

Math 180A HW2

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Problem 4.

$$P(A^c|B) = \frac{P(A^c \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{P(B) - P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (2)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (3)$$

$$= 1 - P(A|B) \quad (4)$$

From (1) to (2), note that $P(B) = P(A \cap B) + P(A^c \cap B)$, thus $P(A^c \cap B) = P(B) - P(A \cap B)$.

Problem 5.

(a) $\Omega = \{(head, i) : 1 \leq i \leq 4, i \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{(tail, i) : 1 \leq i \leq 6, i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. $P = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8}$ for head or $P = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{12}$ for tail.

(b) Let A_1 and A_2 be the event with die roll 1 and 2 respectively, B_1 and B_2 be the coin event with head and tail respectively. Note that A_1, A_2 and B_1, B_2 are disjoint, and $B_1 \cup B_2 = \Omega_{coin}$.

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) \quad (5)$$

$$= (P(B_1)P(A_1|B_1) + P(B_2)P(A_1|B_2)) + (P(B_1)P(A_2|B_1) + P(B_2)P(A_2|B_2)) \quad (6)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6}\right) \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{5}{12} \quad (8)$$

Problem 6. Let A be the event of scoring two points, B_1 be the event of making the shot, B_2 be the event of missing the shot and not getting fouled, B_3 be the event of missing the shot and getting fouled. Note that B_1, B_2 , and B_3 are disjoint, and $B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 = \Omega$.

$$P(A) = P(B_1)P(A|B_1) + P(B_2)P(A|B_2) + P(B_3)P(A|B_3) \quad (9)$$

$$= 50\% \times 100\% + 25\% \times 0\% + 25\% \times 77\% \quad (10)$$

$$= 69.25\% \quad (11)$$

Problem 7.

- (a) Let A be the event of the contestant hitting the bullseye on their first shot, B be the event that the contestant is a Merry Man.

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{P(B)P(A|B)}{P(B)P(A|B) + P(B^c)P(A|B^c)} \quad (13)$$

$$= \frac{0.25 \times 0.9}{0.25 \times 0.9 + 0.75 \times 0.1} \quad (14)$$

$$= 0.75 \quad (15)$$

- (b) Let A be the event that the chosen contestant is a Merry Man, B be the event that the first shot missed, C be the event that the second shot missed.

$$P(C|B) = \frac{P(B \cap C)}{P(B)} \quad (16)$$

$$= \frac{P((B \cap C) \cap A) \cup ((B \cap C) \cap A^c)}{P(A)P(B|A) + P(A^c)P(B|A^c)} \quad (17)$$

$$= \frac{P(C \cap B \cap A) + P(C \cap B \cap A^c)}{P(A)P(B|A) + P(A^c)P(B|A^c)} \quad (18)$$

$$= \frac{P(A)P(C \cap B|A) + P(A^c)P(C \cap B|A^c)}{P(A)P(B|A) + P(A^c)P(B|A^c)} \quad (19)$$

$$= \frac{0.25 \times 0.1 \times 0.1 + 0.75 \times 0.9 \times 0.9}{0.25 \times 0.1 + 0.75 \times 0.9} \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{61}{70} \quad (21)$$

Note that from (17) to (18), $B \cap C \cap A$ and $C \cap B \cap A^c$ are disjoint.