

Suppose the probability a coin comes up Heads when flipped is $1/3$. If you flip the coin three times, what is the probability it comes up Heads at least once? $\rightarrow p(1) + p(2) + p(3)$

(a) $19/27$

(b) $8/27$

(c) $1/27$

(d) $26/27$

(e) $1/9$

(f) $1/3$

(g) $2/9$

(h) $7/8$

(i) $1/8$

(j) $3/8$

(k) $2/3$

(l) None of these

$$P(X=k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \quad \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

$$P(X=1) = \binom{3}{1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1-\frac{1}{3}\right)^{3-1} \quad \binom{3}{1} = \frac{6}{1(2)!} = 3$$

$$= 3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{4}{9}$$

$$P(X=1) = \binom{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 \quad \binom{3}{2} = \frac{6}{2(1)!} = 3$$

$$= 3 \cdot \frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{9}$$

$$P(X=2) = \binom{3}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \cdot 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{27}$$

$$P(X=1) + P(X=2) + P(X=3) = \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{1}{27} = \boxed{\frac{19}{27}}$$

If A and B are independent events such that $P(AB) = 1/4$ and $P(A - B) = 1/8$, then what is the probability of the event A^cB^c ?

(a) $5/24$

(b) $7/24$

(c) $1/24$

(d) $1/8$

(e) $1/4$

(f) $1/6$

(g) $3/8$

(h) $5/8$

(i) $1/12$

(j) $1/3$

(k) $1/2$

(l) None of these

$$P(A) = P(AB) + P(A - B)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B \rightarrow P(AB) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} P(B)$$

$$\rightarrow P(B) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P(A^cB^c) = P(A^c)P(B^c)$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{8}\right) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{5}{24}\right)$$

Let A, B, C be events such that A and B are independent given C . If $P(A^c B^c C) = P(AB^c C^c) = P(A^c B C^c) = 1/8$, $P(AB^c C) = 1/6$, $P(AB) = 1/4$, and $P(ABC^c) = 0$, then what is $P(A^c B C)$?

(a) 3/16

$$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B \mid C$$

(b) 3/8

$$P(AB) = P(ABC) + P(ABC^c)$$

(c) 1/16

$$\frac{1}{4} = P(ABC) + 0$$

(d) 1/32

$$P(AC) = P(ABC) + P(ABC^c)$$

(e) 3/32

$$P(AC) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{12}$$

(f) 1/8

$$P(BC) = P(ABC) + P(A^c BC)$$

(g) 1/4

$$P(BC) = \frac{1}{4} + x$$

(h) 5/8

(i) 5/32

$$P(C) = P(ABC) + P(A^c BC) + P(AB^c C) + P(A^c B^c C)$$

(j) 1/24

$$= \frac{1}{4} + x + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{8}$$

(k) 5/24

$$= \frac{13}{24} + x$$

(l) None of these

$$A \perp\!\!\!\perp B \mid C \iff P(A \mid BC) = P(A \mid C)$$

$$\frac{P(ABC)}{P(BC)} = \frac{P(AC)}{P(C)}$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{4} + x} = \frac{\frac{5}{12}}{\frac{13}{24} + x} \xrightarrow{\text{calculator}} \frac{3}{16}$$