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# Crédits

Transparents repris et modifié de

- Taide Ding, Fereshte Khani, Stanford CS229 probability theory review, April 2020
- Wikipedia

# Elements of Probability

**Sample Space**  $\Omega$

$$\{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$$

**Event**  $A \subseteq \Omega$

$$\{HH, HT\}, \Omega$$

**Event Space**  $\mathcal{F}$

**Probability Measure**  $P : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$P(A) \geq 0 \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$P(\Omega) = 1$$

If  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  <sup>countable</sup> disjoint set of events ( $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  when  $i \neq j$ ),  
then

$$P\left(\bigcup_i A_i\right) = \sum_i P(A_i)$$

## Conditional Probability and Bayes' Rule

For any events  $A, B$  such that  $P(B) \neq 0$ , we define:

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

Let's apply conditional probability to obtain **Bayes' Rule**!

$$\begin{aligned} P(B | A) &= \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{P(B)P(A | B)}{P(A)}} \end{aligned}$$

**Conditioned Bayes' Rule:** given events  $A, B, C$ ,

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

See Appendix for proof :)

## Law of Total Probability

Let  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  be  $n$  disjoint events whose union is the entire sample space. Then, for any event  $A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A \cap B_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A \mid B_i)P(B_i) \end{aligned}$$

We can then write Bayes' Rule as:

$$\begin{aligned} P(B_k \mid A) &= \frac{P(B_k)P(A \mid B_k)}{P(A)} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{P(B_k)P(A \mid B_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^n P(A \mid B_i)P(B_i)}} \end{aligned}$$

## Example

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**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \mid G) &= \frac{P(A)P(G \mid A)}{P(A)P(G \mid A) + P(B)P(G \mid B)} \\&= \frac{0.5 \times 1}{0.5 \times 1 + 0.5 \times 0.6} \\&= \boxed{0.625}\end{aligned}$$

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## Chain Rule

For any  $n$  events  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ , the joint probability can be expressed as a product of conditionals:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n) \\ = P(A_1)P(A_2 \mid A_1)P(A_3 \mid A_2 \cap A_1) \dots P(A_n \mid A_{n-1} \cap A_{n-2} \cap \dots \cap A_1) \end{aligned}$$



# Independence

Events  $A, B$  are independent if

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

We denote this as  $A \perp B$ . From this, we know that if  $A \perp B$ ,

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

**Implication:** If two events are independent, observing one event does not change the probability that the other event occurs.

**In general:** events  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are **mutually independent** if

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i \in S} A_i\right) = \prod_{i \in S} P(A_i)$$

for any subset  $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

# Random Variables

- ▶ <sup>real</sup> A **random variable**  $X$  maps outcomes to real values.
- ▶  $X$  takes on values in  $Val(X) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .
- ▶  $X = k$  is the event that random variable  $X$  takes on value  $k$ .

## Discrete RVs:

- ▶  $Val(X)$  is a set
- ▶  $P(X = k)$  can be nonzero

## Continuous RVs:

- ▶  $Val(X)$  is a range
- ▶  $P(X = k) = 0$  for all  $k$ .  $P(a \leq X \leq b)$  can be nonzero.

## Mixed RVs

# Probability Mass Function (PMF)

Given a **discrete** RV  $X$ , a PMF maps values of  $X$  to probabilities.

$$p_X(x) := P(X = x)$$

For a valid PMF,  $\sum_{x \in \text{Val}(x)} p_X(x) = 1$ .

# Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

A CDF maps a continuous RV to a function  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$

$$F_X(x) := P(X \leq x)$$

A CDF must fulfill the following:

- ▶  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0$
- ▶  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1$
- ▶ If  $a \leq b$ , then  $F_X(a) \leq F_X(b)$  (i.e. CDF must be nondecreasing)

Also note:  $P(a \leq X \leq b) = F_X(b) - F_X(a)$ .

# Probability Density Function (PDF)

PDF of a continuous RV is simply the derivative of the CDF.

$$f_X(x) := \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx}$$

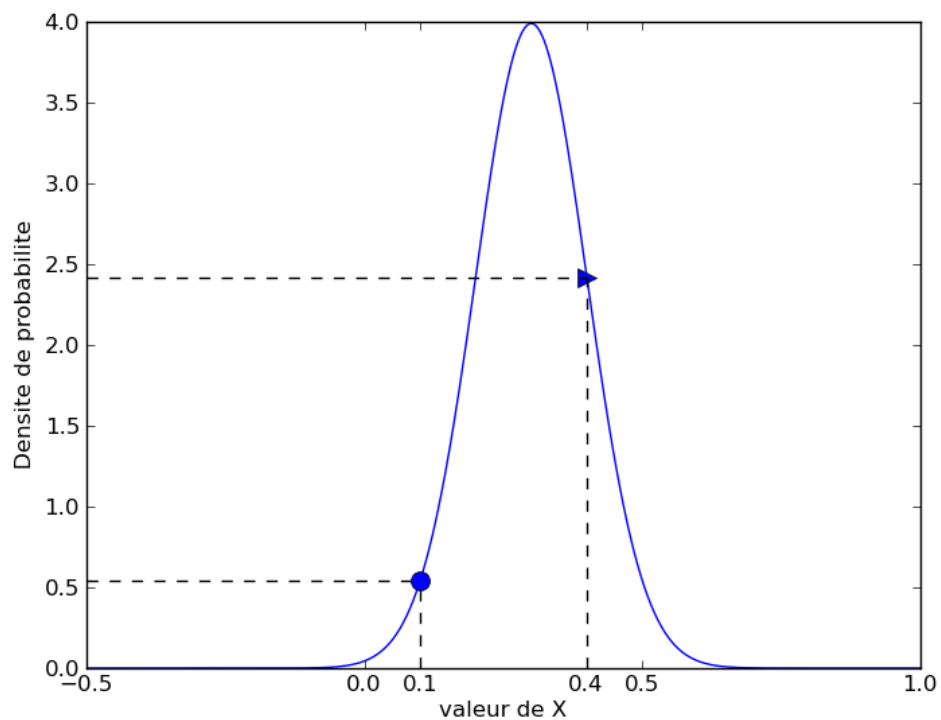
Thus,

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = F_X(b) - F_X(a) = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$$

A valid PDF must be such that

- ▶ for all real numbers  $x$ ,  $f_X(x) \geq 0$ .
- ▶  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$

On a représenté sur le graphe ci-dessous la densité de probabilité d'une variable aléatoire réelle  $X$ .



- 1) La densité de probabilité de  $X$  prend une valeur supérieure 1 en  $X = 0.4$ . Cela vous paraît-il normal ? Justifiez votre réponse.

Soit  $x$  une réalisation de  $X$ .

- 2) Quelle est la probabilité d'avoir  $x = 0.1$  ? Quelle est la probabilité d'avoir  $x = 0.4$  ? Est-il plus probable d'observer  $x = 0.4$  ou  $x = 0.1$  ? A quel point (approximativement) ?

# Expectation

Let  $g$  be an arbitrary real-valued function.

- ▶ If  $X$  is a discrete RV with PMF  $p_X$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] := \sum_{x \in \text{Val}(X)} g(x)p_X(x)$$

- ▶ If  $X$  is a continuous RV with PDF  $f_X$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x)dx$$

**Intuitively**, expectation is a weighted average of the values of  $g(x)$ , weighted by the probability of  $x$ .

# Properties of Expectation

For any constant  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and arbitrary real function  $f$ :

►  $\mathbb{E}[a] = a$

►  $\mathbb{E}[af(X)] = a\mathbb{E}[f(X)]$

## Linearity of Expectation

Given  $n$  real-valued functions  $f_1(X), \dots, f_n(X)$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n f_i(X)\right] = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[f_i(X)]$$

## Law of Total Expectation

Given two RVs  $X, Y$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X \mid Y]] = \mathbb{E}[X]$$

**N.B.**  $\mathbb{E}[X \mid Y] = \sum_{x \in \text{Val}(X)} x p_{X|Y}(x|y)$  is a function of  $Y$ .  
See Appendix for details :)



## Example of Law of Total Expectation

El Goog sources two batteries,  $A$  and  $B$ , for its phone. A phone with battery  $A$  runs on average 12 hours on a single charge, but only 8 hours on average with battery  $B$ . El Goog puts battery  $A$  in 80% of its phones and battery  $B$  in the rest. If you buy a phone from El Goog, how many hours do you expect it to run on a single charge?

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**Solution:** Let  $L$  be the time your phone runs on a single charge. We know the following:

- ▶  $p_X(A) = 0.8$ ,  $p_X(B) = 0.2$ ,
- ▶  $\mathbb{E}[L \mid A] = 12$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[L \mid B] = 8$ .

Then, by Law of Total Expectation,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[L] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[L \mid X]] = \sum_{X \in \{A, B\}} \mathbb{E}[L \mid X] p_X(X) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[L \mid A] p_X(A) + \mathbb{E}[L \mid B] p_X(B) \\ &= 12 \times 0.8 + 8 \times 0.2 = \boxed{11.2}\end{aligned}$$

# Variance

The **variance** of a RV  $X$  measures how concentrated the distribution of  $X$  is around its mean.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X) &:= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2\end{aligned}$$

**Interpretation:**  $\text{Var}(X)$  is the expected deviation of  $X$  from  $\mathbb{E}[X]$ .

**Properties:** For any constant  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , real-valued function  $f(X)$

- ▶  $\text{Var}[a] = 0$
- ▶  $\text{Var}[af(X)] = a^2 \text{Var}[f(X)]$

## Example Distributions

Distribution	PDF or PMF	Mean	Variance
<i>Bernoulli</i> ( $p$ )	$\begin{cases} p, & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 1 - p, & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$	$p$	$p(1 - p)$
<i>Binomial</i> ( $n, p$ )	$\binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$	$np$	$np(1 - p)$
<i>Geometric</i> ( $p$ )	$p(1 - p)^{k-1}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
<i>Poisson</i> ( $\lambda$ )	$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$
<i>Uniform</i> ( $a, b$ )	$\frac{1}{b-a}$ for all $x \in (a, b)$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
<i>Gaussian</i> ( $\mu, \sigma^2$ )	$\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ for all $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$
<i>Exponential</i> ( $\lambda$ )	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ for all $x \geq 0, \lambda \geq 0$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

# Joint and Marginal Distributions

- ▶ **Joint PMF** for discrete RV's  $X, Y$ :

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$

Note that  $\sum_{x \in \text{Val}(X)} \sum_{y \in \text{Val}(Y)} p_{XY}(x, y) = 1$

- ▶ **Marginal PMF** of  $X$ , given joint PMF of  $X, Y$ :

$$p_X(x) = \sum_y p_{XY}(x, y)$$

- ▶ **Joint PDF** for continuous  $X, Y$ :

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\delta^2 F_{XY}(x, y)}{\delta x \delta y}$$

Note that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy = 1$

- ▶ **Marginal PDF** of  $X$ , given joint PDF of  $X, Y$ :

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy$$

# Joint and Marginal Distributions for Multiple RVs

- ▶ **Joint PMF** for discrete RV's  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ :

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n)$$

Note that  $\sum_{x_1} \sum_{x_2} \dots \sum_{x_n} p(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1$

- ▶ **Marginal PMF** of  $X_1$ , given joint PMF of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ :

$$p_{X_1}(x_1) = \sum_{x_2} \dots \sum_{x_n} p(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

- ▶ **Joint PDF** for continuous RV's  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ :

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\delta^n F(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\delta x_1 \delta x_2 \dots \delta x_n}$$

Note that  $\int_{x_1} \int_{x_2} \dots \int_{x_n} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n = 1$

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$$f_{X_1}(x_1) = \int_{x_2} \dots \int_{x_n} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_2 \dots dx_n$$

## Expectation for multiple random variables

Given two RV's  $X, Y$  and a function  $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  of  $X, Y$ ,

- ▶ for discrete  $X, Y$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] := \sum_{x \in \text{Val}(x)} \sum_{y \in \text{Val}(y)} g(x, y) p_{XY}(x, y)$$

- ▶ for continuous  $X, Y$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

These definitions can be extended to multiple random variables in the same way as in the previous slide. For example, for  $n$  continuous RV's  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and function  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int \int \dots \int g(x_1, \dots, x_n) f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1, \dots, dx_n$$

# Covariance

**Intuitively:** measures how much one RV's value tends to move with another RV's value. For RV's  $X, Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}[X, Y] &:= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ If  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] < 0$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are negatively correlated
- ▶ If  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] > 0$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are positively correlated
- ▶ If  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = 0$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated



# Properties Involving Covariance

- ▶ If  $X \perp Y$ , then  $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$ . Thus,

$$\text{Cov}[X, Y] = \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y] = 0$$

This is unidirectional!  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = 0$  **does not imply**  $X \perp Y$

- ▶ **Variance of two variables:**

$$\text{Var}[X + Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y] + 2\text{Cov}[X, Y]$$

i.e. if  $X \perp Y$ ,  $\text{Var}[X + Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$ .

- ▶ **Special Case:**

$$\text{Cov}[X, X] = \mathbb{E}[XX] - \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[X] = \text{Var}[X]$$

## Variance of a sum

$$\mathbb{V} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{V}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)$$

**Exercice :** espérance et variance de la moyenne de n variables aléatoires i.id. ?

## Law of total variance

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \mathbb{E}[\text{Var}(Y \mid X)] + \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y \mid X]).$$

**Exercice :** On a une procédure aléatoire pour entraîner un classificateur binaire, dont on obtient n échantillons (n classifieurs). Pour tester la qualité de la procédure d'entraînement, on a une procédure aléatoire de test qui produit une erreur de classification et qu'on applique m fois sur chacun des n classificateurs entraînés. Comment mesurer la variance de l'erreur de classification (par exemple pour savoir si elle est significativement en dessous du hasard) à partir des erreurs de classifications  $(e_{i,j})_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m}$  ?

# Conditional distributions for RVs

Works the same way with *RV*'s as with events:

- ▶ For discrete  $X, Y$ :

$$p_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_X(x)}$$

- ▶ For continuous  $X, Y$ :

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_X(x)}$$

- ▶ In general, for continuous  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ :

$$f_{X_1|X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1|x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}{f_{X_2, \dots, X_n}(x_2, \dots, x_n)}$$

## Bayes' Rule for RVs

Also works the same way for *RV*'s as with events:

- ▶ For discrete  $X, Y$ :

$$p_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{p_{X|Y}(x|y)p_Y(y)}{\sum_{y' \in \text{Val}(Y)} p_{X|Y}(x|y')p_Y(y')}$$

- ▶ For continuous  $X, Y$ :

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X|Y}(x|y)f_Y(y)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y')f_Y(y')dy'}$$

## Chain Rule for RVs

Also works the same way as with events:

$$\begin{aligned}f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) &= f(x_1)f(x_2|x_1)\dots f(x_n|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}) \\&= f(x_1) \prod_{i=2}^n f(x_i|x_1, \dots, x_{i-1})\end{aligned}$$

# Independence for RVs

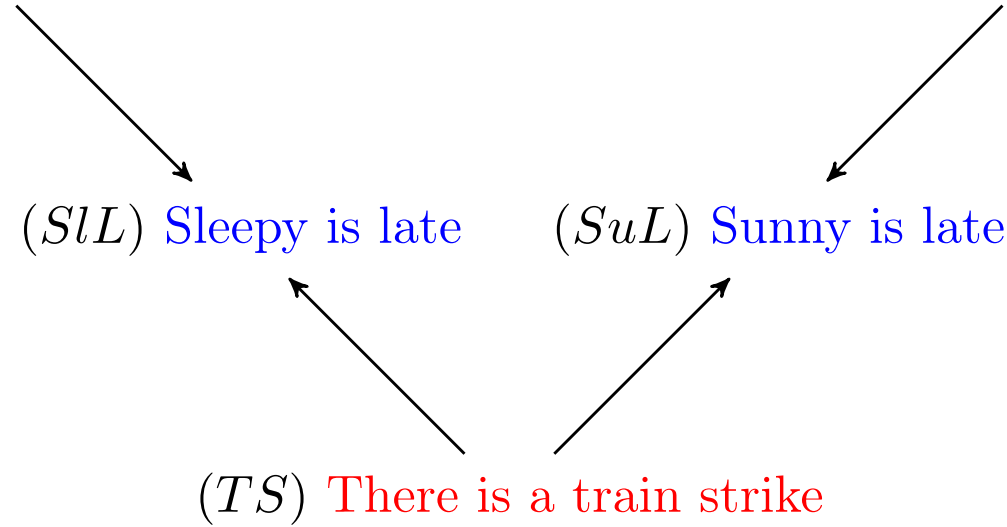
- ▶ For  $X \perp Y$  to hold, it must be that  $F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$   
**FOR ALL VALUES** of  $x, y$ .
- ▶ Since  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = f_Y(y)$  if  $X \perp Y$ , chain rule for mutually independent  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1)f(x_2)\dots f(x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i)$$

(very important assumption for a Naive Bayes classifier!)

(*SlO*) Sleepy oversleeps

(*SuO*) Sunny oversleeps



*SlO*, *SuO*, *SlL*, *SuL* and *TS* binary random variables

$$P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i | X_{\pi_{i,1}}, X_{\pi_{i,2}}, \dots, X_{\pi_{i,n_i}}),$$

$$P(SlL = 1 | SlO = a, TS = b) = a \vee b,$$

where  $\{\pi_{i,1}, \pi_{i,2}, \dots, \pi_{i,n_i}\}$  is the set of the parents of node  $i$  in the graph.

$$P(SuL = 1 | TS = b, SuO = c) = b \vee c,$$

This formula is often abridged into :

$$l = P(SlO = 1), u = P(SuO = 1) \text{ and } t = P(TS = 1).$$

$$P(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i | X_{\pi_i}).$$

1. Express the factorization of  $P(SlL, SuL, SlO, SuO, TS)$  in the graphical model
2. Is the joint probability entirely specified if we know the values of  $l$ ,  $u$  and  $t$ ?
3. Compute  $P(TS = 1 | SlL = 1)$  as a function of  $l$ ,  $u$  and  $t$ .
4. Compute  $P(SlO = 1 | SlL = 1)$  as a function of  $l$ ,  $u$  and  $t$ .
5. Compute  $P(TS = 1 | SlL = 1, SuL = 1)$  as a function of  $l$ ,  $u$  and  $t$ .
6. Compute  $P(SlO = 1 | SlL = 1, SuL = 1)$  as a function of  $l$ ,  $u$  and  $t$ .
7. Suppose now that  $l = 0.5$ ,  $t = 0.1$  and that we observe that *Sleepy is late*. What is the most probable : that *there is a train strike* or that *Sleepy overslept*?
8. Same question when we suppose in addition that  $u = 0.01$  and that we observe that *Sunny is late* too.
9. What happens if we take  $l = 0.5$ ,  $t = 0.1$  and  $u = 0.2$ ?

## Appendix: More on Total Expectation

Why is  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y]$  a function of  $Y$ ? Consider the following:

- ▶  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y = y]$  is a scalar that only depends on  $y$ .
- ▶ Thus,  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y]$  is a random variable that only depends on  $Y$ . Specifically,  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y]$  is a function of  $Y$  mapping  $Val(Y)$  to the real numbers.

An example: Consider RV  $X$  such that

$$X = Y^2 + \epsilon$$

such that  $\epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  is a standard Gaussian. Then,

- ▶  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y] = Y^2$
- ▶  $\mathbb{E}[X|Y = y] = y^2$



## Appendix: More on Total Expectation

A derivation of Law of Total Expectation for discrete  $X, Y$ :<sup>3</sup>

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|Y]] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_x xP(X = x | Y)\right] \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_y \sum_x xP(X = x | Y)P(Y = y) \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_y \sum_x xP(X = x, Y = y) \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_x x \sum_y P(X = x, Y = y) \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_x xP(X = x) = \boxed{\mathbb{E}[X]} \quad (5)$$

where (1), (2), and (5) result from the definition of expectation, (3) results from the definition of cond. prob., and (5) results from marginalizing out  $Y$ .

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<sup>3</sup>from slides by Koochak & Irvin

## Appendix: A proof of Conditioned Bayes Rule

Repeatedly applying the definition of conditional probability, we have: <sup>4</sup>

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{P(b|a, c)P(a|c)}{P(b|c)} &= \frac{P(b, a, c)}{P(a, c)} \cdot \frac{P(a|c)}{P(b|c)} \\ &= \frac{P(b, a, c)}{P(a, c)} \cdot \frac{P(a, c)}{P(b|c)P(c)} \\ &= \frac{P(b, a, c)}{P(b|c)P(c)} \\ &= \frac{P(b, a, c)}{P(b, c)} \\ &= P(a|b, c)\end{aligned}$$

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