

# 1 Probability:

1. Conditional Independence would mean:

$$P(X, Y) = P(X) * P(Y), X, Y \in (0, 1)$$

Marginal Probabilities are calculated as:

$$P(X) = \sum_y P(X, y), \text{ where } y \in Y$$

Table 1: Conditional Independence

	$P(X, Y)$	$P(X)$	$P(Y)$	$P(X) * P(Y)$
X=0,Y=0	0.375	0.5	0.75	0.375
X=0,Y=1	0.125	0.5	0.25	0.125
X=1,Y=0	0.375	0.5	0.75	0.375
X=1,Y=1	0.125	0.5	0.25	0.125

As seen in the table above X and Y are independent.

2. Given:  $Z = X + Y$ . For Conditional Independence:

$$P(X, Y|Z) = P(X|Z) * P(Y|Z), X, Y \in (0, 1)$$

Table 2

X	Y	Z	P(Z)
0	0	0	0.375
0	1	1	0.125
1	0	1	0.125
1	1	2	0.375

For the case when X=0,Y=0;

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = 0|Z = 0) &= \frac{P(X = 0, Z = 0)}{P(Z = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{3/8}{3/8} = 1 \\
 P(Y = 0|Z = 0) &= \frac{P(Y = 0, Z = 0)}{P(Z = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{3/8}{3/8} = 1 \\
 P(X = 0, Y = 0|Z = 0) &= \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 0, Z = 0)}{P(Z = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{3/8}{3/8} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the condition holds for this case.

For the case when  $X=1, Y=1$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = 1|Z = 1) &= \frac{P(X = 1, Z = 1)}{P(Z = 1)} \\
 &= \frac{3/8}{1/2} = 3/4 \\
 P(Y = 1|Z = 1) &= \frac{P(Y = 1, Z = 1)}{P(Z = 1)} \\
 &= \frac{1/8}{1/2} = 1/4 \\
 P(X = 1, Y = 1|Z = 1) &= \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 1, Z = 1)}{P(Z = 1)} \\
 &= \frac{0}{1/2} = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the condition does not hold for this case. Therefore  $X$  and  $Y$  are not conditionally independent given  $Z$ .

3. Given:  $W = X * Y$ . For Conditional Independence:

$$P(X, Y|W) = P(X|W) * P(Y|W), X, Y \in (0, 1)$$

Table 3

X	Y	W	P(W)
0	0	0	0.375
0	1	0	0.125
1	0	0	0.125
1	1	1	0.375

For the case when  $X=0, Y=0$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = 0|W = 0) &= \frac{P(X = 0, W = 0)}{P(W = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{4/8}{7/8} = 4/7 \\
 P(Y = 0|W = 0) &= \frac{P(Y = 0, W = 0)}{P(W = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{6/8}{7/8} = 6/7 \\
 P(X = 0, Y = 0|W = 0) &= \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 0, W = 0)}{P(W = 0)} \\
 &= \frac{3/8}{7/8} = 3/7
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the condition does not hold for this case. Therefore X and Y are not conditionally independent given W.

4. C is the result of an independent coin flip. For Conditional Independence:

$$P(X, Y|C) = P(X|C) * P(Y|C), X, Y \in (0, 1) \text{ and } C \in (H < T)$$

As C is an independent event:

$$P(X|C) = P(X), P(Y|C) = P(Y)$$

$$P(X, Y|C) = P(X, Y, C)/P(C) = P(X) * P(Y) * P(C)/P(C) = P(X) * P(Y)$$

$$\implies P(X, Y|C) = P(X|C) * P(Y|C) \text{ from the above logic.}$$

Hence X and Y are independent conditioned on Z.