

PROBABILITY

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13.2.6 ¹ Let E and F be events with $\Pr(E) = \frac{3}{5}$, $\Pr(F) = \frac{3}{10}$ and $\Pr(EF) = \frac{1}{5}$. Are E and F independent?

Solution:

Two events are said to be independent if,

$$\Pr(EF) = \Pr(E) \Pr(F) \quad (13.2.6.1)$$

$$\therefore \Pr(E) \Pr(F) = \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{9}{50} \quad (13.2.6.2)$$

$$\Pr(EF) = \frac{1}{50} \quad (13.2.6.3)$$

$$\Pr(EF) \neq \Pr(E) \Pr(F) \quad (13.2.6.4)$$

\therefore E and F are not independent events

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