

Last time we discussed the B-day problem and found,

$$P(\text{at least 2 have the same B-day}) = 1 - \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{365-i}{365}$$

where $n = \text{number of people in the room}$.

Lets assume $n \leq 365$ since if $n > 365$ then the answer is 1.

i-clicker question (see next page).

note: i-clickers are required for the class but won't count towards your grade. We will use clickers to keep you doing active learning in class.

i-clicker soln

$$\text{let } P = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{365-i}{365} \right) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(1 - \frac{i}{365} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_e P = \log_e \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(1 - \frac{i}{365} \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \log \left(1 - \frac{i}{365} \right)$$

Note $\log(1+x) \sim x$ for small x .

why?

Maclaurin series:

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots \approx 1 + x \text{ for small } x$$

$$\Rightarrow \log_e e^x \approx \log_e (1+x) \text{ for small } x.$$

$$\text{so } \log_e P \approx \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(-\frac{i}{365} \right) = -\frac{1}{365} \left(\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i \right) = \frac{-(n-1)n}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P \approx e^{-\frac{(n-1)n}{730}}$$

$$\text{so } = -\frac{(n-1)n}{730}$$

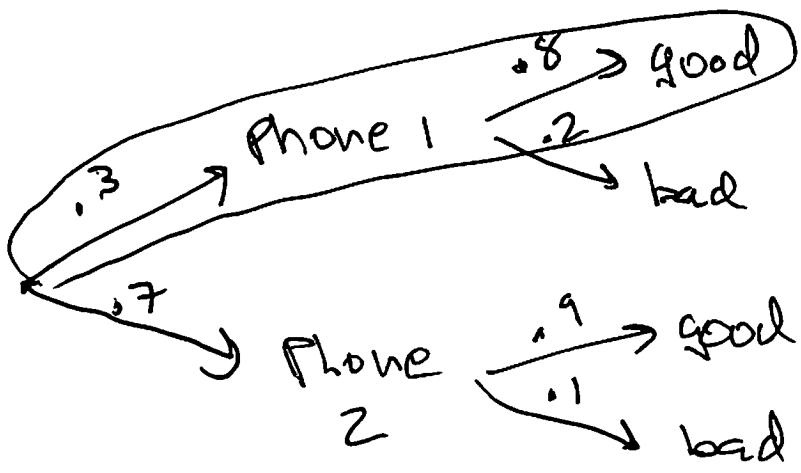
$$\Rightarrow P \approx e^{-\frac{(22)(23)}{730}} = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ Hence } 1 - P \approx \frac{1}{2} \leftarrow \text{answer } \boxed{B}$$

Tree Diagram and Bayes' rule

A factory produces 2 models of cell phones,

$$P(\text{cell phone 1}) = .3, \quad P(\text{good} | 1) = .8, \quad P(\text{good} | 2) = .9$$

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Find

$$P(1, \text{good}) = (.3)(.8)$$

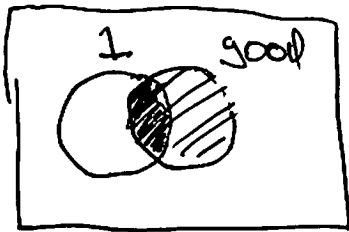
$$P(\text{good}) = P(\text{good}) = P(\text{good}, 1) + P(\text{good}, 2) = (.3)(.8) + (.7)(.9) = .87$$

$$P(1 | \text{good})$$

Bayes rule (or division rule)

$$P(1 | \text{good}) = \frac{P(1, \text{good})}{P(\text{good})} = \frac{(.3)(.8)}{.87} = .28$$

Rule of finding prob backwards in time given the future predict the past.



Another way to write Bayes rule:

$$P(1 | \text{good}) = \frac{P(\text{good} | 1) \cdot P(1)}{P(\text{good} | 1) \cdot P(1) + P(\text{good} | 2) \cdot P(2)}$$

$P(1), P(2)$ are prior probabilities.

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These are likely from a long run frequency interpretation (randomly pick 100 phones, 30 are type 1).

Sometimes it is impossible to give a long run freq. interpretation.

In that case my priors are subjective.

Bayes rule tells me how to update my priors given data.

$P(\text{good} | 1)$ is called a likelihood prob You don't need Bayes rule to find this,

$P(1 | \text{good})$ is called posterior prob

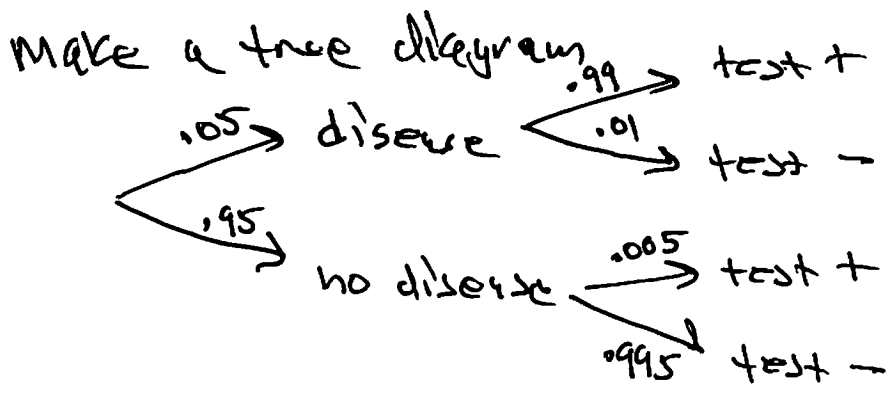
Posterior \propto likelihood \cdot prior
 \uparrow
proportional

ex 5% of population has a disease — $P(\text{disease}) = .05$
They take a test.

$$P(\text{test} + | \text{disease}) = .99$$

$$P(\text{test} - | \text{no disease}) = .995$$

} likelihood.



One person is picked at random from the population. Given test +, what is the chance he has the disease.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{disease} \mid \text{test} +) &= \frac{P(\text{disease, test} +)}{P(\text{test} +)} \\
 &= \frac{(.05)(.99)}{(.05)(.99) + (.95)(.005)} = .91
 \end{aligned}$$

↑
posterior.

law of total prob — ex $B_1 = \text{disease}$, $B_2 = \text{no disease}$

Let B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n be a partition of all possible outcomes.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A) &= P(A, B_1) + P(A, B_2) + \dots + P(A, B_n) \\
 &= \boxed{P(A|B_1)P(B_1) + \dots + P(A|B_n)P(B_n)}
 \end{aligned}$$