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MA 381 Probability with Statistical Applications, Exam I

There are 8 problems on this exam each worth 5 points for a total of 40 points. Partial credit will be given for some problems; show your work.

1: A fair 3-sided die (a football with three ridges) is tossed twice. A Venn diagram of the sample space is provided below. Note that (1, 2) denotes 1 on the first toss and 2 on the second.

S	(1, 1)	(1, 2)	(1, 3)
	(2, 1)	(2, 2)	(2, 3)
	(3, 1)	(3, 2)	(3, 3)

Let A be the event "2nd toss is 1"
Let B be the event "both tosses equal."

- i. Compute $P(A|B)$.
- ii. Are events A and B independent? Mathematically justify your answer to get credit.

2 i.
$$P(A|B) = \frac{N(A \cap B)}{N(B)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

3 ii.
$$P(A) = \frac{N(A)}{N(S)} = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3} = P(A|B) \text{ so}$$

A and B independent.