

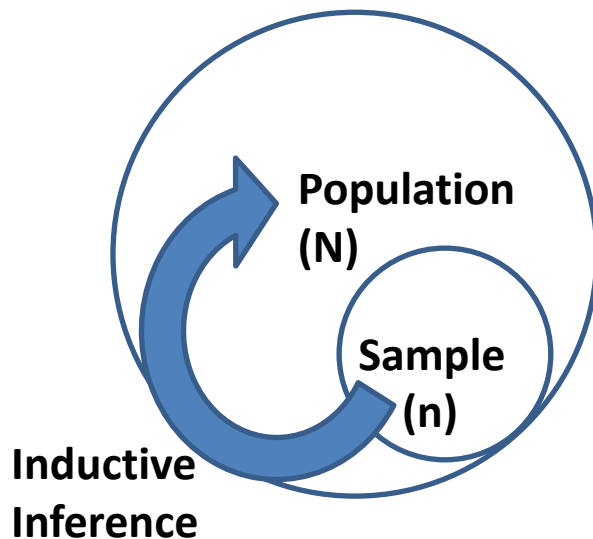
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2.1 – Introduction

- Why is statistics needed for?
Give support and recommendations to decision making process with uncertainty.(is likely to be, is probable that...)
- What do statistics deal with?
Collection and analysis of data
Variability - finding a pattern

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- Main goal: make statements about the population based in the observation of a sample **that have some validity.**



For economic and logistical reasons, to avoid errors of various kinds, only in exceptional cases, the whole population is analysed.

Inductive Inference ↔ **uncertainty**
Accuracy ↔ **measure of uncertainty**

Population: complete set of items in which the investigator is interested.

Sample: subset of population (randomness)

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- **Probability theory** ↔ **uncertainty measurement.**
How much likely or probable is it?
- **Random experiment:**
 - The outcome cannot be predicted with certainty.
 - The collection of every possible outcome can be described and, in some cases, listed.

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- **Examples of random experiments:**
 - a) Flip of a coin and observation of head or tails.
 - b) Toss of a dice and observation of number of spots.
 - c) A coin is flipped successively at random until the first head is observed and the number of flips counted .
 - d) Hourly number of phone calls in a call centre.
 - e) Measure of body fat based on person's weight (kgs) under water.
 - f) Observation of the daily change (Δ) in an index of stock market prices.

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Definition 2. 1. Sample Space. Event.

Element or sample point (s):

Each of the possible outcomes of a random experiment.

Sample Space (S)

Set of all possible outcomes from a random experiment.

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- Sample Spaces can be:

*a*_{1.1} **discrete - countable or (finite)**

examples: a) $S = \{H, T\}$. # $S = 2^1 = 2$ elements.

b) $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. # $S = 6$

*a*_{1.2} **discrete - infinite though countable n° of elements**

examples: c) $S = \{H, TH, TTH, \dots, TT \dots TH\}$

d) $S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$.

b) **continuous - uncountable**

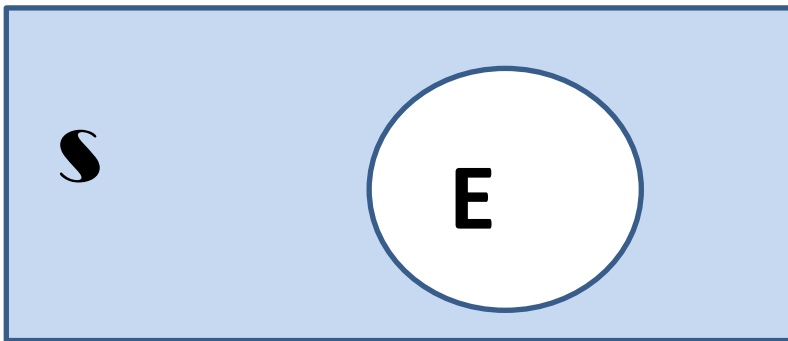
examples: e) $S = \{s: 0 < s < 7\}$.

f) $S = \{\Delta: 0 < \Delta < 1\}$

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Definition 2.2. - EVENT.

Any subset of the sample space \mathbf{S} .



$$E = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_p\} \subset S$$

If $E = \{s\}$ it is an element.

\mathbf{S} is an event too.

An event $E \subset \mathbf{S}$ occurs if the random experiment results is one of its elements

$$s_i \in E \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

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Example: Random Experiment - A coin is flipped twice

Sample space: $\mathbf{S} = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$,
 $\{HH\}, \{HT\}, \{TH\}, \{TT\}$ are elements.

Events ($\mathbf{E} \subset \mathbf{S}$):

$E_1 = \{HT, TH\}$ «occurrence of exactly one head/tail»;

$E_2 = \{HH, HT\}$ «occurrence of a head in first toss»;

$E_3 = \{HT, TH, HH\}$ = «occurrence of at least one head».

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Example

random experiment: cast of two dices and observation of number of spots in first (i), and second (j) dices.

Sample space: $\mathbf{S} = \{(i, j): i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$.

$\mathbf{S} = 6^2 = 36$ elements.

Events:

$$E_1 = \{(4,4), (4,5), (5,4), (5,5)\}$$

«occurrence of just 4 or 5 spots in both dices»;

$$E_2 = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,1), (2,2), (3,1)\}$$

«total number of spots less than 5».

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Example

random experiment: observation of a light bulb life span (hrs)

Sample space: $\mathbf{S} = \{x : x > 0\} \subset \mathbf{R}$

Events:

$$E_1 = \{x : 17000 < x < 43000\};$$

«life span greater than 17000 and lower than 43000 hours »;

$$E_2 = \{x : x \leq 50000\} \text{ «life span less than or equal to 50000 hrs»};$$

$$E_3 = \{x : x > 60000\} \text{ «life span greater than 60000 hrs»}.$$

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- In the study of probability, sets and events are interchangeable.
- Algebra of events = Algebra of sets

Let A, B be events in sample space \mathbf{S}

Event A occurs if and only if B occurs. $A \subset B$.

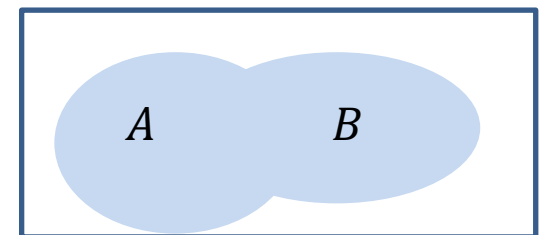
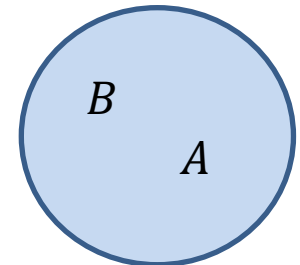
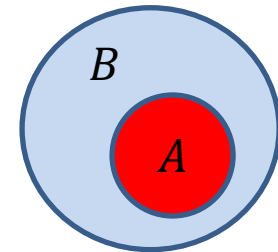
Event $A = \text{Event } B$ if and only if $\forall s \in A \Rightarrow s \in B$:

$$A = B \Rightarrow A \subset B \text{ e } B \subset A$$

Union of events $A \cup B$

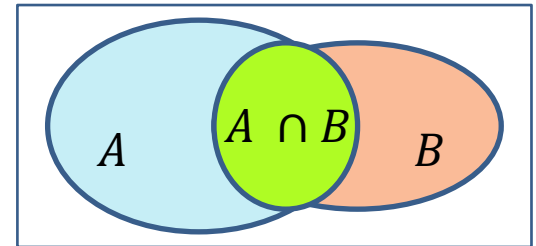
occurs if and only if either A or B or both occur

Null event (\emptyset): event with no elements.

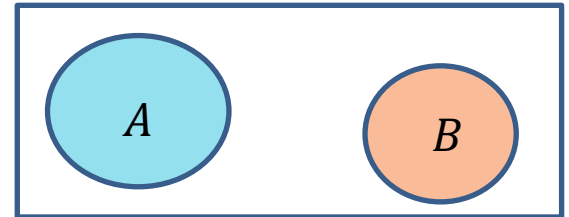


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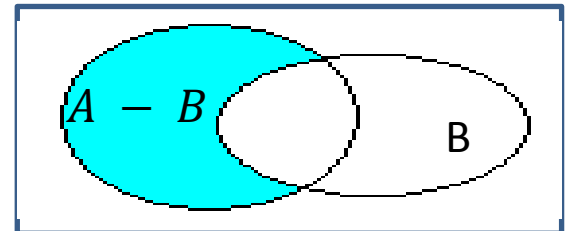
Intersection of events $A \cap B$: is the set of all elements in \mathbf{S} that belong to both A and B



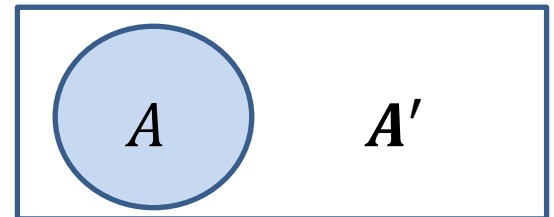
If events A and B have no common elements they are called **Mutually exclusive events**. $A \cap B = \emptyset$



Diference of events $A - B$: is the event that occurs if and only if A occurs but not B.



Complement $A' = \mathbf{S} - A$: the set of elements belonging to \mathbf{S} but not to A. It is obvious that



$$A \cap A' = \emptyset \text{ and } A \cup A' = \mathbf{S}$$

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Some **properties of** operations over events:

1. **Associativity:** $A \cup (B \cup C) = (A \cup B) \cup C$; $A \cap (B \cap C) = (A \cap B) \cap C$

2. **Comutativity:** $A \cup B = B \cup A$; $A \cap B = B \cap A$

3. **Distributivity:** $A \cup (B \cap C) = (A \cup B) \cap (A \cup C)$;
 $A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$

4. **De Morgan Laws:** $\overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \cap \bar{B}$; $\overline{A \cap B} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$

5. *Union of k events $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k = \bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i$*

6. *Intersection of k events $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k \dots = \bigcap_{i=1}^k A_i$*

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- **Measure of probability. Probability Axioms.**
- **Probable, likely, credible, possible, etc.,**
- **Probability measure the uncertainty degree associated to the occurrence of random events .**
- **The measure of the probability** can be formalized through a small number **of postulates.**
- These postulates are due to Bernstein and Kolmogorov decisive contribution. **Kolmogorov Probability postulates .**

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Definition: Measure of probability

Probability of an event is a real valued set function P that assigns to each event A in the sample space \mathbf{S} ($A \subset \mathbf{S}$) a real number $P(A)$, called probability of event A , such that the following postulates are satisfied:

$$P1 - P(A) \geq 0.$$

$$P2 - P(\mathbf{S}) = 1.$$

P3 – If A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k are events satisfying $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, i \neq j$, then $P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots \cup A_k) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots + P(A_k)$ for a finite or an infinite but countable number of events.

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Postulate P3 can be generalized saying that:

- **Theorem 2. 1**– If there is *an infinite but countable number of events*

$$A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, \dots \Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$$

that are mutually exclusive events,

$$A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \quad (i \neq j)$$

$$\text{then } P(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$$

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- **Properties of the measure of probability in a sample space S :**

Theorem 2.3. $P(A') = 1 - P(A)$.

Theorem 2.4. $P(\emptyset) = 0$ (*).

Theorem 2.5. If $A \subset B \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$.

Theorem 2.6. $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$.

Theorem 2.7. $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$.

Theorem 2.8.

$$P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

These properties are easily proved.

(*) Null probability of an event does not mean that it can't occur.

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- **Exercise:** A corporation takes delivery of some new machinery that must be installed and checked before it becomes available. The corporation is sure that it will take no more than 7 days for the installation and check-up to take place.
Let: $A = \{It\ will\ be\ more\ than\ 4\ days\ before\ the\ machinery\ becomes\ available\}$
 $B = \{It\ will\ be\ less\ than\ 6\ days\ before\ the\ machinery\ becomes\ available\}$
 - (a) Describe the event that is the complement of A .
 - (b) Are events A and B mutually exclusive?
- **Exercise:** Draw one card from a deck of cards. The sample space is the set of 52 cards.
Let $A = \{x: x\ is\ a\ jack, queen\ or\ king\}$; $B = \{x: x\ is\ a\ 9\ or\ 10\ and\ red\}$
 $C = \{x: x\ is\ a\ club\}$; $D = \{x: x\ is\ a\ diamond, heart\ or\ spade\}$
Find: (a) $P(A)$, (b) $P(A \cap B)$, (c) $P(A \cup B)$, (d) $P(C \cup D)$, (e) $P(C \cap D)$.
- **Exercise:** If $P(A) = 0.4$; $P(B) = 0.5$; $P(A \cup B) = 0.7$
Find $P(A \cap B)$, $P(A - B)$, $P(A')$, $P(A' \cup B')$, $P(A' \cap B')$

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- **Exercise:** Let x equal a number randomly selected from the closed interval $[0, 1]$. Use your intuition to assign values to:
(a) $P(x: 0 \leq x \leq 1/3)$, (b) $P(x: 1/3 \leq x \leq 1)$, (c) $P(x: x = 1/3)$

(d) $P(x: 1/2 < x < 5)$
- **Exercise:** A point is picked “at random” from a unit square centered in $(0,0)$
(a) Define the sample space. $S = \{(x, y): -1/2 \leq x \leq 1/2, -1/2 \leq y \leq 1/2\}$
(b) For the probability assignment if $A \in S$, we assign $P(A) = \text{área}_A$.
Find $P(A)$:
 $b_1)$ $A = \{(x, y): 0 \leq x \leq 1/2, 0 \leq y \leq 1/2\}$,

 $b_2)$ $A = \{(x, y): (x - 1/2)^2 + (y - 1/2)^2 = 1\}$

 $b_3)$ $A = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{set of all points that are at the most} \\ \text{a unit distance from origin} \end{array} \right\}$

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- Except for the probability of the *null* event (\emptyset) and the *sample space* (S), probability theory doesn't say how to assign probabilities to events.
- It only says how to find probabilities of certain events from the probabilities of other, usually simpler, events.
- The assignment of probabilities to an event depends on the knowledge about the random experiment and the interpretation that is given to the concept of probability.
- 3 main interpretations of the concept of probability : **classical, relative frequency and subjective.**

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Definitions of the concept of probability .

1. **Classical (De Moivre 1718, Laplace beginning of XIX century – gambling problems).**

Probability of an even is the proportion of times that the event occurs assuming that all elements in the sample space are equally likely to occur.

main features:

Sample Space \mathbf{S} is finite, $\mathbf{S} = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N\}$

Principle of symmetry

(all outcomes\elements in the sample space are equally likely to occur).

$$P(s_i) = \frac{1}{N} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

Let event $\mathbf{A} = \{s_3, s_5, \dots, s_k\} (k < N)$

$$P(A) = \frac{N_A}{N} = \frac{\#A}{\#\mathbf{S}} = \frac{\text{number of outcomes satisfying } A}{\text{total number of outcomes in the sample space}}$$

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- **Example: toss of two “fair” coins, $\mathbf{S} = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$.**

Let, $A = \{\text{occurrence of exactly one Head or Tail}\} = \{HT, TH\};$

$B = \{\text{occurrence of one Head in the 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ coin}\} = \{HH, HT\};$

$C = \{\text{occurrence of at least one tail}\} = \{HT, TH, TT\};$

Find $P(A), P(B), P(C)$.

- **Example: A manager has a group of eight employees who could be assigned to a project-monitoring task. Three are women and five are men. Two of the men are brothers.**

Let, $A = \{\text{chosen employee is a man}\};$

$B = \{\text{chosen employee is one of the brothers}\};$

Find $P(A), P(B), P(A \cap B), P(A \cup B)$.

- **Consider the course of the Dow-Jones average over two days.**

Let $\mathbf{S} = \{O_1, O_2, O_3, O_4\}$; O_1 =avg rises on both days; O_2 =avg rises on 1st day but not in 2nd; O_3 =avg rises 2nd day but not in 1st; O_4 =avg doesn't rise on either day. Let, $A = \{\text{market will rise on at least one of the days}\}.$

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- To deal with more complex sample spaces a powerful tool are the Methods of Enumeration : permutations and combinations.
- The classical definition was in rule until the beginning of *XX* century.
- Two main drawbacks of the classical definition :
 - The principle of symmetry is seldom verified ;
 - Many sample spaces are not finite or countable.
- The **relative frequency definition** tried to overcome the criticisms above. It was adopted since early *XX* century and is the dominant definition till now.

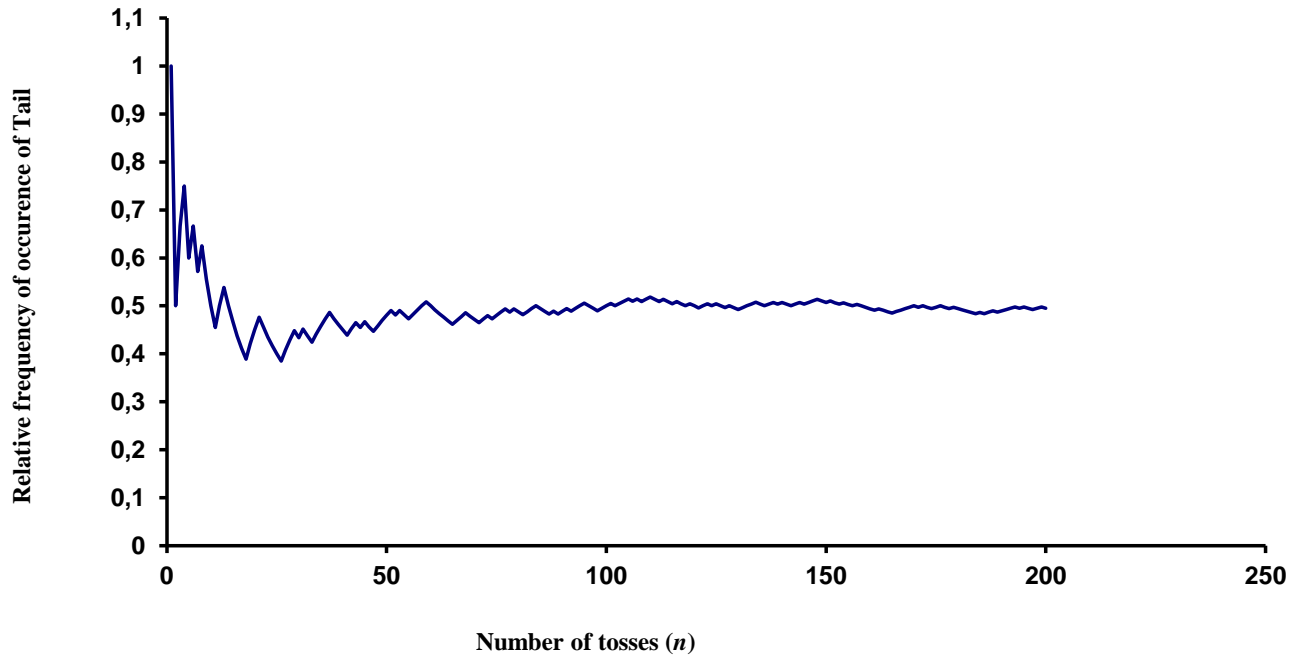
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Relative frequency definition of probability

- Consider repeating a random experiment n times.
- Count the number of times that event A occurred throughout these n repetitions. This number n_A is called the frequency of event A .
- The ratio $\frac{n_A}{n}$ is called relative frequency of event A .
- The relative frequency is usually very unstable for small values of n but it tends to stabilize for large n .

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- **Example** – A regular coin is tossed 200 times. The number of times that a Tail occurred throughout these n repetitions was counted. The relative frequency of occurrence of a Tail calculated for $n = 1, 2, \dots, n$.



- The probability of event A is the limit of the relative frequency of event A in a large number of trials.

$$P(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n_A/n.$$

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- In a more formalized way we can say that:

For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a number n of experiments so that

$$P(A) - \varepsilon < f(A) < P(A) + \varepsilon,$$

is virtually certain

or

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P[|f(A) - P(A)| < \varepsilon] = 1$$

This remarkable result is called the **law of large numbers**.

When n is set, the relative frequency of an event verify the Kolmogorov postulates.

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- The **subjective definition** of probability deal with the problem of calculating probabilities when the experiment is not symmetric and can't be successively repeated.
- It expresses an individual's degree of belief about the chance that an event will occur
- These subjective probabilities are used in certain management decisions.

Examples:

- profitability of a certain project exceed $x\%$.
- A certain marketing plan will provide in two years a turnover of approximately y thousands euros.
- The inflation rate next year will be 1%.
- The exports growth rate in the next quarter will be 2%.

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Subjective probabilities may be determined by finding the odds at which people will consider it fair to bet on the outcome.

Example: A high school principal feels that the odds are 7 to 5 against her getting 100€ raise and 11 to 1 against her getting 200€ raise. Furthermore, she feels that it is an even money bet that she will get one of these raises or the other.

$$P \left(\underbrace{\text{her getting 100€ raise}}_A \right) = 5/12$$

$$P \left(\underbrace{\text{her getting 200€ raise}}_B \right) = 1/12$$

$$P \left(\underbrace{\text{getting one of these raises or the other}}_{A \cup B} \right) = 6/12 = 5/12 + 1/12$$

So the probabilities are consistent

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- Example: A party official states that the odds are 2 to 1 that he will run for the House of Representatives, and 4 to 1 that he will not run for the Senate. Furthermore, he feels that the odds are 7 to 5 that he will run for one or the other.

$$P\left(\underbrace{\text{run for the House of Representatives}}_A\right) = 2/3$$

$$P\left(\underbrace{\text{run for the Senate}}_B\right) = 1/5$$

$$P\left(\underbrace{\text{run for one or the other}}_{A \cup B}\right) = 7/12$$

$P(A \cup B) \neq P(A) + P(B)$, so the probabilities are not consistent

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- **Methods of Enumeration**

Theorem 1.1 Multiplication Principle

If an operation consists of two steps, of which the 1st can be done in n_1 ways and for each of these the 2nd one can be done in n_2 ways, then the whole operation can be done in $n_1 \times n_2$ ways.

- Extending to a sequence of more than 2 experiments suppose that a random experiment E_i has $m_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ possible elements.

Theorem 1.2 If an operation consists of k steps of which the 1st can be done in n_1 ways, for each of these the 2nd step can be done in n_2 ways, and so forth, then the whole operation can be done in

$$n_1 \times n_2 \times \cdots \times n_k \text{ elements.}$$

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- **3 important questions** in the choice of the right method of enumeration:
 1. The order of the selection is noted or not?
 2. The sampling is with replacement?
 - replacement occurs when an object is selected and then replaced before the next object is selected.
 3. The sampling is without replacement?
 - sampling without replacement occurs when an object is not replaced after being selected.

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Methods of enumeration:

Definition 1.1 Permutations.

A permutation is a distinct arrangement of n different elements of a set

Suppose that n positions are to be filled with n distinct objects.

There are n choices for the 1st position, $n-1$ choices for the 2nd position, \dots , 1 choice for the last position. So by the multiplication principle, the number of possible arrangements are

$$n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (2)(1) = n!$$

By definition we take $0! = 1$

Theorem 1.3

The number of permutations of n distinct objects is $n!$

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- **Permutation of n objects (ordered sampling is without replacement)**

Example: The number of permutations of the four-letters a,b,c,d = $4! = 24$

- **Permutation of n objects (ordered sampling is with replacement)**

The number of possible arrangements are n^n

Example: The number of possible four-letters code words using a,b,c,d = $4^4 = 256$

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Ordered sampling without replacement

- Theorem 1.4 Permutation of n objects taken r at a time

If only r positions are to be filled with n distinct objects
 $r \leq n$, the number of possible **ordered** arrangements is

$${}_n P_r = n(n-1)(n-2) \cdots (n-r+1)! = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

Example 1: With pieces of cloth of 4 different colours how many distinct three band vertical coloured- flags can one make if the colours can't be repeated?

$${}_4 P_3 = \frac{4!}{(4-3)!} = 24$$

Example 2: The number of ways of selecting a president, a vice president, a secretary and a treasurer in a club of 10 persons is

$${}_{10} P_4 = \frac{10!}{(10-4)!} = 5040$$

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Non ordered sampling without replacement

- **Theorem 1.7**

The number of combinations of n objects taken r at a time is

$$C_k^n = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

Example 1: In a restaurant there are 10 different menus. How many subsets of 5 different menus can we make from the 10 menus available?

$$C_5^{10} = \frac{10!}{5!(10-5)!} = 36$$

Example 2: The number of possible 5-card hands (in five card poker) drawn from a deck of 52 playing cards is

$$\binom{52}{5} = \frac{52!}{5!(52-5)!} = 2598960$$

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- **Theorem 1.8 Distinguishable Permutation**

Suppose a set of n objects of r distinguishable types .

From these n objects, k_1 are similar, k_2 are similar, \dots , k_r are similar, so that $k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_r = n$,

The number of distinguishable permutations of these n objects is:

$$\frac{n!}{k_1! \times k_2! \times \dots \times k_r!}$$

Multinomial Coefficient

- When $r = 2$, it is called **Binomial Coefficient** $= C_k^n = \frac{n!}{k_1!(n-k_1)!}$.

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- **Distinguishable Permutation**

Example 1: With 9 balls of 3 different colours, 3 black, 4 green and 2 yellow, how many distinguishable groups can one make?

$$\frac{9!}{3! \times 4! \times 2!}$$

Example 2: Suppose that you have a collection of 12 objects, 3 of type A, 4 of type B and 5 of type C. The number of distinguishable permutations of these 12 objects is

$$\frac{12!}{3! \times 4! \times 5!}$$

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- A particularly important application of the methods of enumeration is the resolution of the following problem:
- Consider a population of N elements, from which M has a certain attribute. Suppose that a sample with n elements ($n > 0$) was selected, what is the probability that there are x ($0 \leq x \leq n$) elements in the sample with this particular attribute?
- The answer depends on the type of sampling :

Without replacement → **hipergeometric model**

or

With replacement → **binomial model**

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- **Sampling without replacement** → **hipergeometric model**

number of possible arrangements: Combination of n objects taken n at a time

the population has M elements with a certain attribute and, $N - M$ without it; the sample has x elements with such attribute and

$n - x$ without it. The number of **favorable arrangements** is,

$$\binom{M}{x} \binom{N - M}{n - x} \quad x \geq \max\{0, n - (N - M)\} \text{ e } x \leq \min\{n, M\}$$

Then the probability that there are x elements in the sample with this particular attribute is:

$$P(x) = \frac{\binom{M}{x} \binom{N - M}{n - x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

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- **Sampling with replacement → Binomial model**

The probability that there are x elements in the sample with this particular attribute is:

$$P_r = \frac{M^x (N - M)^{n-x} \binom{n}{x}}{N^n} = \binom{n}{x} \frac{M^x}{N^x} \frac{(N - M)^{n-x}}{N^{n-x}} = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{(n-x)}$$

where $p = M / N$ is the proportion of elements in the population with the attribute and $q = 1 - p$ is the proportion of elements in the population without the attribute.

- In the binomial model only the value of p matters. The values of N and M are not important.

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- **Hipergeometric model**

example: In a lake there are 100 fishes from which 10 are red. If a fisherman take 5 fishes out of the lake, randomly and **without replacement**, what is the probability that none of them are red?

$$P_{red} = \frac{\binom{10}{0} \binom{100 - 10}{5 - 0}}{\binom{100}{5}}$$

- **Binomial**

example : Consider the same lake. If a fisherman take 5 fishes out of the lake, randomly and **with replacement**, what is the probability that two of them are red?

$$P_{red} = \binom{5}{2} 0.1^2 \times 0.9^3$$

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- **Conditional Probability of event A given the sample space S**
- Two dice are cast. We are interested in the sum of spots of both dice. Let event A = « get a sum of 5 spots»

$$P(A) = P(\text{Sum of spots} = 5) = 4/36 = 1/9$$

Let event B be the number of spots in one of the dice is 4.

Once it occurred, probability of event A should be reassessed because the **sample space narrowed** since it is now composed only by all $(4,*)$ or $(*,4)$. The occurrence of event A will now happen only if the other die has one spot.

$$P(\text{Sum of spots} = 5 | \text{one of the dice got } 4) = 2/12 = 1/6$$

	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

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- **Definition 2.4. - Condicional Probability**

Let A and B , be any two events in a sample space \mathbf{S} , $P(A) > 0$. The **conditional probability** of event B given that event A has occurred is denoted by the symbol $P(B|A)$ and is defined by :

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

The **conditional probability** is a **measure of probability** and verifies the Kolmogorov postulates.

The **conditional probability** can be seen as a reassessment of the probability of an event when there is information about the occurrence of another event. Once one got the new information that event B has occurred, the sample space is no longer \mathbf{S} but a subset of \mathbf{S} , associated to the occurrence of event A .

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- Previous example:

$$P(B) = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} \text{ casos } (4,*) \text{ e } (*,4)$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 2/36 \text{ casos } (4,1) \text{ e } (1,4)$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{2/36}{1/3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

Example – Totoloto has 49 numbers. Playing with 6 numbers the probability of getting a 1st prize is

$$\frac{1}{\binom{49}{6}} = 6! / (49 \times 48 \times \dots \times 44) = 7,15 * 10^{-8}$$

Hitting the first number, the conditional probability of winning the first prize changes to

$$5! / (48 \times 47 \times \dots \times 44) = 5,84 * 10^{-7}$$

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Example : Suppose that we are given 20 tulip bulbs very similar in appearance and told that 8 will bloom early and 13 will be red in accordance with the following combinations:

	Bloom		Total
Colour	Early	Late	
Red	5	8	13
Yellow	3	4	7
Total	8	12	20

If one bulb is selected at random, what is the probability that it will produce a red tulip? #Sample space(S) =20, number of favorable events=13, so $P(\text{Red}) = 13/20$.

Suppose that a close examination of the bulb reveals that it will bloom early. After this information is known, the new sample space (E) is the set of all bulbs that bloom early. # $E = 8$, number of favorable events=5, so $P(\text{Red}|\text{Early}) = 5/8$.

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- **Theorem 2. 9. - Multiplication rule:**

The probability that two events, A and B in sample space S , occur simultaneously is

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A|B) \times P(B) = P(B|A) \times P(A)$$

with $P(B) \neq 0$ and/or $P(A) \neq 0$

This rule can easily be generalized to three or more events.

- **Theorem 2. 10.**

If A , B and C are any three events in a sample space S such that $P(A \cap B) \neq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B \cap C) &= P[(A \cap B) \cap C] \\ &= P(A \cap B) \times P(C|A \cap B) \\ &= P(A) \times P(B|A) \times P(C|A \cap B) \end{aligned}$$

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- Four cards are to be dealt successively at random and without replacement from a deck of playing cards. The probability of receiving in order a spade (S), a heart (H), a diamond (D) and a club(C) is

$$\begin{aligned}P(S \cap H \cap D \cap C) &= \\&= P(S) \times P(H|S) \times P(D|S \cap H) \times P(C|S \cap H \cap D) \\&= \frac{13}{52} \times \frac{13}{51} \times \frac{13}{50} \times \frac{13}{49}\end{aligned}$$

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- **Definition 2.5. Independence**

Let A and B be any two events. These events are said to be **statistically independent** if and only if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$$

From the multiplication rule it follows that

$$P(A|B) = P(A) \quad \text{if } P(B) > 0$$

$$P(B|A) = P(B) \quad \text{if } P(A) > 0$$

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- Toss a coin twice and observe the sequence of head and tails.

$$\mathbf{S} = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$$

$$A = \{\textit{heads on the first toss}\} = \{HH, HT\}$$

$$B = \{\textit{tails on the second toss}\} = \{HT, TT\}$$

$$C = \{\textit{Tails on both tosses}\} = \{TT\} \subset B \Rightarrow P(C) = 1/4$$

$$P(A) = P(B) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$P(B \cap C) = \frac{1}{4} \neq P(B) \times P(C) = 1/8$ so the events B and C are not statistically independent.

$P(A \cap C) = P(\emptyset) = 0 \neq P(A) \times P(C) = 1/8$ events A and C are not statistically independent.

$P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4} = P(A) \times P(B)$, so events A and B are statistically independent.

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- **Statistically independent events and mutually exclusive events mean different relations between events:**
- If $P(A) = 0$, then A is an event independent from any other event. Independent events and mutually exclusive events mean the same only and only if the above situation occurs.
- If $P(A) > 0$ e $P(B) > 0$, and events A e B , are mutually exclusive events then A e B are statistically dependent events, since
$$P(A \cap B) = 0 \neq P(A) \times P(B).$$
- **Independence is a property of the probability measure. It is not a property of events.**
- It is not possible to define independence based on events only.

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- **Theorem 2. 11.** If A and B are statistically independent events, A and B' , A' and B , A' and B' are statistically independent events too.

example:

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \cap B') &= P(A - B) = P(A) - P(A \cap B) \\ &= P(A) - P(A) \times P(B) = P(A)(1 - P(B)) = P(A) \times P(B')\end{aligned}$$

When three events, A , B e C , are considered the following situations may occur :

1 - Events are two by two independent but

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) \neq P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C).$$

2 - $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C)$ but A and B or A and C or B and C are statistically dependent events .

3 - Events are two by two independent and

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C).$$

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- Example 1: A box has four balls (1, 2, 3,4). One ball is taken out and the number observed. $\mathbf{S} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \Rightarrow \#\mathbf{S} = 4$

Let $A = \{1,2\}, B = \{1,3\}, C = \{1,4\}$ be events from Ω

$$P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = 1/2;$$

$$P(A \cap B) = 1/4 = P(A) \times P(B), P(A \cap C) = 1/4 = P(A) \times P(C),$$

$$P(B \cap C) = 1/4 = P(B) \times P(C) \text{ but}$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = 1/4 \neq P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C) = 1/8$$

Example 2: A regular coin is tossed 3 times. Let $A=\{CCC,FCC,CFF,FFF\}$,
 $B=\{CCF,CFC, FFC, FFF\}$ and $C=\{CCF, CFC, FCF, FFF\}$ be events from

$$\mathbf{S} = \{CCC, CCF, CFC, FCC, CFF, FCF, FFC, FFF\} \Rightarrow \#\mathbf{S} = 8$$

$$P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = 1/2;$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = 1/8 = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C) = 1/8 \text{ but}$$

$$P(B \cap C) = 3/8 \neq P(B) \times P(C) = 1/4$$

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- Example: A regular coin is tossed 3 times.

$$\mathbf{S} = \{CCC, FCC, FCF, FFC, CFC, CCF, FCC, FFF\}; \# \mathbf{S} = 8$$

Let $A = \{CCC, FCC, CFF, FFF\}$, $B = \{CCF, CFC, FCC, FFF\}$ and
 $C = \{CCC, FCC, CCF, FFC\}$ be events of the sample space.

$$A \cap B = \{FCC, FFF\}; A \cap C = \{CCC, FCC\}; B \cap C = \{CCF, FCC\};$$

$$A \cap B \cap C = \{FCC\}$$

$$\text{Then: } P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = 1/2$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4} = P(A) \times P(B); P(A \cap C) = \frac{1}{4} = P(A) \times P(C)$$

$$P(B \cap C) = \frac{1}{4} = P(B) \times P(C)$$

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = \frac{1}{8} = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C)$$

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Definition 2. 6. Independence of more than 2 events

Completely independent or Mutually independent events

Events A , B e C belonging to the same sample space are **Completely independent events** if and only if:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B), P(A \cap C) = P(A) \cdot P(C), P(B \cap C) = P(B) \cdot P(C)$$

and

$$P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A) \times P(B) \times P(C)$$

More generally, E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k are **mutually statistically independent** if and only if

$$P(E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k) = P(E_1) \times P(E_2) \times \dots \times P(E_k) \quad \text{and}$$

$$P(E_i) \times P(E_j) = 0 \quad i \neq j \quad (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

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Sample Space Partition

The class of events $\{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k, \dots\}$ is said to be a sample space partition if and only if

$$\cup_j B_j = \mathbf{S} \text{ and } B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset \text{ (} i \neq j \text{), } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \dots$$

$$\text{then } P(\cup_j B_j) = \sum_j P(B_j) = 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \dots$$

Theorem 2.12 Total probability theorem

If $\{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k, \dots\}$ is a partition of sample space \mathbf{S} and $P(B_j) > 0$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \dots$), for any event A ,

$$P(A) = \sum_j P(A \cap B_j) = \sum_j P(B_j) \times P(A|B_j)$$

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- Bowl 1 contains 2 red and 4 white chips, Bowl 2 contains 1 red and 2 white chips, Bowl 3 contains 5 red and 4 white chips. The probabilities for selecting the bowls are given by $P(B_1) = \frac{1}{3}$, $P(B_2) = \frac{1}{6}$ and $P(B_3) = \frac{1}{2}$.

The class of events $\{B_1, B_2, B_3\}$ is a partition of the sample space if and only if

$$B_i \cap B_j = \phi \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3$$

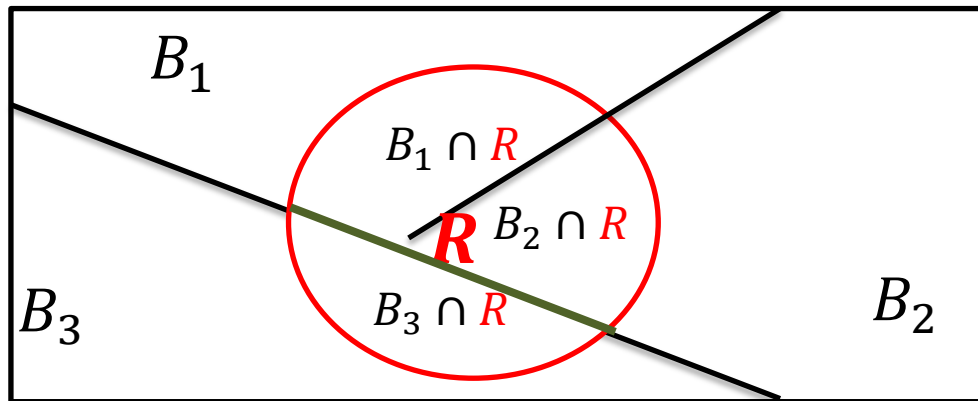
and

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^3 B_j = \mathbf{S} \Leftrightarrow P(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3) = 1$$

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- Consider the experiment selecting a bowl and then drawing a chip at random from the bowl. The probability of drawing a red chip - $P(R)$ is

$$P(R) = P(B_1 \cap R) + P(B_2 \cap R) + P(B_3 \cap R)$$



$$P(R) = P(B_1)P(R|B_1) + P(B_2)P(R|B_2) + P(B_3)P(R|B_3)$$

$$P(R) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{6} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{9} = \frac{4}{9}$$

Is the **total probability of event R** .

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- Now suppose that the outcome of the experiment is a red chip but we don't know from which bowl it was drawn. The conditional probability that the chip was drawn from bowl 1 is

$$P(B_1|R) = \frac{P(B_1 \cap R)}{P(R)} = \frac{P(B_1)P(R|B_1)}{P(B_1)P(R|B_1) + P(B_2)P(R|B_2) + P(B_3)P(R|B_3)}$$

$$P(B_1|R) = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{6}}{\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{6} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{5}{9}} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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- **Theorem 2.13 Bayes Theorem**

If $\{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k, \dots\}$ is a partition of \mathbf{S} and if

$P(B_j) > 0$ ($j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \dots$), for any event A

such that $P(A) > 0$,

$$P(B_j|A) = \frac{P(B_j) \times P(A|B_j)}{\sum_j P(B_j) \times P(A|B_j)}, (j = 1, 2, \dots, k, \dots)$$

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- **Example** – A stock market analyst examined the prospects of the shares of a large number of corporations. It turned out that 25% performed much better than the market average (E_1), 50% about the same (E_2), 25% much worse (E_3) ? Forty percent of the stocks that turned out to do much better than the market average were rated a “good buy” (A), as were 20% of those that did about as well as the market and 10% of those that did much worse. What is the probability that a stock rated a “good buy” performed better than the average.

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$$P(E_1) = 0,25; P(A|E_1) = 0,4; P(E_2) = 0,5; P(A|E_2) = 0,2$$

$$P(E_3) = 0,25; P(A|E_3) = 0,1$$

$$P(A) = P(E_1)P(A|E_1) + P(E_2)P(A|E_2) + P(E_3)P(A|E_3)$$

$$= 0,25 * 0,4 + 0,5 * 0,2 + 0,25 * 0,1 = 0,225$$

$$P(E_1|A) = \frac{P(E_1 \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(E_1)P(A|E_1)}{P(A)} = \frac{0,25 * 0,4}{0,225} = 0,44(4)$$

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$P(E_j)$	$P(A E_j)$	$P(E_j)P(A E_j)$	$P(E_j A)$	
0,25	0,4	0,1	0,444(4)	
0,5	0,2	0,1	0,444(4)	
0,25	0,1	0,025	0,111(1)	
1		0,225	1	

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Suppose that you are responsible for detecting the source of error when there is a computer system failure. From past experience you know that there are three sources of error: disk drive, computer memory, operating system.

It is known that 50% of errors are due to the disk drive.

From the pattern of the components performance , it is known that the likelihood that a system failure occurs when there is a disk drive error is 60% and the likelihood that a system failure occurs when there is a memory error is 80%.

It is also known that, a failure having been reported , the likelihood that it was due to a memory error is 40% and that the likelihood of a system failure is 60%.

What is the probability that the system fails when there is an operating system error?

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F – system failure

A_j - source of error

A_j	$P(A_j)$	$P(F A_j)$	$P(A_j)P(F A_j)$	$P(A_j F)$
UD	0,5	0,6		
M		0,8		0,4
SO		?		
	1		0,6	1