

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

Combination with repetition  $(r+n-1)!/r!(n-1)!$

Combination without repetition  $n!/(n-r)!$

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



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