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*“The laws of probability, so true in
general, so fallacious in particular.”
—Edward Gibbon*

Problem 1. (10pt) The probabilities of several events in a finite probability space are given below:

$$\begin{aligned}P(A) &= 0.10 & P(A \text{ and } B) &= 0.06 \\P(B) &= 0.34 & P(A \text{ and } C) &= 0.77 \\P(C) &= 0.81 & P(B \text{ or } C) &= 0.25 \\P(D) &= 0.50 & P(B \text{ and } D) &= 0.00\end{aligned}$$

- (a) Find $P(A \text{ or } B)$.
- (b) Assuming A and D are independent events, find $P(A \text{ and } D)$.
- (c) Find $P(A \mid B)$.
- (d) Find $P(B \text{ and } C)$.
- (e) Are C and D disjoint? Explain.
- (f) Are A and C independent? Explain.
- (g) Are B and D independent? Explain.

Problem 2. (10pt) Of the most recent hit ‘scamster’ shows, people were surveyed about whether they had watched *The Dropout* or *Inventing Anna*. Fifty people were surveyed with twenty-one of them saying that they had seen *The Dropout*, thirty-seven of them saying that they had seen *Inventing Anna*, and twelve of them saying that they had watched both. Suppose you select one of these fifty people at random.

- (a) Find the probability that they had seen *The Dropout*.
- (b) Find the probability that they had only seen *Inventing Anna*.
- (c) Find the probability that they had seen neither show.
- (d) Find the probability that they had seen *The Dropout* given that they had seen *Inventing Anna*.

Problem 3. (10pt) Suppose a blood test for a common genetic marker correctly identifies when a person has the marker 97.4% of the time. The test incorrectly indicates that a person has the marker when they do not 6.5% of the time. It is estimated that 78% of the population possesses the genetic marker.

- (a) What is the probability that a person that tests positive for the marker has the genetic marker?
- (b) What is the probability that a person being tested for the marker will test positive or have the marker?
- (c) What is the probability that a person that does not possess the marker will test negative for the marker?
- (d) Given that a person tests for the marker, what is the probability that they actually have the marker?

Problem 4. (10pt) You are playing a game where you roll a die. If you roll a number less than three, you win nothing. If you roll a four or a five, you win \$1. But if you roll a six, you win \$3.

- (a) Find the probability that if you roll the die twice that you win nothing.
- (b) Find the average amount you expect to win per game.
- (c) If you had to pay \$2 to play this game, should you play this game? Explain.