

# PROBABILITY AND RANDOM VARIABLES (AI1103)

## Assignment 1

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### QUESTION

#### **Assigned Problem 6.9**

If A and B are two events such that  $A \subset B$  and  $P(B) \neq 0$ , then which of the following is correct?

- 1)  $P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \frac{P(B)}{P(A)}$
- 2)  $P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) < P(A)$
- 3)  $P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \geq P(A)$
- 4) None of these

### SOLUTION

We know that A is the subset of B.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Every element of A is an element of B.

$$\therefore A \cap B = A \quad (1)$$

We know that

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) &= \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Given  $0 < P(B) \leq 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{P(B)} \geq 1$

By multiplying with  $P(A)$  on both sides of the inequality, we get

$$\frac{P(A)}{P(B)} \geq P(A)$$

Using ??, we have

$$P\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \geq P(A)$$

Therefore, option 3 is correct.