

# MTH 201: Probability and Statistics

## Quiz 1

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No books, notes, or devices are allowed. Just a pen and eraser. Any exchange of information related to the quiz with a human or machine will be deemed as cheating. Institute rules will apply. Explain your answers. Show your steps. Approximate calculations are fine as long as the approximations are reasonable. Don't bother simplifying products and sums that are too time consuming. Leave your answer as products and sums, if you don't have the time. You have 50 minutes.

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- (a) (8 marks) Derive the probability that there are at least two engineers in a room of 50 people. Explain your steps.
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Calculate the probability that the two pairs together have three high-tech engineers. Draw a tree diagram to help you do so. Your tree diagram wants to record the type of engineer chosen at different stages of pairing.

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A patient with moderate ailment is accepted by whichever doctor the patient approaches with probability 1. Also, once accepted by a RT, a moderately ill patient has a probability 0.9 of a successful surgery and 0.1 of a failed surgery. These probabilities remain the same in case the patient had approached a RA instead. Answer the following questions.

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- (b) Derive the conditional probability that a patient is accepted by a RT, given that the patient is a serious heart patient and had a successful surgery.
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$$P[\text{Any Indian is an Engineer}] = 0.1.$$

$$P[\text{Indian has high-tech job} \mid \text{Indian is an Engineer}] = 0.1$$

- (a) Any person in the room of 50 people is an engineer with probability 0.1.

$$P[\text{At least two are engineers}]$$

$$= 1 - P[0 \text{ Engineers in the room} \cup 1 \text{ Engineer in the room}]$$

Expressing in terms of correct events. (4)

$$= 1 - (P[0 \text{ Engineers in the room}] + P[1 \text{ Engineer in the room}])$$

$$= 1 - (0.9)^{50} - 50C_1 (0.1) (0.9)^{49}$$

Associating the correct probabilities with the identified events. (4)

- (b)  $P[\text{Exactly 2 engineers in a room of 50}]$

$$= 50C_2 (0.1)^2 (0.9)^{48}$$

Number of ways in which 2 can be chosen out of 50. Any selection of 2 engineers & 48 non-engineers occurs with this probability. (6 marks)

- (c) We have been told that a pair of engineers was chosen. Denote the pair as  $(Eng 1, Eng 2)$ .

We want

$$P[Eng 1 \& Eng 2 \text{ are both } \overset{\text{in}}{\text{high-tech jobs}}]$$

$$= P[Eng 1 \text{ is } \overset{\text{in}}{\text{high-tech job}} \cap Eng 2 \text{ is in high-tech job}]$$

The event (3)

Since it is given that the kind of job an engineer gets is independent of the job that any other engineer gets, we can simplify the above probability as

$$(P[Eng 1 \text{ is in high-tech job}])$$

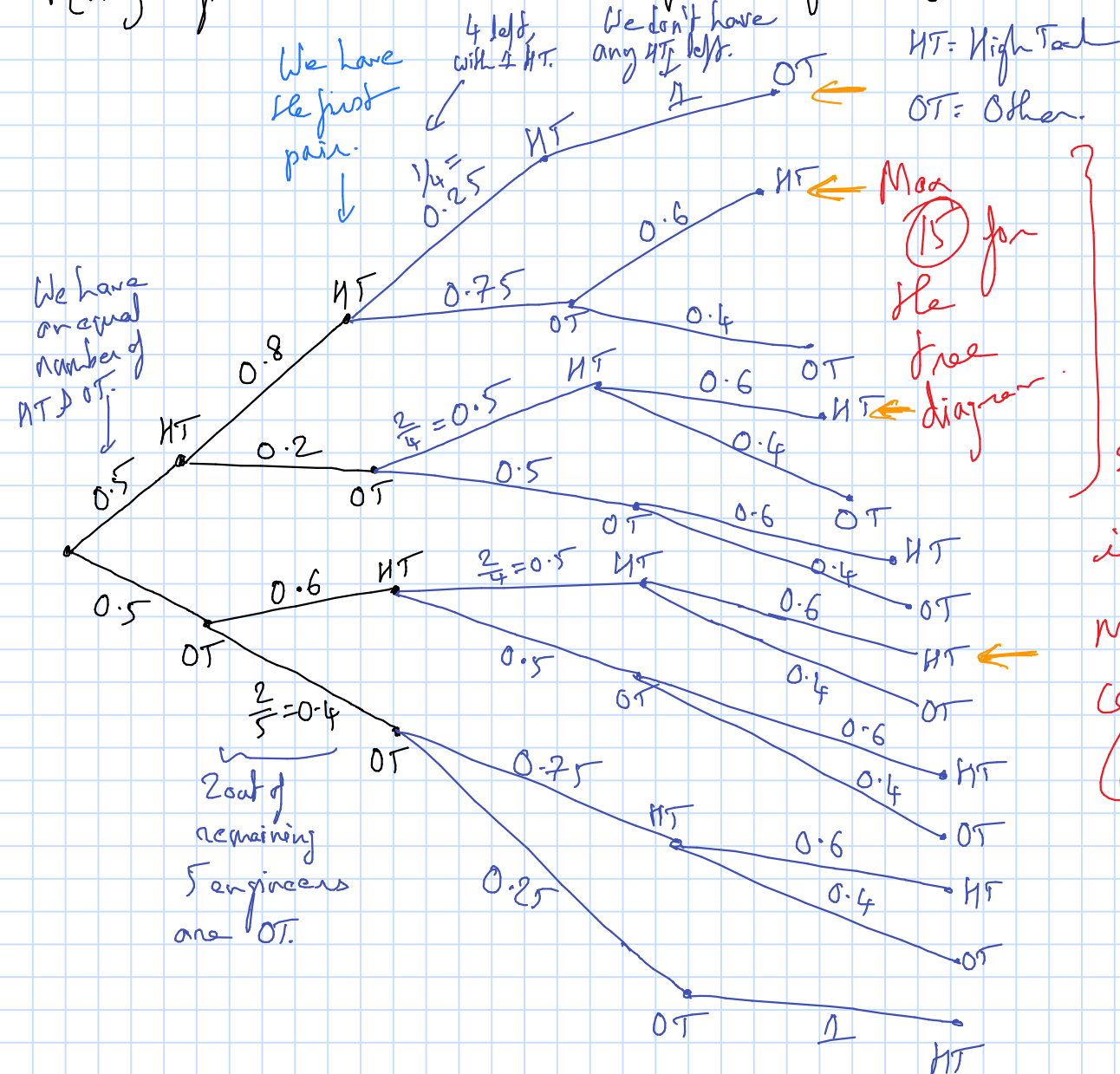
$$(P[Eng 2 \text{ is in high-tech job}])$$

$$= (0.1)^2 = 0.01.$$

Use of independence (3).

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$P(\text{Any engineer in the room has a light-bulb job}) = \frac{3}{6} = 0.5$ .



} TA(s) may use their discretion.

One way of splitting the 15 is giving ① mark for every correct path.

(Assuming there are correct paths)

$P[\text{Two pairs together have three HT}]$

$$= P[\text{paths marked} \leftarrow i \text{ in the tree diagram}]$$

$$= (0.5)(0.8)(0.25)(1) \leftarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$+ (0.5)(0.8)(0.75)(0.6) \in \textcircled{1}$$

$$+ (0.5)(0.2)(0.5)(0.6) \leftarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$+ (0.5)(0.6)(0.5)(0.6) \leftarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$= 0.4(0.25 + (0.6)(0.75)) + 0.15(0.8)$$

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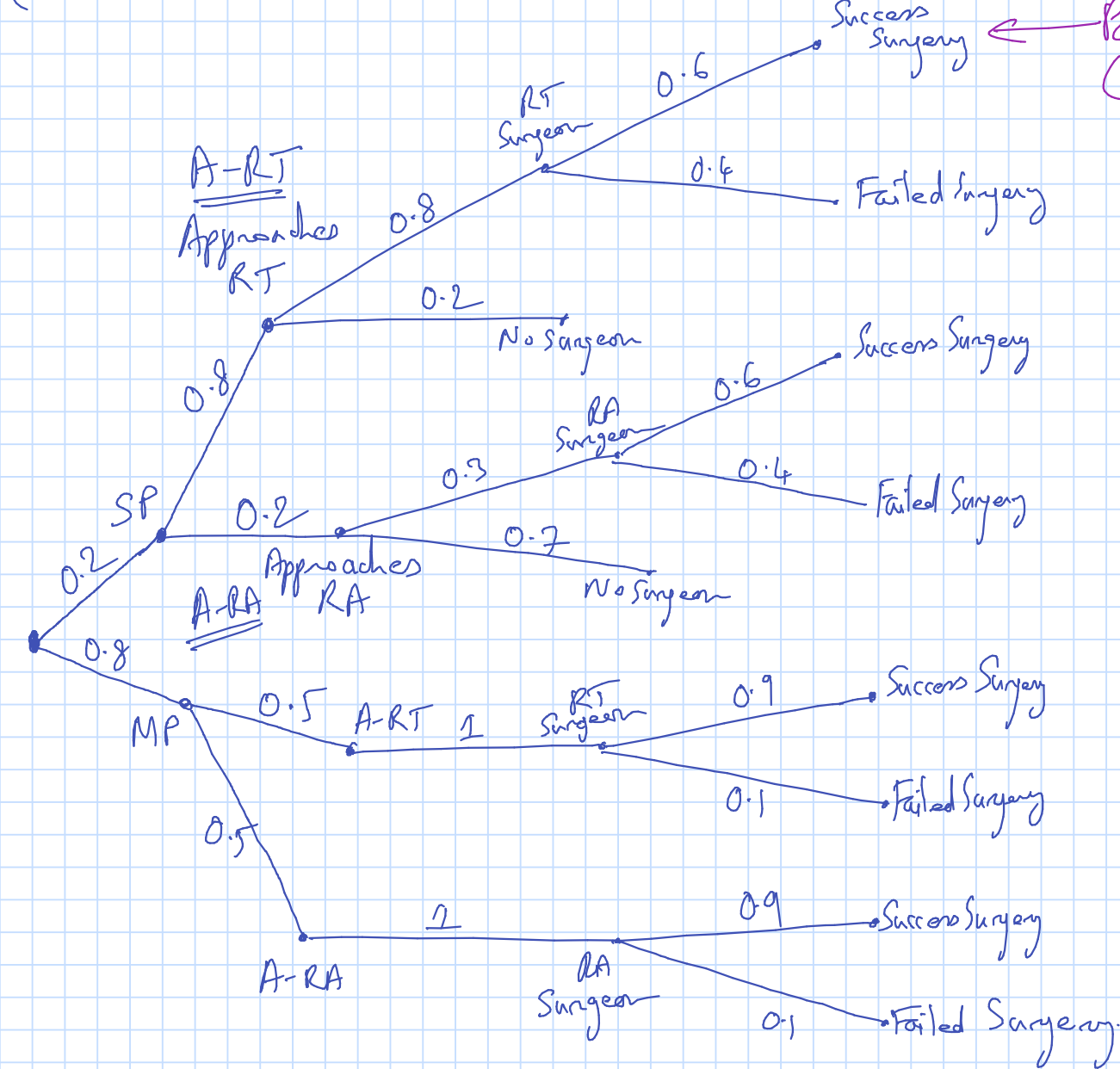
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$$P[SP]=0.2 \text{ ; } P[MP]=0.8$$

SP: Serious patient.    MP: Moderate patient.

(a)



(b)

$$P[\text{Patient is accepted by RT} \mid \text{Serious Heart Patient, Successful Surgery}]$$

$$= \frac{P[\text{Patient is accepted by RT, Serious Heart Patient, Successful Surgery}]}{P[\text{Serious Heart Patient, Successful Surgery}]}$$

For the numerator use the top path in the tree diagram. The prob is  $(0.2)(0.8)^2(0.6)$

The denominator can be written as

$$P[\text{Patient is accepted by RT, Serious Heart Patient, Successful Surgery}] + P[\text{Patient is accepted by RA, Serious Heart Patient, Successful Surgery}]$$

Top path in tree diagram.  
The second path from top Patient is a successful surgery

$$= (0.2)(0.8)^2(0.6) + (0.2)^2(0.3)(0.6)$$

The part of interest is

$$\frac{(0.2)(0.8)^2(0.6)}{(0.2)(0.8)^2(0.6) + (0.2)^2(0.3)(0.6)}$$

(c)  $P[\text{Successful Surgery} \mid \text{Patient accepted by RT}]$

$$= \frac{P[\text{Successful Surgery, Patient accepted by RT}]}{P[\text{Patient accepted by RT}]}$$

$$= \frac{P[\text{Successful Surgery, Patient accepted by RT, Patient is Serious}] + P[\text{Successful Surgery, Patient accepted by RT, Patient is Moderate}]}{P[\text{Patient is Moderate, Patient accepted by RT}] + P[\text{Patient is Serious, Patient accepted by RT}]}$$

$$= \frac{(0.2)(0.8)^2(0.6) + (0.8)(0.5)(0.9)}{(0.8)(0.5) + (0.2)(0.8)^2}$$

(d) Replace RT by RA.

$$P[\text{Successful Surgery} \mid \text{Patient accepted by RA}]$$

$$= \frac{P[\text{Successful Surgery, Patient accepted by RA, Patient is Serious}] + P[\text{Successful Surgery, Patient accepted by RA, Patient is Moderate}]}{P[\text{Patient is Moderate, Patient accepted by RA}] + P[\text{Patient is Serious, Patient accepted by RA}]}$$

$$= \frac{(0.2)^2(0.3)(0.6) + (0.8)(0.5)(0.9)}{(0.2)^2(0.3) + (0.8)(0.5)}$$