

# IS606 Homework 2

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## 2.6 Dice rolls (p116)

If you roll a pair of fair dice, what is the probability of:

Assuming:

- Six sided dice
- Values 1 - 6 (no zero)

**a. getting a sum of 1?** The minimum sum from a pair of dice, given the assumptions above, would be 2. Since a sum of 1 is not part of the set of outcomes, the probability would be 0.

**b. getting a sum of 5?** How many ways can a sum of 5 be the result of 2 dice?

Roll	1	2	3	4
die 1	1	2	3	4
die 2	4	3	2	1

There are 4 outcomes which can result in a sum of 5, and 36 total outcomes possible (6 X 6), therefore the probability is  $\frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9} \approx 0.111111$

**c. getting a sum of 12?** There is only one outcome from 2 dice which sum to 12: a 6 and 6 (boxcars). As such, the probability is:

$$\frac{1}{36} \approx 0.027778$$

## 2.8 Poverty and language (p117)

**a. Are living below the poverty line and speaking a foreign language at home disjoint?** No. Specifically, one could be living below the poverty line and speaking a foreign language at home, or one could live below the poverty line only, or speaking a foreign language at home only. In the case described in the question, 4.2% fall into both categories.

**b. Draw a venn diagram summarizing the variables and their associated probabilities.** The R code segment below shows using the `VennDiagram` package to create a Venn diagram for the variables and probabilities described in the exercise description:

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library(VennDiagram)
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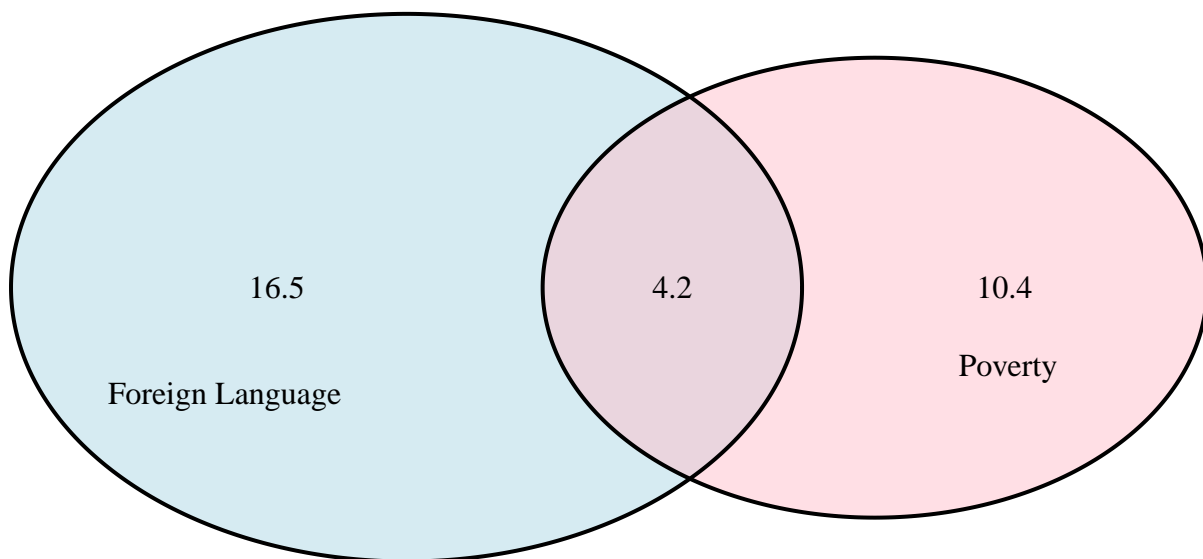
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## Loading required package: grid
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pov <- 14.6
forLang <- 20.7
both <- 4.2
povOnly <- pov - both
forLangOnly <- forLang - both

venn.plot <- draw.pairwise.venn(pov,
                                forLang,
                                cross.area=both,
                                c("Poverty", "Foreign Language"),
                                fill=c("pink", "lightblue"),
                                cat.dist=-0.08,
                                ind=FALSE)
grid.draw(venn.plot)

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c. What percent of Americans live below the poverty line and only speak English at home? Based on the results of the Venn diagram, 10.4% of American live below the poverty line and only speak English at home.

d. What percent of Americans live below the poverty line or speak a foreign language at home? Using the General Addition Rule from the text, where  $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$ , then:

$$20.7 + 14.6 - 4.2 = 31.1$$

e. **What percent of Americans live above the poverty line and only speak English at home?**  
 $P(1 - \text{PovOnly}) = 0.896$

f. **Is the event that someone lives below the poverty line independent of the event that the person speaks a foreign language at home?** Using the test of the Multiplication Rule for independent events (p86,87), do poverty and language satisfy the rule:

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \times P(B)$$

$$0.146 \times 0.207 = 0.030222$$

This is not equal to 0.042, therefore it fails the Multiplication Rule for independent events test - the events are not independent.

## 2.20 Assortative mating (p121)

a. **What is the probability that a randomly chosen male respondent or his partner has blue eyes?** This is not a disjoint event, because there is a scenario when both the male and partner have blue eyes. There are 108 females in the study with blue eyes, and another 114 males with blue eyes, with 78 where male and partner have blue eyes, out of a total of 204 couples in the study.

$$P(\text{Male Blue or Partner Blue}) = \frac{114}{204} + \frac{108}{204} - \frac{78}{204} = 0.7058824$$

b. **What is the probability that a randomly chosen male respondent with blue eyes has a partner with blue eyes?** My initial interpretation of this question was as  $P(\text{Male Blue and Partner Blue})$ :

$$P(\text{Blue and Blue}) = \frac{78}{204} = 0.3823529$$

Revisiting this answer, when interpreted as  $P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Blue})$ :

$$P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Blue}) = \frac{78}{114} = 0.6842105$$

c. **What is the probability that a randomly chosen male respondent with brown eyes has a partner with blue eyes? Green eyes and blue eyes?** This sounds like the question is  $P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Brown})$ , and  $P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Green})$ . Thinking in this way:

$$P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Brown}) = \frac{19}{54} = 0.3518519$$

$$P(\text{Partner Blue given Male Green}) = \frac{11}{36} = 0.3055556$$

d. **Does it appear that the eye color of male respondents and their partners are independent? Explain your reasoning.** Looking at proportions by male eye color, there is definitely an affinity to selecting a partner with the same eye color. Given this analysis, the eye color of male respondents and their partners does not appear to be independent.

```
fBlue <- c(78,19,11)
fBrown <- c(23,23,9)
fGreen <- c(13,12,16)
df <- data.frame(fBlue, fBrown, fGreen)
row.names(df) <- c("mBlue", "mBrown", "mGreen")
df$sum <- c(sum(df["mBlue",]), sum(df["mBrown",]), sum(df["mGreen",]))

dfProp <- df / df$sum
dfProp
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##		fBlue	fBrown	fGreen	sum
##	mBlue	0.6842105	0.2017544	0.1140351	1
##	mBrown	0.3518519	0.4259259	0.2222222	1
##	mGreen	0.3055556	0.2500000	0.4444444	1

2.30 ??? (p??)

2.38 ??? (p??)

2.44 ??? (p??)