

1. The probability that the sum of the values of 2 die when thrown is equal to 11 is:

There are 36 (6×6) possibilities. Only two are equal to 11 ($[5,6], [6,5]$).

So answer is $2/36 \rightarrow 1/18$

2. The probability that an ace is drawn on the second draw from a well shuffled pack of cards given that the first one was an ace is:

There are four aces in a set of standard cards. So one already taken. so 3 aces and 51 cards left.

The probability to get one ace from the remaining cards are : **$3/51$**

The question didn't mention whether it is with-replacement or without-replacement. I assumed it is without-replacement

3. A family has two children. Given that one of the children is a boy, what is the probability that both children are boys?

The question bit confusing: See [this](#) and [this](#).

There are total four possibilities: (B,B), (B,G), (G,B), (G,G) But one of the children is a boy: So (B,B), (B,G), (G,B) Then chance of both boys: $1/3$

I wrote the answer as $1/2$

I was wrong!? Accepted answer was $1/3$

4. Which of the following statements is true?

The sum of probabilities of mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive events must be 1.

- <https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/2507677/if-a-and-b-are-independent-events-they-are-mutually-exclusiveproof-for-why-its>

5. If the random variable X follows the below distribution, what is the value of c?

$f(x) = cx^3$ Integration of the $f(x)$ over the interval should give 1. So $c = 4$

[see an example](#)

6. Which of the following statements is true with regards to the probability distribution function $f(x)$ of a random variable X?

Didn't mention whether it is discrete or continuous. So we need to account for both.

Lower value of $f(x)$ is 0 for p.d.f and p.m.f.

$f(x)$ can be more than 1 in case of continuous R.V.

So answer is: **$f(x)$ must be non-negative for all values of x**

[Ref](#)

7. An image is represented as a vector x . We wish to classify the image in one of 3 classes -- a cat, a dog or neither.

Option 1 is CORRECT: $\sum h_k = 1$

Sum of the probability should be 1.

Option 4 is WRONG: $h_k = p(h_k=1)$

What is $p(h_k=1)$? It is called prior probability in bayesian inference. Basically it says what is the probability of an image being a cat/dog/neither. That can be calculated if we have the population/sample data. No such data given in the question. For example, assume we know that there are 12 cats, 13 dogs and 14 other animals in the world . Then what is the probability of an animal being cat, dog, or other animals? Obviously 12/39, 13/39 and 14/39 respectively. (I think we can consider an uniform distribution in this scenario since we don't have any population/sample data. i.e. $h_k=1/3$).

Option 2 is CORRECT: $h_k = p(y_k=1|x)$

It says that h_k is the probability of $y_k=1$ for the given image. The question talks about the conditional probability "it means that the given image has a probability of 0.7 that it is a cat". We get the following: $h_{CAT} = p(y_{CAT}=1|x)$ $h_{DOG} = p(y_{DOG}=1|x)$ $h_{NEITHER} = p(y_{NEITHER}=1|x)$ So general form above three equations: $h_K = p(y_K = 1 | x)$

Option 3 is WRONG: $h_k = p(y_k=0|x)$

This option contradicts the option 2. It says h_k is the probability of $y_k=0$ given that the image data.

8. If a fair coin is tossed 4 times, what is the expected number of heads?

It is binomial distribution here n is 4 and p is 1/2. The mean of binomial distribution is: $np \rightarrow 4 \cdot 1/2 = 2$

9. Given two random variables X and Y , which of the following equations hold true?

third (covariance is zero) and fourth ($E[X+Y]$) options. [See](#)

10. What is the expected value of the random variable X with probability distribution function given

here $f(x)$ is $3/8 \cdot x^2$. Expected value calculated as given below

$$E[X] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f(x) dx.$$

So need find the integral of $3/8 \cdot x^3$ over $[0,2]$

Answer: 3/2

