

☒ Class 11 Mathematics – Chapter: Probability

1. Introduction

- Probability measures the likelihood of an event occurring.
 - It is a number between 0 and 1, inclusive.
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2. Experiment, Sample Space, and Events

- **Experiment:** A process with observable outcomes.
 - **Sample Space (S):** Set of all possible outcomes.
 - **Event:** A subset of the sample space.
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3. Types of Events

- **Certain event:** Event that always happens (Probability = 1).
- **Impossible event:** Event that never happens (Probability = 0).
- **Elementary event:** Single outcome event.

- Compound event: Combination of outcomes.

4. Classical Definition of Probability

$P(E) = \frac{\text{Number of favorable outcomes}}{\text{Total number of outcomes}}$
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5. Properties of Probability

- $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$
- $P(S) = 1$
- $P(\text{empty set}) = 0$
- $P(E') = 1 - P(E)$, where E' is the complement of E .

6. Addition Rule

- For two events E and F :

$$P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(E \cap F)$$

7. Multiplication Rule

- For independent events E and F :

$$P(E \cap F) = P(E) \times P(F) \quad P(E \cap F) = P(E) \times P(F)$$

8. Examples

- Tossing coins, rolling dice, drawing cards.
- Probability of getting heads in a coin toss = $\frac{1}{2}$.

9. Applications

- Games of chance.
- Risk assessment.
- Decision making under uncertainty.

10. Exam Tips

- Understand and memorize formulas.
- Practice problems involving sample spaces and events.
- Use Venn diagrams for combined events.
- Carefully distinguish between independent and dependent events.