!(n-1)!$

Combin-
ation
without
repetition

$n!/(n-r)!$

n: number of things to
choose from ; r: them are
chosen



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