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EE23010 NCERT Exemplar

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Question 12.13.3.2

A fair die is thrown two times. Let A and B be the events, 'same number each time', and a 'a total score is 10 or more', respectively. Determine whether or not A and B are independent.

Solution:

| Event | Description |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| A | Getting same number each time. |
| В | Getting a total score of atleast 10. |

For two events A and B to be independent,

$$Pr(A) Pr(B) = Pr(AB)$$
 (1)

$$\Pr(A) = \frac{6}{36}$$
 (2)

Let n be the sum of numbers appearing on the dice,

$$\Pr(B = n) = \begin{cases} 0, n < 1\\ \frac{n-1}{36}, 2 \le n \le 7\\ \frac{13-n}{36}, 7 \le n \le 12\\ 0, n > 12 \end{cases}$$
 (3)

In this case, n can be 10, 11 or 12

$$Pr(B) = \frac{3}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{1}{36}$$

$$= \frac{6}{36}$$
(5)

$$\Pr(AB) = \frac{2}{36} \tag{6}$$

$$Pr(A) Pr(B) = \frac{6}{36} \times \frac{6}{36}$$
 (7)
= $\frac{1}{36}$ (8)

Thus,

$$Pr(A) Pr(B) \neq Pr(AB)$$
 (9)
 $\frac{1}{36} \neq \frac{2}{36}$ (10)

Hence A and B are not independent events.