

## TOTAL PROBABILITY

## Why

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## Result

PROPOSITION 1. Let  $A_1, \ldots, A_n$  be a partition of a set of outcomes A. Let  $\mathbf{P}$  be an event probability function for some probability mass function. Let  $B \subset A$  an event. Then

$$\mathbf{P}(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{P}(B \cap A_i).^2$$

This result is often known as the law of total probability.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Future editions will include.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Future editions will inclue an account.

