

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) $\Omega_{coin} = \{head, tail\}, P_{coin} = \frac{1}{2}; \Omega_{4die} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, P_{4die} = \frac{1}{4}; \Omega_{6die} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}, P_{6die} = \frac{1}{6}$

(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 pairwise 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 villager, B be the event that the chosen contestant is a Merry Man, C be the event of the contestant missing the second shot. Note that A and B are disjoint, and $A + B = \Omega$.

Note that for both villager and Merry Man, the first and second shot are independent, thus $P(C|B) = 0.1$ and $P(C|A) = 0.9$ is always true.

$$P(C) = P(A)P(C|A) + P(B)P(C|B) \quad (16)$$

$$= 0.75 \times 0.9 + 0.25 \times 0.1 \quad (17)$$

$$= 0.7 \quad (18)$$