Probability Formulas

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Probability Range

$$0 \le Pr(E) \le 1$$

Complementary Events

$$Pr(E^C) = 1 - Pr(E)$$

Addition Rule

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

Multiplication Rule

$$Pr(A \cap B) = Pr(A) * Pr(B|A)$$

Other Properties

$$Pr(A\cap B^C)=Pr(A)-Pr(A\cap B)$$

$$Pr(A^C \cap B) = Pr(B) - Pr(A \cap B)$$

Disjoint Events

Events A and B are disjoint if and only if

$$Pr(A\cap B)=0$$

Conditional Probability

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

Bayes Formula

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

Independent Events

Events A and B are independent if and only if $Pr(A \cap B) = Pr(A) * Pr(B)$

or

Pr(A|B) = Pr(A) (the conditioning of one does not affect the probability of the other)