

Assignment: Probability

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Problem: If A and B are events such that $P(A|B) = P(B|A)$, then

(i) $A \subset B$ but $A \neq B$

(ii) $A = B$

(iii) $A \cap B = \phi$

(iv) $P(A) = P(B)$

Solution: Given, $P(A|B) = P(B|A)$

$$\implies \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(BA)}{P(A)} \quad (1)$$

$$\implies \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(AB)}{P(A)} \text{ (Since } P(AB) = P(BA) \text{)} \quad (2)$$

$$\implies \frac{1}{P(B)} = \frac{1}{P(A)} \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore P(A) = P(B) \quad (4)$$