

AI1110: Probability and Random Variable

Assignment-1

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Problem Statement:

Two events A and B will be independent, if

- (A) A and B are mutually exclusive
- (B) $\Pr(A'B') = [1 - \Pr(A)][1 - \Pr(B)]$
- (C) $\Pr(A) = \Pr(B)$
- (D) $\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) = 1$

Solution:

(B) $\Pr(A'B') = [1 - \Pr(A)][1 - \Pr(B)]$

$$\Pr(A'B') = [1 - \Pr(A)][1 - \Pr(B)] \quad (1)$$

$$\implies \Pr(A'B') = 1 - \Pr(A) - \Pr(B) + \Pr(A)\Pr(B) \quad (2)$$

$$\implies 1 - \Pr(A + B) = 1 - \Pr(A) - \Pr(B) + \Pr(A)\Pr(B) \quad (3)$$

$$\implies -[\Pr(A) + \Pr(B) - \Pr(AB)] = -\Pr(A) - \Pr(B) + \Pr(A)\Pr(B) \quad (4)$$

$$\implies -\Pr(A) - \Pr(B) + \Pr(AB) = -\Pr(A) - \Pr(B) + \Pr(A)\Pr(B) \quad (5)$$

$$\implies \Pr(AB) = \Pr(A) \cdot \Pr(B) \quad (6)$$

$$(7)$$

Hence it shows A and B are Independent events