

## Quiz 6 Solution

**True/False** - No explanation needed. (1pt for correct, 0pt - no answer, -1pt - incorrect)

1. It is sufficient to conclude that the event A is independent from the event B if  $P(B) = P(B|A)$ . True/False  
True. This is one definition of independence.
2. The fact  $P(A|B) = 0$  is a special case implying that the event A is independent from the event B. True/False  
False. If A and B are mutually exclusive,  $P(A|B) = 0$  (think of a Venn diagram with two separate circles), but  $P(A) \neq 0$ , so  $P(A|B) \neq P(A)$ . Thus, A and B are not independent.

**Problems** - Need justification. No justification means **zero**!

1. (10pts) Suppose a weatherman predicts rainy days correctly with an accuracy of 80% and predicts clear days correctly with an accuracy of 70%. Given that it rains 10% of the time, and the weatherman predicted that it will not rain tomorrow, what is the probability that it will actually not rain tomorrow?

A: raining, B: predicting rainy

Given:  $P(B|A) = 0.8$ ,  $P(\bar{B}|\bar{A}) = 0.7$ ,  $P(A) = 0.1$

Calculate:

$$P(\bar{A}|\bar{B}) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{P(\bar{B}|A) * P(A)}{P(\bar{B}|\bar{A}) * P(\bar{A})}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{0.2 * 0.1}{0.7 * 0.9}} = 0.969$$

or

$$P(\bar{A}|\bar{B}) = \frac{P(\bar{B}|\bar{A}) * P(\bar{A})}{P(\bar{B}|A) * P(A) + P(\bar{B}|\bar{A}) * P(\bar{A})} = \frac{0.7 * 0.9}{0.2 * 0.1 + 0.7 * 0.9} = 0.969$$