Assignment 1

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Given 30 questions in a mcq exam. Each student marks the answer randomly and independently.

Thus, probability that A marks option a) is 1/4

$$P(A=a) = 1/4 \tag{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow P((A=a) \cup (B=a) \cup (C=a)) = \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4}$$
 (2)

But there are 4 options that can be marked by students - a,b,c,d. Thus the probability that all students mark same option is -

P(All students mark same for one question) =

$$= \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} * \frac{1}{4} * 4 = \frac{1}{16} \tag{3}$$

There are total 30 questions. Thus, the probability (p) that all students mark same for all questions is -

$$p = \frac{1}{16^{30}} = 4^{-60} \tag{4}$$