

$P(\bullet | B)$ satisfies the 3 Axioms of Probability

1. $0 \leq P(A | B) \leq 1$
2. $P(S | B) = 1$
3. If $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ are all mutually exclusive

Then, $P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n | B) = P(A_1 | B) + P(A_2 | B) + \dots + P(A_n | B)$

Multiplication Rule:

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

Note: $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$ only if independent

Law of Total Probability (LTP):

$$A = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap B')$$

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B') \quad [\text{axiom 3}]$$

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Ex (LTP):

An insurance company rents 35% of its cars from Cheapos Inc. (65% elsewhere)

8% of cars from Cheapos break down.

5% of cars from other companies break down.

Find the probability that a rented car breaks down.

Three events are mutually independent if each of the following hold:

1. $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$
2. $P(A \cap C) = P(A)P(C)$
3. $P(B \cap C) = P(B)P(C)$
4. $P(A \cap B \cap C) = P(A)P(B)P(C)$

Theorem: If **A** and **B** are independent, Then **A** and **B^C** are independent.

Proof: $P(A \cap B') = P(B' | A)P(A)$ [*multiplication rule*]

Ex: 20% of the fish in a lake have a Lamprey attached (L), the others are clean (C).
 Suppose we catch 5 fish (sampling with replacement), and define the following events:

- A: at least one has a Lamprey attached
- B: only the last 2 fish have a Lamprey attached
- D: any 2 of the fish have a Lamprey attached.

Independent Trials Model (a.k.a., the Binomial Probability Model)

- n independent trials conducted
- Success or Failure (S or F) on each trial
- $P(\text{Success}) = p$ is the same for each trial

Example: $Z = \#$ of successes in $n=4$ trials

e.g., tossing 3 Heads in 4 trials:

Outcome	Probability	z
SSSF	$p \cdot p \cdot p \cdot (1-p)$	3
SSFS	$p \cdot p \cdot (1-p) \cdot p$	3
SFSS	$p \cdot (1-p) \cdot p \cdot p$	3
FSSS	$(1-p) \cdot p \cdot p \cdot p$	3



$$P(Z=3) = 4 \cdot p^3(1-p)$$

4 is the number of ways of ordering the S's and F's

Binomial Probability Model:

- $X = \#$ of Successes in n independent trials
- $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$
 - $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ gives the number of ways to order the Successes & Failures
 - $n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdots \cdot 2 \cdot 1$ → e.g., $4! = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 24$