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When we find the probability of 2 or more events occurring, we will distinguish between

independent and dependent events.

Independent events are not affected by previous events.

A coin does not "know" it landed on tails before;

A 6-sided die does not "know" that it landed on a 4 before, etc.

We can calculate the probability of 2 or more events occurring by

multiply the probabilities.

$$P(\text{prod. of } 6) = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}$$

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.1 \approx 11%

6.1
2.3
1.6
3.2

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Examples: HH, HT, TH, TT



- 1) What is the probability of tossing a coin 2 times, and it landing on heads twice?

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

- 2) What is the probability of rolling a standard die 2 times, and getting a "4" then a "1"?

$$\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

Another example of **independent** events...

When selecting items from containers multiple times, with replacement, means that each time you take something out you put it back before selecting again.

Example

- 3) You have a bag containing **4 blue marbles**, **6 red marbles**, and **8 green marbles**. $\text{total} = 18$

If 2 marbles are drawn (with replacement), what is the probability of choosing a **red** then a **blue** marble?

$$\frac{6}{18} \cdot \frac{4}{18} = \frac{24}{324} = \frac{2}{27}$$

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Dependent Events are affected by previous events.
 When selecting items multiple times, without replacement, means that you never put the items back before selecting again.

Examples

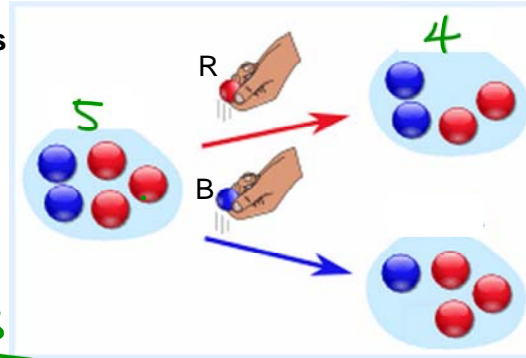
A bag contains 2 blue marbles and 3 red marbles. If two marbles are drawn (without replacement)...

4) What is the probability of choosing a red then a blue marble?

$$\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{2}{4} = \frac{6}{20} = \frac{3}{10}$$

5) What is the probability of choosing two blue marbles?

$$\frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2}{20} = \frac{1}{10}$$



6) If you draw 2 cards from a standard deck, WITHOUT REPLACEMENT, what is the probability of drawing 2 queens?

$$\frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{3}{51} = \frac{12}{2652} = \frac{1}{221}$$

7) A bag contains 6 yellow marbles, 4 blue marbles, and 1 orange marble. You draw 2 marbles, WITHOUT REPLACEMENT. Total = 11

a) What is the probability of choosing 2 yellow marbles?

$$\frac{6}{11} \cdot \frac{5}{10} = \frac{30}{110} = \frac{3}{11}$$

b) What is the probability of choosing a blue then orange marble?

$$\frac{4}{11} \cdot \frac{1}{10} = \frac{4}{110} = \frac{2}{55}$$

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