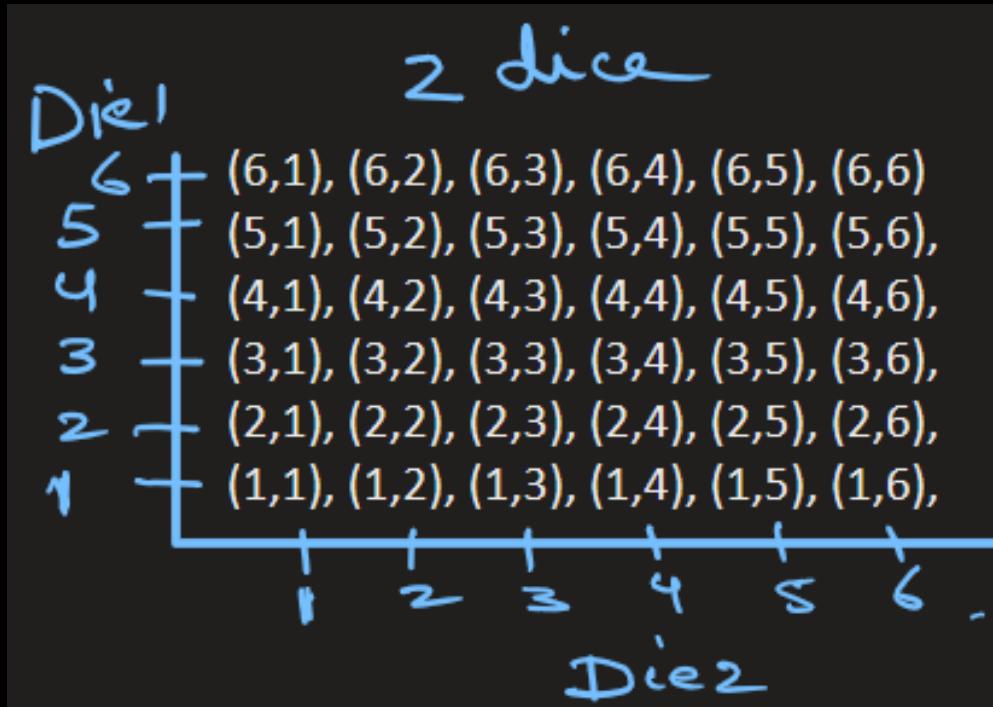


# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose we roll a pair of dice.

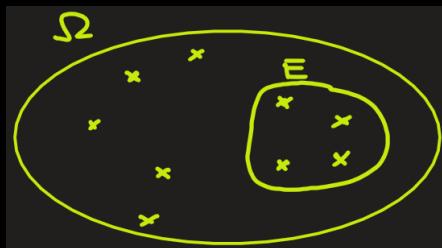


What is the probability that either first number is even or second number is odd?

# Probability: Definition (Review)

Probability of an event E:

$$P(E) = \frac{\text{Number of favorable outcomes}}{\text{Total number of possible outcomes}}$$



Or,

$$P(E) = \frac{|E|}{|\Omega|}$$

Here,

$|E|$  = number (size) of elements in event  $E$ ,

$|\Omega|$  = total number (size) of elements in sample space

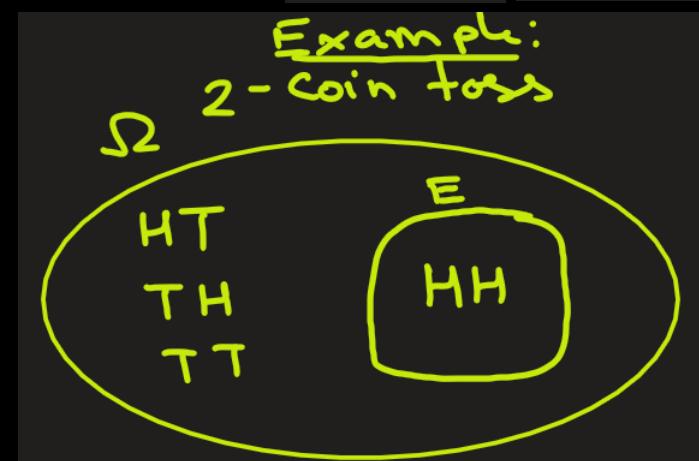


**Example:** In 2-coin toss, what is the probability of getting **both heads**?

Ans: Here sample space is  $\Omega = \{\text{HH}, \text{HT}, \text{TH}, \text{TT}\}$ . Size is  $|\Omega| = 4$

The event E is both toss are heads:  $E = \{\text{HH}\}$ . Size is  $|E| = 1$

$$P(E) = 1/4.$$



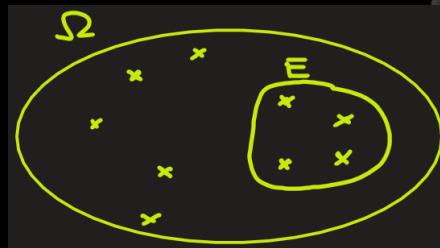
# Probability

## Important Properties: (Die example)

1)  $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$

Probability of an event is always between 0 and 1

E.g.:  $P(\text{even number})$ ,  $P(\{5\})$ ,  $P(\{9\})$  are all between 0 and 1



2)  $P(\Omega) = 1$

Sum of probabilities of sample space is 1

E.g.:  $P(\Omega = \{1,2,3,4,5,6\}) = 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 + 1/6 = 1$



3)  $P(\emptyset) = 0$

Probability of an event that is **not in** sample space is 0

E.g.: Probability of getting 8 =  $P(\{8\}) = 0$

4)  $P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E)$  **Complementary Rule**

E.g.:  $P(\text{not getting 4}) = 1 - P(\text{getting 4}) = 1 - 1/6 = 5/6$





# Addition Rule: Disjoint Events



Two events are **mutually exclusive events or disjoint events** if they cannot occur at the same time

(i.e., they have no outcomes in common)

If A and B are 2 disjoint events, then we denote them as

**A and B =  $\emptyset$**  (null set or empty set)

$\Rightarrow A \cap B = \emptyset$

**Examples of disjoint event:**

A: Rolling a die and getting an odd number {1, 3, 5}

B: Rolling a die and getting an even number : {2, 4, 6}

$A \cap B = \emptyset$

A: Randomly selecting a person with type A blood

B: Randomly selecting a person with type O blood

$A \cap B = \emptyset$

**Examples of non-disjoint event**

A: Rolling a die and getting an odd number {1, 3, 5}

B: Rolling a die and getting a number less than 3 : {1, 2}

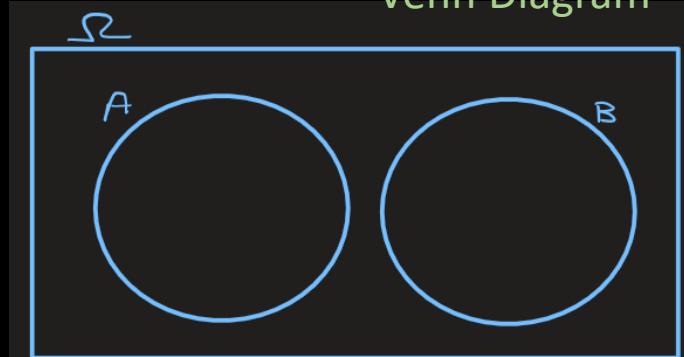
$A \cap B = \{1\}$

A: Randomly selecting a person with type A blood

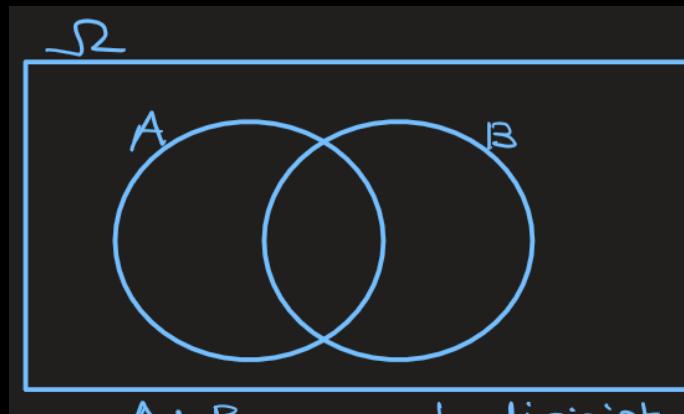
B: Randomly selecting a person with gender as male

$A \cap B = \text{Set of all males who have type A blood}$

Venn Diagram



$A \cap B$  are disjoint



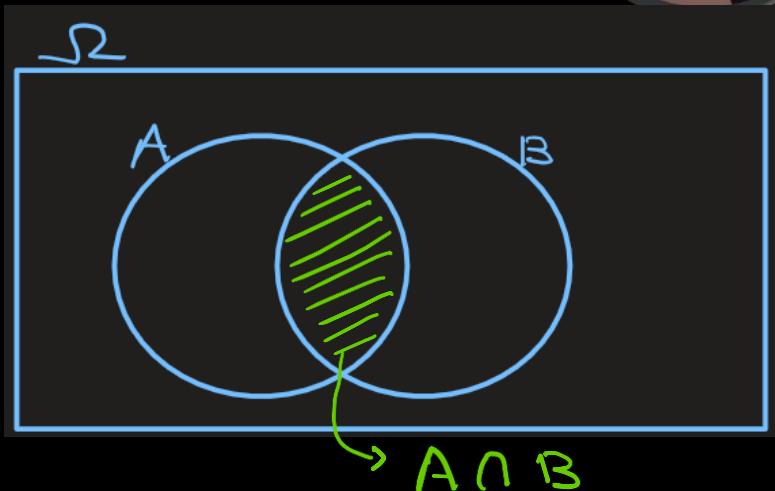
$A \cap B$  are not disjoint

# Addition Rule

General addition rule:

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$



**Special case:** If  $A$  and  $B$  are disjoint, then  $P(A \cap B) = 0$ .

In this case,

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose you randomly select a whole number between 1 and 13.

What is the probability that it is multiple of 2 **or** multiple of 3 ?

**Ans:** The sample space is  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$

Let

A: Randomly selecting whole number between 1 and 13 that is multiple of 2.  $A = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12\}$

B: Randomly selecting whole number between 1 and 13 that is multiple of 3.  $B = \{3, 6, 9, 12\}$

Here I have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .

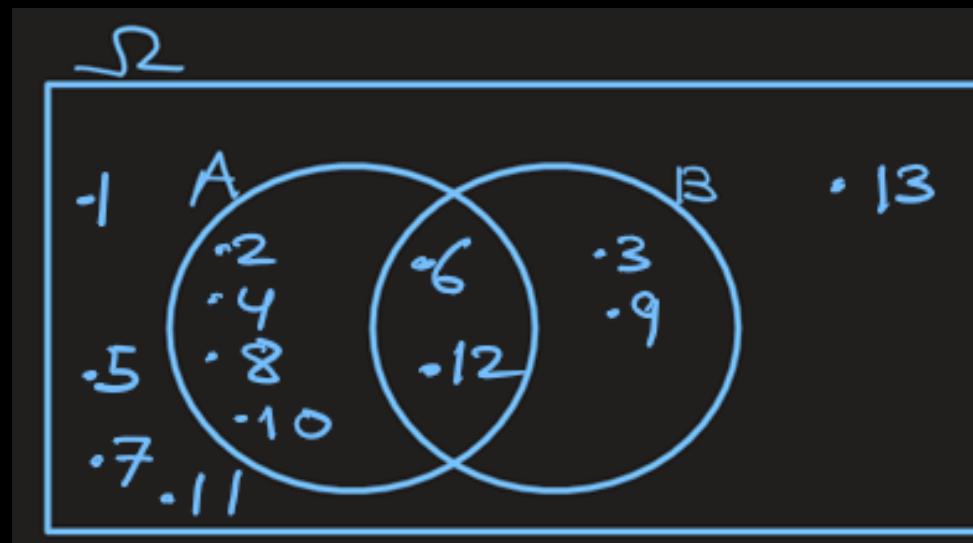
$A \cap B$  = numbers that are multiple of 2 **and** 3 = {6, 12}.

Here  $P(A) = 6/13$ ;  $P(B) = 4/13$ ;  $P(A \cap B) = 2/13$

So,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= 6/13 + 4/13 - 2/13$$

$$= 8/13 = 0.615$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose you randomly select a whole number between 1 and 13.

What is the probability that it is an even number less than 9 **or** an odd number more than 6 ?

**Ans:** The sample space is  $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$

Let

A: Randomly selecting an even number less than 9.  $A = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$

B: Randomly selecting an odd number more than 6.  $B = \{7, 9, 11, 13\}$

Here I have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .

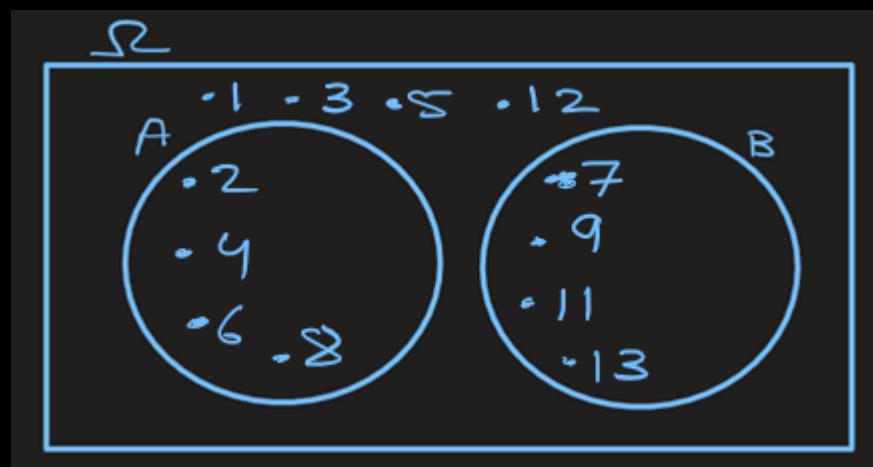
We see that  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  (an empty set AKA null set)

Here,  $P(A) = 4/13$ ;  $P(B) = 4/13$ ;  $P(A \cap B) = 0$

So,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= 4/13 + 4/13 - 0$$

$$= 8/13$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose we roll a pair of dice.

What is the probability the sum of the two dice is 7 or number on the first die is 4?

**Ans:** The sample space is  $\Omega$  is shown on figure.

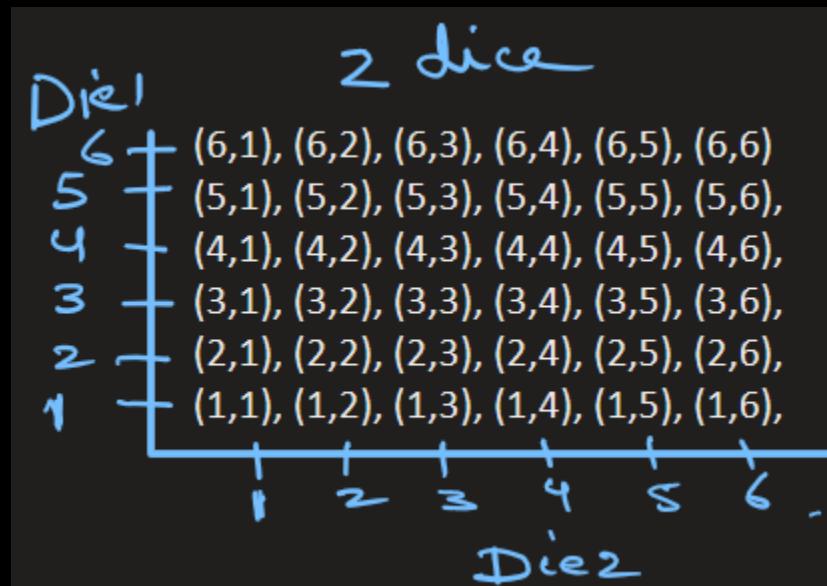
Let

A: Sum of 2 dice is 7:  $A = \{(6,1), (5,2), (4,3), (3,4), (2,5), (1,6)\}$

B: Number of 1<sup>st</sup> die is 4 :  $B = \{(4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4), (4,5), (4,6)\}$



Here I have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .



$A \cap B$  = sum of the two dice is 7 and number on the first die is 4 =  $\{(4,3)\}$ .

Here  $P(A) = 6/36$ ;  $P(B) = 6/36$ ;  $P(A \cap B) = 1/36$

So,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= 6/36 + 6/36 - 1/36$$

$$= 11/36$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose we roll a pair of dice.

What is the probability that either first number is even **or** second number is odd?

**Ans:**

1) Let

A: First number is even

A will have 18 elements

B: Second number is odd

B will have 18 elements

We have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .

$$|A \cap B| = |\text{first number is even } \underline{\text{and}} \text{ second number is odd}| = 9$$

$$\text{Here } P(A) = 18/36; \quad P(B) = 18/36;$$

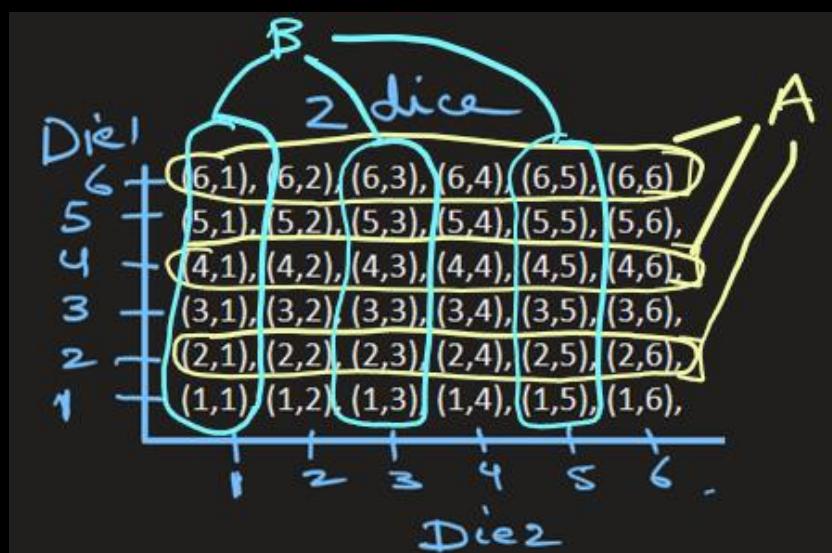
$$P(A \cap B) = 9/36$$

$$\text{So, } P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 18/36 + 18/36 - 9/36$$

$$= 27/36 = 3/4$$

		2 dice						
		Die1	6	5	4	3	2	1
Die2	1	(6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5), (6,6)	(5,1), (5,2), (5,3), (5,4), (5,5), (5,6),	(4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4), (4,5), (4,6),	(3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6),	(2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (2,6),	(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6),	
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# Addition Rule

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

**Problem:** A square dartboard has corners at the points (0,0) , (0,10), (10,0), (10,10).

A dart is thrown randomly at the board such that every point on the board is equally likely to be hit.

Define the following events:

**Event A:** The dart lands to the **left** of the vertical line  $x = 6$ .

**Event B:** The dart lands **below** the horizontal line  $y = 7$ .

Using the **Addition Rule of Probability**, compute the probability that the dart lands **either** to the left of the line  $x = 6$  or below the line  $y = 7$ . (Assume probability is proportional to area, i.e. uniform probability distribution over the board)

Ans: We have to find  $P(A \cup B)$  using addition rule. Here the probability is proportional to the area.

**A:**  $X < 6$ .

$$P(A) = \frac{6 \times 10}{10 \times 10} = 0.6$$

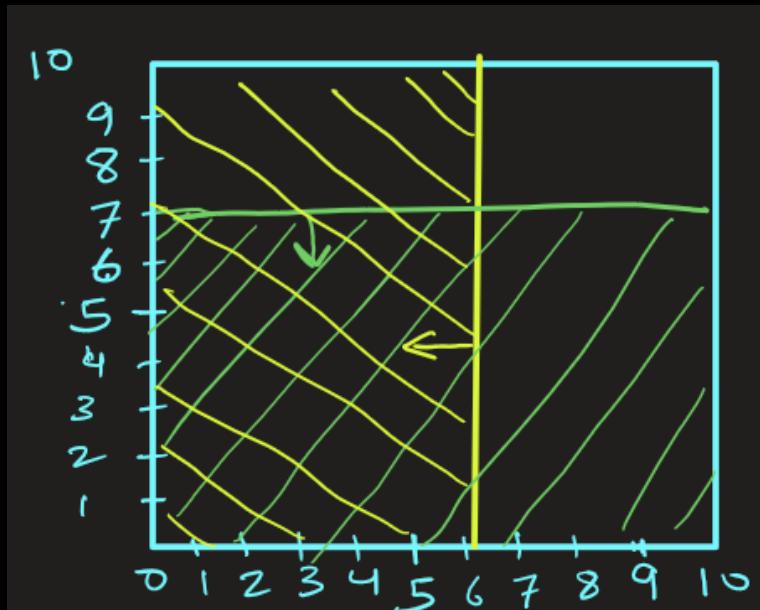
**B:**  $Y < 7$

$$P(B) = \frac{7 \times 10}{10 \times 10} = 0.7$$

**Overlap (A ∩ B):**  $X < 6$  and  $Y < 7$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{6 \times 7}{10 \times 10} = 0.42$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\ &= 0.6 + 0.7 - 0.42 = 0.88 \end{aligned}$$



# EXTRA

Extra questions.



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem** Suppose you're designing a **fraud detection** system for online transactions.

Based on past historical data of 10,000 transactions, we have following empirical results.

1000 transaction were large ( that is,  $> \$5000$ )

500 transaction were from unusual locations

200 transactions were large **AND** from an unusual location

You receive some notification of some random transaction. What is the probability that transaction is either large **OR** from an unusual location?

**Answer :** Let

**Event A:** Transaction is large (over \$5,000). So,  $P(A) = 1000/10000 = 0.10$

**Event B:** Transaction is from an unusual location. So,  $P(B) = 500/10000 = 0.05$

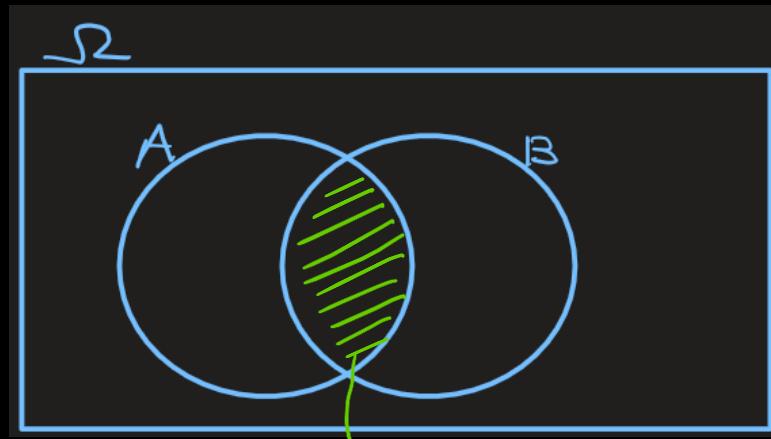
Here I have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .

Event  $A \cap B$ : 200 transactions were large and from an unusual location  $\rightarrow P(A \cap B) = 200/10000 = 0.02$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 0.10 + 0.05 - 0.02$$

$$= 0.13$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** A company trains two spam detection models:

**Model A** (a deep neural network) and **Model B** (a random forest).

Probability that Model A flags an email as spam:  $P(A) = 0.4$

Probability that Model B flags an email as spam:  $P(B) = 0.3$

Probability that *both* models flag the same email as spam:  $P(A \cap B) = 0.15$

What is the probability that **at least one** model flags the email as spam?

Ans:

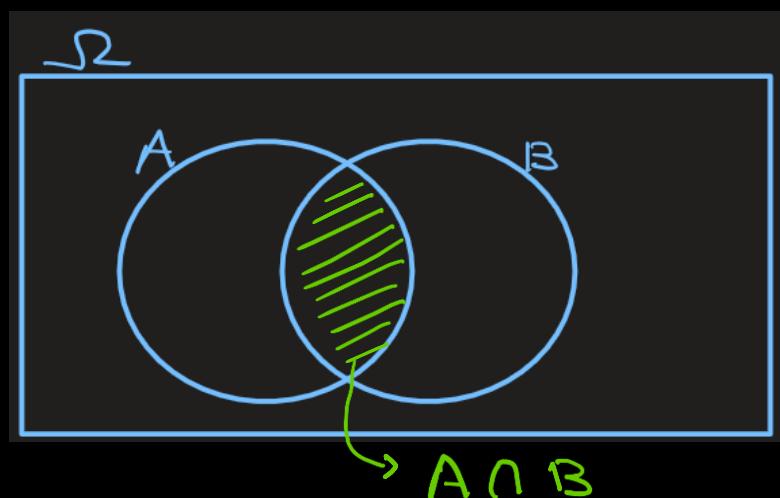
$P(\text{at least one model flags the email as spam})$

$$= P(A \cup B)$$

$$= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 0.4 + 0.3 - 0.15$$

$$= 0.55$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** An AI content moderation system flags content as

**Hate speech (H):**  $P(H) = 0.2$

**Misinformation (M):**  $P(M) = 0.25$

**Both:**  $P(H \cap M) = 0.05$



What is the probability that a post is flagged for *either hate speech or misinformation*?

Ans:

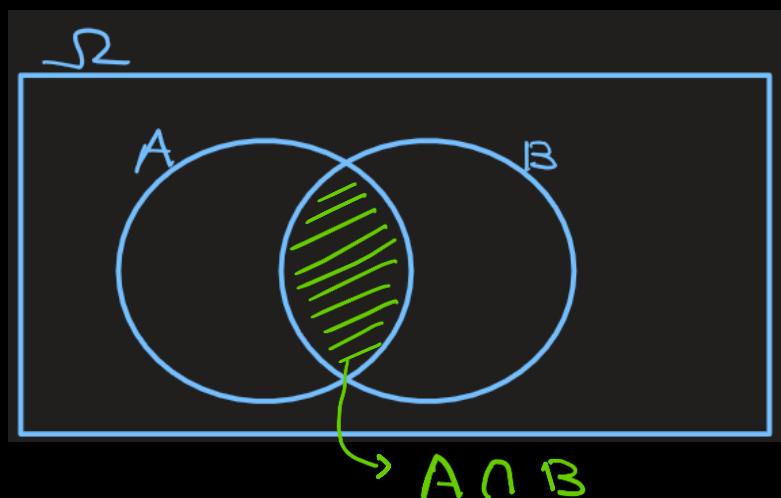
$P$  (a post is flagged for *either hate speech or misinformation*)

$$= P(H \cup M)$$

$$= P(H) + P(M) - P(H \cap M)$$

$$= 0.2 + 0.25 - 0.05$$

$$= 0.4$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Same problem as before but different scenario:** Suppose you're designing a **recommendation** system

Based on past historical data of 10,000 user views, we have following empirical results.

1000 user liked sci-fi

500 user liked fantasy

200 user liked sci-fi **and** fantasy

You pick a random user from the database. What is the probability that this **user likes sci-fi OR fantasy?**

**Answer :** Let

**Event A:** user likes sci-fi. So,  $P(A) = 1000/10000 = 0.10$

**Event B:** user liked fantasy . So,  $P(B) = 500/10000 = 0.05$

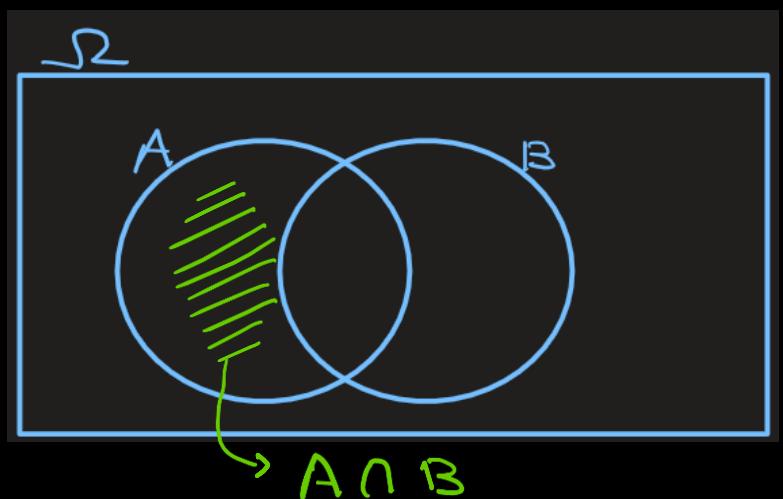
We have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .

**Event  $A \cap B$ :** 200 user likes sci-fi **and** fantasy  $\rightarrow P(A \cap B) = 200/10000 = 0.02$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 0.10 + 0.05 - 0.02$$

$$= 0.13$$



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose we roll a pair of dice.

What is the probability the sum of the two dice is  $\geq 10$  or number on first die is 3 ?

**Ans:**

Let

A: Sum of 2 dice number  $\geq 10$  :  $A = \{(6,4), (5,5), (4,6), (6,5), (5,6), (6,6)\}$

B: Number of 1<sup>st</sup> die is 3 :  $B = \{(3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6)\}$

Here I have to find  $P(A \cup B)$ .



2 dice	
Die 1	Die 2
6	(6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5), (6,6)
5	(5,1), (5,2), (5,3), (5,4), (5,5), (5,6),
4	(4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4), (4,5), (4,6),
3	(3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6),
2	(2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (2,6),
1	(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6),

$A \cap B$  = Sum of 2 dice number  $\geq 10$  and number of 1<sup>st</sup> die is 3 =  $\emptyset$

Here  $P(A) = 6/36$  ;  $P(B) = 6/36$ ;  $P(A \cap B) = 0$



So,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= 6/36 + 6/36 - 0$$

$$= 12/36$$

$$= 1/4$$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$



# Addition Rule

**Problem:** Suppose we roll a pair of dice.

What is the probability the sum of the two dice is  $\geq 7$  or both numbers are same?

**Ans:**

1) Let

A: sum of the two dice is  $\geq 7$

A = {(6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), and so on-upper diagonal } = 21 elements

B: both numbers are same

B = {(1,1), (2,2), (3,3), (4,4), (5,5), (6,6)}

		2 dice						
		Die 1	1	2	3	4	5	6
Die 2	6	(6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5), (6,6)						
	5	(5,1), (5,2), (5,3), (5,4), (5,5), (5,6),						
	4	(4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4), (4,5), (4,6),						
	3	(3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6),						
	2	(2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (2,6),						
	1	(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6),						

Then,  $A \cap B$  = the sum of the two dice is  $\geq 7$  and both numbers are same = {(4,4), (5,5), (6,6)}.

Here  $P(A) = 21/36$ ;  $P(B) = 6/36$ ;  $P(A \cap B) = 3/36$

So,  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$

$$= 21/36 + 6/36 - 3/36$$

$$= 24/36$$