

DSFA

Spring 2020

Lecture 11

Probability

Announcements

- Prelim 1 tonight
 - 7:30-9PM
 - Room by last name:
 - A-Q, Goldwin Smith G64
 - R-Z, Goldwin Smith 142
 - You can bring one sheet of notes, double-sided, made yourself
 - You will be provided with a list of table functions
 - Assigned seating; please arrive a few minutes early
 - Project 1 Part 2 due next Friday, 3/6, 5:59PM
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Recipes



INGREDIENTS

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened

3/4 cup granulated sugar

3/4 cup packed brown sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 large eggs

2 cups (12-oz. pkg.) **NESTLÉ® TOLL HOUSE® Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels**

1 cup chopped nuts

IN THIS RECIPE

INSTRUCTIONS

VIEW:

TEXT

VIDEO

PREHEAT oven to 375° F.

COMBINE flour, baking soda and salt in small bowl. Beat butter, granulated sugar, brown sugar and vanilla extract in large mixer bowl until creamy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Gradually beat in flour mixture. Stir in morsels and nuts. Drop by rounded tablespoon onto ungreased baking sheets.

BAKE for 9 to 11 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on baking sheets for 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

PAN COOKIE VARIATION: Preheat oven to 350° F. Grease 15 x 10-inch jelly-roll pan. Prepare dough as above. Spread into prepared pan. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in pan on wire rack. Makes 4 dozen bars.

SLICE AND BAKE COOKIE VARIATION:

PREPARE dough as above. Divide in half; wrap in waxed paper. Refrigerate for 1 hour or until firm. Shape each half into 15-inch log; wrap in wax paper. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.* Preheat oven to 375° F. Cut into 1/2-inch-thick slices; place on ungreased baking sheets. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on baking sheets for 2 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.

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Algorithm

Rules or a recipe for performing computation

Ideas we see in cookie recipe:

- **Iteration:** do something many times
 - **Conditionals:** decide whether something is true, and maybe do something different
 - **Variability or randomness:** some tasks might not be completely predictable
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Random Selection

Random Selection

`np.random.choice`

- Selects at random
- with replacement
- from an array
- a specified number of times

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np.random.choice(some_array, sample_size)
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(Demo)

Control Statements

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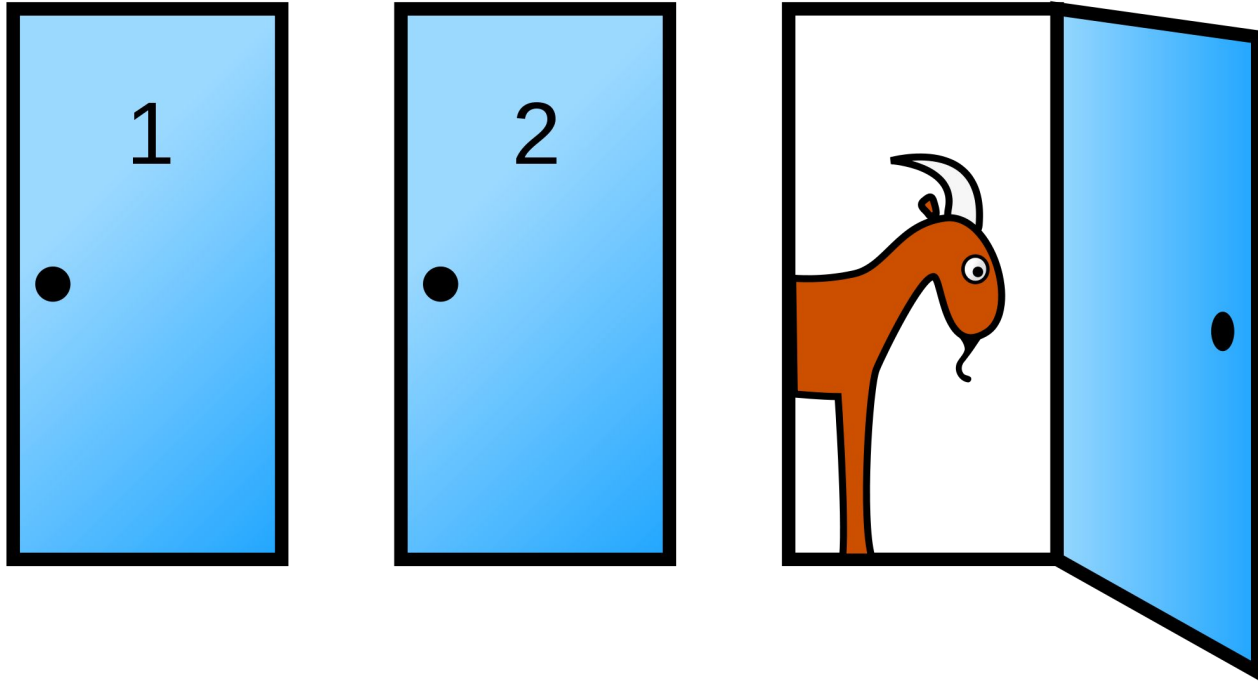
These statements *control* the sequence of computations that are performed in a program

- The keywords **if** and **for** begin control statements
- The purpose of **if** is to define computations that can choose different behaviors
- The purpose of **for** is to perform a computation for every element in a collection

(Demo)

The Monty Hall Problem

Monty Hall Problem



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- A. Switch?
 - B. Stay?
 - C. Doesn't matter
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Probability

Probability

- Lowest value: 0
 - Chance of event that is impossible
 - Highest value: 1 (or 100%)
 - Chance of event that is certain
 - If an event has chance 70%, then the chance that it doesn't happen is
 - $100\% - 70\% = 30\%$
 - $1 - 0.7 = 0.3$
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Equally Likely Outcomes

Assuming all outcomes are equally likely, the chance of an event A is:

$$P(A) = \frac{\text{number of outcomes that make A happen}}{\text{total number of outcomes}}$$

(Demo)

Multiplication Rule

Chance that two events A and B both happen

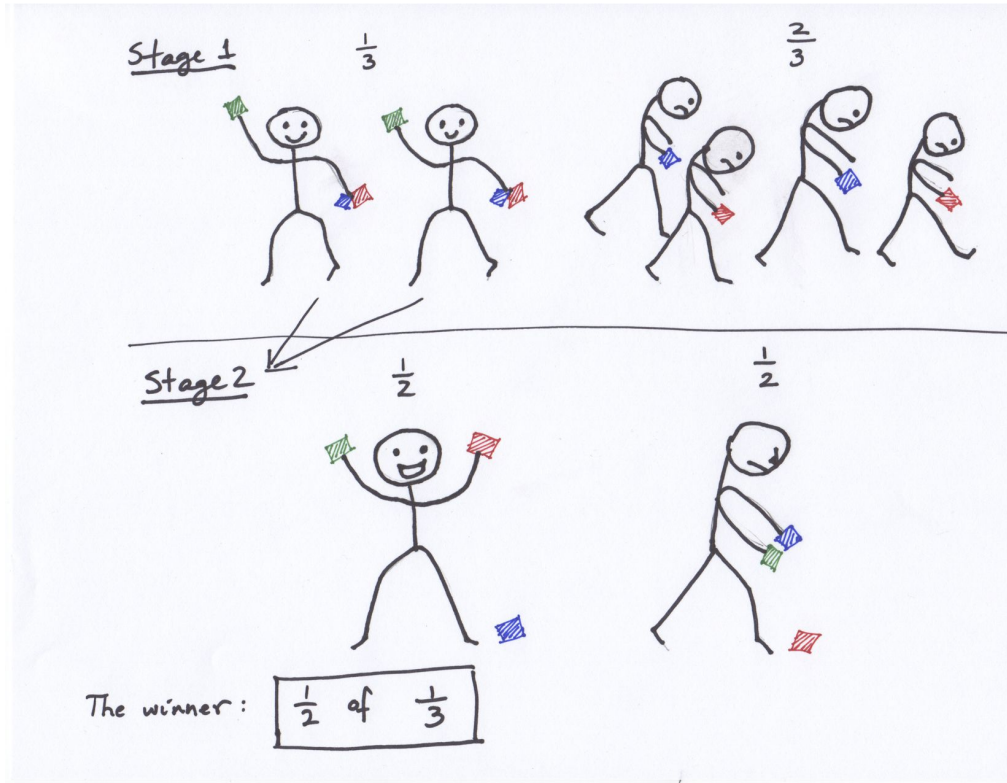
= $P(A \text{ happens})$

x $P(B \text{ happens } \mathbf{\text{given that}} A \text{ has happened})$

- The answer is *less than or equal to* each of the two chances being multiplied

(Demo)

Fraction of a Fraction



Addition Rule

If event A can happen in *exactly one* of two ways, then

$$P(A) = P(\text{first way}) + P(\text{second way})$$

- The answer is *greater than or equal to* the chance of each individual way
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Example: At Least One Head

- In 3 tosses:
 - Any outcome *except* TTT
 - $P(\text{TTT}) = (\frac{1}{2}) \times (\frac{1}{2}) \times (\frac{1}{2}) = (\frac{1}{2})^3 = \frac{1}{8}$
 - $P(\text{at least one head}) = 1 - P(\text{TTT}) = \frac{7}{8} = 87.5\%$

- In 10 tosses:
 - $P(\text{TTTTTTTTTT}) = (\frac{1}{2})^{10}$
 - $P(\text{at least one head}) = 1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{10} = 99.90\%$

(Demo)

Addition Rule

Chance that either A or B (inclusive)

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$

Simplifies to $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$ if A and B are disjoint (mutually exclusive)

- The answer is *greater than or equal to* the chance of each individual way
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Example: Roll a pair of dice

A = at least one 2

B = sum less than or equal to 4

C = double

What are $P(A)$, $P(B)$ and $P(C)$?

$P(A \text{ and } B)$, $P(A \text{ or } B)$, $P(B \text{ and } C)$, $P(B \text{ or } C)$?
