

Ex. (B-Day Problem) n people in a room. All B-Day possibilities equally likely, find $P(\text{no 2 of them have the same B-Day})$

$S = (\text{all B-Day choices}) \quad \#(S) = 365^n$

~~$P(\text{no 2 have the same}) = \frac{1}{365^n}$~~

$\# \{ \text{no 2 have the same} \} = \binom{365}{n} n!$

↑ $\binom{365}{n}$ → choose the different days
 ↑ $n!$ → give them out

$P(-||-) = \frac{\binom{365}{n} n!}{365^n} = \alpha(n)$

$\alpha(20) = \text{~~0.5563~~ } 0.5563$

N.B.: $\alpha(25) = 0.4018$

$\alpha(30) = 0.2695$

$\alpha(50) = 0.0256$

$\alpha(70) = 0.00022 \quad \alpha(100) = 0.00000023$

Ex. Want to put n balls in N urns. Find $P\{\text{exactly } m \text{ balls in the 1st urn}\}$.

Assume all possible arrangements are equally likely.

of arrangements = $\begin{matrix} \text{ball \#1} & \text{ball \#2} & \dots & \text{ball \#n} \\ \bigcirc & \bigcirc & & \bigcirc \\ N & N & & N \end{matrix} \quad \# = N^n$

#(of ways to put exactly m balls in urn #1) = $\binom{n}{m} (N-1)^{n-m}$

↑ $\binom{n}{m}$ → choose the m
 ↑ $(N-1)^{n-m}$ → put the other $n-m$ balls in the other $(N-1)$ urns.

$P(\text{exactly } m \text{ in urn \#1}) = \frac{\binom{n}{m} (N-1)^{n-m}}{N^n}$

Poincaré's Inclusion-Exclusion Identity

E_1, \dots, E_N : events. $(N \geq 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^N E_j\right) &= \sum_{j=1}^N P(E_j) - \sum_{i < j} P(E_i \cap E_j) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i < j < k} P(E_i \cap E_j \cap E_k) + \dots \\ &\quad + (-1)^{l+1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_l} P(E_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_l}) + \dots \\ &\quad + (-1)^{N+1} P(E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_N). \end{aligned}$$

Proof $N=2$:

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_2) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\underline{N=3}: P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3) = P(E_1 \cup E_2) + P(E_3) - P((E_1 \cup E_2) \cap E_3)$$

$$= P(E_1) + P(E_2) + P(E_3) - P(E_1 \cap E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_3 \cup E_2 \cap E_3)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^3 P(E_i) - P(E_1 \cap E_2) - P(E_1 \cap E_3) - P(E_2 \cap E_3) + P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^3 P(E_i) - \sum_{i < j} P(E_i \cap E_j) + P(E_1 \cap E_2 \cap E_3) \quad \checkmark$$

Suppose the formula holds for N . Show it holds for $N+1$:

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{N+1} E_i\right) = P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right) + P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i \cap E_{N+1}\right) - P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i \cap E_{N+1}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} P(E_i) + \dots + (-1)^{l+1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq N} P(E_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_l})$$

$$+ (-1)^{N+1} P(E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_N) - P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N (E_i \cap E_{N+1})\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} P(E_i) + \dots + (-1)^{l+1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq N} P(E_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_l}) + \dots$$

$$+ (-1)^{N+1} P(E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_N) -$$

$$\left[\sum_{j=1}^N P(E_j \cap E_{N+1}) + \dots + (-1)^{N+1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_N \leq N} P(E_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_N} \cap E_{N+1}) + \dots \right]$$

$$+ (-1)^{N+1} P(E_1 \cap \dots \cap E_{N+1}) .$$

Collect terms. \neq

Example (5m) Suppose each of the N men at a party throws his hat into the center of the room. The hats are mixed up and returned to the men at random. What is the prob. that none of the men gets his own hat back? $S = ?$ Permutations?

Let $E_i = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{the } i\text{th man selects his own hat} \end{array} \right\}$.

$$P(\text{none gets his hat}) = P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^N E_i^c\right) = P\left(\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right)^c\right)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right).$$

Suppose $i_1 < \dots < i_l \leq N$. Then $P(E_{i_1} \cap E_{i_2} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_l}) = \frac{(N-l)!}{N!}$.

$$\therefore \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_l} P(E_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap E_{i_l}) = \binom{N}{l} \frac{(N-l)!}{N!} = \frac{1}{l!}.$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} - \frac{1}{4!} + \dots + (-1)^{N+1} \frac{1}{N!}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right)^c\right) &= \frac{1}{2!} - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} - \dots + (-1)^N \frac{1}{N!} \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{(-1)^j}{j!}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall, $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j!} = e^1$. So, $P\left(\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^N E_i\right)^c\right) \rightarrow 1/e \approx 0.37$.

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Technical Aside:

The 1 missing axiom of probability is countable additivity:

⊕ If $E_1, E_2, \dots \subseteq \mathcal{S}$ are disjoint (pairwise), then

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i).$$

This is equivalent to: If $E_1 \supseteq E_2 \supseteq \dots$ and $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i = \emptyset$, then $P(E_N) \downarrow 0$ as $N \uparrow \infty$. (Continuity from above.)