

Day 2 Feb 3rd, 2021

- I Last time
- II The 'And' operation
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- IV Bayes Theorem ←

I Probability w/ conditions

$$P(A | B) = P_B(A)$$

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conditioning

e.g. Prob. of an Ace card given that the card has a red suit.

or

Prob. of drawing a red Skittle from a bowl of Skittles and M&Ms.

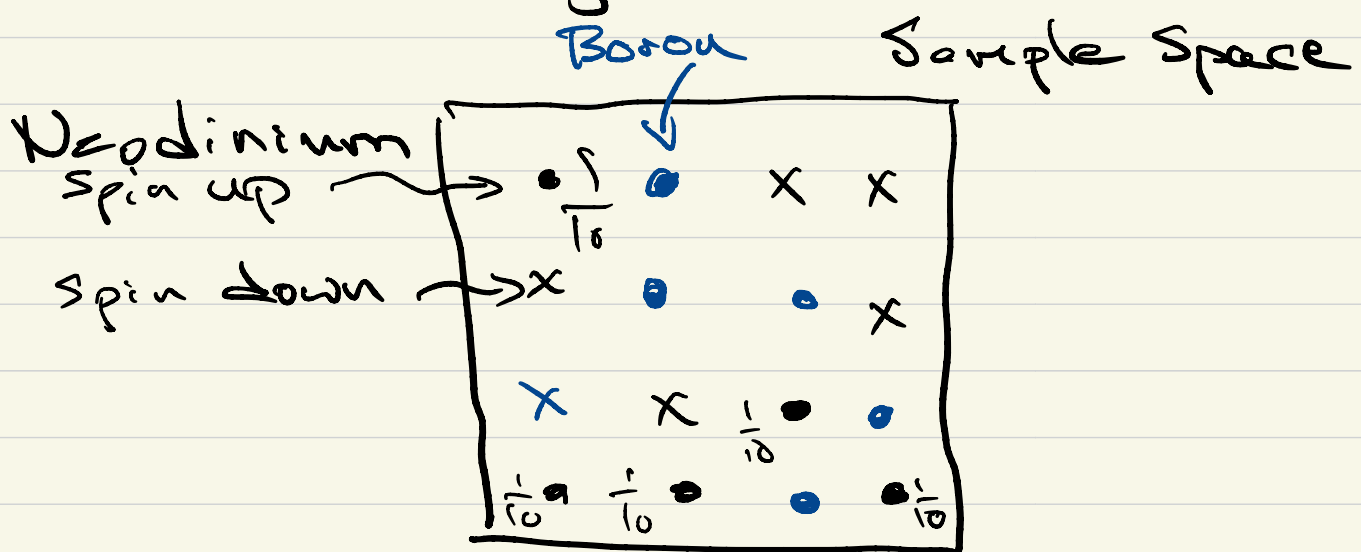
- Always identify your sample space.

II 'And'

Let's think of magnets:

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↑ 'ferromagnet'

2D ferromagnet



$$P(\text{Boron}) = \frac{6}{16} = \frac{3}{8}$$

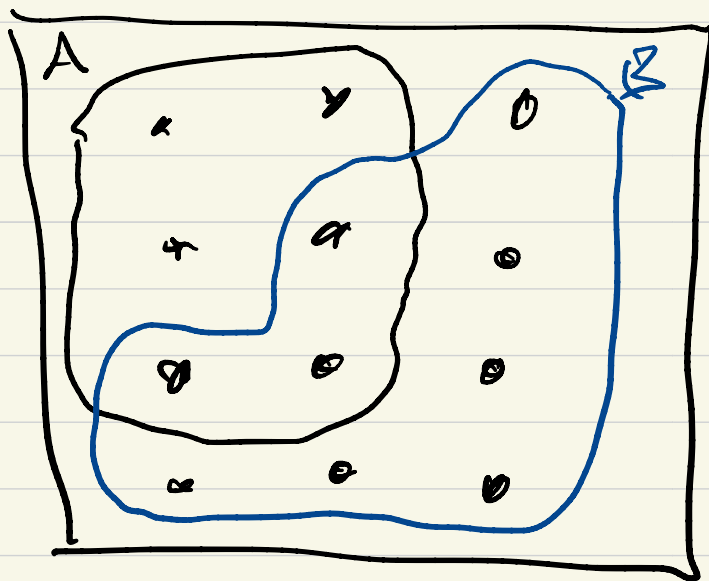
$$P(\text{Neo})$$

$$P(\text{Boron and Spin up}) = \frac{5}{16}$$

$$= \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Notice that up to now we've always assumed a uniform Sample Space w/ each event equally likely.

For now, assume uniformity.



$$P(\text{A and B}) \equiv P(AB) = \frac{N(AB)}{N}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{N_A}{N} ; P(B) = \frac{N_B}{N}$$

$$P(B|A) = P_A(B) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{N(AB)}{N_A}$$

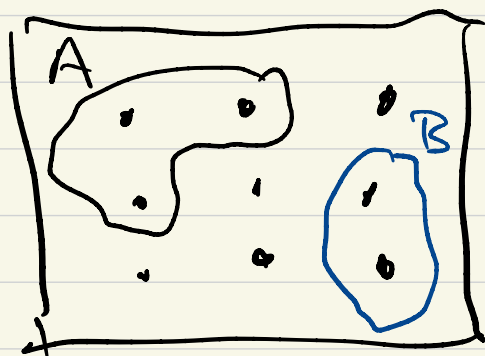
$$P(A|B) = P_B(A) = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{N(AB)}{N_B}$$

$$P(AB) = P_A(B) \cdot P(A) !$$

$$= P_B(A) \cdot P(B)$$

$$= P(BA)$$

When is it true that
 $P(AB) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$?



Not indep!

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{3} \quad P(B) = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$P(AB) = 0$$

Only when events are independent
does 'And' reduce to a simple
product:

$$P(AB) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

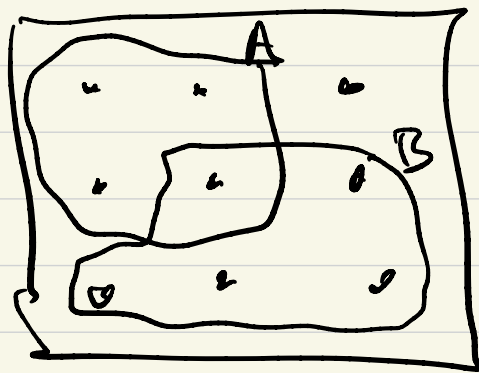
Flip coin 2 times

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Indep.
Events.

III 'Or'

$P(A \text{ or } B)$ = probability that either A holds or B holds.

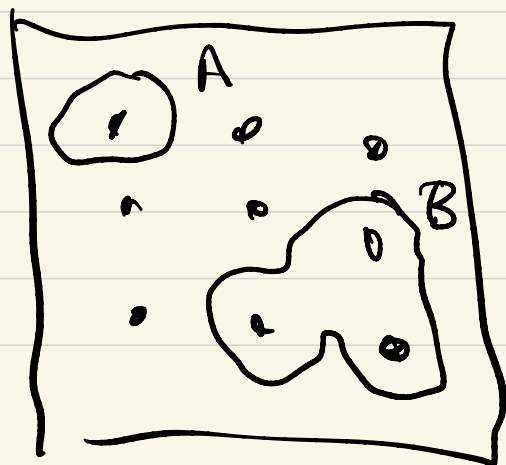


$$\begin{aligned} P(A + B) &= \frac{8}{9} = \frac{4}{9} + \frac{5}{9} - \frac{1}{9} \\ &= P(A) + P(B) - P(AB) \end{aligned}$$

When does 'or' simplify?

$$P(A + B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

'Mutually exclusive events'



IV Bayes' Theorem

$$\begin{aligned}P(AB) &= P_A(B) \cdot P(A) \\ &= P_B(A) \cdot P(B) \\ &= P(BA)\end{aligned}$$

$$P_B(A) = P(A|B)$$

$$= \frac{P_A(B) \cdot P(A)}{P(B)}$$

$$= \frac{P(B|A) \cdot P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Ex. Power of Bayes for science:

$$P(\text{hypothesis} | \text{data})$$

$$= \frac{P(\text{data} | \text{hypothesis}) \cdot P(\text{hypothesis})}{P(\text{data})}$$