

Probability Definition

Sample Space (S) which is a collection of objects (all possible scenarios or values). Each object is a sample point. Set of all persons in a room \square {1,2,...,6} sides of a dice □ {0,1} for shooter results □ (0,1) real number An event E is a set of sample points • Event $E \subseteq S$

Probability Definition

Probability P defined on events: 0 ≤ P(E) ≤ 1 If E=φ P(E)=0; If E=S P(E)=1 If events A and B are mutually exclusive, P(AUB) = P(A) + P(B)

A^c is the complement of event A: A^c = {w: w not in A} P(A^c)=1-P(A) Union: A∪ B = {w: w in A or B or both} Intersection: A∩ B={w: in A and B} P(A∪ B)=P(A)+P(B)-P(A∩ B) How to prove it based on probability definition?

□ For simplicity, define P(AB)=P(A∩B)

Conditional Probability

Meaning of P(A|B)

Given that event B has happened, what is the probability that event A also happens?

$\Box P(A|B) = P(AB)/P(B)$

Description Physical meaning? (hint: use graph)

Constraint sample space (scale up)

$$P(s|B) = \left\{ egin{array}{cc} P(s)/P(B) & ext{if } s \in B \ 0, & ext{otherwise} \end{array}
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Example of Conditional Probability

- A box with 5000 chips, 1000 from company X, other from Y. 10% from X is defective, 5% from Y is defective.
- A="chip is from X", B="chip is defective"

Questions:

- Sample space?
- □ P(B) = ?
- □ $P(A \cap B) = P(chip made by X and it is defective)$
- □ P(A∩ B) =?
- $\Box P(A|B) = ?$
- P(A|B) ? P(AB)/P(B)

Statistical Independent (S.I.)

If A and B are S.I., then P(AB) = P(A)P(B)
P(A|B) = P(AB)/P(B) = P(A)
Theory of total probability
P(A) =Σⁿ_{j=1} P(A|B_j)P(B_j) where {B_j} is a set of mutually exclusive exhaustive events, and B₁∪ B₂ ∪ ...B_n=S
Let's derive it for n=2:
A = AB ∪ AB^c mutually exclusive
P(A) = P(AB) + P(AB^c) = P(A|B)P(B) + P(A|B^c)P(B^c)

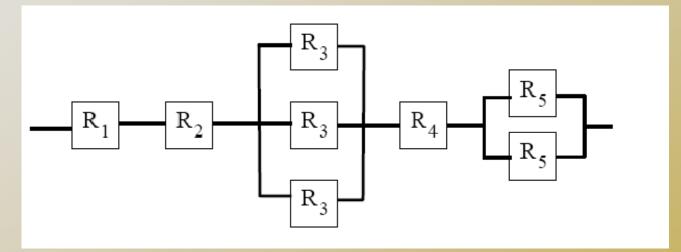
Example of Law of Total Probability

 A man shoots a target. When sunny day, he has 0.8 prob. to hit the target; when raining day, he has 0.4 prob. to hit. The weather has 0.7 prob. to be sunny, and 0.3 prob. to be raining.

P(hit the target today)?

Application of S.I.

R_i: reliability of component i R_i = P(component i works normally)



$$R_{sys} = R_1 \cdot R_2 \cdot [1 - (1 - R_3)^3] \cdot R_4 \cdot [1 - (1 - R_5)^2]$$

Simple Derivation of Bayes' Formula

Bayes: $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$ P(B|A)P(A) $P(B|A)P(A)+P(B|A^c)P(A^c)$ Conditional prob.: P(A|B) = P(AB)/P(B)P(B|A) = P(AB)/P(A)

Bayes' Theorem

Calculate posterior prob. given observation
Events {F₁, F₂, ..., F_n} are mutually exclusive
Uⁿ_{i=1} F_i = S
E is an observable event
P(E|F_i), P(F_i) are known
As E happens, which F_k is mostly likely to have

happened?

$$P(F_k|E) = \frac{P(E|F_k)P(F_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(E|F_i)P(F_i)}$$

• Law of total prob. $P(E) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P(E|F_i) P(F_i)$

Example 1

- A man shoots a target. When sunny day, he has 0.8 prob. to hit the target; when raining day, he has 0.4 prob. to hit. The weather has 0.7 prob. to be sunny, and 0.3 prob. to be raining.
- Q: the man misses the target today, what is prob. that today is sunny? Raining?
 The raining prob. is enlarged given the shooting result



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Example 2

- A blood test is 95% accurate (detects a sick person as sick), but has 1% false positive (detects a healthy person as sick). We know 0.5% population are sick.
- Q: if a person is tested positive, what is the prob. she is really sick?
- □ **Model**: D: Alice is sick, E: Alice is tested positive
- □ Q: P(D|E)?

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- Solution: It is easy to know that P(E|D) = 0.95, P(D)=0.005
 - Thus we use Bayes formula

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P(D|E) = P(E|D)P(D)/P(E)
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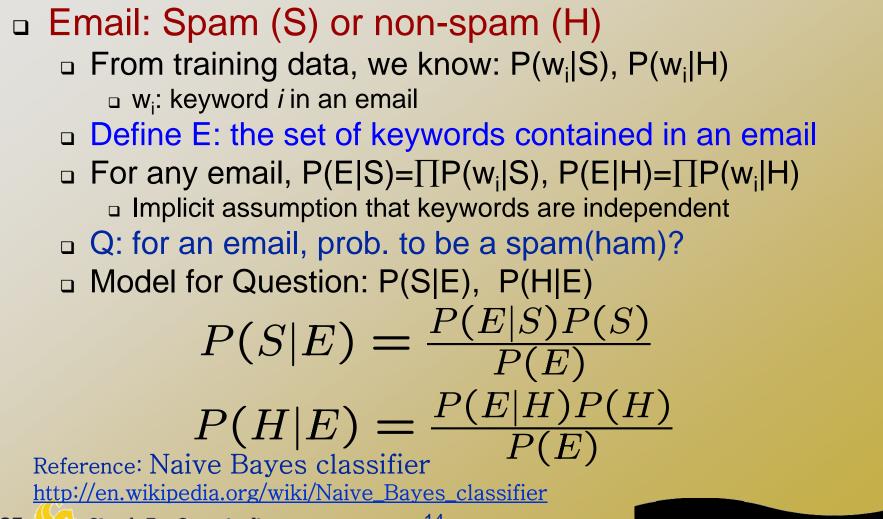
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□ Law of total prob.: P(E)=P(E|D)P(D)+P(E|D^{c})P(D^{c})
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=0.95*0.005+0.01*0.995
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- Thus: P(D|E) = 0.323
- Testing positive only means suspicious, not really sick, although testing has only 1% false positive.
 - Worse performance when P(D) decreases.
 - Example: whether to conduct breast cancel testing in younger
 age?

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Bayes Application ----Naïve Bayes Classification



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Questions?

