Assignment 2

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Question

Q.1.X[ICSE 12, 2018] :

In a race, the probabilities of A and B winning the race are $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{6}$ respectively. Find the probability of neither of them winning the race?

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Given,

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{3} \tag{1}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{3}$$
 (1)
 $P(B) = \frac{1}{6}$ (2)

We know that,

The Probability of two independent events A and B occurring simultaneously is given by the expression

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)(B) \tag{3}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) = 1 - P(A) - P(B) + P(A \cap B) \tag{4}$$

(since, $P(A \cap B)$ is removed twice, we need to add it once)

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Now putting (1), (2), (3) in (4), we get

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{6}$$
 (5)

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{18}$$

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(5)
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(7)

$$P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B}) = 1 - \frac{8}{18} \tag{7}$$

$$P(\bar{A}\cap\bar{B}) = \frac{10}{18} \tag{8}$$

so, The probability of neither of them winning the race is $\frac{10}{18}$

