

Precalc13.4

- Find the probability of independent and dependent events
- Identify mutually exclusive events
- Find the probability of mutually exclusive events
- Find the probability of inclusive events

independent events *Separate outcomes*

dependent events *First outcome → changes 2<sup>nd</sup>*

mutually exclusive —

sample space

reduced sample space

inclusive events —

Venn diagram

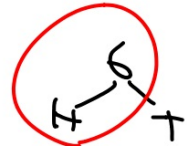
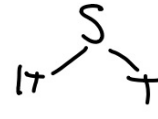
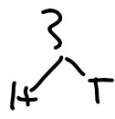
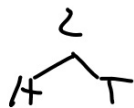
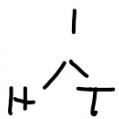
activity: red or hat?

Probability  
of Two  
Independent  
Events

If two events,  $A$  and  $B$ , are independent, then the probability of both events occurring is the product of each individual probability.

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

$$P(6, H) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{12}$$



Independent or dependent? (does the first choice change the options?)

1 Using a standard deck of playing cards, find the probability of selecting a face card, replacing it in the deck, and then selecting an ace.

$$\frac{12}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{52} = \frac{48}{2704} = \frac{3}{169}$$

**2 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH** Statistics collected in a particular coal-mining region show that the probability that a miner will develop black lung disease is  $\frac{5}{11}$ . Also, the probability that a miner will develop arthritis is  $\frac{1}{5}$ . If one health problem does not affect the other, what is the probability that a randomly-selected miner will not develop black lung disease but will develop arthritis?

$$P_{BL} = \frac{5}{11} \quad 1 - \frac{5}{11} \quad \left(\frac{6}{11}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5}\right) = \frac{6}{55}$$
$$P_A = \frac{1}{5}$$

- 4 Lenard is a contestant in a game where if he selects a blue ball or a red ball he gets an all-expenses paid Caribbean cruise. Lenard must select the ball at random from a box containing 2 blue, 3 red, 9 yellow, and 10 green balls. What is the probability that he will win the cruise?

		win	not
B } Cruise		$\frac{5}{24}$	$\frac{19}{24}$
R }			

2 B
3 R
9 Y
10 G
<hr/> 24 T

S: 19

First selection changes the options for the second selection.

Probability  
of Two  
Dependent  
Events

If two events,  $A$  and  $B$ , are dependent, then the probability of both events occurring is the product of each individual probability.

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B \text{ following } A)$$

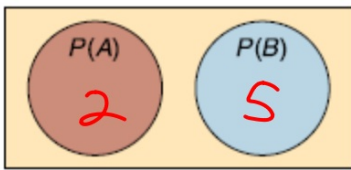
with  $K \rightarrow Q$

$$\frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{52} = \frac{16}{2704} = \frac{1}{169}$$

without

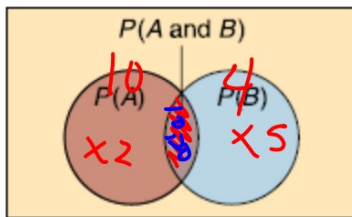
$$\frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{51} = \frac{16}{2652} = \frac{4}{663}$$

draw  $k$ , and then draw  $q$   
with replacement  
without replacement



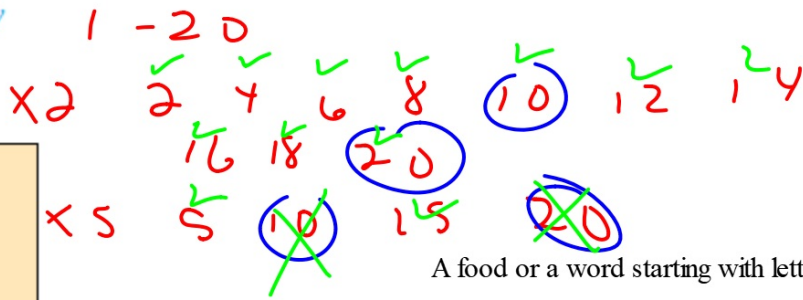
Events A and B are mutually exclusive.

$$10 + 4 - 2$$



Events A and B are inclusive events.

2 or 5  
Could it be both?



A food or a word starting with letter c

Could it be both? Did something get counted twice?

A or B (but not both)

Probability  
of Mutually  
Exclusive  
Events

If two events,  $A$  and  $B$ , are mutually exclusive, then the probability that either  $A$  or  $B$  occurs is the sum of their probabilities.

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

↑  
(not both)





$$\frac{1}{9} + \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\frac{6}{9} = \frac{2}{3}$$

P(shoes or hat)  
(can it be both?)  
P(hat or red)  
(can it be both?)



$$\frac{5}{9} + \frac{4}{9}$$

If two events,  $A$  and  $B$ , are inclusive, then the probability that either  $A$  or  $B$  occurs is the sum of their probabilities decreased by the probability of both occurring.

- double counted

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$



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P king or club? =  $\frac{4}{52} + \frac{13}{52} - \frac{1}{52} = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}$

student: senior or a girl?  $\frac{13}{100} + \frac{50}{100} - \frac{7}{100} = \frac{56}{100} = \frac{14}{25}$

13      50

↑      ↑

↑      ↑

P (king or ace)  
P (queen or black)

$$\frac{4}{52} + \frac{4}{52} = \frac{8}{52} = \frac{2}{13}$$

$$\frac{4}{52} + \frac{26}{52} - \frac{2}{52} = \frac{28}{52} = \frac{7}{13}$$

and-both X  
OR → either +  
(0,0)

Did I count anything twice?

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