

# (Sec-1) Probability & Statistics

L3

## Random Experiments. (RE)

$(\Omega, A, P)$

↓  
 $(\sigma\text{-field})$

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Some events are more likely than others.

Exp. 1

↑ Height.



$$[5, 6] \subseteq [4, 6.5]$$

$$P: A \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

Exp.



→ Throwing a die.

Need of the concept of  $\sigma\text{-field}$

RE  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \Omega \text{ is countable / Discrete} \\ \rightarrow \Omega \text{ is uncountable / Continuous} \end{array} \right.$

## Discrete Probability measure.

$\Omega$  - countable.

$$P = P(\cdot \text{ on } \Omega)$$

$$P: \mathcal{P}(\Omega) \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$(i) \quad P(\Omega) = 1, \\ P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$(ii) \quad P \text{ is } \sigma\text{-additive} \\ P\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} P(A_j)$$

when  $A_j$ 's are in a disjoint collection

Q. What are all possible probability measures on a discrete sample space!!

Let  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n\}$   
 $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$

Let  $P: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  any probability measure defined on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Obs. If  $P$  is a probability measure on  $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  then the numbers  $p_j$ ,

$$p_j = P(\{\omega_j\}) = P(\{\omega_j\})$$

satisfy the following

$$0 \leq p_j \leq 1, \quad \sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$$

