## **Question:**

In a class of 60 students, 30 opted for NCC, 32 opted for NSS, and 24 opted for both NCC and NSS. If one of these students is selected at random, find the probability that:

1) The student opted for NCC or NSS.

## 1 Theoretical Solution

The total number of students in the class is:

$$|S| = 60.$$
 (1.1)

The number of students who opted for NCC or NSS can be calculated using the formula for the union of two sets:

$$|A \cup B| = |A| + |B| - |A \cap B|.$$
 (1.2)

where:

$$|A| = 30$$
, (students who opted for NCC) (1.3)

$$|B| = 32$$
, (students who opted for NSS) (1.4)

$$|A \cap B| = 24$$
, (students who opted for both NCC and NSS). (1.5)

Substituting these values, we get:

$$|A \cup B| = 30 + 32 - 24 = 38.$$
 (1.6)

The probability of a student opting for NCC or NSS is:

$$P(A \cup B) = \frac{|A \cup B|}{|S|} = \frac{38}{60} = \frac{19}{30} \approx 0.6333. \tag{1.7}$$

## 2 Event Definition

Define events as shown in Table 1:

TABLE 1: Defining Events

Event	Denotation	
A'	Student does not opt for NCC	
A	Student opts for NCC	
B'	Student does not opt for NSS	
В	Student opts for NSS	

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TABLE 1: Boolean Algebra Rules

Boolean Expression	Interpretation
A + A' = 1	Complement Law
AB + A'B = B	Absorption Law
AB + AB' = A	Distributive Law
A + B = AB + AB' + A'B	Union of Sets
P(A + B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)	Inclusion-Exclusion Principle
P(A'B') = 1 - P(A+B)	Complement Rule

## 3 BOOLEAN ALGEBRA PRINCIPLES

Below are some axioms and theorems from Boolean algebra: For any two events A and B,

$$\therefore A + A' = 1 \tag{1.8}$$

$$AB + A'B = B \tag{1.9}$$

$$\implies \Pr(AB) + \Pr(A'B) = \Pr(B) \tag{1.10}$$

$$A + B = AB + AB' + A'B (1.11)$$

$$Pr(A + B) = Pr(AB) + Pr(AB') + Pr(A'B)$$
(1.12)

$$Pr(AB) = Pr(A) + Pr(B) - Pr(A + B)$$
(1.13)

From the given data:

$$P(A) = \frac{30}{60}, \quad P(B) = \frac{32}{60}, \quad P(AB) = \frac{24}{60}$$
 (1.14)

Now applying probability axioms:

$$P(A + B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)$$
(1.15)

$$=\frac{30}{60} + \frac{32}{60} - \frac{24}{60} \tag{1.16}$$

$$=\frac{38}{60} = \frac{19}{30} = 0.6333\tag{1.17}$$

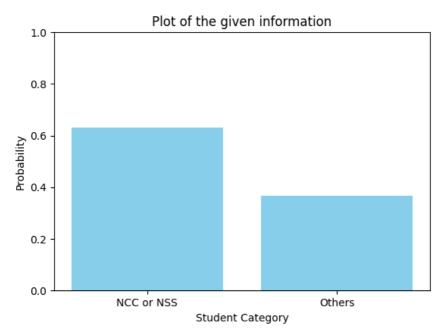


Fig. 1.1: Probability of opting for NCC or NSS using Boolean logic