

# Probability and Statistics

Part-8

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# Let's toss some coins



We know  $P(H) = 1/2$  and  $P(T) = 1/2$

If we toss two coins at same time, we following possibility, and

All events are equally-likely and we

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have } &P(H, H) = P(H, T) \\ &= P(T, H) = P(T, T) \\ &= 1/4 \end{aligned}$$





If we toss two coins, what is the prob. that at least one of the two coin is tails, given that the first flip is heads

$$P(A = \text{at least one of the coins is tails}) = 3/4$$

$$P(B = \text{the first coins is heads}) = 2/4 = 1/2$$

We have already peeped at the first coins there are two possibilities or the condition that first should be heads, reduces the domain to only two possibilities {HH} and {HT}. Out of which only possibility is second coins is head.

Answer to the question is  $1/2$



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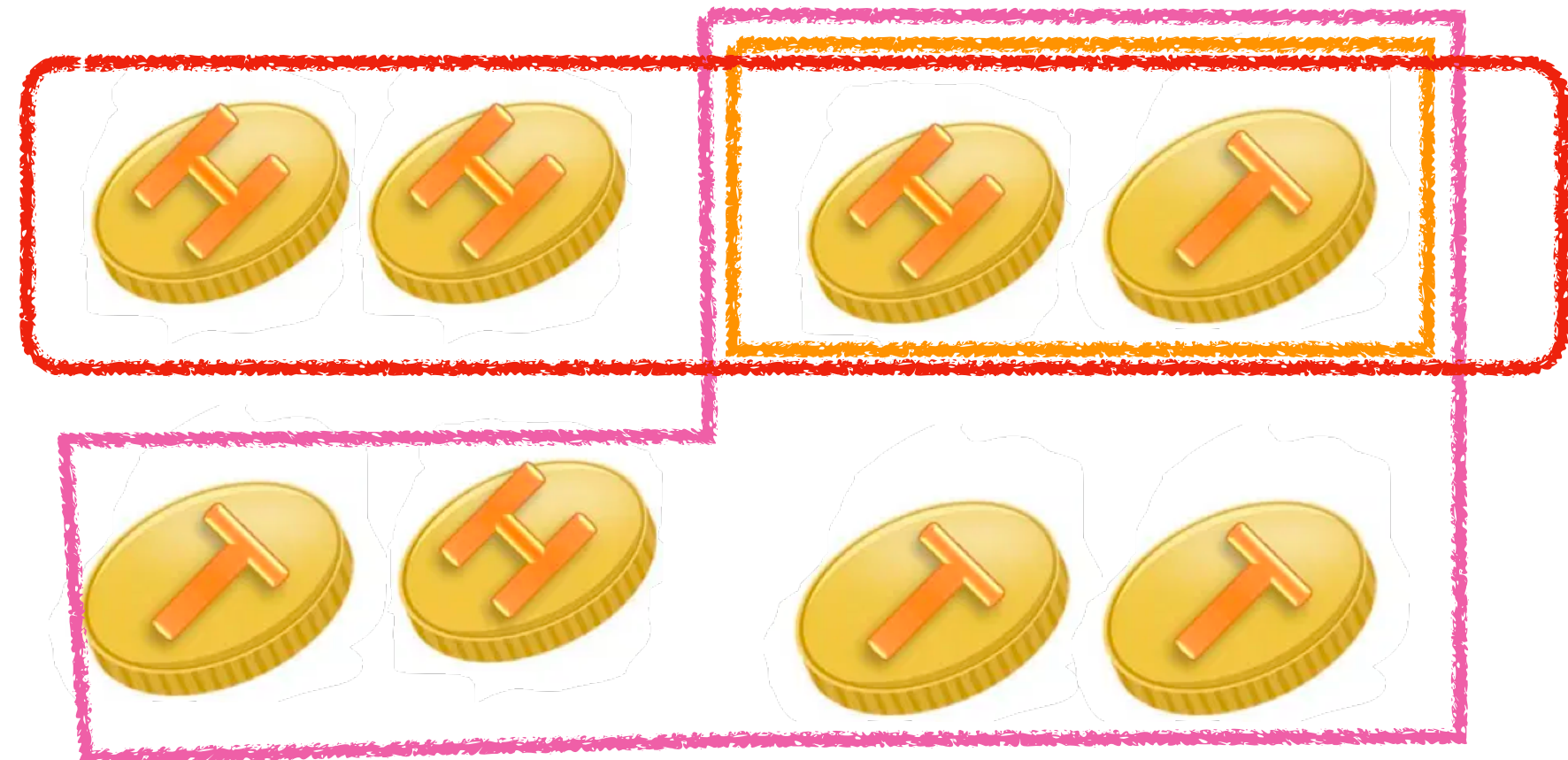
$P(B)$  prob. the first coins is heads

$P(A \cap B)$  prob. at least one coin is tail  
prob. of first coin is head

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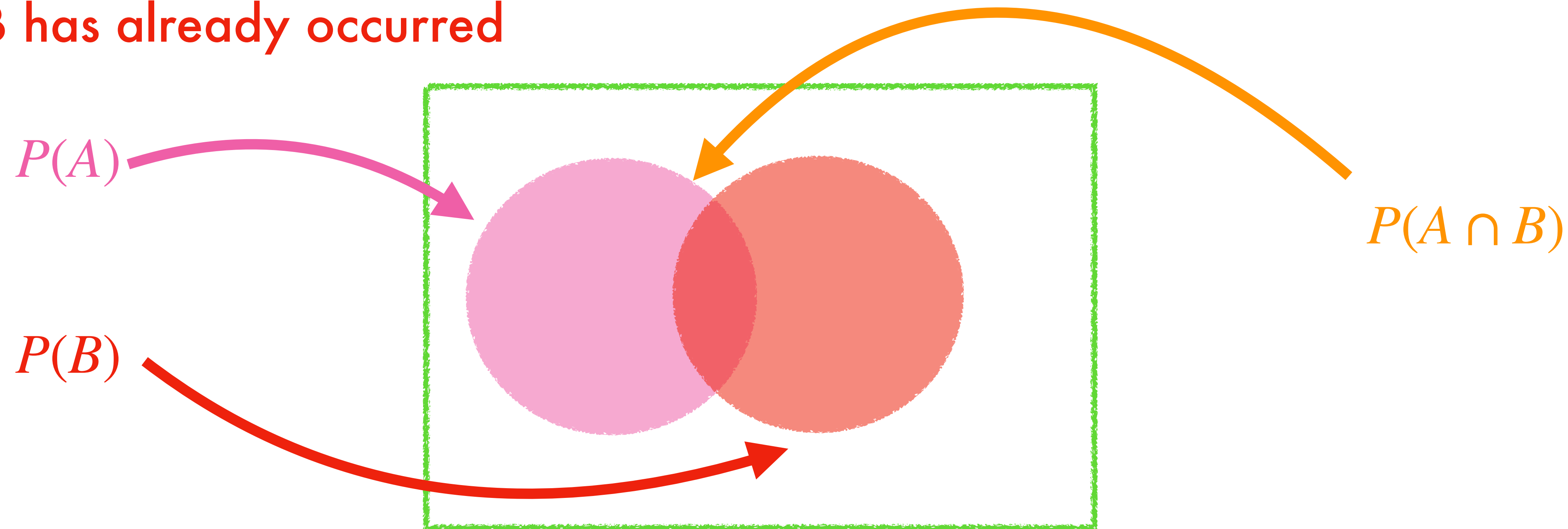
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

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## Another Example

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$P(B)$  Prob. that a given a card is red =  $26/52$

We need  $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$

$P(A \cap B)$  prob that card read and king =  $2/52$

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# Independent events

Two events are independent if  $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$

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# Let's play around with the Conditional probability

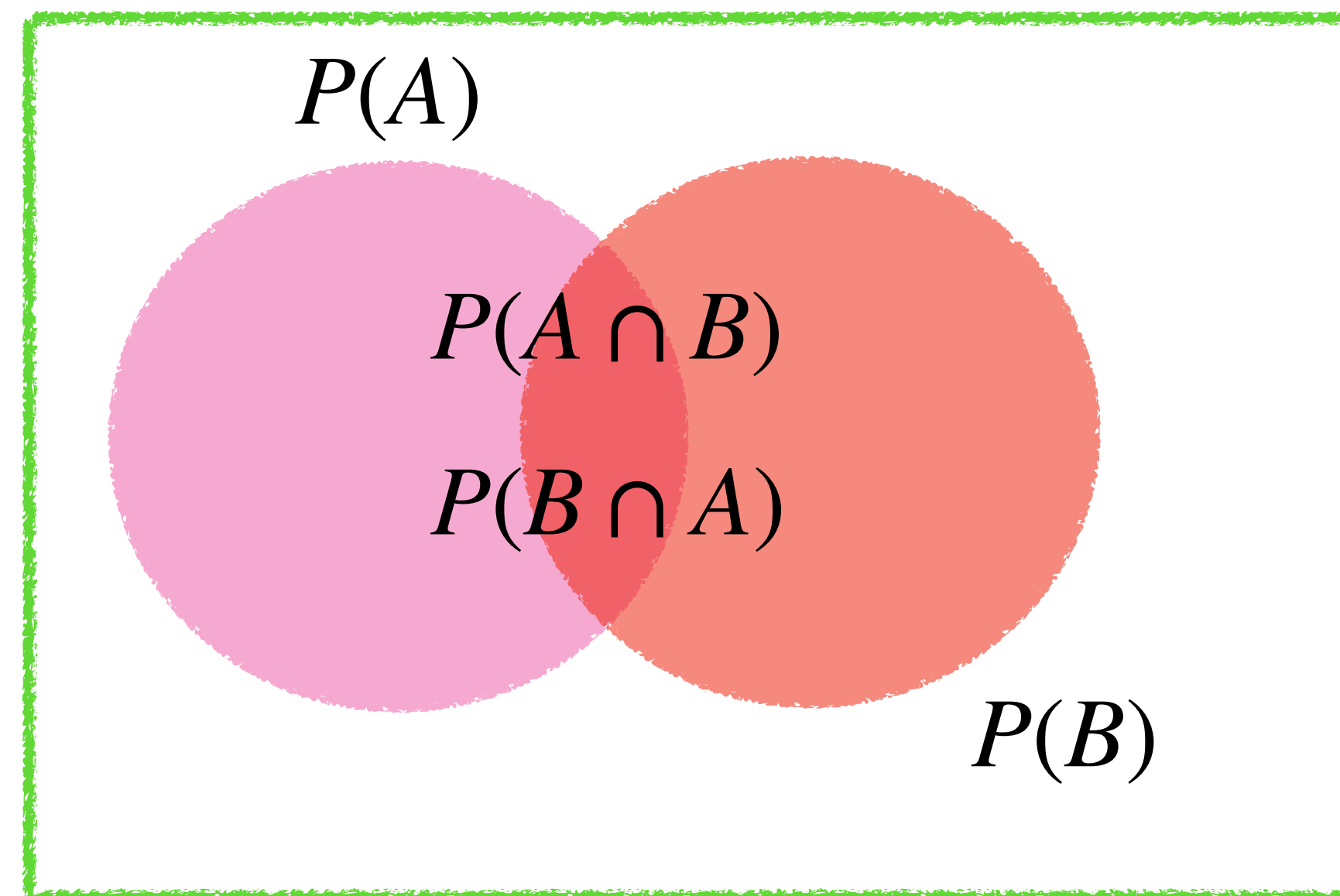
We have two events  $A$  and  $B$ , and know  $P(A)$ ,  $P(B)$ , and  $P(A \cap B)$ , can we figure out  $P(B \cap A)$

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We can reverse this and write



$$\text{From this we get } P(B \cap A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)P(B)}{P(A)}$$

This is called Bayes' theorem



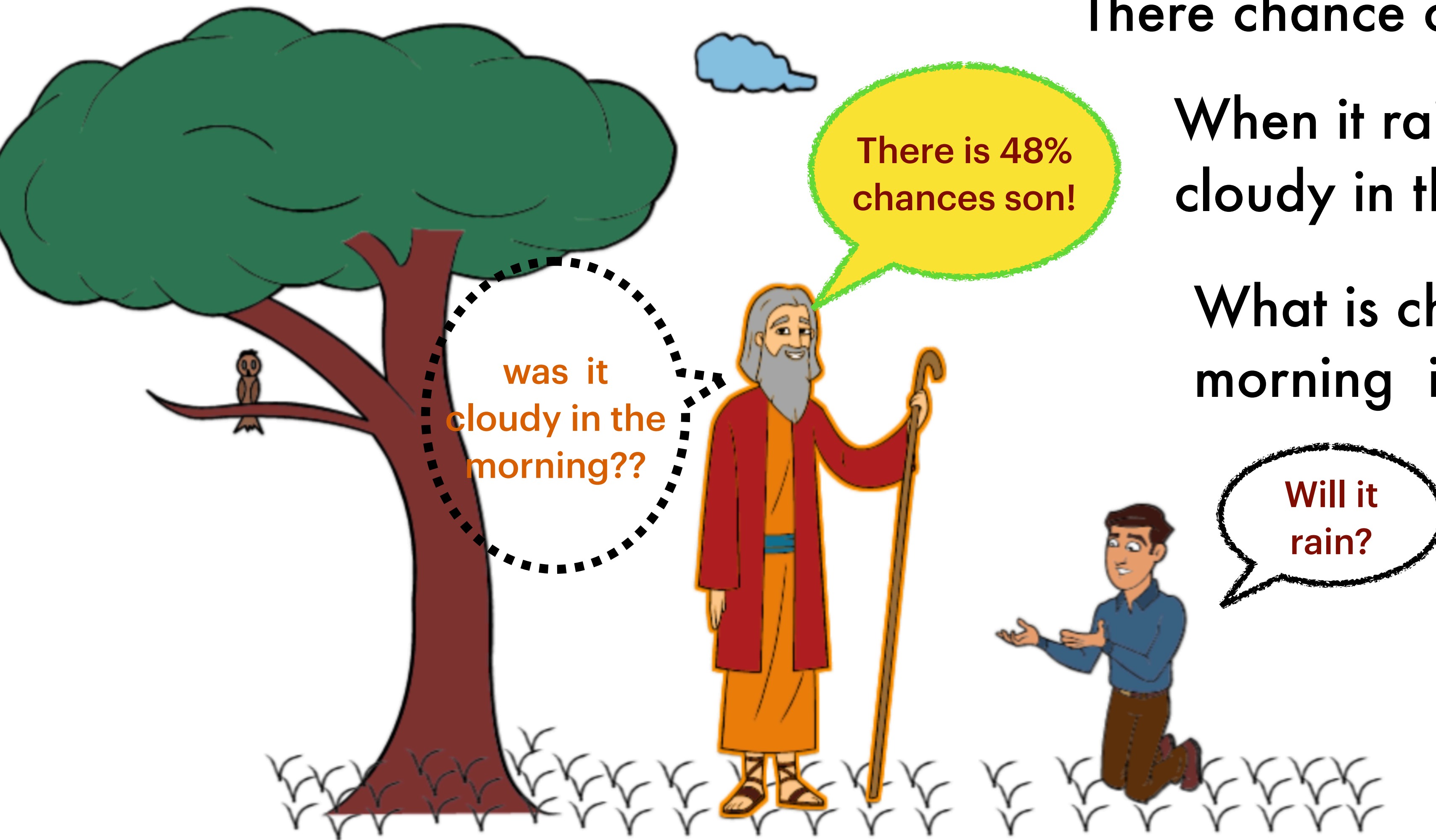
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When it rains 80 % of days where  
cloudy in the morning       $P(cloudy \text{ } rainy) = .8$

What is chance if it is cloudy in the  
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Let's use Bayes' theorem

$$P(rain \text{ } cloudy) = \frac{P(cloudy \text{ } rainy)P(rainy)}{P(cloudy)} = \frac{0.8 \times 0.15}{0.2} = 0.48$$