

11.3 Mutually Exclusive

Definitions:

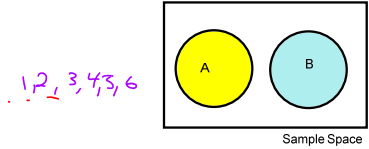
- a) inclusive events- events that CAN occur at the same time
- b) mutually exclusive events - events that CANNOT occur at the same time

Probability of A or B

- If A and B are **MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE** events then  
 $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$
- If A and B are **INCLUSIVE** events then  
 $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$

Remember that P(A and B) Means the intersection of A & B

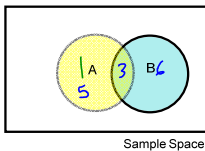
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Example 1: Find the probability of rolling an odd number or a 2 on a die.

$P(\text{odd or } 2) = P(\text{odd}) + P(2) = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$

Inclusive



Example 2: Find the probability of rolling an odd number or a multiple of 3 on a die.

$P(\text{odd or Mult of } 3) = P(\text{odd}) + P(\text{mult } 3) - P(\text{odd and Mult } 3) = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6} - \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$

Examples from the old book on page 654

	Men	Women	Total
Favor	18	9	27
Oppose	12	25	37
No Opinion	20	16	36
Total	50	50	100

Example 3: Find the probability that a randomly selected respondent to the survey opposes or has no opinion about the change in policy.

¿ Are these events mutually exclusive or inclusive?

$P(\text{oppose or no opinion}) = P(\text{oppose}) + P(\text{no opinion}) = \frac{37}{100} + \frac{36}{100} = \frac{73}{100}$

Example 4: Find the probability that a randomly selected respondent to the survey is a man or opposes the change in policy.

¿ Are these events mutually exclusive or inclusive?

$P(\text{man or oppose}) = P(\text{man}) + P(\text{opposes}) - P(\text{man and opposes}) = \frac{50}{100} + \frac{37}{100} - \frac{12}{100} = \frac{87-12}{100} = \frac{75}{100} = \frac{3}{4}$

Probability of a Complement of A

A sample space is really broken into 2 parts A and not A  
 the not A portion is the complement to A

$P(A) + P(A^c) = 1$      $P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$      $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

For example: Results on a test could be looked at as:

Those who passed the test and those who did not pass.

Those who got an A and those who did not.

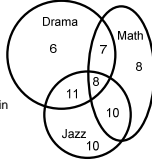
Those who got a C and those who did not.

} These are all different ways to look at the data in just 2 groups.

Ex 5: The drama, math and jazz clubs have 32, 33, and 39 members respectively.

Find the probability that a randomly selected club member belongs to at least two clubs.

Let A be the membership in exactly 1 club. Then A<sup>c</sup> represents membership in more than one club (2 or 3 clubs)



$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

$= 1 - \frac{6 + 8 + 10}{60} = 1 - \frac{24}{60}$

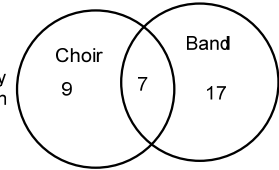
$= \frac{36}{60} = .6 = 60\%$

TOTAL = 6 + 7 + 8 + 11 + 8 + 10 + 10 = 60

Example 6:

What is the probability that a randomly selected musically inclined person is in both band and choir?

$\frac{7}{33}$



What is the probability that a randomly selected musically inclined person is in only in one group?

$1 - \frac{7}{33} = \frac{26}{33}$