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2. One ticket is selected at random from 50 tickets numbered 00, 01, 02, ... .., 49. Then the probability that the sum of the digits on the selected ticket is 8, given that the product of these digits is zero, equals **[JEE MAIN 2009]**

(A)  $\frac{1}{7}$

(B)  $\frac{5}{14}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{50}$

(D)  $\frac{1}{14}$

00, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10, 20, 30, 40  
→ 14 tickets → Prod = 0

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3. An urn contains nine balls of which three are red, four are blue and two are green. Three balls are drawn at random without replacement from the urn. The probability that the three balls have different colours is- **[JEE MAIN 2010]**

(A)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(B)  $\frac{2}{7}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{21}$

(D)  $\frac{2}{23}$

3 R 4 B 2 G  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{{}^4C_1 \times {}^3C_1 \times {}^2C_1}{{}^9C_3} = \frac{2 \times 4 \times 6^2}{9 \cdot 8 \cdot 7}$$

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4. Four numbers are chosen at random (without replacement) from the set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 20\}$ .

**Statement -1:** The probability that the chosen numbers when arranged in some order will form an AP is  $\frac{1}{85}$ .

**Statement-2:** If the four chosen numbers form an AP, then the set of all possible values of common difference is  $\{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 5\}$  **[JEE MAIN 2010]**

- (A) Statement (1) is true and statement (2) is true and statement (2) is correct explanation for Statement (1) ✗
- (B) Statement (1) is true and statement (2) is true and statement (2) is NOT a correct explanation for Statement (1) ✗
- (C) Statement (1) is true but (2) is false ✓
- (D) Statement (1) is false but (2) is true ↑



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5. Consider 5 independent Bernoulli's trials each with probability of success  $p$ . If the probability of at least one failure is greater than or equal to  $\frac{31}{32}$ , then  $p$  lies in the interval:
- [JEE MAIN 2011]

(A)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}\right]$

(B)  $\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{11}{12}\right]$

(C)  $\left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right]$

(D)  $\left(\frac{11}{12}, 1\right]$

$$1 - p^5 \geq \frac{31}{32}$$

$$\frac{1}{32} \geq p^5$$

$$p \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

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6. If C and D are two events such that  $C \subset D$  and  $P(D) \neq 0$ , then the correct statement among the following is:

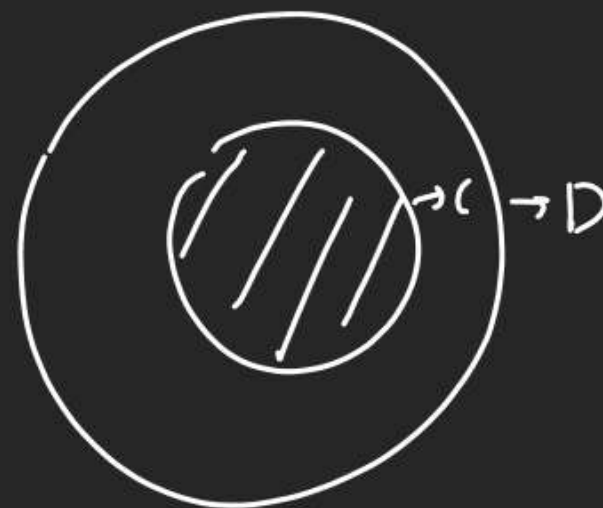
[JEE MAIN 2011]

(A)  $P(C | D) = P(C)$

(B)  $P(C | D) \geq P(C)$

(C)  $P(C | D) < P(C)$

(D)  $P(C | D) = \frac{P(D)}{P(C)}$



$$P\left(\frac{C}{D}\right) = \frac{P(C \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{P(C)}{P(D)} \leq 1$$

$$P\left(\frac{C}{D}\right) < P(C)$$

7. Let A, B and C be pairwise independent events with  $P(C) > 0$  and  $P(A \cap B \cap C) = 0$ .

Then,  $P(A^c \cap B^c / C)$  is equal to

[JEE MAIN 2012]

(A)  $P(A^c) - P(B)$  (B)  $P(A) - P(B^c)$  (C)  $P(A^c) + P(B^c)$  (D)  $P(A^c) - P(B^c)$

$$\frac{P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)}{P(C)}$$



Q Suppose 2 dice are rolled.

$A = \{1^{st} \text{ Roll is } 1, 2, 3\}$

$B = \{1^{st} \text{ Roll is } 3, 4, 5\}$

$(\therefore \{ \text{Sum of 2 Rolls is } 9 \})$

(check Independence)

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{6} \neq P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(B \cap C) = \frac{1+1+1}{36} = \frac{1}{12} \neq \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4^2}{36} P(B) \cdot P(C) \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{No Pair} \\ \text{Win} \\ \text{In} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$P(A \cap C) = \frac{1}{36} \neq \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6} = P(A) \cdot P(C)$$



9. A multiple choice examination has 5 questions. Each question has three alternative answers of which exactly one is correct. The probability that a student will get 4 or more correct answers just by guessing is **[JEE-MAIN 2013]**

(A)  $\frac{11}{3^5}$

(B)  $\frac{10}{3^5}$

(C)  $\frac{17}{3^5}$

(D)  $\frac{13}{3^5}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 4) &= P(X=4) + P(X=5) \\ &= {}^5C_4 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + {}^5C_5 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^5 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 \end{aligned}$$

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10. Let A and B be two events such that  $P(\overline{A \cup B}) = \frac{1}{6}$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $P(\overline{A}) = \frac{1}{4}$ , where  $\overline{A}$  stands for the complement of the event A. Then the events A and B are:

[JEE-MAIN 2014]

- (A) mutually exclusive and independent.      (B) equally likely but not independent  
 (C) independent but not equally likely      (D) independent and equally likely

$$\begin{array}{l}
 1 - P(A \cup B) = \frac{1}{6} \quad \left| \quad P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4} \right. \\
 P(A \cup B) = \frac{5}{6} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} P(\overline{A}) = \frac{1}{4} \\ P(A) = \frac{3}{4} \end{array} \right. \\
 \\
 P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\
 \frac{5}{6} = \frac{3}{4} + P(B) - \frac{1}{4} \\
 P(B) = \frac{1}{3} \\
 \\
 \left. \begin{array}{l} P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \\ \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{4} \\ P(A) \neq P(B) \end{array} \right\}
 \end{array}$$

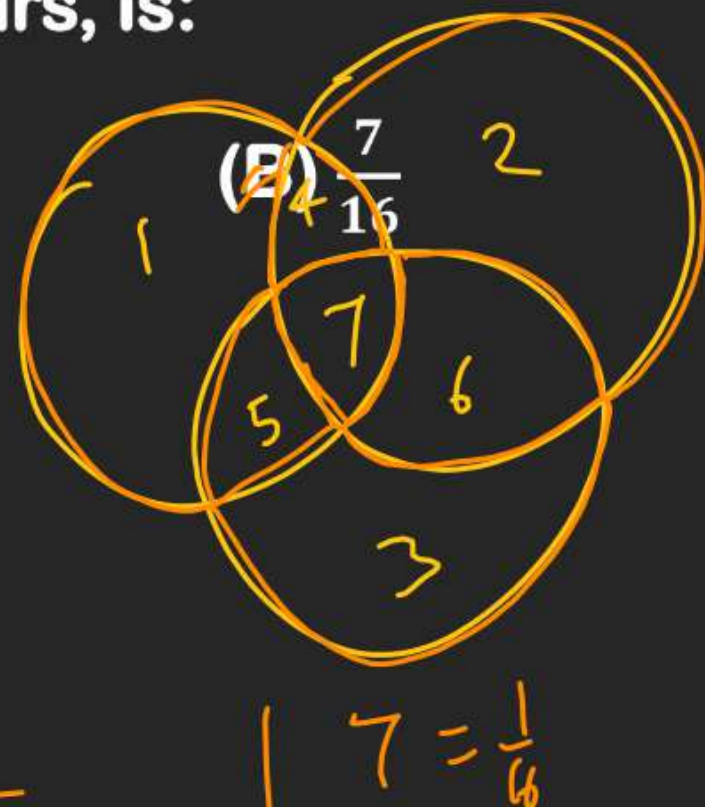


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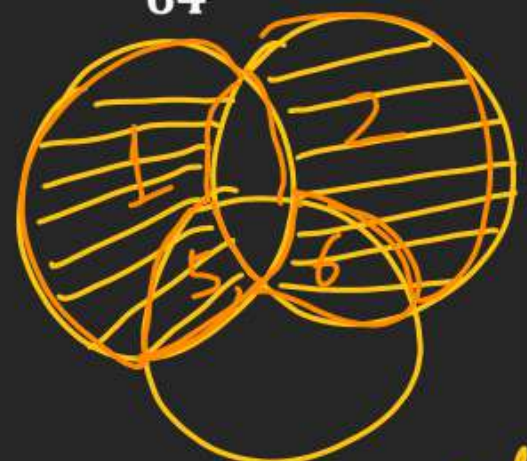
11. For three events A, B and C,  $P(\text{Exactly one of A or B occurs}) = P(\text{Exactly one of B or C occurs}) = P(\text{Exactly one of C or A occurs}) = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $P(\text{All the three events occur simultaneously}) = \frac{1}{16}$ . Then the probability that at least one of the events occurs, is:

$A \cup B \cup C = 1+2+3+4+5+6+7 = 7$  [JEE-MAIN 2017]

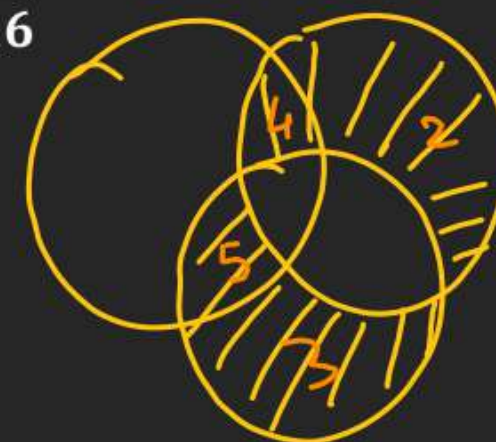
(A)  $\frac{7}{32}$



(C)  $\frac{7}{64}$



(D)  $\frac{3}{16}$



$$1+5+2+6 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2+3+4+5 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$1+4+6+3 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2(1+2+3+4+5+6) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$(1+2+3+4+5+6) = \frac{3}{8} = \frac{6}{16}$$

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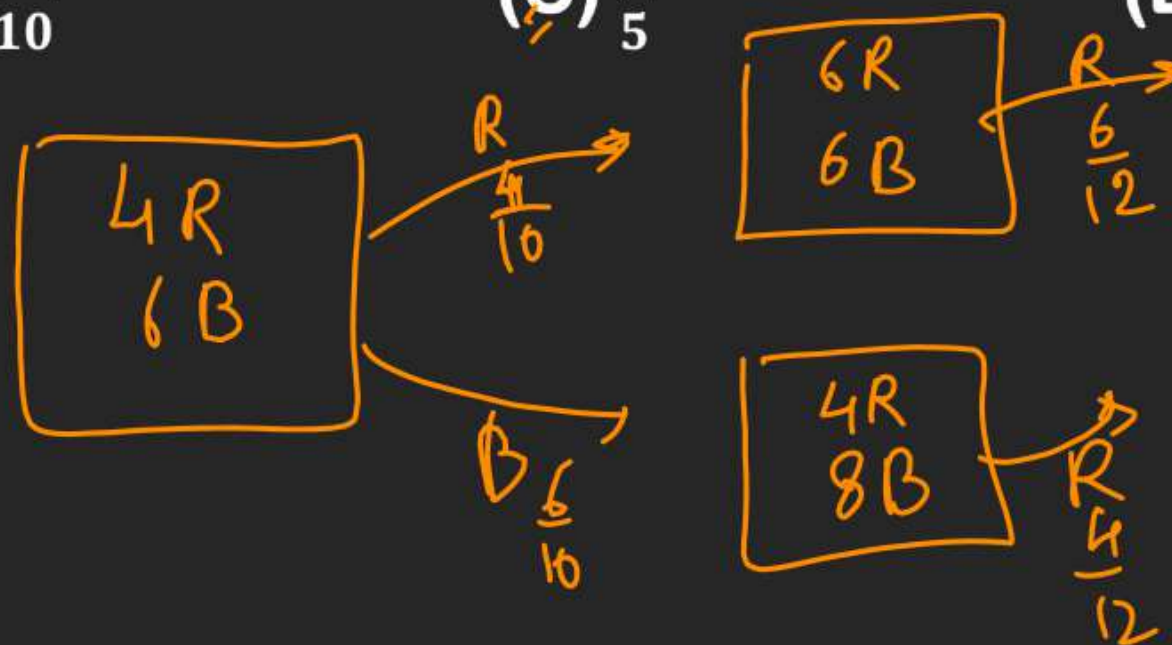
12. A bag contains 4 red and 6 black balls. A ball is drawn at random from the bag, its colour is observed and this ball along with two additional balls of the same colour are returned to the bag. If now a ball is drawn at random from the bag, then the probability that this drawn ball is red, is: **[JEE-MAIN 2018]**

(A)  $\frac{3}{4}$

(B)  $\frac{3}{10}$

(C)  $\frac{2}{5}$

(D)  $\frac{1}{5}$



$$P(R) = \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{6}{12} + \frac{6}{10} \times \frac{4}{12}$$
$$= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$$



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## Paragraph for Question No. 2 to 3

Let  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  be two urns such that  $U_1$  contains 3 white and 2 red balls, and  $U_2$  contains only 1 white ball. A fair coin is tossed. If head appears then 1 ball is drawn at random from  $U_1$  and put into  $U_2$ . However, if tail appears then 2 balls are drawn at random from  $U_1$  and put into  $U_2$ . Now 1 ball is drawn at random from  $U_2$ .

[JEE ADVANCED 2011]

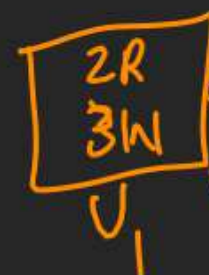
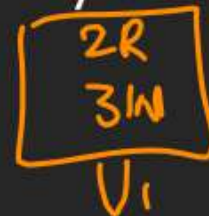
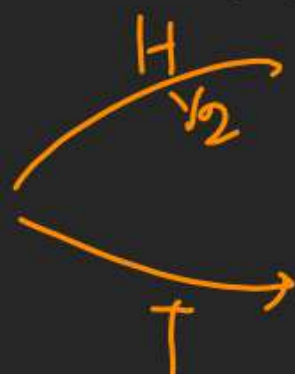
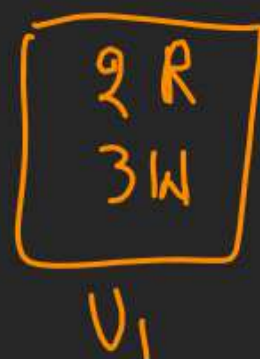
2. The probability of the drawn ball from  $U_2$  being white is

(A)  $13/30$

(B)  $23/30$

(C)  $19/30$

(D)  $11/30$



$$P(W) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{5} \times 1 \right) + \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{3} \right)$$



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**[JEE ADVANCED 2011]**

3. Given that the drawn ball from  $U_2$  is white, the probability that head appeared on the coin is  $\left( \quad \right)$
- (A)  $17/23$       (B)  $11/23$       (C)  $15/23$       (D)  $12/23$

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4. Let E and F be two independent events. The probability that exactly one of them occurs is  $\frac{11}{25}$  and the probability of none of them occurring is  $\frac{2}{25}$ . If  $P(T)$  denotes the probability of occurrence of the event T, then

[JEE ADVANCED 2011]

(A)  $P(E) = \frac{4}{5}, P(F) = \frac{3}{5}$

(B)  $P(E) = \frac{1}{5}, P(F) = \frac{2}{5}$

*Done.*

(C)  $P(E) = \frac{2}{5}, P(F) = \frac{1}{5}$

(D)  $P(E) = \frac{3}{5}, P(F) = \frac{4}{5}$



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5. A ship is fitted with three engines  $E_1, E_2$  and  $E_3$ . The engines function independently of each other with respective probabilities  $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ . For the ship to be operational at least two of its engines must function. Let  $X$  denote the event that the ship is operational and let  $X_1, X_2$  and  $X_3$  denote respectively the events that the engines  $E_1, E_2$  and  $E_3$  are functioning. Which of the following is (are) true?

[JEE ADVANCED 2012]

- (A)  $P[X_1^c | X] = \frac{3}{16}$   $\times$  (2)  $P(X) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3+1+3+1}{32} = \frac{8}{32} = \frac{1}{4}$
- (B)  $P[\text{Exactly two engines of the ship are functioning} | X] = \frac{7}{8}$   $P\left(\frac{E_2}{X}\right) = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{7}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{7}{2}$
- (C)  $P[X | X_2] = \frac{5}{16}$  (1)  $P\left(\frac{X_1}{X}\right) = \frac{E_1 \cap X}{P(X)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{4}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{2}$
- (D)  $P[X | X_1] = \frac{7}{16}$  (3)  $P\left(\frac{X}{X_2}\right) = \frac{X_2 \cap X}{P(X_2)} = \frac{\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\frac{5}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{5}{2}$



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## Paragraph for Question 10 and 11

A box  $B_1$  contains 1 white ball, 3 red balls and 2 black balls, Another box  $B_2$  contains 2 white balls, 3 red balls and 4 black balls. A third box  $B_3$  contains 3 white balls, 4 red balls and 5 black balls. **[JEE ADVANCED 2013]**

12. Three boys and two girls stand in a queue. The probability, that the number of boys ahead of every girl is at least one more than the number of girls ahead of her, is **[JEE ADVANCED 2014]**

(A)  $\frac{1}{2}$

(B)  $\frac{1}{3}$

(C)  $\frac{2}{3}$

Best

(D)  $\frac{3}{4}$

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$B_2$        $B_3$   
 $B_2$        $B_2$   
 $B_1$        $G_2$   
 $G_2$        $B_1$   
 $G_1$        $G_1$

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## PARAGRAPH Question No. 16 to 17

Let  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  be the number of red and black balls, respectively, in box I. Let  $n_3$  and  $n_4$  be the number of red and black balls, respectively, in box II.

[JEE ADVANCED 2013]

16. One of the two boxes, box I and box II, was selected at random and a ball was drawn randomly out of this box. The ball was found to be red. If the probability that this red ball was drawn from box II is  $\frac{1}{3}$ , then the correct option(s) with the possible values of  $n_1, n_2, n_3$  and  $n_4$  is(are)

- (A)  $n_1 = 3, n_2 = 3, n_3 = 5, n_4 = 15$       (B)  $n_1 = 3, n_2 = 6, n_3 = 10, n_4 = 50$   
(C)  $n_1 = 8, n_2 = 6, n_3 = 5, n_4 = 20$       (D)  $n_1 = 6, n_2 = 12, n_3 = 5, n_4 = 20$

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