



# Conditional Probability Practice

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## Dice

A die is rolled twice

what is the probability that the sum of the faces is greater than 7, given that

- the first outcome was 4?
- the first outcome was greater than 4?
- the first outcome was a 1?
- the first outcome was less than 5?

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## Children

What is the probability a family of two children has two boys

- given that it has at least one boy?
- given that the first child is a boy?

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## Conditional Probabilities

One coin in a collection of 65 has two heads. The rest are fair. If a coin, chosen at random from the lot and then tossed, turns up heads 6 times in a row, what is the probability that it is the two-headed coin?

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## Bayes Rule

There's a test for Boogie Woogie Fever (BWF). The probability of getting a positive test result given that you have BWF is 0.8, and the probability of getting a positive result given that you do not have BWF is 0.01. The overall incidence of BWF is 0.01.

1. What is the marginal probability of getting a positive test result?
2. What is the probability of having BWF given that you got a positive test result?

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