

Concepts and Definitions to Remember

— Lecture 2.

* if we have n identical balls which are to be kept in k boxes such that no box will remain empty, then the number of possible arrangements is ${}^{n-1}C_{k-1}$

* Two events E_1 and E_2 are said to be disjoint, if $E_1 \cap E_2 = \phi$

* A sequence of events E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k is said to be mutually exclusive if $E_i \cap E_j = \phi \quad \forall i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, k\}$.

* Two events A and B are said to be independent if $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$

→ Probability is a mapping from the power set of Ω to $[0, 1]$.

i.e. if $A \subseteq \Omega$ then $P(A) = P$

where $0 \leq P \leq 1$

P satisfies the following.

→ $P(A) \geq 0 \quad \forall A \subseteq \Omega$.

→ $P(\Omega) = 1$.

→ if $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_k$ are mutually exclusive.

$$\text{Then } P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \dots A_k) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(A_i)$$

* Given a set $A \subseteq \Omega$, $P(A)$ is computed

as

$$\frac{\# \text{ of elements in } A}{|\Omega|}$$

(When outcomes are
equally likely)

* For any two Events A and B

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$