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Probability Rules

- Complementary Event – collection of outcomes not in the Event
 - Event: Saved
 - Complementary event: Lost
- Complement rule
 - The probability of a complementary event occurs is 1 minus the event's probability.
 - $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

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Addition Rule

- $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$
- $P(\text{Saved or First Class}) = P(\text{Saved}) + P(\text{First Class}) - P(\text{Saved and First Class}) =$
 $706/2223 + 329/2223 - 199/2223 =$
 $0.376 \text{ or } 37.6\%$

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Multiplication Rule

- $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) * P(B|A)$
- $P(\text{First Class and Saved}) = P(\text{First Class}) * P(\text{Saved}|\text{First Class}) =$
 $(329/2223) * 0.605 = 0.09 \text{ or } 9\%$
- $P(\text{First Class and Saved}) =$
 $199/2223 = 0.09 \text{ or } 9\%$

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Special Addition Rule

- Disjoint (mutually exclusive) events – no outcomes in common.
 - $P(A \text{ and } B) = 0$
- Addition Rule for disjoint events.
 - $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$
 - $P(\text{First or Second}) = P(\text{First}) + P(\text{Second})$
 $= 329/2223 + 285/2223 = 614/2223 = 0.276$ or 27.6%

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Independent Events

- Two events are independent if the probability of the occurrence of one event does not effect nor is it affected by the occurrence of the other event.
- $P(A) = P(A|B) = P(A|B^C)$

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Not independent events

- Saved and First Class are not independent events because:
 - $P(\text{Saved}) = 0.318$
 - $P(\text{Saved}|\text{First Class}) = 0.605$
 - The two probabilities are not equal.

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Independent Trials

- Independent trials – sampling with replacement.
- Mix population, draw an item from the population, return the item before the next mix and draw.

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Independent Trials

- Multiplication rule for independent trials.
 $P(\text{outcome 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ and outcome 2}^{\text{nd}}) = P(\text{outcome 1}^{\text{st}}) * P(\text{outcome 2}^{\text{nd}})$

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Example

- What is the chance that two people in a row win bonus points?
 - $P(\text{win 1}^{\text{st}}) = P(\text{Blue or Red}) = P(\text{Blue}) + P(\text{Red}) = 0.4$
 - $P(\text{win 2}^{\text{st}}) = P(\text{Blue or Red}) = P(\text{Blue}) + P(\text{Red}) = 0.4$
 - $P(\text{win 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ and win 2}^{\text{nd}}) = P(\text{win 1}^{\text{st}}) * P(\text{win 2}^{\text{nd}}) = 0.4 * 0.4 = 0.16$ or 16%

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