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New Topic: Probability

\* Let's Make a Deal

How Low Can You Go?



distinct randomly chosen ints range 1-10

A S C

Contestant Picks Box Value revealed

Contestant choose final door.

Goal: Pick smallest of the 3 numbers.

- 8-B Switch L
- 9-C Switch W
- 2-B Stay L
- 3-B Stay L
- 5-A Switch L
- 5-C Switch W
- 8-B Switch W
- \* 4-B Switch W
- 2-C Stay W
- 8-A Switch W

- 7-B Switch W
- 8-C Switch L
- 7-B Switch L
- \* 6-A Stay W
- 5-C Switch L
- 3-A Stay W
- 7-C Switch W
- 8-B Switch L

What's the prob we'd get no duplicates in 1k times playing if I didn't screen them out.

Intriguedly Stay low, Switch high

Optimal value  $\leq k \Rightarrow$  Stay  
value  $> k \Rightarrow$  Switch

Prob that given we've picked  $k$  Stay, what is the chance of winning

= = = = = = SWITCH, what's chance of winning?

$\downarrow \downarrow$   
 $\boxed{1\ 2\ \dots\ k}\ k\ \boxed{k+1\ \dots\ 10}$

Select 2  $\binom{9}{2}$  ways from these  $\binom{9}{2}$  to do this.

$$P(\text{Win} | \text{STAY}) = \frac{\binom{10-k}{2}}{\binom{9}{2}} = \frac{(10-k)(9-k)}{72}$$

$$P(\text{Win} | \text{SWITCH}) = \frac{1 - P(\text{Win} | \text{STAY})}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(10-k)(9-k)}{144}$$

$$\frac{(10-k)(9-k)}{72} \geq \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(10-k)(9-k)}{144}$$

$$2(10-k)(9-k) \geq 72 - (10-k)(9-k)$$

$$3(10-k)(9-k) \geq 72$$

$$(10-k)(9-k) \geq 24$$

$$90 - 19k + k^2 \geq 24$$

$$k^2 - 19k + 66 \geq 0$$

$$k = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{19^2 - 4(66)}}{2} = \frac{19 \pm \sqrt{97}}{2}$$

$$\frac{19 - \sqrt{97}}{2}$$

$$\approx 4.6$$

$$\boxed{k \leq 4}$$

Most simple type of problem:

Rolling fair six-sided die, win roll 1 or 6

Sample Space = 6 sides (equally likely)  
POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

Successes = 2

$$prob = \frac{\text{SUCCESS}}{\text{SAMPLE SPACE}} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

All probs  $\geq 0$  and probs  $\leq 1$ .

10 blue socks, 6 red, 8 green  
sock at random, what's prob it's green

$$\frac{8}{6+8+10} = \frac{8}{24} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Roll 2 dice sum showing

$[2, 12]$

not  
equally  
likely

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

$$p(2) = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$p(7) = \frac{6}{36}$$

$$p(k) = \frac{6 - |k-7|}{36}$$

2  $\rightarrow$  1  
12  
3  $\rightarrow$  2  
"  
6, 8  $\rightarrow$  5  
7  $\rightarrow$  6

prob rolling  $k$   $2 \leq k \leq 12$   
sum of 2 dice

# Lottery

$1, 2, \dots, 52$   
Choose 6

$7, 22, 23, 40, 47, 51$

Match 3, 4, 5 or 6  $\Rightarrow$  win

What's the probability of matching  $k$  numbers

$$\text{Sample Space} = \binom{52}{6}$$

# ways to correctly match exactly  $k$  #'s

Choose  $k$  from 6 correct  
Choose  $6-k$  from 46 <sup>incorrect</sup> inc. values

$$= \binom{6}{k} \times \binom{46}{6-k}$$

$$\text{prob} = \frac{\binom{6}{k} \binom{46}{6-k}}{\binom{52}{6}}$$

$p(A)$  = prob of event  $A$  occurring

$p(\bar{A}) = 1 - p(A)$ , prob of  $A$  not occurring

$p(A \cap B)$  = prob of  $A$  and  $B$  occurring

$p(A \cup B)$  = prob of  $A$  or  $B$  occurring

2 events mutually exclusive:  $p(A \cap B) = 0$ .

$$\hookrightarrow p(A \cup B) = p(A) + p(B)$$

2 events independent, then  $p(A \cap B) = p(A) \times p(B)$

$P(A|B)$  = "probability of event A occurring given that event B has occurred"

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

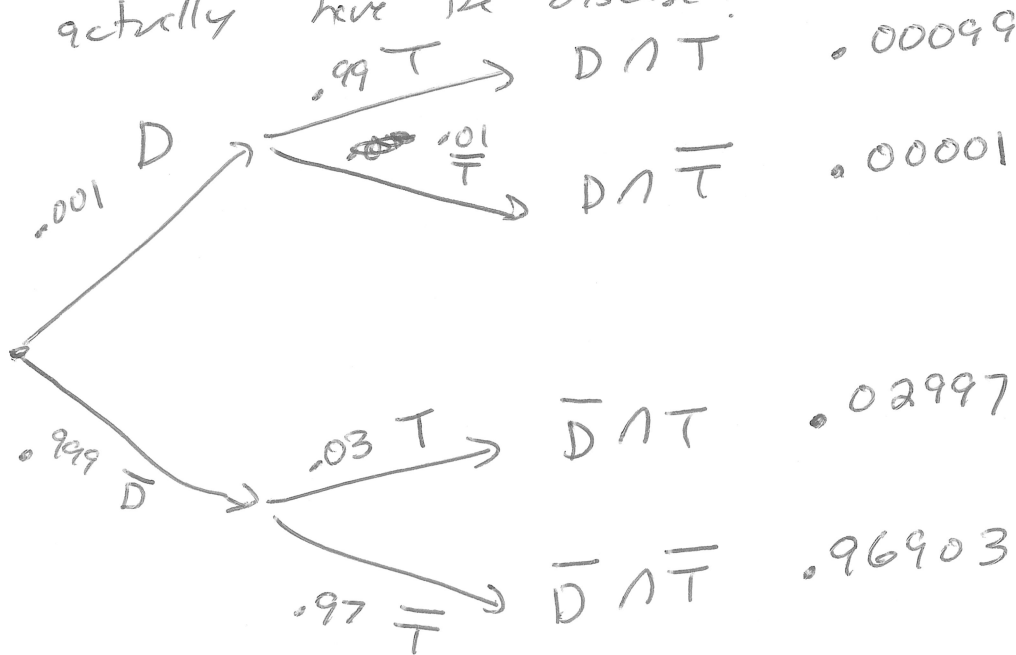
Independent  $\rightarrow P(A|B) = P(A)$ .

Disease 1% of people  $P(D) = .001$

$P(T|D) = .99$

$P(\bar{T}|\bar{D}) = .97$  \* FALSE POSITIVE RATE 3%

$P(D|T)$  = "I tested positive, what is the probability I actually have the disease?"



$$P(D|T) = \frac{P(D \cap T)}{P(T)} = \frac{P(D \cap T)}{P(D \cap T) + P(\bar{D} \cap T)}$$

$$= \frac{.00099}{.00099 + .02997} = \frac{99}{3096} \approx 3.2\%$$

Bayes Law