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$$A \text{ independent of } C \Leftrightarrow P(A \cap C) = P(A)P(C)$$

$$B \text{ disjoint from } C \Leftrightarrow P(B \cap C) = \emptyset; P(B \cup C) = P(B) + P(C)$$

Need to use givens to prove $P(A \cap (B \cup C)) = P(A)P(B \cup C)$

$$A \cap (B \cup C) = (A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C)$$

$$P(A \cap (B \cup C)) = P((A \cap B) \cup (A \cap C))$$

$$= P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap C) - P(A \cap B) \cap (A \cap C)$$

$$= P(A)P(B) + P(A)P(C) - P[(A \cap B) \cap \emptyset]$$

$$= P(A)P(B \cup C)$$

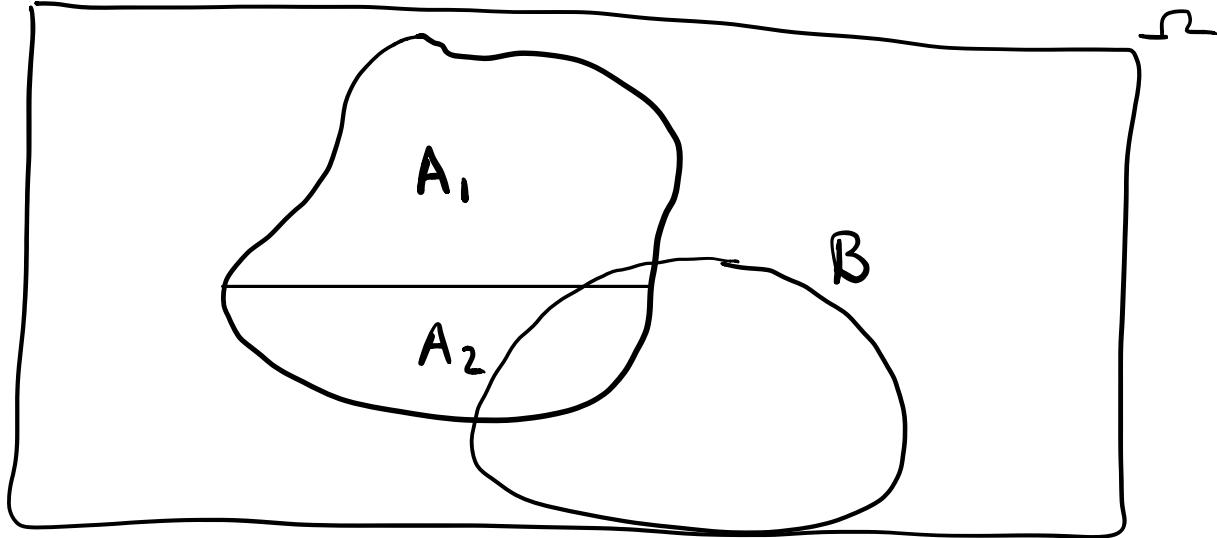
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$$P(A_1 | B) > P(A_2 | B)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P(A_1 \cap B)}{P(B)} > \frac{P(A_2 \cap B)}{P(B)} \Rightarrow P(A_1 \cap B) > P(A_2 \cap B)$$

Not necessarily true! Observe



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For any event A,

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c) \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{by total probability} \\ \text{theorem} \end{matrix}$$

$$P(B)=1 \Rightarrow P(B^c)=0$$

$$A \cap B^c \subset B^c \Rightarrow P(A \cap B^c) \leq P(B^c) \rightarrow P(A \cap B^c)=0$$

Thus

$$P(A) = P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot 1 = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

So A, B independent

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$$-\mathbb{E}[3X + 7Y - 7] = \mathbb{E}[Z]$$

$$3\mathbb{E}[X] + 7\mathbb{E}[Y] - 7 = \mathbb{E}[Z]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{\mathbb{E}[Z] - 7\mathbb{E}[Y]}{3} + \frac{7}{3}$$

$$- 3X = 7 - 7Y$$

$$9\text{Var}(X) = 49\text{Var}(1-Y)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{49}{9} \text{Var}(Y)$$

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of permutations

$$(a) 7! \left(\frac{52}{7}\right)^{\text{number of ways to choose 7 cards from 52}}$$

(b) $X = \text{number of draws to get a spade}$.

First draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{52}$ chance to draw spade, $\frac{39}{52}$ chance NOT to

Second draw $\frac{13}{52}$ chance to draw spade, $\frac{39}{52}$ chance NOT to

\vdots

Let k^{th} draw ($k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$) be the draw you drew a Spade.

$$p_X(k) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{13}{52}\right)\left(\frac{39}{52}\right)^{k-1}, & k > 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

(c) $Y = \text{number of draws it takes to draw first heart}$.

$$p_Y(5)?$$

$H \rightarrow \text{heart}$
 $NH \rightarrow \text{not heart}$

This is the same as asking

"probability of NOT drawing a heart first 4 draws then drawing a heart fifth draw".

first draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{52}$ H, $\frac{39}{52}$ NH

second draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{51}$ H, $\frac{38}{51}$ NH

third draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{50}$ H, $\frac{37}{50}$ NH

fourth draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{49}$ H, $\frac{36}{49}$ NH

fifth draw $\rightarrow \frac{13}{48}$ H, $\frac{35}{48}$ NH

$$\text{So, } P_Y(5) = \frac{39}{52} \cdot \frac{38}{51} \cdot \frac{37}{50} \cdot \frac{36}{49} \cdot \frac{13}{48}$$

(d) $13! \left(\binom{13}{6}\right) \left(\binom{13}{7}\right)$ distinct hands

ways to choose them *ways to pick 6H* *ways to pick 7 spades*

$$\boxed{\left(\binom{13}{6}\right) \left(\binom{13}{7}\right)} \quad \text{total hands}$$

(e) $P(\{\text{Player B's hand contains all spades}\})$

$$= \frac{\text{One player getting all spades}}{\text{all ways of getting cards}}$$

$$\text{One player getting all Spades} = \frac{39!}{13! 13! 13!}$$

$$\text{all ways of distributing cards} = \left(\frac{52!}{13! 13! 13! 13!} \right)$$

thus,

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$$= \frac{1}{\binom{52}{13}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(A) &= \mathbb{P}(\{\text{draw magic arrow}\}) \mathbb{P}(\{\text{magic arrow hits bulls-eye}\}) + \mathbb{P}(\{\text{draw regular arrow}\}) \mathbb{P}(\{\text{regular arrow hits bulls-eye}\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{10}(1) + \frac{9}{10}p = \frac{1+9p}{10} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let $S = \{\text{he shot magic arrow}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\{S\} | \{A\}) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(\{A\} | \{S\}) \mathbb{P}(\{S\})}{\mathbb{P}(\{A\} | \{S\}) \mathbb{P}(\{S\}) + \mathbb{P}(\{A\} | \{S^c\}) \mathbb{P}(\{S^c\})} \\ &= \frac{(1) \frac{1}{10}}{(1) \frac{1}{10} + p(\frac{9}{10})} = \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\frac{1}{10} + \frac{9p}{10}} = \frac{1}{9p+1} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let $B = \{\text{shoots a bulls-eye in at least one of first two shots}\}$

$$\mathbb{P}(\{S\} | \{B\}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(B | S) \mathbb{P}(S)}{\mathbb{P}(B | S) \mathbb{P}(S) + \mathbb{P}(B | S^c) \mathbb{P}(S^c)}$$

$$P(S^c) = P(\text{shot ordinary arrow twice}) = \frac{9}{10} \cdot \frac{8}{9} = 4/5$$

Thus $P(S) = 1/5$

$$P(B|S) = 1$$

$$P(B|S^c) = 1 - (1-p)^2 \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} 1-p \text{ is } P(\text{he misses}) \\ (1-p)^2 \text{ is } P(\text{he misses twice}) \\ 1 - (1-p)^2 \text{ is } P(\text{he hits at least once}) \end{array}$$

$$P(S|B) = \frac{1 \cdot 1/5}{1/5 + (1-(1-p)^2)4/5}$$

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$$(a) \mathbb{P}(k \text{ are defective}) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \quad (\text{Binomial rv})$$

$$\begin{aligned}(b) \mathbb{P}(\text{rejects}) &= \mathbb{P}(\text{rejects} \mid D)\mathbb{P}(D) + \mathbb{P}(\text{rejects} \mid D^c)\mathbb{P}(D^c) \\ &= 0.9p + 0.1(1-p) \quad (\text{Total Probability Theorem})\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(\text{first rejects} \cap \text{second rejects} \mid D) &= \mathbb{P}(\text{first rejects} \mid D)\mathbb{P}(\text{second rejects} \mid D) \\ &= (0.9)(0.9)\end{aligned}$$

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Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(\text{Both reject}) &= \mathbb{P}(\text{first rejects} \cap \text{second rejects} \mid D)\mathbb{P}(D) \\ &\quad + \mathbb{P}(\text{first rejects} \mid D^c)\mathbb{P}(\text{second rejects} \mid D^c)\mathbb{P}(D^c) \\ &= (0.9)^2 p + (0.1)^2 (1-p)\end{aligned}$$

$$(d) P(\text{Not rejected} | D) = 1 - P(\text{Both Reject} | D)$$
$$= 1 - 0.81 = 0.19 > 0.1$$