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Assignment 4

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1 Problem

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Let S be a sample space and two mutually exclusive events A and B be such that A + B = S. If $P(\cdot)$ denotes the probability of the event, the maximum value of P(A)P(B) is

2 Solution

Given that A and B are mutually exclusive events.

$$Pr(A + B) = 1$$
 (2.0.1)

$$Pr(A) + Pr(B) = 1$$
 (2.0.2)

$$Pr(A) Pr(B) = Pr(A) - (Pr(A))^{2}$$
 (2.0.3)

$$= \frac{1}{4} - \left(\Pr(A) - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4} \tag{2.0.5}$$

$$Pr(A) = Pr(B) = \frac{1}{2}, \Rightarrow Pr(A) Pr(B) = \frac{1}{4}$$
 (2.0.6)

$$\therefore \max(\Pr(A)\Pr(B)) = \frac{1}{4}.$$
 (2.0.7)