

## Tutorial 1

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### • Why do we study measure theoretic probability?

→ Because it is not easy to assign probabilities on the events from 'large' sample spaces.

→ One may find non-unique probability assignment to a single problem in non-mathematical terms.

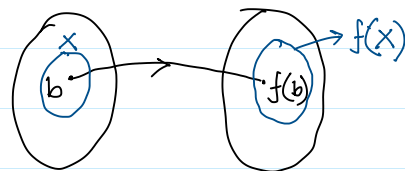
ex- Bertrand Paradox.

### • Functions.

Def<sup>n</sup> (function). Let  $A, B$  be sets. A function  $f: B \rightarrow A$  is a rule that associates each element of  $B$  to a unique element of  $A$ .

•  $f(b)$  is image of  $b$ ,  $b$  is preimage of  $f(b)$

•  $f(X) = \{f(b) : b \in X\}$  is image of  $X$ .



$B$ : Domain     $A$ : Codomain.

Range:  $f(B) = \{f(b) : b \in B\}$

• Not necessarily  $f(B) = A$ . If  $f(B) = A$ , then  $f$  is surjective.

• If each  $a \in f(B)$  has unique preimage in  $B$ , then  $f$  is injective.

• If  $f$  is both injective and surjective,  $f$  is bijective.

• For every  $a \in f(B)$  we can denote its preimage as  $f^{-1}(a)$  such that  $f(f^{-1}(a)) = a$

• Mind that  $f^{-1}(a)$  is a set. If  $f$  is injective,  $f^{-1}(a)$  is singleton set  $\forall a \in f(B)$  and then only we can present  $f^{-1}: f(B) \rightarrow B$  as a function. Still it is not exact inverse of  $f: B \rightarrow A$ . Surjection of  $f$  completes that.

### • Cardinality:-

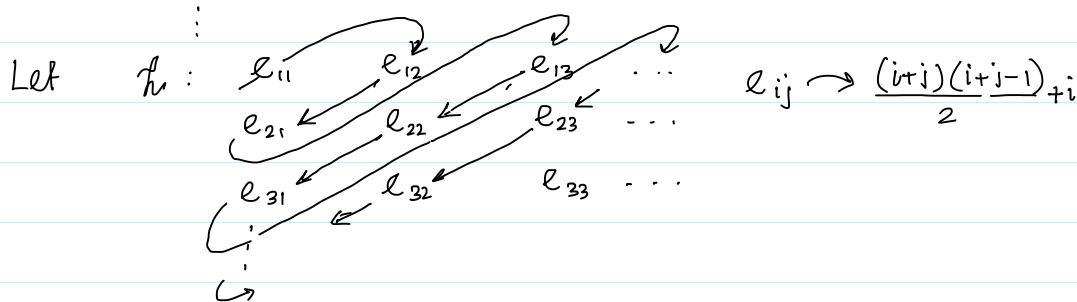
Two sets are said to be equicardinal if  $\exists$  a bijection between them. Let  $B$  is a set.

- $B$  is countably infinite if  $|B| = |\mathbb{N}|$
- $B$  is finite if  $|B| < |\mathbb{N}|$
- $B$  is countable if  $|B| \leq |\mathbb{N}|$

Ex 1. Let  $(E_i : i \in \mathbb{N})$  be family of countably infinite sets.

Then  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_i$  is countable.

Proof: Let  $E_1 = \{e_{11}, e_{12}, e_{13}, \dots\}$   
 $E_2 = \{e_{21}, e_{22}, e_{23}, \dots\}$   
 $E_3 = \{e_{31}, e_{32}, e_{33}, \dots\}$   
 $\vdots$



Ex.2. Show that  $[0, 1]$  is uncountable.

Proof: Let us consider  $[0, 1]$  is countable. So we can so we should be able to enumerate  $[0, 1]$

Any element of  $[0, 1]$  can be written as infinite string of decimal digits i.e.

If  $a \in [0, 1]$  then,  $a = 0.d_1d_2d_3d_4\dots$  where  $d_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$

$$\mathbb{D} = \{(d_1d_2d_3d_4\dots) : d_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}\}$$

Let us assume the  $\mathbb{D}$  is countable. Then we can enumerate  $\mathbb{D}$

Let us write elements of  $\mathbb{D}$  in an arbitrary enumeration rule.

$$D_1 = d_{11} d_{12} d_{13} d_{14} \dots$$

$$D_2 = d_{21} d_{22} d_{23} d_{24} \dots$$

$$D_3 = d_{31} d_{32} d_{33} d_{34} \dots$$

Let  $f : \{0, \dots, 9\} \rightarrow \{0, \dots, 9\}$  s.t.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n \neq 3 \\ 4 & \text{if } n = 3. \end{cases}$$

$D' = f(d_{11}) f(d_{22}) f(d_{33}) f(d_{44}) \dots$  is not any where in the list.

So,  $\mathcal{D}$  is uncountable.

Each dyadic rational is mapped to 2 elements in  $\mathcal{D}$

eg  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow 0.4999\dots$   
 $\rightarrow 0.5000\dots$  We need to show that the set of

dyadic rational is countable. Let that is  $\mathcal{D}_n$

$\mathcal{D}_n \cup (\mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{D}_n) = \mathcal{D}$  is uncountable.

$\mathcal{D}_n$  is countable then  $\mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{D}_n$  must be uncountable.

which has a bijection with  $[0,1]$ .  $\square$

Measure Theoretic Probability - Construction of sets on which we can assign probability.

Sample Space: Set of all outcomes of a random experiment.

Denote by  $\Omega$  (Universal set in set theory terminology)

Subsets of  $\Omega$  are called events (not all)

Def<sup>n</sup> (Algebra). A collection  $\mathcal{F}_0$  of subsets of  $\Omega$  is called an algebra if. (set of sets)

1.  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}_0$

2. If  $A \in \mathcal{F}_0$ , then  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_0$

3. If  $A \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $B \in \mathcal{F}_0$  then  $A \cup B \in \mathcal{F}_0$ .

We can show  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$  if  $\{A_i\}_{i=1}^n \subseteq \mathcal{F}_0$

This is less than what we need. (will come back to it).

Def<sup>n</sup> ( $\sigma$ -Algebra). A collection  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of  $\Omega$  is called an algebra if.

1.  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$

2. If  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$

3. If  $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$

\* For finite sample spaces all algebras are  $\sigma$ -algebra.

Ex.3. If  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  are subsets of  $\mathcal{F}$  then

$$1. \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i, \quad 2. \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F} \quad 3. \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}$$

Proof 1.  $A_i \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A_i^c \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i^c \in \mathcal{F} &\Rightarrow \left( \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \right)^c \in \mathcal{F} \\ &\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \in \mathcal{F} \end{aligned}$$

2. We know that  $\mathcal{F}$   $E_i \in \mathcal{F} \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_i \in \mathcal{F}$ .

We also know,  $\phi \in \mathcal{F}$ . Let  $E_i = A_i$  for  $i \in [n]$   
and  $E_i = \phi \forall i > n$

$$\therefore \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} E_i = \left( \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{i>n} \phi \right) = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i.$$

3. You can do using similar technique.

\* Any  $\sigma$ -algebra is algebra.

### Measure

The concept of  $\sigma$ -algebra is used in measure theory, to set are to be assigned a measure. So we call  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  a measurable space and  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  as  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable set.

Def<sup>n</sup>: A measure is a function  $\mu: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  s.t.

$$1. \mu(\phi) = 0$$

2. If  $(A_n: n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a collection of disjoint  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable sets then

$$\mu \left( \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \right) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_i)$$

•  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  is called a measure space.

Def<sup>n</sup> A probability measure  $P$  on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  is a function

$$P: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ s.t.}$$

$$1. P(\phi) = 0$$

2. If  $(A_n: n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a collection of disjoint  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable sets then

$$P \left( \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \right) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(A_i)$$

$$3. P(\Omega) = 1.$$

• We call  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  a probability space.

Ex 4. If  $A_i \in \mathcal{F} \forall i \in [n]$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i) - \sum_{i < j} \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) \\ &\quad + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof: We will prove using mathematic induction.

Base case:  $\mathbb{P}(A_1 \cup A_2) = \mathbb{P}(A_1) + \mathbb{P}(A_2) - \mathbb{P}(A_1 \cap A_2)$

Induction hypothesis:  $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i) - \sum_{i < j} \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right)$

Induction step:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n+1} A_i\right) &= \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) + \mathbb{P}(A_{n+1}) - \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n (A_i \cap A_{n+1})\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} \mathbb{P}(A_i) - \sum_{\substack{i, j=1 \\ i < j}}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j) + \sum_{\substack{i, j, k=1 \\ i < j < k}}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) + \dots + \\ &\quad (-1)^{n-1} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_{n+1}) + \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_{n+1}) \\ &\quad + (-1)^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n (A_i \cap A_{n+1})\right) + (-1)^n \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{n+1} A_i\right) \end{aligned}$$

Assigning measures to Uncountable sample spaces:

- Let us assign a uniform measure on the sample space  $\Omega = [0, 1]$

Can we assign probabilities to every set in  $2^\Omega$ ?

Ans No.

1. If we assign non-zero probability to each singleton, Probability of infinite sets will be unbounded.

2. If we assign zero probability to each singleton, probability of any interval is undefined.

Generated  $\sigma$ -algebra:  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by a collection of subsets  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $\Omega$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra that contains  $\mathcal{C}$ .

Ex 5. If  $\mathcal{C}$  is an arbitrary collection of subsets of  $\Omega$  and  $\mathcal{H}$  is any  $\sigma$ -algebra such that  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  then there exists  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subseteq \mathcal{H}$

Proof: Let  $\{\mathcal{F}_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  denote the collection of all  $\sigma$ -algebras that contain  $\mathcal{C}$ .

$\{\mathcal{F}_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  is not empty as  $2^\Omega \in \{\mathcal{F}_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$

Then  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{F}_\alpha$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra. (Need to show)

Also if  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  which is a  $\sigma$ -algebra then  $\mathcal{H} \in \{\mathcal{F}_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  and  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{F}_\alpha \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ . This is true for any  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Ex.6.  $(\mathcal{F}_i, i \in I)$  is a collection of  $\sigma$ -algebras. Prove that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

Proof:  $\phi \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i$  as  $\phi \in \mathcal{F}_i \forall i \in I$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } A \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i &\Rightarrow A \in \mathcal{F}_i \forall i \in I \\ &\Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}_i \forall i \in I \\ &\Rightarrow A^c \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } A_n \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} &\Rightarrow A_n \in \mathcal{F}_i \forall i \in I, \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \\ &\Rightarrow \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \in \mathcal{F}_i \forall i \in I \\ &\Rightarrow \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i \end{aligned}$$

So we showed all three conditions of  $\sigma$ -algebra for  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{F}_i$ .  $\square$

Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra:

$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by collection of half closed intervals. Let  $\mathcal{C} = \{(-\infty, x] : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , then

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) = \sigma(\mathcal{C}).$$

Ex.6. Singleton sets are Borel sets.

Proof: For arbitrary  $b$ ,  $(-\infty, b] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

Then  $(-\infty, b - \frac{1}{n}] \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\Rightarrow (b - \frac{1}{n}, \infty) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (b - \frac{1}{n}, \infty) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \Rightarrow [b, \infty) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

$$\therefore (-\infty, b] \cap [b, \infty) = \{b\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

## Limit of Sets

Definition: Let  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a sequence of non-decreasing sets.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$$

If  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  is a sequence of non-increasing sets

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n$$

Definition: Let  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  be a sequence of sets

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m$$

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcap_{m \geq n} A_m$$

Lemma: For a sequence of sets  $(A_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$ , we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \subseteq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$$

Proof: Let  $E_n = \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m$   $\therefore (E_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  is sequence of decreasing sets.

Let  $F_n = \bigcap_{m \geq n} A_m$   $\therefore (F_n : n \in \mathbb{N})$  is sequence of increasing sets.

Also,  $F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n \subseteq A_n$  and  $F_m \subseteq A_m \quad \forall m \geq n$ .

$$\therefore \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} F_i \subseteq \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} F_i \subseteq \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m$$

Continuity of Probability: Let  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a sequence of events in  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$  exists. We have

$$\mathbb{P}(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(A_n)$$

Proof:

$$E_n = \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m \in \mathcal{F} : n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$F_n = \bigcap_{m \geq n} A_m \in \mathcal{F} : n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  non-increasing set

$\hookrightarrow$  non decreasing set.

$$A_m \subseteq E_n \quad \forall m \geq n$$

$$F_n \subseteq A_m \quad \forall m \geq n$$

$$P(E_n) \geq \sup_{m \geq n} P(A_m)$$

$$P(F_n) \leq \inf_{m \geq n} P(A_m)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(E_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n) = P\left(\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{m \geq n} A_m\right) \geq \limsup_n P(A_n)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(F_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n) = P\left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcap_{m \geq n} A_m\right) \leq \liminf_n P(A_n)$$

$$\limsup P(A_n) \leq P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right) \leq \liminf P(A_n)$$

Also,  $\liminf P(A_n) \leq \limsup(A_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \limsup_n P(A_n) &= \liminf_n P(A_n) \\ &= \lim_n P(A_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_n P(A_n) = P\left(\lim_n A_n\right) \quad \square$$

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \\ \text{and } \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \end{aligned}$$