



Grade 12 GS

Probability ex 19

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Exercise 19:

Consider an urn U containing three dice:

Two red dice where the faces of each of them are numbered from 1 to 6.

One black die where two of its faces are numbered 6 and four are numbered 2.

A player selects randomly and simultaneously two dice from U, then he rolls them only once.

Consider the following events:

A: “the two dice are red”

L: “out of the two dice , only one shows number 6”

1) Calculate $P(A)$.

$$\bullet P(A) = \frac{C_2^2}{C_3^2} = \frac{1}{3}$$

2) a) Verify that $P(L/A) = \frac{5}{18}$ and calculate $P(L \cap A)$.

$$\bullet P(L/A) = P(6 \bar{6} / \text{both red}) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5}{6} \times 2! = \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\bullet P(L \cap A) = P\left(\frac{L}{A}\right) \times P(A) = \frac{5}{18} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{54}$$



b) Calculate $P(L \cap \bar{A})$ and verify that $P(L) = \frac{19}{54}$.

$$\bullet P(L/\bar{A}) = P(6 \bar{6}/1r1b) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{4}{6} + \frac{2}{6} \times \frac{5}{6} = \frac{7}{18}$$

$$\bullet P(L \cap \bar{A}) = P\left(\frac{L}{\bar{A}}\right) \times P(\bar{A}) = \frac{7}{18} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{7}{27}$$

$$\bullet P(L) = P(L \cap A) + P(L \cap \bar{A}) = \frac{5}{54} + \frac{14}{54} = \frac{19}{54}$$

2) Knowing that only one of the two dice shows the number 6 , calculate the probability that the two selected dice are red.

$$\bullet P(A/L) = \frac{P(A \cap L)}{P(L)} = \frac{\frac{5}{54}}{\frac{19}{54}} = \frac{5}{19}$$

3) Calculate the probability that at least one die shows the number 6.

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet P(\text{at least one } 6) &= 1 - P(\bar{6}\bar{6}) = 1 - [P(\bar{6}\bar{6} \cap A) + P(\bar{6}\bar{6} \cap \bar{A})] = 1 - \left[\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{4}{6} \times \frac{2}{3}\right] \\ &= \frac{43}{108} \end{aligned}$$