

Exemplar - 12.13.3.102

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Question: If A and B are two events such that $\Pr(A) > 0$ and $\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) > 1$, then

$$\Pr(B|A) \geq 1 - \frac{\Pr(B')}{\Pr(A)}$$

Solution:

$$\Pr(B|A) = \frac{\Pr(AB)}{\Pr(A)} \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A + B)}{\Pr(A)} \quad (2)$$

For any event E , $\Pr(E) \leq 1$

$$\therefore \Pr(A + B) \leq 1 \quad (3)$$

$$-\Pr(A + B) \geq -1 \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(A + B)}{\Pr(A)} \geq \frac{\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - 1}{\Pr(A)} \quad (5)$$

$$\Pr(B|A) \geq \frac{\Pr(A) - (1 - \Pr(B))}{\Pr(A)} \quad (6)$$

$$\Pr(B|A) \geq \frac{\Pr(A) - \Pr(B')}{\Pr(A)} \quad (7)$$

$$\Pr(B|A) \geq 1 - \frac{\Pr(B')}{\Pr(A)} \quad (8)$$

\therefore Proved.