# PROBABILITY

## A ALGEBRA OF EVENTS

### A.1 SAMPLE SPACE

### A.1.1 FINDING THE SAMPLE SPACES

MCQ 1: A fair six-sided die is rolled once.

Find the sample space.

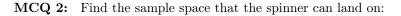
 $\Box$  {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}

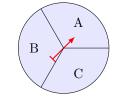
 $\Box$  {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}

 $\boxtimes \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ 

Answer:

- The sample space is all possible outcomes.
- When rolling a fair six-sided die, the possible outcomes are the numbers on the die's faces.
- So, the sample space is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .





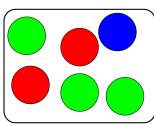
- $\boxtimes \ \{A,B,C\}$
- $\Box \{A, B\}$
- $\Box \{A, C\}$

Answer:

- The sample space is all possible outcomes.
- The spinner has three distinct regions labeled A, B, and C.
- So, the sample space is:  $\{A, B, C\}$ .

**MCQ 3:** A ball is chosen randomly from a bag containing 2 red balls, 1 blue ball, and 3 green balls.

Bag



Find the sample space.

- $\boxtimes$  {Red, Blue, Green}
- $\square$  {2 Red, 1 Blue, 3 Green}
- $\Box \ \{\text{Red, Red, Blue, Green, Green, Green}\}$

Answer:

- When choosing a ball randomly from the bag containing 2 red balls, 1 blue ball, and 3 green balls, the balls are identical in color, so we do not distinguish between them based on quantity.
- So, the sample space (all possible outcomes) is: {Red, Blue, Green}

**MCQ 4:** A letter is chosen randomly from the word BANANA. Find all possible outcomes for the chosen letter.

- $\boxtimes \{B, N, A\}$
- $\Box \ \{B, A, N, A, N, A\}$
- $\Box \ \{A, B, N, A, B, N\}$

Answer:

- When choosing a letter randomly from the word "BANANA", the possible outcomes are the distinct letters in the word.
- So, the sample space (all possible outcomes) is: {B, A, N} or {B, N, A}. The order in which the letters are listed does not matter.

### A.2 EVENTS

### A.2.1 FINDING THE EVENTS

**MCQ 5:** A letter is chosen randomly from the word ORANGE. Find the event where the chosen letter is a vowel.

- $\Box \ \{O, R, A, N, G, E\}$
- $\boxtimes \{O, A, E\}$
- $\Box$  {R, G, N}
- $\Box$  {A, G, E}

Answer:

- An event represents some outcomes from the sample space (all possible outcomes).
- When choosing a letter randomly from the word "ORANGE", the event where the chosen letter is a vowel consists of the vowels in the word.
- So, the event is:  $\{O, A, E\}$ .

MCQ 6: A fair six-sided dice is rolled once. Find the event where the outcome is an even number.

 $\Box$  {1, 3, 5}

 $\boxtimes \{2, 4, 6\}$  $\Box \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ 

 $\Box$  {2, 3, 4, 5}

Answer:

- An event represents some outcomes from the sample space (all possible outcomes).
- When rolling a fair six-sided dice, the event where the outcome is an even number consists of the even numbers on the dice.
- So, the event is:  $\{2, 4, 6\}$ .

### $\mathbf{MCQ}$ 7: A flag is chosen randomly from:



France Italy Germany

Find the event where the outcome is a flag with blue in them.

 $\boxtimes$  {France }

 $\Box$  {Italy, France}

 $\Box$  {Italy, France, Germany}

Answer:

- An event represents some outcomes from the sample space (all possible outcomes).
- Among the given flags, only the French flag has blue in it.
- So, the correct answer is: {France}.

## MCQ 8: A flag is chosen randomly from:



France Italy Germany Japan

Find the event where the outcome is a flag with red in them.

- $\Box \ \{ {\rm France}, \, {\rm Japan} \}$
- $\Box$  {Italy, France}
- $\boxtimes \ \{ \mbox{Italy, France, Germany, Japan} \}$

Answer:

- An event represents some outcomes from the sample space (all possible outcomes).
- Among the given flags, France, Italy, Germany, and Japan have red in them.
- So, the correct answer is: {Italy, France, Germany, Japan}.



France Italy Germany Nigeria

Find the event where the outcome is a flag with green in them.

- $\Box$  {France, Nigeria}
- $\boxtimes$  {Italy, Nigeria}
- $\Box$  {Italy, France, Germany}

Answer:

- An event represents some outcomes from the sample space (all possible outcomes).
- Among the given flags, Italy and Nigeria have green in them.
- So, the correct answer is: {Italy, Nigeria}.

## A.3 COMPLEMENTARY EVENT

## A.3.1 FINDING THE COMPLEMENTARY EVENTS

MCQ 10: A flag is chosen randomly from the following:



France Italy Germany Nigeria

Let E be the event where the selected flag contains green. Find the complement of event E, denoted as E'.

- $\boxtimes E' = \{$ France, Germany $\}$
- $\Box E' = {$ Italy, Nigeria $}$
- $\Box E' = {$ Italy, France, Germany $}$

Answer:

- The event E includes flags with the color green: {Italy, Nigeria}.
- The complement event  $E^\prime$  consists of flags that do not have green.
- So, the complement event  $E' = \{$ France, Germany $\}$ .

MCQ 11: A flag is chosen at random from the following set:



France Italy Germany Nigeria

Let E be the event where the chosen flag contains the color red. Find the complement of event E, denoted E'.

- $\Box E' = \{ France, Germany \}$
- $\boxtimes E' = {\text{Nigeria}}$
- $\Box E' = \{$ Italy, France, Germany $\}$



- The event E consists of flags that contain the color red: {France, Italy, Germany}.
- The complement of event E, denoted E', consists of flags that do not contain the color red.
- Since Nigeria is the only flag without the color red,  $E' = \{$ Nigeria $\}$ .
- So, the correct answer is  $E' = {\text{Nigeria}}.$

**MCQ 12:** A child's name is chosen randomly from the following list:

- Emily (girl's name)
- James (boy's name)
- Ava (girl's name)
- Sophia (girl's name)

Let E be the event where the selected name is a boy's name. Find the complement of event E, denoted as E'.

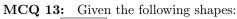
 $\boxtimes \ E' = \{ {\rm Emily, \, Ava, \, Sophia} \}$ 

 $\Box \ E' = \{ \text{James} \}$ 

 $\Box E' = {\text{James, Ava}}$ 

Answer:

- The event E includes boy's names: {James}.
- The complement event E' consists of names that are not boy's names (i.e., girl's names).
- So, the complement event  $E' = \{\text{Emily, Ava, Sophia}\}.$





Triangle Square Pentagon Hexagon

Let  ${\cal E}$  be the event where a polygon with an even number of sides is chosen.

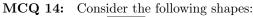
Find the complement of event E, denoted as E'.

- $\Box \ E' = \{ Square, Hexagon \}$
- $\boxtimes E' = \{ \text{Triangle, Pentagon} \}$
- $\Box \ E' = \{ \text{Triangle, Square, Pentagon, Hexagon} \}$

Answer:

- Triangle: three sides. Square: four sides. Pentagon: five sides. Hexagon: six sides.
- The event E includes polygons with an even number of sides: {Square, Hexagon}.
- The complementary event E' consists of polygons that do not have an even number of sides (have an odd number of sides).

• Therefore, the complementary event E' {Triangle, Pentagon}.





Triangle Circle Square Curve

Let E be the event where the shape is a polygon. Find the complement of event E, denoted as E'.

- $\Box E' = \{\text{Triangle, Square}\}$
- $\Box E' = \{ \text{Triangle, Circle, Square, Curve} \}$
- $\boxtimes E' = \{ Circle, Curve \}$

Answer:

- The event E includes shapes that are polygons: {Triangle, Square}.
- The complementary event  $E^\prime$  consists of shapes that are not polygons.
- Therefore, the complementary event  $E' = \{$ Circle, Curve $\}$ .

# A.4 MULTI-STEP RANDOM EXPERIMENTS

## A.4.1 FINDING OUTCOME IN A TABLE

**MCQ 15:** The table below shows the possible outcomes for the sexes of two children, first and second, where each can be a Boy (B) or a Girl (G).

| second child<br>first child | В  | G  |
|-----------------------------|----|----|
| В                           | BB | ?  |
| G                           | GB | GG |

Find the missing outcome.

 $\square BB$ 

 $\boxtimes BG$ 

 $\Box GB$ 

Answer:

- The first child is represented by the row ("first child"), and the second child by the column ("second child").
- The missing outcome is BG.

MCQ 16: The table below shows the possible outcomes when selecting two letters at random from the word "MAT" with replacement (after choosing a letter, it is put back before the next selection).

| letter 2<br>letter 1 | M  | A  | Т  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|
| M                    | MM | MA | MT |
| A                    | AM | AA | AT |
| Т                    | TM | ?  | TT |

Find the missing outcome.



- $\Box TT$
- $\boxtimes TA$
- $\Box AT$

Answer:

- The first letter is "Letter 1" (row), and the second letter is "Letter 2" (column).
- The missing outcome is TA.

MCQ 17: The table below shows the possible outcomes when selecting two letters at random from the word "CODE" with replacement (after choosing a letter, it is put back before the next selection).

| letter 2<br>letter 1 | C  | 0  | D  | E  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| C                    | CC | CO | CD | CE |
| 0                    | OC | 00 | OD | OE |
| D                    | DC | ?  | DD | DE |
| E                    | EC | EO | ED | EE |

Find the missing outcome.

 $\boxtimes DO$ 

 $\Box OD$ 

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\square DC
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Answer:

- The first letter is "Letter 1" (row), and the second letter is "Letter 2" (column).
- The missing outcome is *DO*.

MCQ 18: The table below shows the possible outcomes when selecting two letters at random from the word "NODE" without replacement (after choosing a letter, it is not put back before the next selection). An "X" means no outcome is possible.

| letter 2 | N  | 0  | D  | E  |
|----------|----|----|----|----|
| letter 1 | 1  | U  |    |    |
| N        | X  | ?  | ND | NE |
| 0        | ON | X  | OD | OE |
| D        | DN | DO | X  | DE |
| E        | EN | EO | ED | Х  |

Find the missing outcome.

- $\Box NN$
- $\boxtimes NO$
- $\Box ON$

Answer:

- The first letter is "Letter 1" (row), and the second letter is "Letter 2" (column).
- The missing outcome is NO.

**MCQ 19:** The table below shows the possible outcomes when a coach selects two players at random from four players (A, B, C, D) without replacement (after choosing a player, they are not put back before the next selection). An "X" means no outcome is possible.

| Player 2<br>Player 1 | A  | В  | C  | D  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| A                    | X  | ?  | AC | AD |
| В                    | BA | X  | BC | BD |
| C                    | CA | CB | X  | CD |
| D                    | DA | DB | DC | X  |

Find the missing outcome.

 $\square BA$ 

 $\Box CA$ 

Answer:

- The first player is "Player 1" (row), and the second player is "Player 2" (column).
- The missing outcome is AB.

# A.4.2 COUNTING THE NUMBER OF POSSIBLE OUTCOMES IN A TABLE

**Ex 20:** The table below shows the possible outcomes for the sexes of two children, first and second, where each can be a Boy (B) or a Girl (G).

| second child<br>first child | В  | G  |
|-----------------------------|----|----|
| В                           | BB | BG |
| G                           | GB | GG |

Count the number of possible outcomes.

4 possibles outcomes.

Answer:

- The sample space (the possible outcomes) is  $\{GG, GB, BP, FF\}$ .
- The number of possible outcomes is 4.

**Ex 21:** There are four players: A, B, C, and D. For position 1, only players A and B are eligible. For position 2, only players C and D are eligible. The table below shows the possible selections for the two positions.

| position 2<br>position 1 | С  | D  |
|--------------------------|----|----|
| А                        | AC | AD |
| В                        | BC | BD |

Count the number of possible outcomes.

4 possible outcomes.

Answer:



- The sample space (the possible outcomes) is {AC, AD, BC, BD}.
- The number of possible outcomes is 4.

**Ex 22:** There are four players: A, B, C, and D. A coach selects two players at random without replacement. The table below shows the possible selections for the two positions. An "X" means no outcome is possible.

| Player 2<br>Player 1 | A  | В  | C  | D  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| A                    | X  | AB | AC | AD |
| В                    | BA | X  | BC | BD |
| C                    | CA | CB | X  | CD |
| D                    | DA | DB | DC | Х  |

Count the number of possible outcomes.

12 possible outcomes.

Answer:

- The sample space (the possible outcomes) is {*AB*, *AC*, *AD*, *BA*, *BC*, *BD*, *CA*, *CB*, *CD*, *DA*, *DB*, *DC*}.
- The number of possible outcomes is 12.

**Ex 23:** There are three students: X, Y, and Z. A teacher selects one student each day, on Monday and Tuesday, to recite a poem. The selection is made without replacement, meaning the same student cannot be chosen both days. The table below shows the possible selections for the two days.

| Tuesday<br>Monday | X  | Y  | Ζ  |
|-------------------|----|----|----|
| X                 | X  | XY | XZ |
| Y                 | YX | X  | YZ |
| Z                 | ZX | ZY | Х  |

Count the number of possible outcomes.

6 possible outcomes.

Answer:

- The sample space (the possible outcomes) is  $\{XY, XZ, YX, YZ, ZX, ZY\}$ .
- The number of possible outcomes is 6.

# A.4.3 COUNTING THE NUMBER OF POSSIBLE OUTCOMES FOR AN EVENT

**Ex 24:** There are four players: A, B, C, and D. A coach selects two players at random without replacement. The table below shows the possible selections for the two positions. An "X" means no outcome is possible.

| Player 2<br>Player 1 | A  | В  | C  | D  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| A                    | X  | AB | AC | AD |
| В                    | BA | X  | BC | BD |
| C                    | CA | CB | X  | CD |
| D                    | DA | DB | DC | X  |

Count the number of outcomes for the event that player A is selected.

6 outcomes.

Answer:

- The event that player A is selected includes all outcomes where A is either Player 1 or Player 2.
- From the table:
  - When A is Player 1 (row A): AB, AC, AD (3 outcomes).
  - When A is Player 2 (column A): *BA*, *CA*, *DA* (3 outcomes).
- Total outcomes: {*AB*, *AC*, *AD*, *BA*, *CA*, *DA*}, which is 6 outcomes.

**Ex 25:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3                | 4  | 5  | 6         |
|---------------------|----|----|------------------|----|----|-----------|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13               | 14 | 15 | 16        |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23               | 24 | 25 | 26        |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33               | 34 | 35 | 36        |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43               | 44 | 45 | 46        |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53               | 54 | 55 | 56        |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | <mark>6</mark> 3 | 64 | 65 | <u>66</u> |

Count the number of outcomes for the event "double digit" (both dice show the same number).

6 outcomes.

Answer:

- The event "double digit" includes all outcomes where the red die and blue die show the same number.
- From the table:

- Possible doubles: 11, 22, 33, 44, 55, 66 (6 outcomes).

• Total outcomes: {11, 22, 33, 44, 55, 66}, which is 6 outcomes.

**Ex 26:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3         | 4  | 5  | 6         |
|---------------------|----|----|-----------|----|----|-----------|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13        | 14 | 15 | 16        |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23        | 24 | 25 | 26        |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33        | 34 | 35 | 36        |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43        | 44 | 45 | 46        |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53        | 54 | 55 | 56        |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | <u>63</u> | 64 | 65 | <b>66</b> |

Count the number of outcomes for the event "at least one 6" (at least one die shows a 6).

11 outcomes.



- The event "at least one 6" includes all outcomes where at least one of the red die or blue die shows a 6.
- From the table:
  - Red die = 6 (row 6): 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 (6 outcomes).
  - Blue die = 6 (column 6), excluding (6,6) already counted: 16, 26, 36, 46, 56 (5 outcomes).
- Total outcomes: {16, 26, 36, 46, 56, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66}, which is 11 outcomes.

**Ex 27:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3         | 4  | 5  | 6  |
|---------------------|----|----|-----------|----|----|----|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13        | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23        | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33        | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43        | 44 | 45 | 46 |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53        | 54 | 55 | 56 |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | <u>63</u> | 64 | 65 | 66 |

Count the number of outcomes for the event "the sum of the dice is equal to 11."

2 outcomes.

Answer:

- The event "the sum of the dice is equal to 11" includes all outcomes where the red die and blue die sum to 11.
- From the table:
  - Possible pairs: 56 (5 + 6 = 11), 65 (6 + 5 = 11) (2 outcomes).
- Total outcomes:  $\{56, 65\}$ , which is 2 outcomes.

**Ex 28:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4         | 5  | 6  |
|---------------------|----|----|----|-----------|----|----|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14        | 15 | 16 |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24        | 25 | 26 |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33 | <u>34</u> | 35 | 36 |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44        | 45 | 46 |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54        | 55 | 56 |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64        | 65 | 66 |

Count the number of outcomes for the event "the sum of the dice is equal to 7."

6 outcomes.

Answer:

- The event "the sum of the dice is equal to 7" includes all outcomes where the red die and blue die sum to 7.
- From the table:

- Possible pairs: 16 (1 + 6 = 7), 25 (2 + 5 = 7), 34 (3 + 4 = 7), 43 (4 + 3 = 7), 52 (5 + 2 = 7), 61 (6 + 1 = 7) (6 outcomes).
- Total outcomes:  $\{16, 25, 34, 43, 52, 61\}$ , which is 6 outcomes.

**Ex 29:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3               | 4  | 5  | 6         |
|---------------------|----|----|-----------------|----|----|-----------|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13              | 14 | 15 | 16        |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23              | 24 | 25 | 26        |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33              | 34 | 35 | 36        |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43              | 44 | 45 | 46        |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53              | 54 | 55 | 56        |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | <mark>63</mark> | 64 | 65 | <b>66</b> |

Count the number of outcomes for the event "a result inferior or equal to 3" (the sum of the dice is less than or equal to 3).

3 outcomes.

Answer:

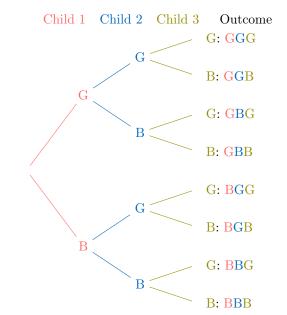
- The event "a result inferior or equal to 3" includes all outcomes where the sum of the red die and blue die is less than or equal to 3.
- From the table:

- Possible pairs: 11 (1 + 1 = 2), 12 (1 + 2 = 3), 21 (2 + 1 = 3) (3 outcomes).

• Total outcomes:  $\{11, 12, 21\}$ , which is 3 outcomes.

# A.4.4 COUNTING THE NUMBER OF POSSIBLE OUTCOMES IN AN TREE DIAGRAM

**Ex 30:** Parents have three children, each either a boy (B) or a girl (G). The tree diagram below illustrates all 8 possible gender outcomes for the three children.



Count the number of possible outcomes for the event where the first child is a boy.



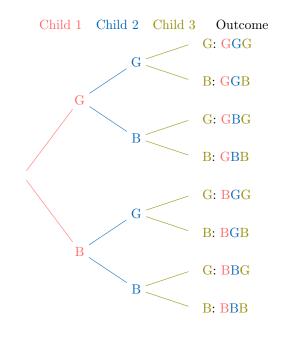
Answer:

• The event where the first child is a boy includes all outcomes starting with B, represented as  $B^{**}$ .

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- These outcomes are: BBB, BBG, BGB, BGG.
- The number of possible outcomes is 4.

**Ex 31:** Parents have three children, each either a boy (B) or a girl (G). The tree diagram below illustrates all 8 possible gender outcomes for the three children.



Count the number of possible outcomes for the event where there are exactly two girls.

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Answer:

• The event where there are exactly two girls includes all outcomes with exactly two G's and one B.

Ex 32: Parents have three children, each either a boy (B) or

a girl (G). The tree diagram below shows all 8 possible gender

- These outcomes are: BGG, GBG, GGB.
- The number of possible outcomes is 3.

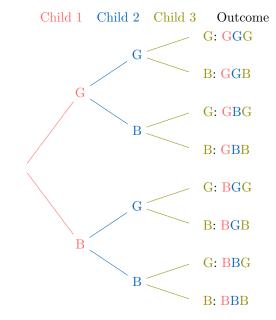
Child 1 Child 2 Child 3 Outcome G: GGG G B: GGB G G: GBG B B: GBB G: BGG B: BGB В G: BBG B B: BBB

Count the number of possible outcomes for the event where there are at least two girls.

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- Answer:
  - The event where there are at least two girls includes all outcomes with two or three girls.
  - These outcomes are: BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG.
  - The number of possible outcomes is 4.

**Ex 33:** Parents have three children, each either a boy (B) or a girl (G). The tree diagram below illustrates all 8 possible gender outcomes for the three children.



Count the number of possible outcomes for the event where the family has mixed-sex children (at least one boy and one girl).

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Answer:

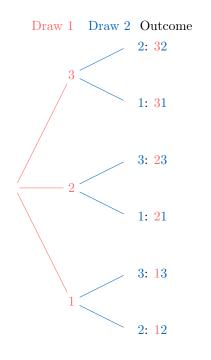
• The event where the family has mixed-sex children includes all outcomes with at least one boy (B) and one girl (G), excluding all-boys (BBB) and all-girls (GGG).

outcomes for the three children.



- These outcomes are: BBG, BGB, GBB, GGB, GBG, BGG.
- The number of possible outcomes is 6.

**Ex 34:** Tickets numbered 1, 2, and 3 are placed in a bag. One ticket is drawn and set aside, then a second ticket is drawn. The tree diagram below shows all possible outcomes for these two selections.



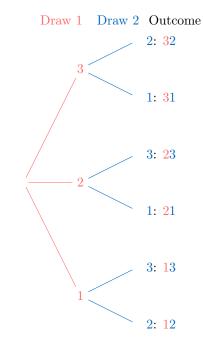
Count the number of possible outcomes in the sample space for the two ticket selections.

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Answer:

- The sample space includes all possible pairs of tickets drawn, where the first number is the first ticket and the second is the ticket drawn afterward. Since a ticket cannot be drawn twice, pairs with repeated numbers (e.g., 11, 22, 33) are excluded.
- These outcomes are: 12, 13, 21, 23, 31, 32.
- The number of possible outcomes is 6.

**Ex 35:** Tickets numbered 1, 2, and 3 are placed in a bag. One ticket is drawn and set aside, then a second ticket is drawn. The tree diagram below displays all possible outcomes for these two selections.



Count the number of possible outcomes for the event where the ticket numbered 1 is drawn (either as the first or second ticket).

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- The event where ticket numbered 1 is drawn includes outcomes where 1 is either the first ticket (1\*) or the second ticket (\*1). Repeated numbers are impossible due to the selection process.
- These outcomes are: 12, 13, 21, 31.
- The number of possible outcomes is 4.

#### A.5 E OR F

Answer:

#### A.5.1 FINDING THE UNION OF TWO EVENTS

**MCQ 36:** Let  $E = \{A, C, D\}$  and  $F = \{E, F, D\}$ . Which option below correctly represents the event E or F? Choose one true answer:

- $\Box \ E \text{ or } F = \{D\}$
- $\Box \ E \text{ or } F = \{A, C, D, E, F, H\}$
- $\boxtimes E \text{ or } F = \{A, C, D, E, F\}$
- $\square E \text{ or } F = \{A, C, E, F\}$

Answer:

- The event E or F (the union  $E \cup F$ ) includes all outcomes that are in E, in F, or in both.
- Given:

$$- E = \{A, C, D\},\$$
  
$$- F = \{E, F, D\}.$$

• Combining these, we take all unique elements:  $\{A, C, D, E, F\}$ .

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**MCQ 37:** A standard deck of 52 playing cards is used. Let event A be the event of drawing a red card, and let event B be the event of drawing a face card (Jack, Queen, or King). Which option below correctly represents the event A or B? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  A or  $B = \{$ all red cards and all face cards $\}$
- $\square$  A or  $B = \{ all red face cards \}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{ \text{all red cards and all black face cards} \}$

 $\square$  A or  $B = \{ all cards \}$ 

Answer:

- The event A or B (the union  $A \cup B$ ) includes all outcomes that are in A, in B, or in both.
- Given:
  - $-A = \{$ all red cards $\}$ , which includes 26 cards (13 hearts and 13 diamonds),
  - $-B = \{ all face cards \}, which includes 12 cards (3 Jacks, 3 Queens, 3 Kings per suit, across 4 suits).$
- Combining these, A or B includes all red cards (26) and all face cards (12), counting overlaps (6 red face cards) only once. Thus, it's the set of all red cards and all face cards.

**MCQ 38:** A weather forecast for a week lists possible conditions each day. Let event  $W = \{Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday\}$  be the event of it being windy, and let event  $R = \{Wednesday, Thursday, Friday\}$  be the event of it raining. Which option below correctly represents the event W or R?

- Choose one true answer:
- $\square W \text{ or } R = \{\text{Monday}\}\$
- $\square W ext{ or } R = \{ ext{Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday} \}$
- $\square$  W or  $R = \{$ Tuesday, Wednesday $\}$
- $\boxtimes$  W or  $R = \{$ Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday $\}$

Answer:

- The event W or R (the union  $W \cup R$ ) includes all outcomes that are in W, in R, or in both.
- Combining these, we take all unique days: {Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday}.

**MCQ 39:** A fruit basket contains various fruits. Let event  $P = \{$ cherry, peach, plum $\}$  be the event of selecting a pitted fruit, and let event  $S = \{$ mango, orange, peach $\}$  be the event of selecting a sweet fruit. Which option below correctly represents the event P or S?

Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  P or S = {cherry, peach, plum, mango, orange}
- $\square$  P or  $S = \{$ cherry, peach, plum $\}$
- $\square$  P or  $S = \{$ mango, orange $\}$
- $\square$  P or  $S = \{$ cherry, mango $\}$

Answer:

- The event P or S (the union  $P \cup S$ ) includes all outcomes that are in P, in S, or in both.
- Combining  $P = \{$ cherry, peach, plum $\}$  and  $S = \{$ mango, orange, peach $\}$ , we take all unique fruits:  $\{$ cherry, peach, plum, mango, orange $\}$ .

### A.5.2 FINDING THE UNION OF TWO EVENTS

**MCQ 40:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event E be the event of rolling an even number, and let event F be the event of rolling a number less than 4. Which option below correctly represents the event E or F?

Choose one true answer:

- $\Box \ E \text{ or } F = \{2\}$
- $\boxtimes E \text{ or } F = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$
- $\Box$  E or  $F = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- $\Box E \text{ or } F = \{1, 2, 3\}$

Answer:

- The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}.
- Event E, rolling an even number, is  $\{2, 4, 6\}$ .
- Event F, rolling a number less than 4, is  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .
- The event E or F (the union  $E \cup F$ ) includes all outcomes that are in E, in F, or in both. Combining these, we get  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ .

**MCQ 41:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event G be the event of rolling a number greater than 3, and let event H be the event of rolling a prime number. Which option below correctly represents the event G or H? Choose one true answer:

Shoose one true answer.

$$\boxtimes G \text{ or } H = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$
$$\square G \text{ or } H = \{4, 5, 6\}$$
$$\square G \text{ or } H = \{2, 3, 5\}$$

 $\Box$  G or  $H = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ 

Answer:

- The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6}.
- Event G, rolling a number greater than 3, is  $\{4, 5, 6\}$ .
- Event H, rolling a prime number, is  $\{2, 3, 5\}$ .
- The event G or H (the union  $G \cup H$ ) includes all outcomes that are in G, in H, or in both. Combining these, we get  $\{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .

**MCQ 42:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event I be the event of rolling a number divisible by 3, and let event J be the event of rolling a number less than 5. Which option below correctly represents the event I or J? Choose one true answer:



 $\Box \ I \text{ or } J = \{3,6\}$ 

- $\Box \ I \ {\rm or} \ J = \{1,2,3,4\}$
- $\Box \ I \ {\rm or} \ J = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}$

 $\boxtimes I \text{ or } J = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ 

Answer:

- The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
- Event I, rolling a number divisible by 3, is  $\{3, 6\}$ .
- Event J, rolling a number less than 5, is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .
- The event I or J (the union  $I \cup J$ ) includes all outcomes that are in I, in J, or in both. Combining these, we get  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ .

**MCQ 43:** A family has three children. Let event A be the event of having at least two boys, and let event B be the event of having at least one girl. Which option below correctly represents the event A or B? (Use B for boy and G for girl.) Choose one true answer:

 $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{BBB\}$ 

- $\boxtimes\ A \ {\rm or}\ B = \{{\rm BBB}, {\rm BBG}, {\rm BGB}, {\rm GBB}, {\rm BGG}, {\rm GBG}, {\rm GGB}, {\rm GGG}\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{ GGG \}$

Answer:

- The sample space for a family with three children is {BBB, BBG, BGB, BGG, GBB, GBG, GGB, GGG}.
- Event A, having at least two boys, is {BBB, BBG, BGB, GBB}.
- Event *B*, having at least one girl, is {BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB, GGB}.
- The event A or B (the union  $A \cup B$ ) includes all outcomes that are in A, in B, or in both. Combining these, we get {BBB, BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG}.

# A.5.3 FINDING THE UNION OF TWO EVENTS FROM A TABLE

MCQ 44: In a classroom, students are listed in a table with their names, ages, and genders. Consider a random selection of one student from this table:

| Tab | Tableau : Élèves |          |  |  |  |  |
|-----|------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Nom | Âge              | Genre    |  |  |  |  |
| A   | 15               | Féminin  |  |  |  |  |
| В   | 17               | Masculin |  |  |  |  |
| С   | 16               | Féminin  |  |  |  |  |
| D   | 15               | Masculin |  |  |  |  |
| Е   | 14               | Féminin  |  |  |  |  |
| F   | 17               | Féminin  |  |  |  |  |

Let event A be the event of selecting a girl, and event B be the event of selecting a student older or equal than 17 years. Which option below correctly represents the event A or B? Choose one true answer:  $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$  $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{C, F\}$  $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{A, B, C, D, F\}$  $\boxtimes A \text{ or } B = \{A, B, C, E, F\}$ 

Answer:

- The sample space is {A, B, C, D, E, F}.
- Event A, selecting a girl, is  $\{A, C, E, F\}$ .
- Event B, selecting a student older or equal than 16, is  $\{B, F\}$ .
- The event A or B (the union  $A \cup B$ ) includes all outcomes that are in A, in B, or in both. Combining these, we get  $\{A, B, C, E, F\}$ .

MCQ 45: In a music class, students are listed in a table with their names, ages, and preferred instruments. Consider a random selection of one student from this table:

| Table: Students |     |            |  |  |
|-----------------|-----|------------|--|--|
| Name            | Age | Instrument |  |  |
| G               | 14  | Violin     |  |  |
| Н               | 15  | Piano      |  |  |
| Ι               | 17  | Guitar     |  |  |
| J               | 16  | Drums      |  |  |
| K               | 15  | Flute      |  |  |
| L               | 18  | Violin     |  |  |

Let event X be the event of selecting a student who plays the violin, and event Y be the event of selecting a student aged 16 or older. Which option below correctly represents the event X or Y?

Choose one true answer:

- $\Box X \text{ or } Y = \{G, I, J, L\}$
- $\boxtimes\ X \text{ or } Y = \{ \mathrm{G},\,\mathrm{H},\,\mathrm{I},\,\mathrm{J},\,\mathrm{L} \}$
- $\Box \ X \text{ or } Y = \{\mathbf{G}, \mathbf{L}\}$
- $\Box X \text{ or } Y = \{I, J, L\}$

Answer:

- The sample space is {G, H, I, J, K, L}.
- Event X, selecting a student who plays the violin, is  $\{G, L\}$ .
- Event Y, selecting a student aged 16 or older, is  $\{I, J, L\}$ .
- The event X or Y (the union  $X \cup Y$ ) includes all outcomes that are in X, in Y, or in both. Combining these, we get {G, I, J, L}. Note: The correct answer should be {G, I, J, L}, indicating a possible error in the provided options.

**MCQ 46:** In a sports team, players are listed in a table with their names, heights, and positions. Consider a random selection of one player from this team:



| Table: Players |             |            |  |  |
|----------------|-------------|------------|--|--|
| Name           | Height (cm) | Position   |  |  |
| М              | 180         | Forward    |  |  |
| Ν              | 170         | Goalkeeper |  |  |
| 0              | 185         | Defender   |  |  |
| Р              | 175         | Midfielder |  |  |
| Q              | 165         | Forward    |  |  |
| R              | 190         | Defender   |  |  |

Let event U be the event of selecting a defender, and event V be the event of selecting a player taller than 180 cm. Which option below correctly represents the event U or V? Choose one true answer:

- $\Box$  U or V = {M, O, R}
- $\Box U \text{ or } V = \{O, R\}$

 $\Box U \text{ or } V = \{M, N, O, R\}$ 

 $\boxtimes U \text{ or } V = \{M, O, R\}$ 

Answer:

- The sample space is {M, N, O, P, Q, R}.
- Event U, selecting a defender, is  $\{O, R\}$ .
- Event V, selecting a player taller than 180 cm, is {O, R}. (Note: M is 180 cm, not taller than 180 cm.)
- The event U or V (the union  $U \cup V$ ) includes all outcomes that are in U, in V, or in both. Combining these, we get {O, R}. Note: The provided correct answer {M, O, R} seems incorrect unless "taller than 180 cm" includes 180 cm, adjusting  $V = \{M, O, R\}$ , making U or  $V = \{M, O, R\}$ .

A.6 E AND F

# A.6.1 FINDING THE INTERSECTION OF TWO EVENTS

**MCQ 47:** Let  $E = \{A, C, D\}$  and  $F = \{E, F, D\}$ . Which option below correctly represents the event E and F? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes E \text{ and } F = \{D\}$
- $\square$  E and  $F = \{A, C, D, E, F\}$
- $\Box$  E and  $F = \{A, C, D\}$
- $\square$  E and  $F = \{E, F, D\}$

Answer:

- 1) The event E and F (the intersection  $E \cap F$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both E and F.
- 2) Given:
  - $E = \{A, C, D\},$
  - $F = \{E, F, D\}.$
- 3) The common element between E and F is D. Thus, E and  $F = \{D\}$ .

**MCQ 48:** A standard deck of 52 playing cards is used. Let event A be the event of drawing a red card, and let event B be the event of drawing a face card (Jack, Queen, or King). Which option below correctly represents the event A and B? Choose one true answer:

- $\square$  A and  $B = \{ all red cards \}$
- $\boxtimes$  A and  $B = \{ all red face cards \}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{ all face cards \}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{ all cards \}$

Answer:

- 1) The event A and B (the intersection  $A \cap B$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both A and B.
- 2) Given:
  - A = {all red cards}, which includes 26 cards (13 hearts and 13 diamonds),
  - B = {all face cards}, which includes 12 cards (3 Jacks, 3 Queens, 3 Kings per suit, across 4 suits).
- 3) The common outcomes are the red face cards (Jack, Queen, King of hearts and diamonds), totaling 6 cards. Thus, A and B = {all red face cards}.

**MCQ 49:** A weather forecast for a week lists possible conditions each day. Let event  $W = \{Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday\}$  be the event of it being windy, and let event  $R = \{Wednesday, Thursday, Friday\}$  be the event of it raining. Which option below correctly represents the event W and R?

Choose one true answer:

- $\square$  W and  $R = \{Monday\}$
- $\square$  W and  $R = \{$ Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday $\}$
- $\boxtimes$  W and  $R = \{ Wednesday \}$
- $\square$  W and  $R = \{$ Tuesday, Wednesday $\}$

Answer:

- 1) The event W and R (the intersection  $W \cap R$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both W and R.
- 2) Given:
  - $W = \{$ Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday $\},\$
  - $R = \{$ Wednesday, Thursday, Friday $\}.$
- 3) The common day between W and R is Wednesday. Thus, W and  $R = \{Wednesday\}.$

**MCQ 50:** A fruit basket contains various fruits. Let event  $P = \{$ cherry, peach, plum $\}$  be the event of selecting a pitted fruit, and let event  $S = \{$ mango, orange, peach $\}$  be the event of selecting a sweet fruit. Which option below correctly represents the event P and S?

Choose one true answer:

- $\square$  P and S = {cherry, peach, plum, mango, orange}
- $\boxtimes P \text{ and } S = \{ \text{peach} \}$



 $\square$  P and S = {mango, orange}

 $\square$  P and S = {cherry, mango}

Answer:

- 1) The event P and S (the intersection  $P \cap S$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both P and S.
- 2) Given:
  - $P = \{$ cherry, peach, plum $\},$
  - $S = \{\text{mango, orange, peach}\}.$
- 3) The common fruit between P and S is peach. Thus, P and  $S = \{\text{peach}\}.$

# A.6.2 FINDING THE INTERSECTION OF TWO EVENTS

**MCQ 51:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event E be the event of rolling an even number, and let event F be the event of rolling a number less than 4. Which option below correctly represents the event E and F?

Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes E \text{ and } F = \{2\}$
- $\Box$  E and  $F = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$
- $\Box \ E \text{ and } F = \{1, 2, 3\}$
- $\Box \ E \text{ and } F = \{2, 4, 6\}$

Answer:

- 1) The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
- 2) Event E, rolling an even number, is  $\{2, 4, 6\}$ .
- 3) Event F, rolling a number less than 4, is  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ .
- 4) The event E and F (the intersection E ∩ F) includes all outcomes that are in both E and F. The common element is 2. Thus, E and F = {2}.

**MCQ 52:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event G be the event of rolling a number greater than 3, and let event H be the event of rolling a prime number. Which option below correctly represents the event G and H?

Choose one true answer:

- $\Box$  G and  $H = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- $\Box \ G$  and  $H = \{4,5,6\}$

$$\boxtimes G \text{ and } H = \{5\}$$

$$\Box$$
 G and  $H = \{2, 3, 5\}$ 

Answer:

- 1) The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
- 2) Event G, rolling a number greater than 3, is  $\{4, 5, 6\}$ .
- 3) Event H, rolling a prime number, is  $\{2, 3, 5\}$ .
- 4) The event G and H (the intersection  $G \cap H$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both G and H. The common element is 5. Thus, G and  $H = \{5\}$ .

**MCQ 53:** Consider the roll of a standard six-sided die. Let event I be the event of rolling a number divisible by 3, and let event J be the event of rolling a number less than 5. Which option below correctly represents the event I and J? Choose one true answer:

 $\boxtimes I \text{ and } J = \{3\}$   $\Box I \text{ and } J = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  $\Box I \text{ and } J = \{3, 6\}$ 

 $\Box I \text{ and } J = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$ 

Answer:

- 1) The sample space for rolling a six-sided die is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .
- 2) Event I, rolling a number divisible by 3, is  $\{3, 6\}$ .
- 3) Event J, rolling a number less than 5, is  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .
- 4) The event I and J (the intersection  $I \cap J$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both I and J. The common element is 3. Thus, I and  $J = \{3\}$ .

**MCQ 54:** A family has three children. Let event A be the event of having at least two boys, and let event B be the event of having at least one girl. Which option below correctly represents the event A and B? (Use B for boy and G for girl.) Choose one true answer:

- $\Box$  A and  $B = \{BBB\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{BBG, BGB, GBB\}$
- $\boxtimes$  A and  $B = \{BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{GGG\}$

Answer:

- 1) The sample space for a family with three children is {BBB, BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG}.
- 2) Event A, having at least two boys, is  $\{BBB, BBG, BGB, GBB\}.$
- 3) Event B, having at least one girl, is  $\{BBG, BGB, GBB, BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG\}.$
- 4) The event A and B (the intersection  $A \cap B$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both A and B. The common outcomes are {BBG, BGB, GBB}. Thus, A and B ={BBG, BGB, GBB}.

# A.6.3 FINDING THE INTERSECTION OF TWO EVENTS FROM A TABLE

MCQ 55: In a classroom, students are listed in a table with their names, ages, and genders. Consider a random selection of one student from this table:

| $_{\rm Tab}$ | Tableau : Elèves     |          |  |  |  |
|--------------|----------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Nom          | $\mathbf{\hat{A}ge}$ | Genre    |  |  |  |
| А            | 15                   | Féminin  |  |  |  |
| В            | 17                   | Masculin |  |  |  |
| С            | 16                   | Féminin  |  |  |  |
| D            | 15                   | Masculin |  |  |  |
| Е            | 14                   | Féminin  |  |  |  |
| F            | 17                   | Féminin  |  |  |  |



Let event A be the event of selecting a girl, and event B be the event of selecting a student older than or equal to 17 years. Which option below correctly represents the event A and B? Choose one true answer:

- $\square$  A and  $B = \{A, C, E, F\}$
- $\Box$  A and  $B = \{B, F\}$
- $\boxtimes A \text{ and } B = \{F\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{A, C, F\}$

Answer:

- 1) The sample space is  $\{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$ .
- 2) Event A, selecting a girl, is  $\{A, C, E, F\}$ .
- 3) Event *B*, selecting a student older than or equal to 17 years, is {B, F}.
- 4) The event A and B (the intersection A ∩ B) includes all outcomes that are in both A and B. The common element is {F}. Thus, A and B = {F}.

MCQ 56: In a music class, students are listed in a table with their names, ages, and preferred instruments. Consider a random selection of one student from this table:

| Ta   | Table: Students |            |  |  |  |  |
|------|-----------------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Name | Age             | Instrument |  |  |  |  |
| G    | 14              | Violin     |  |  |  |  |
| Н    | 15              | Piano      |  |  |  |  |
| Ι    | 17              | Guitar     |  |  |  |  |
| J    | 16              | Drums      |  |  |  |  |
| K    | 15              | Flute      |  |  |  |  |
| L    | 18              | Violin     |  |  |  |  |

Let event X be the event of selecting a student who plays the violin, and event Y be the event of selecting a student aged 16 or older. Which option below correctly represents the event X and Y?

Choose one true answer:

- $\Box$  X and Y = {G, I, J, L}
- $\boxtimes X \text{ and } Y = \{L\}$
- $\Box X \text{ and } Y = \{G, L\}$
- $\Box X \text{ and } Y = \{I, J, L\}$

Answer:

- 1) The sample space is {G, H, I, J, K, L}.
- 2) Event X, selecting a student who plays the violin, is  $\{G, L\}$ .
- 3) Event Y, selecting a student aged 16 or older, is  $\{I, J, L\}$ .
- 4) The event X and Y (the intersection  $X \cap Y$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both X and Y. The common element is  $\{L\}$ . Thus, X and  $Y = \{L\}$ .

MCQ 57: In a sports team, players are listed in a table with their names, heights, and positions. Consider a random selection of one player from this team:

| Table: Players |             |            |  |  |
|----------------|-------------|------------|--|--|
| Name           | Height (cm) | Position   |  |  |
| Μ              | 180         | Forward    |  |  |
| Ν              | 170         | Goalkeeper |  |  |
| 0              | 185         | Defender   |  |  |
| Р              | 175         | Midfielder |  |  |
| Q              | 165         | Forward    |  |  |
| R              | 190         | Defender   |  |  |

Let event U be the event of selecting a defender, and event V be the event of selecting a player taller than 180 cm. Which option below correctly represents the event U and V? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes U$  and  $V = \{O, R\}$
- $\Box$  U and V = {M, O, R}
- $\Box \ U \text{ and } V = \{\mathbf{R}\}$
- $\Box$  U and V = {M, N, O, R}

Answer:

- 1) The sample space is {M, N, O, P, Q, R}.
- 2) Event U, selecting a defender, is  $\{O, R\}$ .
- Event V, selecting a player taller than 180 cm, is {O, R} (Note: M is 180 cm, not taller than 180 cm).
- 4) The event U and V (the intersection  $U \cap V$ ) includes all outcomes that are in both U and V. The common elements are  $\{O, R\}$ . Thus, U and  $V = \{O, R\}$ .

### A.7 MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE

#### A.7.1 DETERMINING MUTUAL EXCLUSIVITY

**MCQ 58:** Consider rolling a standard six-sided die (numbered 1 to 6). Two events are defined as follows:

- Event E: Rolling an even number.
- Event F: Rolling an odd number.

Are the events E and F mutually exclusive? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\hfill\square$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur at the same time, meaning they have no outcomes in common (E ∩ F = Ø).
- 2) Event *E*, rolling an even number, includes: 2, 4, 6 (3 outcomes).
- 3) Event F, rolling an odd number, includes: 1, 3, 5 (3 outcomes).
- 4) There is no number that is both even and odd, so the intersection  $E \cap F = \emptyset$  (empty set).



- 5) Since there are no common outcomes, events E and F are mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.

**MCQ 59:** Consider rolling a standard six-sided die (numbered 1 to 6). Two events are defined as follows:

- Event E: Rolling a prime number.
- Event F: Rolling an even number.

Are the events E and F mutually exclusive? Choose one true answer:

- $\Box\,$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\boxtimes\,$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur at the same time, meaning they have no outcomes in common  $(E \cap F = \emptyset)$ .
- 2) Event *E*, rolling a prime number, includes: 2, 3, 5 (3 outcomes). Note: 1 is not a prime number.
- 3) Event F, rolling an even number, includes: 2, 4, 6 (3 outcomes).
- 4) The number 2 is both a prime number (in E) and an even number (in F), so it is a common outcome.
- 5) Since  $E \cap F = \{2\}$  is not empty, events E and F are not mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: No, the events are not mutually exclusive.

**MCQ 60:** Consider a standard deck of 52 playing cards (no jokers). Two events are defined as follows:

- Event E: Drawing a Queen.
- Event F: Drawing a Heart.

Are the events E and F mutually exclusive? Choose one true answer:

- $\Box\,$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\boxtimes$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\hfill\square$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously, meaning their intersection  $(E \cap F)$  is empty—there are no outcomes common to both.
- Event E, drawing a Queen, includes the cards: Queen of Hearts, Queen of Spades, Queen of Clubs, and Queen of Diamonds (4 outcomes).
- Event F, drawing a Heart, includes all 13 Hearts: Ace, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, Jack, Queen, and King of Hearts.

- 4) The Queen of Hearts is both a Queen (in E) and a Heart (in F), so it is a common outcome.
- 5) Since  $E \cap F = \{$ Queen of Hearts $\}$  is not empty, events E and F are not mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: No, the events are not mutually exclusive.

**MCQ 61:** Consider a family with exactly two children, where each child is a boy (B) or a girl (G). Two events are defined as follows:

- Event E: The family has only boys.
- Event F: The family has only girls.

Are the events E and F mutually exclusive? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\Box\,$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur at the same time, meaning they have no outcomes in common  $(E \cap F = \emptyset)$ .
- 2) The sample space for a family with two children is:  $\{BB, BG, GB, GG\}$ , where B = boy and G = girl.
- 3) Event E, having only boys, is:  $\{BB\}$  (1 outcome).
- 4) Event F, having only girls, is:  $\{GG\}$  (1 outcome).
- 5) There is no family outcome that has only boys and only girls at the same time, so the intersection  $E \cap F = \emptyset$  (empty set).
- 6) Since there are no common outcomes, events E and F are mutually exclusive.
- 7) Therefore, the correct answer is: Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.

# A.7.2 DETERMINING MUTUAL EXCLUSIVITY FROM TABLES

**MCQ 62:** Consider a sports club where members are listed with their preferred sport and age group. A member is selected at random from the following table:

| Ta   | Table: Sports Club Members |           |  |  |  |
|------|----------------------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Name | Preferred Sport            | Age Group |  |  |  |
| S    | Football                   | Under 16  |  |  |  |
| Т    | Basketball                 | 16-18     |  |  |  |
| U    | Tennis                     | Over 18   |  |  |  |
| V    | Swimming                   | Under 16  |  |  |  |
| W    | Football                   | 16-18     |  |  |  |
| Х    | Basketball                 | Over 18   |  |  |  |

Let event C be selecting a member whose preferred sport is Football, and event D be selecting a member from the Over 18 age group. Are events C and D mutually exclusive? Choose one true answer:

 $\boxtimes$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.



- $\Box\,$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously, meaning their intersection  $(C \cap D)$  is empty—there are no common outcomes.
- 2) Event C, selecting a member whose preferred sport is Football, includes: S (Under 16), W (16-18) — 2 outcomes.
- Event D, selecting a member from the Over 18 age group, includes: U (Tennis), X (Basketball) — 2 outcomes.
- 4) From the table, no member prefers Football and is in the Over 18 age group. The outcomes for C (S, W) and D (U, X) are distinct.
- 5) Since  $C \cap D = \emptyset$  (empty set), events C and D are mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.

MCQ 63: Consider a bakery where items are listed with their type and topping. An item is selected at random from the following table:

| Table: Bakery Items |        |           |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Item                | Type   | Topping   |  |  |  |
| Muffin              | Pastry | Chocolate |  |  |  |
| Cookie              | Cookie | Sprinkles |  |  |  |
| Cake                | Cake   | Chocolate |  |  |  |
| Donut               | Pastry | Glaze     |  |  |  |
| Brownie             | Cake   | None      |  |  |  |
| Croissant           | Pastry | None      |  |  |  |

Let event T be selecting a Pastry, and event U be selecting an item with Chocolate topping. Are events T and U mutually exclusive?

Choose one true answer:

- $\hfill\square$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\boxtimes$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously, meaning their intersection  $(T \cap U)$  is empty—no common outcomes.
- 2) Event T, selecting a Pastry, includes: Muffin (Chocolate), Donut (Glaze), Croissant (None) — 3 outcomes.
- 3) Event U, selecting an item with Chocolate topping, includes: Muffin (Pastry), Cake (Cake) — 2 outcomes.
- 4) The Muffin is both a Pastry (in T) and has Chocolate topping (in U), so there is a common outcome.
- 5) Since  $T \cap U = \{Muffin\}$  is not empty, events T and U are not mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: No, the events are not mutually exclusive.

MCQ 64: Consider a library where books are listed with their genre and checkout status. A book is selected at random from the following table:

| Table: Library Books |         |             |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Title                | Genre   | Status      |  |  |  |  |
| A                    | Mystery | Checked Out |  |  |  |  |
| В                    | Fantasy | Available   |  |  |  |  |
| С                    | Mystery | Available   |  |  |  |  |
| D                    | Romance | Checked Out |  |  |  |  |
| Е                    | Fantasy | Checked Out |  |  |  |  |
| F                    | Romance | Available   |  |  |  |  |

Let event P be selecting a Mystery book, and event Q be selecting a Checked Out book. Are events P and Q mutually exclusive?

Choose one true answer:

- $\Box$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\boxtimes$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously, meaning their intersection  $(P \cap Q)$  is empty—no common outcomes.
- Event P, selecting a Mystery book, includes: A (Checked Out), C (Available) — 2 outcomes.
- Event Q, selecting a Checked Out book, includes: A (Mystery), D (Romance), E (Fantasy) — 3 outcomes.
- 4) The book A is both a Mystery (in P) and Checked Out (in Q), so there is a common outcome.
- 5) Since  $P \cap Q = \{A\}$  is not empty, events P and Q are not mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: No, the events are not mutually exclusive.

MCQ 65: Consider a zoo where animals are listed with their type and habitat. An animal is selected at random from the following table:

| Table: Zoo Animals |         |         |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|---------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Name               | Type    | Habitat |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lion               | Mammal  | Savanna |  |  |  |  |  |
| Penguin            | Bird    | Arctic  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crocodile          | Reptile | Swamp   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Elephant           | Mammal  | Savanna |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parrot             | Bird    | Jungle  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Snake              | Reptile | Jungle  |  |  |  |  |  |

Let event R be selecting a Mammal, and event S be selecting an animal from the Arctic habitat. Are events R and S mutually exclusive?

Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.
- $\hfill\square$  No, the events are not mutually exclusive.
- $\Box$  It cannot be determined from the information given.

Answer:

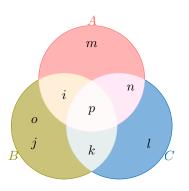


- 1) Two events are mutually exclusive if they cannot occur simultaneously, meaning their intersection  $(R \cap S)$  is empty—no common outcomes.
- 2) Event R, selecting a Mammal, includes: Lion (Savanna), Elephant (Savanna) — 2 outcomes.
- 3) Event S, selecting an animal from the Arctic habitat, includes: Penguin (Bird) 1 outcome.
- 4) From the table, no animal is both a Mammal and from the Arctic habitat. The outcomes for R (Lion, Elephant) and S (Penguin) are distinct.
- 5) Since  $R \cap S = \emptyset$  (empty set), events R and S are mutually exclusive.
- 6) Therefore, the correct answer is: Yes, the events are mutually exclusive.

### A.8 VENN DIAGRAM

# A.8.1 FINDING THE UNION OF TWO EVENTS IN A VENN DIAGRAM

**MCQ 66:** You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:

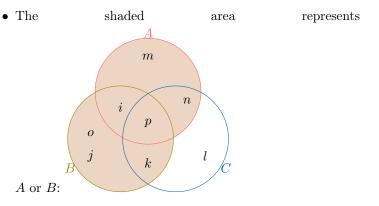


Which option below correctly shows the union of A and B? Choose one true answer:

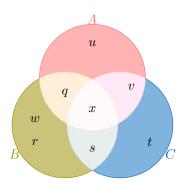
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{i, j, k, l, m, n\}$
- $\boxtimes A \text{ or } B = \{i, j, k, m, o, p\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{i, j, k, l, m\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{i, j, k, l, m, o, p\}$

#### Answer:

- The union of events A and B  $(A \cup B)$  includes all elements that are in A, in B, or in both.
- From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{i, m, n, p\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $B = \{i, j, k, o, p\}$  (elements in the left circle).
  - Combining these, A or  $B = \{i, j, k, m, o, p\}$ .



MCQ 67: You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:

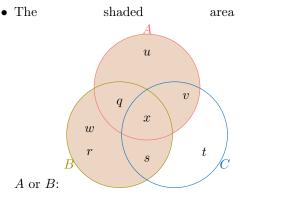


Which option below correctly shows the union of A and B? Choose one true answer:

- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{q, r, s, t, u, v\}$
- $\boxtimes A \text{ or } B = \{q, r, s, u, w, x\}$
- $\square$  A or  $B = \{q, r, s, t, u\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } B = \{q, r, s, t, u, w, x\}$

Answer:

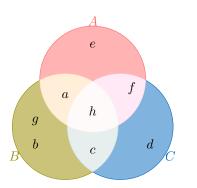
- The union of events A and B  $(A \cup B)$  includes all elements that are in A, in B, or in both.
- From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{q, u, v, x\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $B = \{q, r, s, w, x\}$  (elements in the left circle).
  - Combining these, A or  $B = \{q, r, s, u, w, x\}.$



**MCQ 68:** You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:



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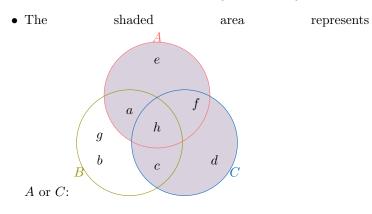
Which option below correctly shows the union of A and C? Choose one true answer:

- $\boxtimes$  A or  $C = \{a, c, d, e, f, h\}$
- $\square$  A or  $C = \{a, b, e, g, h\}$
- $\Box A \text{ or } C = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$

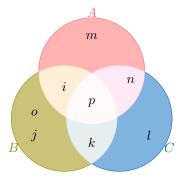
$$\Box A \text{ or } C = \{a, b, c, d, e, g, h\}$$

Answer:

- The union of events A and C  $(A \cup C)$  includes all elements that are in A, in C, or in both.
- From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{a, e, f, h\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $C = \{c, d, f, h\}$  (elements in the right circle).
  - Combining these, A or  $C = \{a, c, d, e, f, h\}.$



MCQ 69: You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:



Which option below correctly shows the union of B and C? Choose one true answer:

 $\square B \text{ or } C = \{i, j, k, l, m, n\}$ 

$$\Box \ B \ \mathrm{or} \ C = \{i,j,k,l,o,p\}$$

- $\boxtimes B \text{ or } C = \{i, j, k, l, o, p\}$
- $\Box \ B \ \mathrm{or} \ C = \{i,j,k,l,o,p\}$

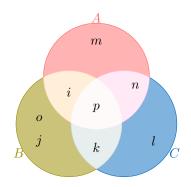
Answer:

- The union of events B and C  $(B \cup C)$  includes all elements that are in B, in C, or in both.
- From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $B = \{i, j, k, o, p\}$  (elements in the left circle).
  - Event  $C = \{k, l, n, p\}$  (elements in the right circle).
  - Combining these, B or  $C = \{i, j, k, l, o, p\}.$
- The shaded area represents A m n j k l q



# A.8.2 FINDING THE INTERSECTION OF TWO EVENTS IN A VENN DIAGRAM

MCQ 70: You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:



Which option below correctly shows the intersection of A and B?

Choose one true answer:

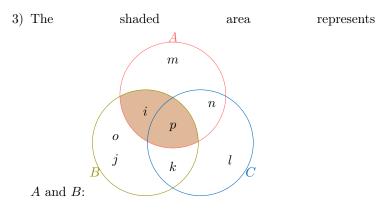
- $\boxtimes$  A and  $B = \{i, p\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{i, j, k, m, o, p\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{i, j, k, l, m\}$
- $\Box$  A and  $B = \{j, k, o\}$

Answer:

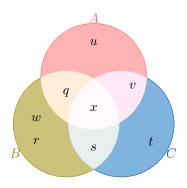
- 1) The intersection of events A and B  $(A \cap B)$  includes all elements that are in both A and B.
- 2) From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{i, m, n, p\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $B = \{i, j, k, o, p\}$  (elements in the left circle).



• The common elements are  $\{i, p\}$ . Thus, A and B = MCQ 72:  $\{i, p\}$ .



MCQ 71: You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:

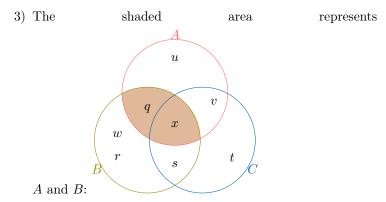


Which option below correctly shows the intersection of A and B?

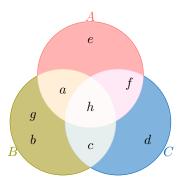
- Choose one true answer:
- $\boxtimes A \text{ and } B = \{q, x\}$
- $\square$  A and  $B = \{q, r, s, u, w, x\}$
- $\Box \ A \ {\rm and} \ B = \{r,s,w\}$
- $\Box$  A and  $B = \{q, r, s, t, u\}$

Answer:

- 1) The intersection of events A and B  $(A \cap B)$  includes all elements that are in both A and B.
- 2) From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{q, u, v, x\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $B = \{q, r, s, w, x\}$  (elements in the left circle).
  - The common elements are  $\{q, x\}$ . Thus, A and  $B = \{q, x\}$ .



MCQ 72: You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:

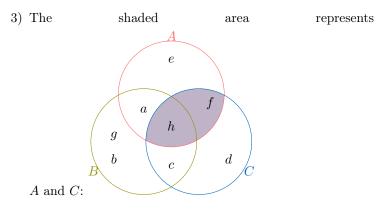


Which option below correctly shows the intersection of A and C? Choose one true answer:

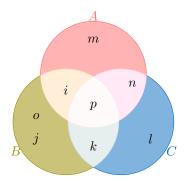
- $\square$  A and  $C = \{a, c, d, e, f, h\}$
- $\Box$  A and  $C = \{a, e\}$
- $\boxtimes A \text{ and } C = \{f, h\}$
- $\Box$  A and  $C = \{c, d, f\}$

Answer:

- 1) The intersection of events A and C  $(A \cap C)$  includes all elements that are in both A and C.
- 2) From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $A = \{a, e, f, h\}$  (elements in the top circle).
  - Event  $C = \{c, d, f, h\}$  (elements in the right circle).
  - The common elements are  $\{f, h\}$ . Thus, A and  $C = \{f, h\}$ .



**MCQ 73:** You are given this populated Venn diagram representing events A, B, and C:



Which option below correctly shows the intersection of  ${\cal B}$  and C?

Choose one true answer:

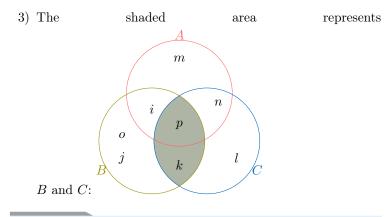


- $\square$  B and  $C = \{i, j, k, l, o, p\}$
- $\boxtimes~B$  and  $C=\{k,p\}$
- $\square$  B and  $C = \{j, k, o\}$

 $\square$  B and  $C = \{l, n, p\}$ 

Answer:

- 1) The intersection of events B and C  $(B \cap C)$  includes all elements that are in both B and C.
- 2) From the Venn diagram:
  - Event  $B = \{i, j, k, o, p\}$  (elements in the left circle).
  - Event  $C = \{k, l, n, p\}$  (elements in the right circle).
  - The common elements are  $\{k, p\}$ . Thus, B and  $C = \{k, p\}$ .



# **B PROBABILITY**

### **B.1 DEFINITION**

### **B.1.1 DETERMINING THE PROBABILITY**

**MCQ 74:** Keziah eats rice often. Let E be the event that Keziah eats rice this week. Find P(E), the probability that Keziah eats rice this week.

- $\Box P(E) = 1\%$
- $\Box P(E) = 50\%$

 $\boxtimes P(E) = 99\%$ 

Answer:

- Since he eats rice often, it's very likely.
- So, the probability that Keziah eats rice this week is P(E) = 99%.

**MCQ 75:** Emily drinks water every day. Let E be the event that Emily drinks water tomorrow. Find P(E), the probability that Emily drinks water tomorrow.

 $\Box P(E) = 50\%$ 

 $\Box P(E) = 90\%$ 

 $\boxtimes P(E) = 100\%$ 

Answer:

- She drinks water every day, so it's certain.
- So, the probability that Emily drinks water tomorrow is P(E) = 100%.

**MCQ 76:** It almost never snows in July in the Sahara Desert. Let E be the event that it snows this July in the Sahara Desert. Find P(E), the probability that it snows this July.

$$⊠ P(E) = 0.01\%$$
  
 $□ P(E) = 5\%$   
 $□ P(E) = 99.9\%$ 

Answer:

- It's extremely rare, so very unlikely.
- So, the probability that it snows this July is P(E) = 0.01%.

**MCQ 77:** Samuel loves playing basketball. Let E be the event that Samuel plays basketball this weekend. Find P(E), the probability that Samuel plays this weekend.

 $\square P(E) = 5\%$  $\square P(E) = 20\%$  $\boxtimes P(E) = 90\%$ 

Answer:

- He loves it, so it's very likely.
- So, the probability that Samuel plays this weekend is P(E) = 90%.

**MCQ 78:** Benjamin rolls a die. Let E be the event that Benjamin rolls a number bigger than 7. Find P(E), the probability that Benjamin rolls a number bigger than 7.

- $\boxtimes P(E) = 0\%$
- $\Box P(E) = 50\%$
- $\Box P(E) = 100\%$

Answer:

- A die only has numbers 1 to 6, so it's impossible.
- So, the probability that Benjamin rolls a number bigger than 7 is P(E) = 0%.

# B.1.2 FINDING PROBABILITY FOR MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE EVENTS

**Ex 79:** Let P(G) = 0.6 and P(H) = 0.2. Assume that events G and H are mutually exclusive. Calculate P(G or H).

$$P(G \text{ or } H) = \boxed{0.8}$$

Answer:

1) Since G and H are mutually exclusive events, they cannot occur at the same time.



- 2) The probability of either event G or event H occurring is Answer: the sum of their individual probabilities.
- 3) We are given P(G) = 0.6 and P(H) = 0.2.
- 4) Therefore,

$$P(G \text{ or } H) = P(G) + P(H)$$
  
= 0.6 + 0.2  
= 0.8.

5) So, the probability of either event G or event H occurring is 0.8.

**Ex 80:** Let P(A) = 0.5 and P(B) = 0.3. Assume that events A and B are mutually exclusive. Calculate P(A or B).

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = 0.8$$

Answer:

- 1) Since A and B are mutually exclusive events, they cannot occur at the same time.
- 2) The probability of either event A or event B occurring is the sum of their individual probabilities.
- 3) We are given P(A) = 0.5 and P(B) = 0.3.
- 4) Therefore,

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$$
  
= 0.5 + 0.3  
= 0.8.

5) So, the probability of either event A or event B occurring is 0.8.

**Ex 81:** Let P(C) = 0.4 and P(D) = 0.5. Assume that events C and D are mutually exclusive. Calculate P(C or D).

$$P(C \text{ or } D) = \boxed{0.9}$$

Answer:

- 1) Since C and D are mutually exclusive events, they cannot occur at the same time.
- 2) The probability of either event C or event D occurring is the sum of their individual probabilities.
- 3) We are given P(C) = 0.4 and P(D) = 0.5.
- 4) Therefore,

$$P(C \text{ or } D) = P(C) + P(D)$$
  
= 0.4 + 0.5  
= 0.9.

5) So, the probability of either event C or event D occurring is 0.9.

**Ex 82:** Let P(E) = 0.7 and P(F) = 0.1. Assume that events E and F are mutually exclusive. Calculate P(E or F).

$$P(E \text{ or } F) = \boxed{0.8}$$

- 1) Since E and F are mutually exclusive events, they cannot occur at the same time.
- 2) The probability of either event E or event F occurring is the sum of their individual probabilities.
- 3) We are given P(E) = 0.7 and P(F) = 0.1.
- 4) Therefore,

$$P(E \text{ or } F) = P(E) + P(F)$$
  
= 0.7 + 0.1  
= 0.8.

5) So, the probability of either event E or event F occurring is 0.8.

#### **B.2 PROBABILITY RULES**

#### **B.2.1 APPLYING THE COMPLEMENT RULE**

**Ex 83:** I toss a fair coin. The probability of getting heads is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Find the probability of getting tails.

$$P("Getting tails") = \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer:

- The probability of getting heads is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
- The event "Getting tails" is the complement of "Getting heads."
- Using the complement rule:

$$P("Getting tails") = 1 - P("Getting heads")$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}$$
$$= \frac{2}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

• So, the probability of getting tails is  $\frac{1}{2} = 50\%$ .

**Ex 84:** A teacher told a joke in class: "Why was the math book sad? Because it had too many problems!" The probability that a student laughs at the joke is 70%.

Find the probability that a student does not laugh at the joke.

$$P("Not laughing") = 30\%$$

Answer:

- The probability that a student laughs at the joke is 70%.
- The event "Not laughing" is the complement event of "Laughing."
- Using the complement rule:

$$P("Not laughing") = 1 - P("Laughing")$$
  
= 1 - 70%  
= 100% - 70%  
= 30%

• Therefore, the probability that a student does not laugh at the joke is 30%.

**Ex 85:** I randomly select a student in the class. The probability that a girl is selected is  $\frac{9}{10}$ . Find the probability that a boy is selected.

$$P("$$
Selecting a boy" $) = \frac{1}{10}$ 

Answer:

- The probability that a girl is selected is  $\frac{9}{10}$ .
- The event "Selecting a boy" is the complement of "Selecting a girl."
- Using the complement rule:

$$P("$$
Selecting a boy" $) = 1 - P("$ Selecting a girl" $)$ 

$$= 1 - \frac{9}{10}$$
$$= \frac{10}{10} - \frac{9}{10}$$
$$= \frac{1}{10}$$

• So, the probability that a boy is selected is  $\frac{1}{10} = 10\%$ .

**Ex 86:** The weather forecast predicts that there is a 70% chance of rain tomorrow.

Find the probability that it will not rain tomorrow.

$$P("\text{No rain"}) = 30\%$$

Answer:

- The probability that it will rain tomorrow is 70%.
- The event "No rain" is the complement of the event "Rain".
- Using the complement rule:

$$P("No rain") = 1 - P("Rain")$$
  
= 1 - 70%  
= 100% - 70%  
= 30%

• Therefore, the probability that it will not rain tomorrow is 30%.

**Ex 87:** A survey shows that 70% of the students in a school love Math.

Find the probability that a randomly chosen student does not love Math.

$$P("Not loving Math") = 30\%$$

Answer:

- The probability that a student loves Math is 70%.
- The event "Not loving Math" is the complement event of "Loving Math."

• Using the complement rule:

$$P("Not loving Math") = 1 - P("Loving Math")$$
  
= 1 - 70%  
= 100% - 70%  
= 30%

• Therefore, the probability that a student does not love Math is 30%.

MCQ 88: A teacher told a joke in class: "Why was the math book sad? Because it had too many problems!" The probability that a student laughs at the joke is 70%.

Find the probability that a student does not laugh at the joke.

- $\boxtimes P("Not laughing") = 30\%$
- $\square P("Not laughing") = 70\%$
- $\square P("Not laughing") = 50\%$

Answer:

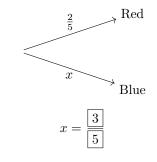
- The probability that a student laughs at the joke is 70%.
- The event "Not laughing" is the complement event of "Laughing".
- Using the complement rule:

$$P("Not laughing") = 1 - P("Laughing")$$
  
= 1 - 70%  
= 100% - 70%  
= 30%

• So, the probability that a student does not laugh at the joke is 30%.

### **B.2.2 COMPLETING A PROBABILITY TREE DIAGRAM**

**Ex 89:** From a bag containing red balls and blue balls, the probability of choosing a red ball is  $\frac{2}{5}$ . Find the probability x of choosing a blue ball.



Answer:

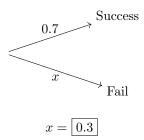
- The probability of choosing a red ball from the bag is given as  $\frac{2}{5}$ .
- Since the only other option is choosing a blue ball, the probability of choosing a blue ball is calculated as follows:

$$P("Blue") = 1 - P("Red") = 1 - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{5}{5} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$$

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• So, the correct answer is  $x = \frac{3}{5}$ .

**Ex 90:** Jasper is playing basketball. The probability that he makes his first shot is 0.7. Find the probability x that he misses his first shot.



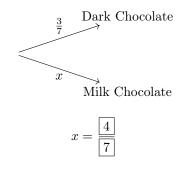
Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- The probability that Jasper makes his first shot is 0.7.
- Since the complement event is missing the shot, the probability x is calculated as follows:

$$P("Fail") = 1 - P("Success")$$
$$= 1 - 0.7$$
$$= 0.3$$

• So, the correct answer is x = 0.3.

**Ex 91:** In a box of assorted chocolates, the probability of picking a dark chocolate is  $\frac{3}{7}$ . Find the probability x of picking a milk chocolate.



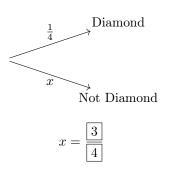
Answer:

- The probability of picking a dark chocolate from the box is  $\frac{3}{7}$ .
- Since the only other option is picking a milk chocolate, the probability is calculated as follows:

$$P("Milk chocolate") = 1 - P("Dark chocolate")$$
$$= 1 - \frac{3}{7}$$
$$= \frac{7}{7} - \frac{3}{7}$$
$$= \frac{4}{7}$$

• So, the correct answer is  $x = \frac{4}{7}$ .

**Ex 92:** In a deck of cards, the probability of drawing a card from the suit of diamonds is  $\frac{1}{4}$ . Find the probability x of drawing a card that is not a diamond.



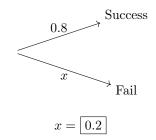
Answer:

- The probability of drawing a diamond from a deck of cards is  $\frac{1}{4}$ .
- Since the only other option is drawing a card that is not a diamond, the probability is calculated as follows:

$$P("Not diamond") = 1 - P("Diamond")$$
$$= 1 - \frac{1}{4}$$
$$= \frac{4}{4} - \frac{1}{4}$$
$$= \frac{3}{4}$$

• So, the correct answer is  $x = \frac{3}{4}$ .

**Ex 93:** Emma is playing a video game. The probability that she completes a level is 0.8. Find the probability x that she fails to complete the level.



Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- The probability that Emma completes the level is 0.8.
- Since the complement event is failing to complete the level, the probability x is calculated as follows:

$$P("Fail") = 1 - P("Success")$$
$$= 1 - 0.8$$
$$= 0.2$$

• So, the correct answer is x = 0.2.

# B.2.3 CALCULATING PROBABILITIES FOR UNION OF EVENTS

**Ex 94:** Let P(A) = 0.5, P(B) = 0.3 and P(A and B) = 0.1. Calculate P(A or B).

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = \boxed{0.7}$$

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Answer:

1) To calculate P(A or B), we use the general probability addition rule:

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

2) We are given:

$$P(A) = 0.5, P(B) = 0.3, \text{ and } P(A \text{ and } B) = 0.1.$$

3) Substitute the given values into the formula:

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$
  
= 0.5 + 0.3 - 0.1  
= 0.7.

4) So, the probability of either event A or event B occurring is 0.7.

**Ex 95:** Let P(E) = 0.8, P(F) = 0.3 and P(E and F) = 0.2. Calculate P(E or F).

$$P(E \text{ or } F) = 0.9$$

Answer:

1) To calculate P(E or F), we use the general probability addition rule:

$$P(E \text{ or } F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(E \text{ and } F).$$

2) We are given:

$$P(E) = 0.8$$
,  $P(F) = 0.3$ , and  $P(E \text{ and } F) = 0.2$ .

3) Substitute the given values into the formula:

$$P(E \text{ or } F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(E \text{ and } F)$$
  
= 0.8 + 0.3 - 0.2  
= 0.9.

- 4) So, the probability of either event E or event F occurring is 0.9.
- **Ex 96:** Let P(G) = 0.6, P(H) = 0.2 and P(G and H) = 0.1Calculate P(G or H).

$$P(G \text{ or } H) = \boxed{0.7}$$

Answer:

1) To calculate P(G or H), we use the general probability addition rule:

$$P(G \text{ or } H) = P(G) + P(H) - P(G \text{ and } H).$$

2) We are given:

$$P(G) = 0.6$$
,  $P(H) = 0.2$ , and  $P(G \text{ and } H) = 0.1$ .

3) Substitute the given values into the formula:

$$P(G \text{ or } H) = P(G) + P(H) - P(G \text{ and } H)$$
  
= 0.6 + 0.2 - 0.1  
= 0.7.

4) So, the probability of either event G or event H occurring is 0.7.

**Ex 97:** Let P(X) = 0.7, P(Y) = 0.4 and P(X and Y) = 0.2. Calculate P(X or Y).

$$P(X \text{ or } Y) = 0.9$$

Answer:

1) To calculate P(X or Y), we use the general probability addition rule:

$$P(X \text{ or } Y) = P(X) + P(Y) - P(X \text{ and } Y).$$

2) We are given:

$$P(X) = 0.7$$
,  $P(Y) = 0.4$ , and  $P(X \text{ and } Y) = 0.2$ 

3) Substitute the given values into the formula:

$$P(X \text{ or } Y) = P(X) + P(Y) - P(X \text{ and } Y)$$
  
= 0.7 + 0.4 - 0.2  
= 0.9.

 So, the probability of either event X or event Y occurring is 0.9.

### B.2.4 CALCULATING PROBABILITIES FOR UNION OF EVENTS IN REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS

**Ex 98:** In a school survey, the probability of a student liking math is 0.6, and the probability of liking science is 0.4. The probability of a student liking both math and science is 0.25. What is the probability that a randomly selected student likes either math or science?

$$P(\text{Math or Science}) = |0.75|$$

Answer:

1) Let M be the event of liking math, and let S be the event of liking science. We are given:

$$P(M) = 0.6$$
,  $P(S) = 0.4$ , and  $P(M \text{ and } S) = 0.25$ .

- 2) The probability of a student liking either math or science is given by P(M or S).
- 3) Using the addition rule of probability:

$$P(M \text{ or } S) = P(M) + P(S) - P(M \text{ and } S).$$

4) Substituting the given values:

$$P(M \text{ or } S) = 0.6 + 0.4 - 0.25$$
  
= 0.75.

5) Therefore, the probability that a student likes either math or science is 0.75.

**Ex 99:** In a city survey, the probability of a resident using public transportation is 0.7, and the probability of using a bicycle is 0.3. The probability of a resident using both public transportation and a bicycle is 0.15.

What is the probability that a randomly selected resident uses either public transportation or a bicycle?



Answer:

1) Let T be the event of using public transportation, and let B be the event of using a bicycle. We are given:

$$P(T) = 0.7$$
,  $P(B) = 0.3$ , and  $P(T \text{ and } B) = 0.15$ .

- 2) The probability of a resident using either public transportation or a bicycle is given by P(T or B).
- 3) Using the addition rule of probability:

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

4) Substituting the given values:

$$P(T \text{ or } B) = 0.7 + 0.3 - 0.15$$
  
= 0.85.

5) Therefore, the probability that a resident uses either public transportation or a bicycle is 0.85.

Ex 100: In a company survey, the probability of an employee enjoying team meetings is 0.5, and the probability of enjoying training sessions is 0.4. The probability of an employee enjoying both team meetings and training sessions is 0.2.

What is the probability that a randomly selected employee enjoys either team meetings or training sessions?

$$P(\text{Team Meetings or Training}) = 0.7$$

Answer:

1) Let R be the event of enjoying team meetings, and let F be the event of enjoying training sessions. We are given:

$$P(R) = 0.5, P(F) = 0.4, \text{ and } P(R \text{ and } F) = 0.2.$$

- 2) The probability of an employee enjoying either team meetings or training sessions is given by P(R or F).
- 3) Using the addition rule of probability:

$$P(R \text{ or } F) = P(R) + P(F) - P(R \text{ and } F).$$

4) Substituting the given values:

$$P(R \text{ or } F) = 0.5 + 0.4 - 0.2$$
  
= 0.7.

5) Therefore, the probability that an employee enjoys either team meetings or training sessions is 0.7.

Ex 101: In a neighborhood survey, the probability of a household owning a dog is 0.5, and the probability of owning a cat is 0.35. The probability of a household owning both a dog and a cat is 0.2.

What is the probability that a randomly selected household owns either a dog or a cat?

$$P(\text{Dog or Cat}) = |0.65|$$

Answer:

1) Let D be the event of owning a dog, and let C be the event of owning a cat. We are given:

P(D) = 0.5, P(C) = 0.35, and P(D and C) = 0.2.

- 2) The probability of a household owning either a dog or a cat is given by P(D or C).
- 3) Using the addition rule of probability:

$$P(D \text{ or } C) = P(D) + P(C) - P(D \text{ and } C).$$

4) Substituting the given values:

$$P(D \text{ or } C) = 0.5 + 0.35 - 0.2$$
  
= 0.65.

5) Therefore, the probability that a household owns either a dog or a cat is 0.65.

#### **B.3 EQUALLY LIKELY**

#### **B.3.1 DETERMINING THE PROBABILITY**

Ex 102: A ball is chosen randomly from a bag containing 2 red balls, 3 blue balls.

Find the probability that we choose a red ball.

$$P(\text{"choosing a red ball"}) = \frac{2}{5}$$

Answer:

• To find the probability of choosing a red ball, divide the number of red balls by the total number of balls.

• 
$$P("choosing a red ball") = \frac{\text{number of red balls}}{\text{total number of balls}}$$
  
=  $\frac{2}{5}$ 

Ex 103: A card is drawn at random from a standard deck of 52 playing cards. Determine the probability of drawing an Ace and express your answer as a simplified fraction.

$$P("$$
drawing an Ace" $) = \frac{1}{13}$ 

Answer:

• To find the probability of drawing an Ace, divide the number of Aces by the total number of cards.

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• There are 4 Aces in a standard deck of 52 playing cards.

• 
$$P("drawing an Ace") = \frac{\text{number of Aces}}{\text{total number of cards}}$$
  
=  $\frac{4}{52}$   
=  $\frac{1 \times \cancel{4}}{13 \times \cancel{4}}$   
=  $\frac{1}{13}$ 

**Ex 104:** A six-sided die is rolled once. Determine the probability of obtaining an even number.



$$P("rolling an even number") = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Answer:

- To find the probability of rolling an even number, divide the number of even numbers by the total number of sides.
- There are 3 even numbers on a six-sided die (2, 4, and 6).
- $P(\text{rolling an even number}) = \frac{\text{number of even numbers}}{\text{total number of sides}}$

$$= \frac{3}{6}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times \cancel{3}}{2 \times \cancel{3}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

MCQ 105: A fruit is selected randomly from a basket containing 3 apples, 2 oranges, and 5 bananas.

Find the probability that the selected fruit is an orange (simplify the fraction).

$$P("selecting an orange") = \frac{1}{5}$$

Answer:

- To find the probability of selecting an orange, divide the number of oranges by the total number of fruits.
- There are 2 oranges out of 10 fruits in total.

• 
$$P("selecting an orange") = \frac{\text{number of oranges}}{\text{total number of fruits}}$$
  
=  $\frac{2}{10}$   
=  $\frac{1 \times \cancel{2}}{5 \times \cancel{2}}$   
=  $\frac{1}{5}$ 

#### B.3.2 DETERMINING THE PROBABILITY IN MULTI-STEP RANDOM EXPERIMENTS

**Ex 106:** A coach selects two players at random from a group of four players, labeled A, B, C, and D, without replacement (once a player is chosen, they are not available for the next selection). The table below shows all possible outcomes for selecting Player 1 and Player 2, where an "X" indicates an impossible outcome due to the same player being selected twice.

| Player 2<br>Player 1 | A  | В  | C  | D  |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| A                    | X  | AB | AC | AD |
| В                    | BA | X  | BC | BD |
| C                    | CA | CB | Х  | CD |
| D                    | DA | DB | DC | X  |

Calculate the probability that player C is selected as either Player 1 or Player 2, simplifying the fraction.

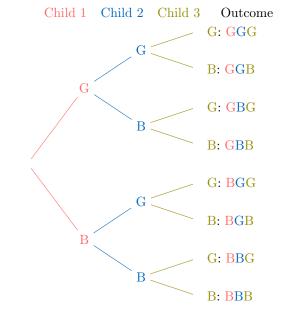
$$P("selecting player C") = \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer:

- The sample space consists of all possible pairs of players: AB, AC, AD, BA, BC, BD, CA, CB, CD, DA, DB, DC. This totals 12 outcomes.
- The event that player C is selected includes pairs where C is either Player 1 or Player 2: CA, CB, CD, AC, BC, DC. This totals 6 outcomes.
- The probability is calculated as:

$$P("C \text{ is selected"}) = \frac{\text{number of outcomes where C is selected}}{\text{number of possible outcomes}}$$
$$= \frac{6}{12}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 6}{2 \times 6}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

**Ex 107:** Parents have three children, each either a boy (B) or a girl (G). The tree diagram below illustrates all 8 possible gender outcomes for the three children.



Calculate the probability that the family has at least two girls, simplifying the fraction.

$$P(\text{"at least two girls"}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Answer:

- The sample space consists of all possible gender outcomes for three children: BBB, BBG, BGB, BGG, GBB, GBG, GGB, GGG. This totals 8 outcomes.
- The event that the family has at least two girls includes outcomes with two or three girls: BGG, GBG, GGB, GGG. This totals 4 outcomes.
- The probability is calculated as:

$$P("at least 2 girls") = \frac{\text{Number of outcomes with at least 2 girls"}}{\text{Total number of outcomes}}$$
$$= \frac{4}{8}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 4}{2 \times 4}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

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**Ex 108:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2          | 3                | 4  | 5  | 6         |
|---------------------|----|------------|------------------|----|----|-----------|
| 1                   | 11 | 12         | 13               | 14 | 15 | 16        |
| 2                   | 21 | 22         | 23               | 24 | 25 | 26        |
| 3                   | 31 | 32         | 33               | 34 | 35 | 36        |
| 4                   | 41 | 42         | 43               | 44 | 45 | 46        |
| 5                   | 51 | 52         | 53               | 54 | 55 | 56        |
| 6                   | 61 | <b>6</b> 2 | <mark>6</mark> 3 | 64 | 65 | <u>66</u> |

Calculate the probability that the sum of the two dice is exactly 7, simplifying the fraction.

$$P("\text{sum is } 7") = \frac{1}{6}$$

Answer:

- The sample space consists of all possible pairs of outcomes from rolling two six-sided dice: 36 outcomes (6 outcomes for Die 1 times 6 outcomes for Die 2).
- The event that the sum is exactly 7 includes pairs: 16 (1 + 6 = 7), 25 (2 + 5 = 7), 34 (3 + 4 = 7), 43 (4 + 3 = 7), 52 (5 + 2 = 7), 61 (6 + 1 = 7). This totals 6 outcomes.
- The probability is calculated as:

$$P("sum is 7") = \frac{\text{Number of outcomes with sum 7}}{\text{Total number of outcomes}}$$
$$= \frac{6}{36}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 6}{6 \times 6}$$
$$= \frac{1}{6}$$

**Ex 109:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |
|---------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1                   | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 2                   | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 3                   | 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 4                   | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 |
| 5                   | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 |
| 6                   | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 |

Calculate the probability that the sum of the two dice is greater than or equal to 11, simplifying the fraction.

$$P("\operatorname{sum} \ge 11") = \frac{1}{12}$$

Answer:

- The sample space consists of all possible pairs of outcomes from rolling two six-sided dice: 36 outcomes (6 outcomes for the red die times 6 outcomes for the blue die).
- The event that the sum is greater than or equal to 11 includes pairs: 56 (5 + 6 = 11), 65 (6 + 5 = 11), 66 (6 + 6 = 12). This totals 3 outcomes.

• The probability is calculated as:

$$P("sum \ge 11") = \frac{\text{Number of outcomes with sum} \ge 11}{\text{Total number of outcomes}}$$
$$= \frac{3}{36}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 3}{12 \times 3}$$
$$= \frac{1}{12}$$

**Ex 110:** A pair of colored dice (one red and one blue) is rolled. Each die has faces numbered 1 to 6. The table below shows the possible outcomes for the two dice.

| blue die<br>red die | 1  | 2         | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |
|---------------------|----|-----------|----|----|----|----|
| 1                   | 11 | 12        | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 2                   | 21 | 22        | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 3                   | 31 | 32        | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 |
| 4                   | 41 | 42        | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 |
| 5                   | 51 | 52        | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 |
| 6                   | 61 | <u>62</u> | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 |

Calculate the probability that the sum of the two dice is exactly 6 or 8, simplifying the fraction.

$$P("sum is 6 \text{ or } 8") = \frac{5}{18}$$

Answer:

- The sample space consists of all possible pairs of outcomes from rolling two six-sided dice: 36 outcomes (6 outcomes for the red die times 6 outcomes for the blue die).
- The event that the sum is exactly 6 or 8 includes pairs: 15, 24, 33, 42, 51 (sum 6); 26, 35, 44, 53, 62 (sum 8). This totals 10 outcomes (5 for 6, 5 for 8).
- The probability is calculated as:

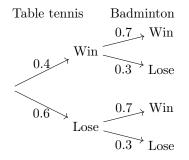
 $P("sum is 6 or 8") = \frac{\text{Number of outcomes with sum 6 or 8}}{\text{Total number of outcomes}}$ 

$$= \frac{10}{36}$$
$$= \frac{5 \times 2}{18 \times 2}$$
$$= \frac{5}{18}$$

### **B.4 PROBABILITY OF INDEPENDENT EVENTS**

### **B.4.1 READING PROBABILITY TREE**

**Ex 111:** Niamh plays a game of table tennis on Saturday and a game of badminton on Sunday. The probability tree is represented:



Calculate the probability that Niamh wins both games.

$$P("Win both") = |0.28|$$

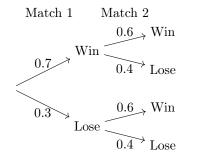
Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since the table tennis game on Saturday and the badminton game on Sunday are independent events—winning one doesn't affect the other—we multiply the probabilities along the path where Niamh wins both.
- The probability of winning the table tennis game is 0.4 (from the first branch).
- The probability of winning the badminton game, given a win in table tennis, is 0.7 (from the second branch).
- Here's the relevant path on the tree diagram: 0.7, Win 0.4, Win
- Now, calculate the probability of winning both games:

$$P("Win both") = P("Win table tennis") \times P("Win badminton")$$
$$= 0.4 \times 0.7$$
$$= 0.28$$

• So, the probability that Niamh wins both games is 0.28.

**Ex 112:** Sam is playing an online multiplayer game. The probability that Sam wins their first match is 0.7, and the probability that Sam wins their second match is 0.6.

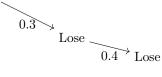


Calculate the probability that Sam loses both the first and second matches.

$$P("Both lose") = 0.12$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since losing the first match and losing the second match are independent events—one loss doesn't affect the other—we multiply their individual probabilities of losing to find the chance of both losing.
- The probability that Sam loses the first match is 1 0.7 = 0.3.
- The probability that Sam loses the second match is 1-0.6 = 0.4.
- Here's the relevant path on the tree diagram (following the



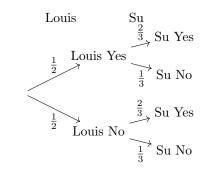
bottom branches):

• Now, calculate the probability that both lose:

$$P("Both lose") = P("Lose first match") \times P("Lose second ma$$
  
=  $0.3 \times 0.4$   
=  $0.12$ 

• So, the probability that Sam loses both the first and second matches is 0.12.

**Ex 113:** A party is happening this weekend! Louis might come with a probability of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and Su might come with a probability of  $\frac{2}{3}$ .



Calculate the probability that both Louis and Su come to the party (simplify the fraction).

$$P("Both come") = \frac{1}{3}$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since Louis coming to the party and Su coming to the party are independent events—Louis's decision doesn't affect Su's—we multiply their individual probabilities to find the chance of both happening.
- The probability that Louis comes is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .
- The probability that Su comes is  $\frac{2}{3}$ .
- Here's the relevant path on the tree diagram:

$$\frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{1}{2}}$$
 Su Yes

P("Both come")

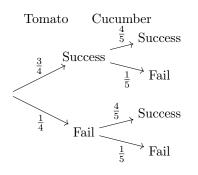
• Now, calculate the probability that both come:

$$= P("\text{Louis comes"}) \times P("\text{Su comes"})$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 2}{2 \times 3}$$
$$= \frac{2}{6}$$
$$= \frac{1}{3}$$

- The fraction  $\frac{2}{6}$  simplifies to  $\frac{1}{3}$  by dividing both numerator and denominator by 2.
- So, the probability that both Louis and Su come to the party is  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

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**Ex 114:** Mia takes care of her garden. The probability that her tomato plants grow is  $\frac{3}{4}$ , and the probability that her cucumber plants grow is  $\frac{4}{5}$ .



Calculate the probability that both the tomato plants and the cucumber plants fail to grow (simplify the fraction).

$$P("Both fail") = \frac{\boxed{1}}{\boxed{20}}$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since the failure of the tomato plants and the failure of the cucumber plants are independent events—one's failure doesn't affect the other—we multiply their individual probabilities of failing to find the chance of both failing.
- The probability that the tomato plants fail is  $1 \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$ .
- The probability that the cucumber plants fail is  $1 \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$ .
- Here's the relevant path on the tree diagram (following the

$$\frac{1}{4}$$
 Fail  $\frac{1}{1}$  Fail

bottom branches):

• Now, calculate the probability that both fail:

$$P("Both fail") = P("Tomato fail") \times P("Cucumber fail")$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 1}{4 \times 5}$$
$$= \frac{1}{20}$$

• So, the probability that both the tomato plants and the cucumber plants fail to grow is  $\frac{1}{20}$ .

# B.4.2 FINDING THE PROBABILITY WITH INDEPENDENT EVENTS

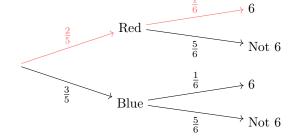
**Ex 115:** Imagine you're at a carnival playing a game. You pick a ball from a bag containing 2 red balls and 3 blue balls, then roll a fair six-sided die. Find the probability of choosing a red ball **and** rolling a 6 (simplify the fraction).

$$P("\text{Red" and "6"}) = \frac{1}{15}$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

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- Since picking a ball and rolling a die are independent events—one doesn't change the other—we multiply their individual probabilities to find the chance of both happening.
- The probability of choosing a red ball is  $\frac{2}{5}$  because there are 2 red balls out of 5 total balls.
- The probability of rolling a 6 on a six-sided die is  $\frac{1}{6}$  since there's only one 6 out of six possible outcomes.
- Here's the probability tree showing all possibilities:



• Now, calculate the probability of both events:

$$P("\text{Red" and "6"}) = P("\text{Red"}) \times P("6")$$
$$= \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{6}$$
$$= \frac{2}{30}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times \cancel{2}}{15 \times \cancel{2}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{15}$$

• So, the probability is  $\frac{1}{15}$ .

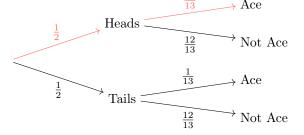
**Ex 116:** Imagine you're at a carnival playing another game. You flip a fair coin and draw a card from a standard deck of 52 playing cards. Find the probability of getting heads **and** drawing an Ace (simplify the fraction).

$$P($$
"Heads" and "Ace" $) = \frac{1}{26}$ 

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since flipping a coin and drawing a card are independent events—one doesn't change the other—we multiply their individual probabilities to find the chance of both happening.
- The probability of getting heads is  $\frac{1}{2}$  because a fair coin has two equally likely outcomes: heads or tails.
- The probability of drawing an Ace from a standard deck is  $\frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}$ , since there are 4 Aces (one for each suit: hearts, diamonds, clubs, spades) in 52 cards.
- Here's the probability tree showing all possibilities: 1

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• Now, calculate the probability of both events:

$$\begin{aligned} P("\text{Heads" and "Ace"}) &= P("\text{Heads"}) \times P("\text{Ace"}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{13} \\ &= \frac{1}{26} \end{aligned}$$

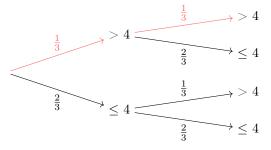
- The fraction  $\frac{1}{26}$  is already in its simplest form, as 1 and 26 have no common factors other than 1.
- So, the probability is  $\frac{1}{26}$ .

**Ex 117:** Imagine you're at a carnival playing a dice game. You roll a fair six-sided die two times in a row. Find the probability of getting a number greater than 4 (a 5 or 6) on both rolls (simplify the fraction).

$$P("Number > 4" \text{ and } "Number > 4") = \frac{1}{9}$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since rolling the die the first time and rolling it the second time are independent events—each roll doesn't affect the other—we multiply their individual probabilities to find the chance of both happening.
- The probability of getting a number greater than 4 (a 5 or 6) on one roll is <sup>2</sup>/<sub>6</sub> = <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>, because there are 2 favorable outcomes (5 or 6) out of 6 possible outcomes (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6).
- Since it's the same die rolled twice, the probability is the same for the second roll:  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- Here's the probability tree showing all possibilities:



• Now, calculate the probability of both events:

 $P("\mathrm{Nbr}\ 1>4" \ \mathrm{and} \ "\mathrm{Nbr}\ 2>4") = P("\mathrm{Nbr}\ 1>4") \times P("\mathrm{Nbr}\ 2$ 

$$= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}$$
$$= \frac{1}{9}$$

- The fraction  $\frac{1}{9}$  is already in its simplest form, as 1 and 9 have no common factors other than 1.
- So, the probability is  $\frac{1}{9}$ .

**Ex 118:** Sam is playing an online multiplayer game. The probability that Sam wins their first match is 0.7, and the probability that Sam wins their second match is 0.6.

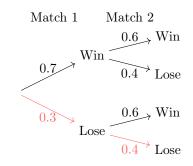
Calculate the probability that Sam loses both the first and second matches.

$$P("Both lose") = |0.12|$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

- Since losing the first match and losing the second match are independent events—one loss doesn't affect the other—we multiply their individual probabilities of losing to find the chance of both losing.
- The probability that Sam loses the first match is 1 0.7 = 0.3.
- The probability that Sam loses the second match is 1-0.6 = 0.4.
- The probability tree is:

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• Now, calculate the probability that both lose:

("Both lose") = 
$$P$$
("Lose first match") ×  $P$ ("Lose second matrix  
=  $0.3 \times 0.4$   
=  $0.12$ 

• So, the probability that Sam loses both the first and second matches is 0.12.

**Ex 119:** Mia takes care of her garden. The probability that her tomato plants grow is  $\frac{3}{4}$ , and the probability that her cucumber plants grow is  $\frac{4}{5}$ .

Calculate the probability that both the tomato plants and the cucumber plants fail to grow (simplify the fraction).

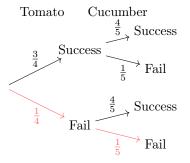
$$P("Both fail") = \frac{1}{20}$$

Answer: Let's figure this out step by step:

• Since the failure of the tomato plants and the failure of the cucumber plants are independent events—one's

2 failure doesn't affect the other—we multiply their individual probabilities of failing to find the chance of both failing.

- The probability that the tomato plants fail is  $1 \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$ .
- The probability that the cucumber plants fail is  $1 \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1}{5}$ .
- The probability tree is



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• Now, calculate the probability that both fail:

$$P($$
"Both fail" $) = P($ "Tomato fail" $) \times P($ "Cucumber fail" $)$ 

$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{5}$$
$$= \frac{1 \times 1}{4 \times 5}$$
$$= \frac{1}{20}$$

• So, the probability that both the tomato plants and the cucumber plants fail to grow is  $\frac{1}{20}$ .

#### **B.5 EXPERIMENTAL PROBABILITY**

#### **B.5.1 SOLVING REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS**

**Ex 120:** During a week of basketball practice, Mia made 45 out of 60 free-throw attempts. Estimate the experimental probability that Mia will make her next free-throw attempt.

 $P("Making the next attempt") \approx |75| \%$ 

Answer:

- The experimental probability of Mia making a free-throw is the ratio of successful free-throws to the total number of attempts.
- $P("Making the next attempt") \approx \frac{Number of successes}{Total attempts}$

$$\approx \frac{45}{60}$$
$$\approx 0.75$$
$$\approx 75\%$$

• So, the estimated probability that Mia will make her next free-throw attempt is 75%.

**Ex 121:** During a week, the school cafeteria recorded that out of 150 students, 120 chose a vegetarian meal. Estimate the probability that the next student will choose a vegetarian meal based on this experimental probability.

$$P($$
"Choosing a Vegetarian meal" $) \approx 80 \%$ 

Answer:

• The probability *P*("Vegetarian meal") is estimated by the ratio of times a vegetarian meal was chosen to the total number of trials.

• 
$$P("Vegetarian meal") \approx \frac{Number of vegetarian meals}{Total number of students}$$
  
 $\approx \frac{120}{150}$   
 $\approx 0.8$   
 $\approx 80\%$ 

• So, the estimated probability that the next student will choose a vegetarian meal is 80%.

**Ex 122:** Over the course of a year, it rained on 120 days out of 300 recorded days. Estimate the experimental probability that it will rain.

 $P("\text{Raining"}) \approx 40\%$ 

Answer:

• The experimental probability of raining is the ratio of rainy days to the total number of recorded days.

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$$P("\text{Raining"}) \approx \frac{\text{Number of rainy days}}{\text{Total recorded days}}$$
  
 $\approx \frac{120}{300}$   
 $\approx 0.4$   
 $\approx 40\%$ 

• So, the estimated probability that it will rain is 40%.

**Ex 123:** A local bakery found that out of 200 customers, 150 ordered a croissant. Estimate the experimental probability that the next customer will order a croissant.

$$P("Ordering a croissant") \approx 75 \%$$

Answer:

- The experimental probability of a customer ordering a croissant is the ratio of customers who ordered a croissant to the total number of customers.
- $P("\text{Ordering a croissant"}) \approx \frac{\text{Number of customers croissant}}{\text{Total number of customers}}$  $\approx \frac{150}{200}$  $\approx 0.75$  $\approx 75\%$
- So, the estimated probability that the next customer will order a croissant is 75%.

#### **B.6 EXPECTED VALUE**

#### B.6.1 CALCULATING EXPECTED VALUES IN REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS

**Ex 124:** Jane enters a raffle where the probability of winning a prize with each ticket is  $\frac{1}{10}$ . She buys 20 raffle tickets. What is the expected number of prizes Jane is likely to win ?

2 expected prizes

Answer:

1) The probability of winning a prize with one ticket is:

$$p = \frac{1}{10}$$

2) The number of tickets Jane buys is:

n = 20.



3) The expected number of prizes is calculated using the formula for the expected value of a binomial distribution:

Expected number of prizes 
$$= n \times p$$
.

4) Substituting the given values:

Expected number of prizes  $= 20 \times \frac{1}{10}$ = 2.

5) Therefore, Jane is expected to win 2 prizes on average.

**Ex 125:** Tom flips a fair coin 50 times. What is the expected number of heads Tom is likely to get ?

25 expected heads

Answer:

1) Since the coin is fair, the probability of landing on heads with one flip is:

$$p = \frac{1}{2}.$$

2) The number of trials (flips) is:

n = 50.

3) The expected number of heads is calculated using the formula for the expected value:

Expected number of heads  $= n \times p$ .

4) Substituting the given values:

Expected number of heads  $= 50 \times \frac{1}{2}$ = 25.

5) Therefore, Tom is expected to get 25 heads on average.

**Ex 126:** John rolls a fair six-sided die 30 times. What is the expected number of times John is likely to roll a 6 ?

Answer:

1) Since the die is fair and has six sides, the probability of rolling a 6 with one die is:

$$p = \frac{1}{6}.$$

2) The number of trials (rolls) is:

$$n = 30.$$

3) The expected number of times John rolls a 6 is calculated using the formula for the expected value:

Expected number of 
$$6s = n \times p$$
.

4) Substituting the given values:

Expected number of  $6s = 30 \times \frac{1}{6}$ = 5. 5) Therefore, John is expected to roll a 6 5 times on average.

**Ex 127:** Sarah draws a card from a standard deck of 52 cards 26 times. What is the expected number of hearts Sarah is likely to draw ?

Answer:

1) In a standard deck of 52 cards, there are 13 hearts. Therefore, the probability of drawing a heart with one draw is:

$$p = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

2) The number of trials (draws) is:

n = 26.

3) The expected number of hearts is calculated using the formula for the expected value:

Expected number of hearts  $= n \times p$ .

4) Substituting the given values:

Expected number of hearts 
$$= 26 \times \frac{1}{4}$$
  
= 6.5.

5) Therefore, Sarah is expected to draw 6.5 hearts on average.

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