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AI1110 Assignment 1

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Question: 12.13.1.14 Given that the two numbers appearing on throwing two dice are different. Find the probability of the event 'the sum of numbers in the dice is 4'

Solution:

The total number of outcomes when throwing two dice = 6*6 = 36

Outcomes where the two numbers appearing on the dice are different and sum is 4:

$$(1,3)$$
; $(3,1)$

Conditional Probability:

If event A occurs given that the event B has already occured then,

$$Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(A.B)}{Pr(B)}$$
(1)

Here,

A: Sum of numbers on two dice is 4

B: Numbers on the two dice are different We know,

$$\Pr\left(A.B\right) = 2\tag{2}$$

Outcomes on the dice are different:

$$Pr(B) = 6 * 5 = 30$$
 (3)

Conditional Probability Pr(A|B):

$$Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(A.B)}{Pr(B)}$$
(4)

$$\Pr\left(A|B\right) = \frac{2}{30} \tag{5}$$

$$\Pr\left(A|B\right) = \frac{1}{15} \tag{6}$$

 \therefore The probability of the event "the sum of the dices is 4" given the two dices show different number is $\frac{1}{15}$