

ECE316: Tutorial 5 (June 7, 2017)

1 Problems

1. Show that, for any events E and F , $P(E|E \cup F) \geq P(E|F)$.
2. Show that if $P(A|B) = 1$, then $P(B^c|A^c) = 1$.
3. There is a 60 percent chance that event A will occur. If A doesn't occur, then there is a 10 percent chance that B will occur. What is the probability that atleast one of the events A or B occur?
4. Maria will take two books with her on a trip. Suppose that the probability that she will like book 1 is .6, the probability that she will like book 2 is .5, and the probability that she will like both books is .4. Find the conditional probability that she will like book 2 given that she did not like book 1?
5. If A flips $n + 1$ and B flips n fair coins, show that the probability that A gets more heads than B is $\frac{1}{2}$.
6. Suppose we have 10 coins such that if the i -th coin is flipped, heads will appear with probability $\frac{i}{10}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, 10$. When one of the coins is randomly selected and flipped, it shows heads. What is the conditional probability that it was the fifth coin?
7. Show that if A and B are two independent events, then the probability of occurrence of at least one of A and B is given by $1 - P(A^c)P(B^c)$.
8. Independent flips of a coin that lands on heads with probability p are made. What is the probability that the first four outcomes are
 - (a) H, H, H, H?
 - (b) T, H, H, H?
 - (c) What is the probability that the pattern T, H, H, H occurs before the pattern H, H, H, H?