

Unit 8

Lesson 4

Exclusive and Inclusive Events

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➤ **Mutually Exclusive Events:** two or more events that **cannot** occur at the same time.

- Suppose you are rolling a die. What is the probability that you roll an odd number or you roll a 2? $\frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = 66\%$
- Can these both occur at the same time? Why or why not? No, not possible
- The probability of two mutually **exclusive** events occurring at the same time, $P(A \text{ and } B)$, is 0.
- To find the probability of one of two **mutually exclusive** events occurring, use the following formula:

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

Examples:

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Examples:

1. If you randomly chose one of the integers 1 – 10, what is the probability of choosing either an odd number or an even number?

A) Are these mutually exclusive events? Why or why not? Yes, can't have odd or even

B) Complete the following statement: $P(\text{odd or even}) = P(\text{odd}) + P(\text{even})$

C) Now fill in with numbers: $P(\text{odd or even}) = \frac{5}{10} + \frac{5}{10} = 1$

D) Does this answer make sense? yes, always have odd or even

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2. Two fair dice are rolled. What is the probability of getting a sum less than 7 or a sum equal to 10? Are these events mutually exclusive? yes

Sometimes using a table of outcomes is useful. Complete the following table using the sums of two dice:

	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
6	7	8	9	10	11	12

A) $P(\text{getting a sum less than 7 OR sum of 10}) = P(\frac{15}{36}) + P(\frac{3}{36})$

8 B) Now fill in with numbers: $P(\text{getting a sum less than 7 OR sum of 10}) = \frac{18}{36} = \frac{1}{2} = 50\%$

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➤ **Mutually Inclusive Events:** two or more events that **can** occur at the same time.

- Suppose you are rolling a six-sided die. What is the probability that you roll an odd number or a number less than 4? **B**
- Can these both occur at the same time? If so, when? yes, 1, 3
- To find the probability of one of two **mutually inclusive** events occurring, use the following formula:

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

- Calculate the probability of the above experiment use the rule: _____

Examples:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

$$A: \frac{3}{6} + B: \frac{3}{6} - \frac{2}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

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examples:

1. What is the probability of choosing a card from a deck of cards that is a club OR a ten? A B

$$P(\text{choosing a club or a ten}) = \frac{13}{52} + \frac{4}{52} - \frac{1}{52} = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13}$$

2. What is the probability of choosing a number from 1 to 10 that is less than 5 OR odd? A B

$$\frac{4}{10} + \frac{5}{10} - \frac{2}{10} = \frac{7}{10}$$

3. A bag contains 26 tiles with a letter on each, one tile for each letter...

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3. A bag contains 26 tiles with a letter on each, one tile for each letter of the alphabet. What is the probability of reaching into the bag and randomly choosing a tile with one of the first 10 letters of the alphabet on it OR randomly choosing a tile with a vowel on it?

$$\frac{10}{26} + \frac{5}{26} - \frac{3}{26} = \frac{12}{26} = \frac{6}{13}$$

A

A	B	C	D	E
F	G	H	I	J
K	L	M	N	O
P	Q	R	S	T
U	V	W	X	Y
Z				

4. A bag contains 26 tiles with a letter on each, one tile for each letter of the alphabet. What is the probability of reaching into the bag and randomly choosing a tile with one of the last 5 letters of the alphabet on it OR randomly choosing a tile with a vowel on it?

B

$$\frac{5}{26} + \frac{5}{26} - \frac{0}{26} = \frac{10}{26} = \frac{5}{13}$$

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