

## \* Probability Assignment \*

1. Two dice are rolled at once. Find out the probability for sum of numbers being even and one of the dice shows 6.

Ans:-

Sample space (Total No. of possibilities of rolling two dice) = 36

(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)	(1,4)	(1,5)	(1,6)
(2,1)	(2,2)	(2,3)	(2,4)	(2,5)	(2,6) *
(3,1)	(3,2)	(3,3)	(3,4)	(3,5)	(3,6)
(4,1)	(4,2)	(4,3)	(4,4)	(4,5)	(4,6) *
(5,1)	(5,2)	(5,3)	(5,4)	(5,5)	(5,6)
(6,1)	(6,2)	(6,3)	(6,4)	(6,5)	(6,6) *
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$$P(S_{\text{e+6}}) = 5/36 \text{ (Probability of sum of No. being even \& one of the dice shows 6)}$$

2. Two dice are rolled at once. Find out the probability for sum of numbers being less than 7.

Ans:- By observing table from Q<sub>1</sub>.

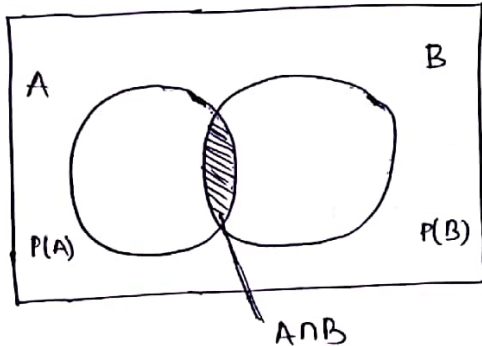
$$\text{probability of sum of No. being less than 7} = \frac{\text{total possibilities}}{\text{sample space}}$$

$$= \frac{5+4+3+2+1}{36} = \frac{15}{36} = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$P(S_{<7}) = 5/12$$

3. You toss a fair coin 3 times: Given that you have observed at least one heads, what is the probability that you observe at least two heads.

Ans:-



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

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\* Prob. of A given B is already occurred

Given  $P(B)$  = Prob. of observing at least one heads when it is tossed a fair coin 3 times

$$P(B) = 1 - P(\text{TTT}) = 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

↑  
Total No. of possibilities

$P(A)$  = Prob. of at least two heads

$$P(A) = P(\text{HHT}) + P(\text{HTH}) + P(\text{THH}) + P(\text{HHH})$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{4}{8}$$

Thus we can write

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

→ common bet<sup>n</sup>  $P(A)$  &  $P(B)$

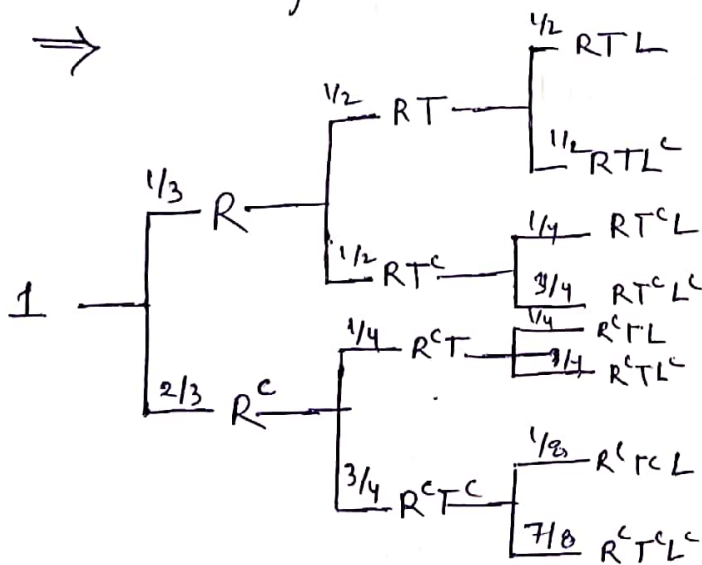
$$= \frac{P(A) \cap P(B)}{P(B)}$$

$$= \frac{4/8}{7/8}$$

$$\boxed{P(A/B) = 4/7}$$

4. In my town, it is raining  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the days. Given that it is raining, there will be heavy traffic with prob  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and given that it is not raining, there will be heavy traffic with probability  $\frac{1}{4}$ . If it is raining and there is heavy traffic, I arrive late for work with prob.  $\frac{1}{2}$ . On the other hand, the prob. of being late is  $\frac{1}{8}$  if it is not raining & there is no heavy traffic. In other situations (raining & no traffic, not raining & traffic) the prob. of being late is 0.25. You pick a random day. What is the prob. that it is not raining & there is heavy traffic & I am not late?

(a) What is the probability that it's not raining & there is heavy traffic & I am not late?



$R \rightarrow \text{Rain}, R^c \rightarrow \text{No Rain}$   
 $T \rightarrow \text{Traffic}, T^c \rightarrow \text{No Traffic}$   
 $L \rightarrow \text{Late}, L^c \rightarrow \text{No Late}$

(a) Ans:  $P(R^c T L^c) = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{2}{16} = \frac{1}{8}$

(b) Ans: What is probability that I am late

$$= P(R T L) + P(R T^c L) + P(R^c T L) + P(R^c T^c L)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{8}\right) = \frac{11}{48}$$

(c) Ans:  $P(\text{Late}) = \frac{11}{48}$ .  $P(R \cap L) = P(R, T, L) + P(R, T^c, L)$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{24} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$P(R/L) = \frac{P(R \cap L)}{P(L)} = \frac{\frac{1}{8} \times \frac{48}{11}}{\frac{11}{48}} = \frac{4}{11}$$

5. A box contains 3 coins: two regular coins and one fake 2 headed coin ( $P(\text{Heads})=1$ ), you pick a coin at random and toss it.

(a) What is the probability that it lands heads up?

Ans  $\Rightarrow$  Let  $C_1$  be the event for Regular coin  
 $C_2$  be the event for Fake coin

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$$P(H|C_1) = 1/2 \quad (\text{Prob. of head in Regular coin})$$

$$P(H|C_2) = 1 \quad (\text{Prob. of head in fake coin})$$

$$P(H) = P(H|C_1)P(C_1) + P(H|C_2)P(C_2)$$

$$P(H) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \right) + \left( 1 \times \frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

(b) You pick a coin at random & toss it & gets heads.  
What is the prob. that it is the 2 headed coin?

$$\Rightarrow P(C_2|H) = \frac{P(H|C_2)P(C_2)}{P(H)}$$

$$P(C_2|H) = \frac{1 \cdot \frac{1}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

(6) Suppose that, of all the customers at a coffee shop

(a) 70% purchase a cup of coffee

(b) 40% purchase a piece of cake

(c) 20% purchase both a cup of coffee & a piece of cake.

Given that a randomly chosen customer has purchased a piece of cake, what is the prob. that he/she has also purchased a cup of coffee?



Ans  $\Rightarrow$

$$P(\text{Coffee}) = 0.7, \quad P(\text{Cake}) = 0.4, \quad P(\text{Coffee} \cap \text{Cake}) = 0.2$$

Prob. of purchasing coffee, given customer has purchased a piece of cake

$$P(\text{Coffee} / \text{Cake}) = \frac{P(\text{Coffee} \cap \text{Cake})}{P(\text{Cake})}$$

$$\boxed{P(\text{Coffee} / \text{Cake}) = \frac{0.2}{0.4} = \frac{1}{2}}$$

11. A is known to tell the truth in 5 case out of 6 and he states that a white ball was drawn from a bag containing 8 black & 1 white ball.

Find the probability that the white ball was drawn

Ans  $\Rightarrow$

$P(\text{white})$

probability of drawing white ball  $P(W) = 1/9$

$$P(\vec{W}) = 1 - 1/9 \quad (A_w) \\ = 8/9$$

Probability of A telling truth  $P(T/W) = 5/6$

Not telling truth  $(T/\vec{W}) = 1/6$

$$P\left(\frac{W}{T}\right) = \frac{P(T/W) \cdot P(W)}{P(T/W) \cdot P(W) + P(T/\vec{W}) \cdot P(\vec{W})} \\ = \frac{5/6 \times 1/9}{(5/6 \times 1/9) + 1/6 \times 8/9}$$

$$\boxed{P\left(\frac{W}{T}\right) = 5/13}$$

12. A speaks truth 4 out of 5 time, A die is tossed. A reports that it is 6. What are the chances that there actually was a 6?

Ans  $\Rightarrow$

$$P(T/d_6) = 4/5, \quad P(d_6) = 1/6$$

$$P(\bar{d}_6) = 1 - 1/6 = 5/6$$

$$P(\bar{T}/\bar{d}_6) = 1 - 4/5 = 1/5$$

(Bayes Theorem)

$$P(d_6/T) = \frac{P(T/d_6) \cdot P(d_6)}{P(T/d_6) \cdot P(d_6) + P(\bar{T}/\bar{d}_6) \cdot P(\bar{d}_6)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{6}}{\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{5}{6}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{4}{30}}{\frac{4}{30} + \frac{5}{30}} = \frac{\frac{4}{30}}{\frac{9}{30}} = 4/9$$

$$\boxed{P(d_6/T) = 4/9}$$