

- Elementary theorems:

Theorem:-

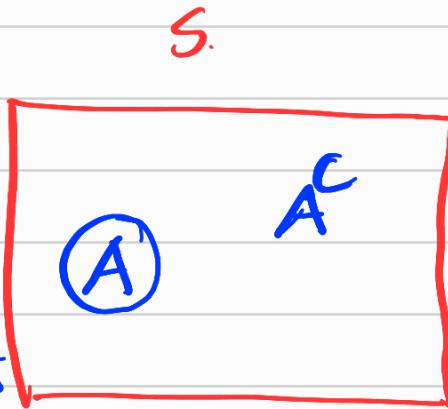
Probability of complementary event A^c
 $= 1 - P(A)$

$$P(A^c) \stackrel{\text{(or)}}{=} 1 - P(A)$$

Proof:-

$$S = A \cup A^c \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

A and A^c are disjoint sets



The events A, A^c are mutually exclusive

$$\therefore A \cap A^c = \emptyset$$

$$P(A \cap A^c) = 0$$

$$\text{From (i)} \quad P(S) = P(A \cup A^c)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = P(A) + P(A^c)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

$$\therefore P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

Theorem: - for any two events $A \subseteq B$, then

i) $P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

ii) $P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$

Proof: -

$A \cap B$ shown by Horizontal lines

$A^c \cap B$ shown by Vertical lines

$A \cap B$, $A^c \cap B$ are disjoint sets

Events $A \cap B$, $A^c \cap B$ are mutually

Exclusive events

$$(A \cap B) \cap (A^c \cap B) = \emptyset$$

$$P((A \cap B) \cap (A^c \cap B)) = 0$$

$$(A \cap B) \cup (A^c \cap B) = B$$

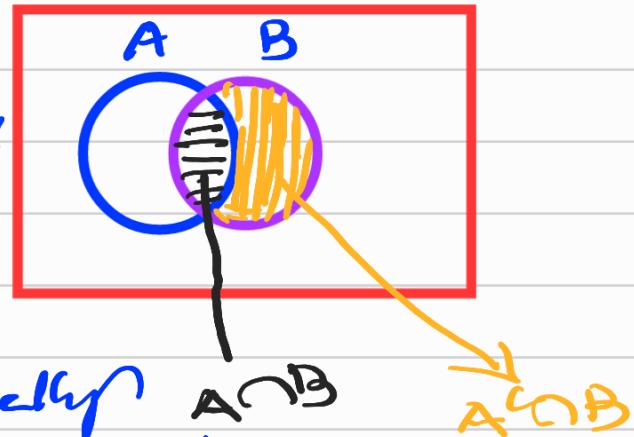
$$P((A \cap B) \cup (A^c \cap B)) = P(B)$$

$$P(A \cap B) + P(A^c \cap B) = P(B)$$

$$P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

Now we prove that

$$P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$$

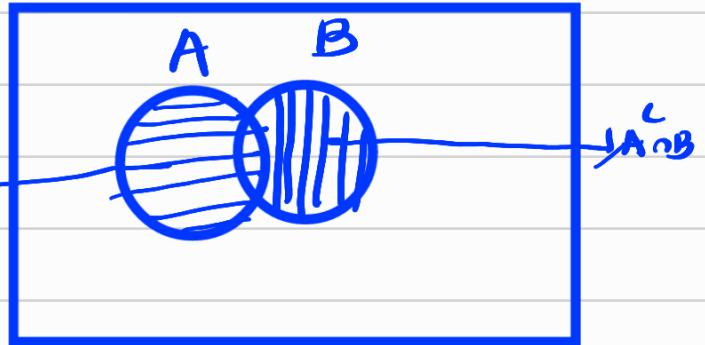


Theorem: — for any two events A and B
 then $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

Proof: —

A shown by horizontal line A
 $A^c \cap B$ " vertical "

$A, A^c \cap B$ are disjoint sets



Events $A, A^c \cap B$ are mutually exclusive

$$A \cap (A^c \cap B) = \emptyset \text{ then } P(A \cap (A^c \cap B)) = 0$$

$$P(A \cup (A^c \cap B)) = P(A) + P(A^c \cap B)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } A \cup (A^c \cap B) &= (A \cup A^c) \cap (A \cup B) \\ &= S \cap (A \cup B) \\ &= A \cup B \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\ &\quad (\text{from theorem 2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

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Theorem :- for any three events A, B, C

then $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(B \cap C) - P(C \cap A) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$

Proof :-

Let $P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(D \cup C)$, where $D = A \cup B$
 $= P(D) + P(C) - P(D \cap C)$

Replace D by $A \cup B$

$$P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A \cup B) + P(C) - P((A \cup B) \cap C)$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) + P(C) - P[(A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)]$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$- [P(A \cap C) + P(B \cap C) - P((A \cap C) \cap (B \cap C))]$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(B \cap C) - P(C \cap A) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

Hence proved

Theorem:-

If $A \subseteq B$, then prove that i, $P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A)$

ii, $P(A) \leq P(B)$

iii, $P(A \cap B^c) = 0$

Proof:- i) we know that

$$P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

Given $A \subseteq B$ then $A \cap B = A$

$$P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A)$$

ii) we know that

$$P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$\text{from i, } P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A) \geq 0$$

$$P(B) - P(A) \geq 0$$

$$P(B) \geq P(A)$$

$$P(A) \leq P(B)$$

iii) we know that

$$P(A \cap B^c) = P(A) - P(A \cap B)$$

Given $A \subseteq B$ then $A \cap B = A$

$$= P(A) - P(A)$$

$$= 0$$

Theorem:

If A and B are mutually exclusive events
then $P(A) \leq P(B^c)$

Proof:- Since A, B are mutually exclusive events

$$A \cap B = \emptyset \text{ then } P(A \cap B) = 0$$

We know that

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) \quad (\because P(A \cap B) = 0)$$

≤ 1 (\because probability of an event is ≤ 1)

$$P(A) + P(B) \leq 1$$

$$P(A) \leq 1 - P(B)$$

$$P(A) \leq P(B^c)$$

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