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Theorem: If A_1 and A_2 are independent events, then $\overline{A_1}$ and $\overline{A_2}$ are also independent.

Proof: Given that A_1 and A_2 are independent events.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Consider } P(\overline{A_1} \cap \overline{A_2}) &= P(\overline{A_1 \cup A_2}) = 1 - P(A_1 \cup A_2) \\&= 1 - (P(A_1) + P(A_2) - P(A_1 \cap A_2)) \\&= 1 - P(A_1) - P(A_2) + P(A_1 \cap A_2) \\&= 1 - P(A_1) - P(A_2) + P(A_1) \cdot P(A_2) (\because A_1 \& A_2 \text{ are independent}) \\&= P(\overline{A_1}) - P(A_2)(1 - P(A_1)) \\&= P(\overline{A_1}) - P(A_2) \cdot P(\overline{A_1}) \\&= P(\overline{A_1})(1 - P(A_2)) \\&= P(\overline{A_1}) \cdot P(\overline{A_2}) \\&\Rightarrow P(\overline{A_1} \cap \overline{A_2}) = P(\overline{A_1}) \cdot P(\overline{A_2})\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\overline{A_1}$ and $\overline{A_2}$ are also independent.