

# Addition Rule

Quiz: Monday

$P(A \text{ or } B)$  = probability that event  
A or event B occurs or  
they both occur

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

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

Roll 2 dice. Record the sum.

$$P(\text{sum is 3 or 7}) = \frac{2}{36} + \frac{6}{36} = \frac{8}{36} = \frac{2}{9}$$

P(sum is even or mult. of 5)

$$P(\text{even}) + P(\text{mult. of 5}) - P(\text{even and mult. 5})$$

$$\frac{18}{36} + \frac{7}{36} - \frac{3}{36} = \frac{22}{36} = \frac{11}{18}$$

	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

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Is there  
overlap?

No

Find the probability of selecting a man or a woman

$$\begin{aligned} P(M \cup W) &= \frac{1692}{2223} + \frac{422}{2223} - 0 \\ &= \frac{2114}{2223} = .951 \end{aligned}$$

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Find the probability of selecting a woman or someone who survived

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(W \cup \text{Surv.}) &= \frac{422}{2223} + \frac{706}{2223} - \frac{318}{2223} = \frac{810}{2223} \\
 &= \frac{332+318+29+27+104}{2223} = ,364 \\
 &= \frac{810}{2223}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$P(\text{Boy} \cup \text{died}) = \frac{1546}{2223} = .695$$

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$$\frac{1849}{2223} = .832$$

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Find the probability of selecting a child  
or someone who did not survive.

$$\frac{1573}{2223}$$



$$P(A) = .27$$

$$P(A \cup B) = .45$$

$$P(A \cap B) = .12$$

$$P(B) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

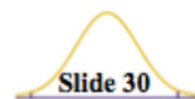
Use the addition rule formula to find  $P(B)$

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

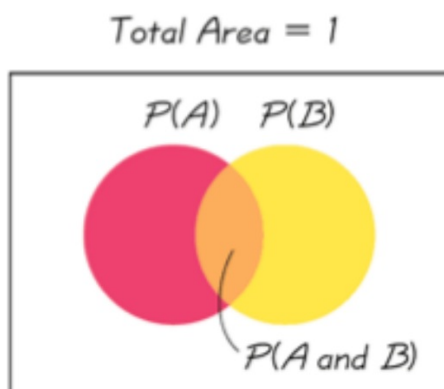
$$.45 = .27 + P(B) - .12$$

$$.3 = P(B)$$

# Definition



Events  $A$  and  $B$  are **disjoint** (or **mutually exclusive**) if they cannot both occur together.



Are these events mutually exclusive?

Event A: randomly selecting a senior

Event B: randomly selecting a junior

Are these events mutually exclusive?

Event A: randomly selecting a senior

Event B: randomly selecting a junior

Yes, because there is no overlap.

Are these events mutually exclusive?

Event A: randomly selecting a doctor

Event B: randomly selecting a female

Are these events mutually exclusive?

Event A: randomly selecting a doctor

Event B: randomly selecting a female

No, there are female doctors.