# Assignment 4

Problem 49 UGC Math June-2018

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## Question

49. A standard fair die is rolled until some face other than 5 or 6 turns up. Let X denote the face value of the last roll, and A = [X is even] and B = [X is at most 2]. Then.

- 1.  $P(A \cap B) = 0$
- 2.  $P(A \cap B) = 1/6$
- 3.  $P(A \cap B) = 1/4$
- 4.  $P(A \cap B) = 1/3$

Answer: 3

### Solution

1. 
$$P(X = x, Y = y) = P(X = x/Y = y) \times P(Y = y)$$

2. 
$$P(X = x) = \sum_{Y_j \in R} P(X = x) P(Y = y_j)$$

# Solution

- 1. Given X is the face value of the dice
- 2.

$$P[(X \in (2,4,6), X \in (1,2))/T]$$

$$= P[(X = 2)/T]$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}$$

#### contd..

Joint Probability of X = 2 and T (i.e Trail is allowed)

$$P(X = 2, T_1) = P(X = 2/T_1)P(T_1) = \frac{1}{6} \times 1$$

$$P(X = 2, T_2) = P(X = 2/T_2)P(T_2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times P(X_1 \in \{5, 6\}) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(X = 2, T_i) = P(X = 2/T_i)P(T_i) = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{3^{i-1}}$$

Probability that trail is continued till ith time

$$P(T_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{i-1} P(X_i \in \{5,6\}) = \frac{1}{3^{i-1}}$$

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## Contd..

Marginal probability of P(X=2)

$$P(X = 2) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(X = 2, T_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(X = 2/T_i) \times P(T_i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times (1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{3^{i-1}} + \dots + \infty)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4}$$

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