



## 7.2 Conditional Probability (4.1)

- **Conditional Probability:** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be events of a sample space. The probability that event  $B$  occurs, given that event  $A$  occurs, is called a conditional probability. It is denoted  $P(B|A)$ , read as “probability of  $B$  given  $A$ ”.
  
- **Examples:** Consider the experiment of picking cards starting from a 52-card deck.
  1. What is the Probability of getting a 2 of Diamond given that you pick from the full deck of 52 cards?:
  
  2. What is the probability of getting a 2 of Diamond given that you pick from a deck of 0 cards?:
  
  3. What is the probability of getting a Queen of Diamond given that you pick from a deck of Face-only cards?:
  
  4. What is the probability of getting a 2 of Diamond given that you pick from a deck of Face-only cards?:
  
- **Conditional Probability Rule:** The conditional probability that event  $B$  occurs given that event  $A$  occurs is

## 8 Lecture 8

### 8.1 Probabilities of Conditional Probability

If  $P(A) > 0$ , then

1.  $P(\emptyset|A) = 0$
2.  $P(B|A) = P(B)$  if  $A = \Omega$
3. Domination principle: if  $B \subset C$ , then  $P(B|A) \leq P(C|A)$ .
4. Complementation rule:  $P(B^c|A) = 1 - P(B|A)$ .
5. Law of Partitions:  $P(B|A) = P(E \cap B|A) + P(E^c \cap B|A)$ .
6. General Addition Rule:  $P(B \cup C|A) = P(B|A) + P(C|A) - P(B \cap C|A)$ .
7. Disjoint Addition: If  $B \cap C = \emptyset$  then  $P(B \cup C|A) = P(B|A) + P(C|A)$ .
8. Inclusion-Exclusion principle:  $P(B \cup C \cup E|A) = P(B|A) + P(C|A) + P(E|A) - P(B \cap C|A) - P(B \cap E|A) - P(C \cap E|A) + P(B \cap C \cap E|A)$ .

### 8.2 Multiplication Rule (4.1, 4.2)

- **General Multiplication Rule:**

- i. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be events with  $P(A) > 0$ . Then
- ii. More generally, if  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_N$  are events with  $P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_{N-1}) > 0$ , then

