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## Lecture 5

## Take-home Test 1

- Can do probs 1 & 3
- After class you can do prob 2
- 4 & 5 are extra hard

Death Penalty Case

Defendant	Death Penalty		Total
	Yes	No	
White	19	141	160
Black	17	149	166
Total	36	290	326

Defendant	White Victim		Total
	Yes	No	
White	19	132	151
Black	11	52	63
Total	30	184	214

Defendant	Black Victim		Total
	Yes	No	
White	0	9	9
Black	6	97	103
Total	6	106	112

2x2 Contingency tables

$$\begin{aligned} DP &= \text{Death Penalty} \\ DW &= \text{Defendant White} \end{aligned}$$

In 1st table, 19 of the 326 cases the defendant was white and the death penalty was imposed.

Case chosen at random:

DP?	DW?	n = 326
no	no	
yes	yes	

$$P(DP) = \frac{36}{326} = 11.0\%$$

$$P(DP | DW) = \frac{19}{160} = 11.9\%$$

$$P(DP | DB) = \frac{17}{166} = 10.2\%$$

It appears that white defendants receive the death penalty more often than black defendants, which is odd because of racial bias.

This is an observational study



positive  
association

$\Sigma$   
 $v_2$

no  
association

$\Sigma$   
 $v_2$

negative  
association

## Experimental Design

$\bar{Y}$  = outcome variable =  $\begin{cases} \text{DP} \\ \text{Not DP} \end{cases}$

$X$  = defendant race =  $\begin{cases} \text{DW} \\ \text{Not DW} \end{cases}$  enemy: Potential PCFs

$Z$  = victim race =  $\begin{cases} \text{VW} \\ \text{Not VW} \end{cases}$

### Analysis of White Victim Table

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VW}) = \frac{30}{214} = 14.0\%$$

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VW}, \text{DW}) = \frac{19}{151} = 12.6\%$$

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VW}, \text{DB}) = \frac{11}{63} = 17.5\%$$

### Analysis of Black Victim Table

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VB}) = \frac{6}{112} = 5.4\%$$

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VB}, \text{DW}) = \frac{0}{9} = 0\%$$

$$P(\text{DP} | \text{VB}, \text{DB}) = \frac{6}{103} = 5.8\%$$

Holding the ethnicity of the victim constant of Black, the rate of imposition of the death penalty falls from 16% to 5.4% and again now Black defendants get the DP more often than White defendants.

### Why did this happen?

- 1) Murder victims typically know their murderers
- 2) In the U.S., White people tend to hang out with white people and Black people with Black
- 3) Therefore white defendants are mostly murdering white victims
- 4) Judges and juries in the U.S. impose the death penalty more often when the victim is white than when the victim is Black.

$$P_{n,k} = \frac{n(n-1)(n-k+1)(n-k)!}{(n-k)!} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$$

Convention  $0! = 1$

### Combinations

In the T-S case study

consider the special case in which the family ends up with exactly  $k=1$  T-S baby, i.e.  $(k=)1$  T and  $(n-k)4$  NS.

Let's initially imagine that all 5 of these T and N symbols are different (like different playing cards) by denoting them  $\{N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4, T_1\}$

There would then be  $n! = 5! = 120$  ways to arrange them in order left to right, e.g.  $N_3, T_1, N_4, N_1, N_2$

Now take the subscripts away: There are  $4!$  ways to rearrange the NS among themselves and  $1! = 1$  ways to "rearrange" the TS among themselves

So  $5!$  is way too big and needs to be divided by  $4! \cdot 1!$

$$\frac{5!}{1!4!} = \frac{5!}{4!(n-k)!} = \frac{5 \cdot 4!}{4!} = 5 \text{ (the right answer)}$$

Def: Given a set with  $n$  distinct elements, each distinct subset of size  $k$  is called a combination of elements, and there are  $C_{n,k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$  ways to do this

Notation:  $\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} = \binom{n}{k}$  "n choose k"  
 binomial coefficient

So what we've shown is  $P(\Sigma=y) = \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}$

$\uparrow$   
 # of T-S babies      valid for all  $y=0, 1, \dots, n$

(Refer to as:  
 binomial distribution)

$$n \geq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq p \leq 1$$

### Birthday Problem

$P(\text{at least 2 people registered for AMS 131 this term have the same birthday}) = ?$

Simplifying assumptions:

- 1) birth rate constant from Jan 1 - Jan 31
- 2) Feb 29  $\rightarrow$  randomize to another day
- 3) Only considering month and day, not birth year

Let  $k = \#$  people registered

For AMS 131 = 93 as of July 29, 2016

132  $\approx$  11 August 2, 2017

242  $\approx$  11 April 16, 2019      birth dates

The sample size  $S$  is like filling in  $k$  slots, each of which has  $n$  possible values, so  $S$  contains  $n^k$  equally likely outcomes.

$$\frac{242}{365} = 1.19 \times 10^{-620}$$

$$n = 365 = \# \text{ possible birthdays}$$

Let's try to work out  $P(\text{not } A)$

If nobody has the same birthday, then a randomly chosen person 1 has  $n = 365$  possibilities, a randomly chosen person 2 (distinct from person 1) has  $(n-1) = 364$  possibilities, ... and finally the last person  $k$  (no longer random) has  $(n-k+1) = 124$  possibilities.

All together (not A) has  $n(n-1)\dots(n-k+1) =$

$P_{\text{not } A} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$  equally likely outcomes favorable to it

and  $P(A) = 1 - P(\text{not } A) = 1 - \frac{365!}{123! \cdot 365^{23}}$

$$= 1 - \frac{n!}{(n-k)! n^k} = ?$$

To compute:

- 1) Don't evaluate the numerator and denominator separately & then divide. Instead, cancel them against each other.

$$1 - \frac{365!}{272! 365^{93}} = 1 - \frac{(365)(364)\dots(272)}{(365)(364)\dots(365)} = 0.599997$$

- 2) Stirling's approximation:  $\log n! = \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi + (n+\frac{1}{2}) \log n - n$

The log function goes to  $\infty$  much slower than the  $x$  function,

$$\text{so } P(A) = 1 - \exp \left\{ \log \left[ \frac{n!}{(n-k)! n^k} \right] \right\}$$

Stirling simplification for any  $x > 0$ ,  $x = \exp[\log(x)]$

$$= 1 - \exp \left\{ (n-k+\frac{1}{2}) [\log(n) - \log(n-k)] - k \right\} = 0.5999974$$

- 3) The Gamma function is a generalization of  $n!$ ,  $n$  integer, to all positive real #'s:  $n! = \Gamma(n+1)$

[gamma]

Many mathematical packages (R, Matlab, ...) have a log-gamma function.

With 23 people, there's already a 50/50 chance of 2 ppl having the same birthday

$$P(A) = 1 - \exp [\log n! - \log(n-k)! - k \log n]$$

$$= 1 - \exp [\log \Gamma(n+1) - \log \Gamma(n-k+1) - k \log n]$$

## Generalizing the binomial coefficients

What if there are more than 2 possible outcomes  
in a generalization of the T-S Case Study (T,N)?

We want  $n$  distinct elements to be divided into  $k$  different groups ( $k \geq 2$ ) so that  $n_j$  elements fall into group  $j$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^k n_j = n$ .  
T-S baby  $\uparrow$  not T-S baby

Q: In how many ways can this be done?

A: Follow the argument in the textbook pg. 42-43, which generalizes the line of reasoning leading to the binomial coefficients  $\binom{n}{y}$  when  $k=2$ .

$$\binom{n}{y} = \frac{n!}{y!(n-y)!} \quad n \geq 1 \quad 1 \leq y \leq k \quad \sum_{j=1}^k n_j = n$$

Def: A multinomial coefficient is of the form

$$\binom{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k}{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!}$$

This answers how many different ways to have people fall into different groups

Ex: 2016 presidential election (See pg. 333-334 from text)  
Imagine randomly sampling with replacement  $n$  eligible perspective voters from all such people (the population) in the U.S.

Possible outcomes  $k=5$

- 1 Clinton
- 2 Trump
- 3 Johnson
- 4 Stein
- 5 Undecided/no comment

Let  $X_i = \# \text{ people in sample who say they will vote for candidate } i, i=1, \dots, k=5$

Suppose (unknown to us) that the proportion of voters who favor candidate  $i$  in the population ( $\pi$ ) above is  $p_i$

Because the people are chosen with independent identically distributed (iid) sampling (i.e. at random w/ replacement) each person's outcome will be independent of all other outcomes

Thus  $P(1\text{st person favors candidate } i_1 \text{ and 2nd person favors } i_2 \text{ and ... and person } n \text{ favors } i_n) =$   
 product of all the  $p_i$ 's that correspond to those candidates

$$(p_{i_1} \cdot p_{i_2} \cdots \cdot p_{i_n})$$

Therefore  $P(\text{the sample has } x_1 \text{ people favoring candidate 1, } x_2 \text{ people favoring candidate 2, ... } x_k \text{ people favoring candidate } k)$  (listed in a prespecified order) = ...

$$= P_1^{x_1} \cdot P_2^{x_2} \cdots P_k^{x_k}, \text{ with } 0 \leq x_i \leq n \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^k x_i = n$$

Thus,  $P(\text{exactly } x_1 \text{ people favor Clinton \& ... \& } x_k \text{ people favor undecided}) = ? \cdot P_1^{x_1} \cdots P_k^{x_k}$ , where ? is the total # of different ways the order of the  $n$  people in the sample can be listed. But this ? is precisely

$$(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \frac{n!}{x_1! x_2! \cdots x_k!}, \text{ the multinomial coefficient defined before}$$

$$\text{So } P(X_1 = x_1 \text{ \& ... \& } X_n = x_n) = \frac{n!}{x_1! \cdots x_k!} P_1^{x_1} \cdots P_k^{x_k}$$

Refer to this as the multinomial probability distribution