

$$\mathbb{P}(E_7 \cap F_4) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathbb{P}(E_7) \cdot \mathbb{P}(F_4)$$

A. Two fair dice are rolled, one after the other.

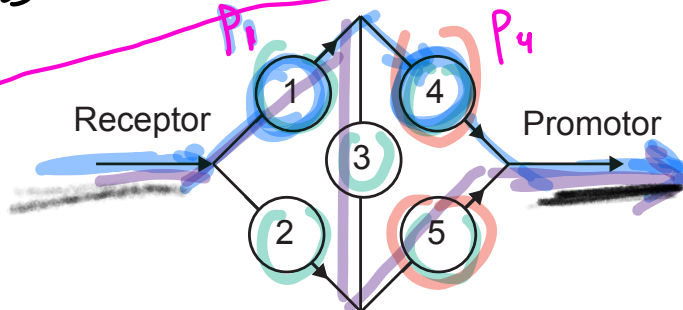
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- Let  $E_6$  be the event that the sum of the dice is 6. Let  $F_4$  be the event that the first die is 4. Are these two events independent?
- Let  $E_7$  be the event that the sum of the dice is 7. Let  $F_4$  be the event that the first die is 4. Are these two events independent?
- Let  $E_i$  be the event that the sum of the dice is  $i$ . Let  $F_j$  be the event that the first die is  $j$ . For what values of  $i$  and  $j$  are these two events independent?

B. Consider a simple protein-protein interaction network with a receptor, five proteins numbers 1 to 5, and a gene promotor. You have determined that the proteins interact according to the figure below. In a population of cells, you find that each protein has a probability  $p_i$  of being functionally active in a given cell, where  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ . A functional signal transduction requires at least one complete path

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 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(A \cup B) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B) - \mathbb{P}(A \cap B)$



from the membrane receptor (R) to the ~~transcription factor (TF)~~ <sup>promotor</sup>. Protein P3 can interact bidirectionally with ~~the transcription factor (TF)~~ (acting as a scaffold protein). Assume that the proteins are active independently of each other. Calculate the probability that signal transduction occurs successfully in this network.