



# Econ 2250: Stats for Econ

Fall 2022

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## **Announcements**

- Homework 4 is due on Sunday

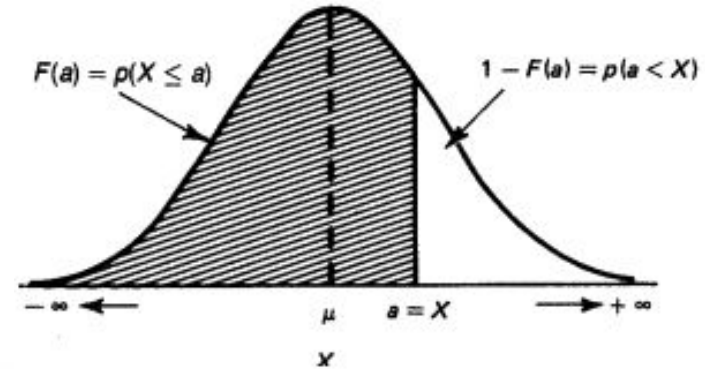
## **What we will do today?**

- Review probability rules
- Review HW3
- Read through Hw4
- Review AND and OR rules for unconditional prob
- Discuss Conditional Probability

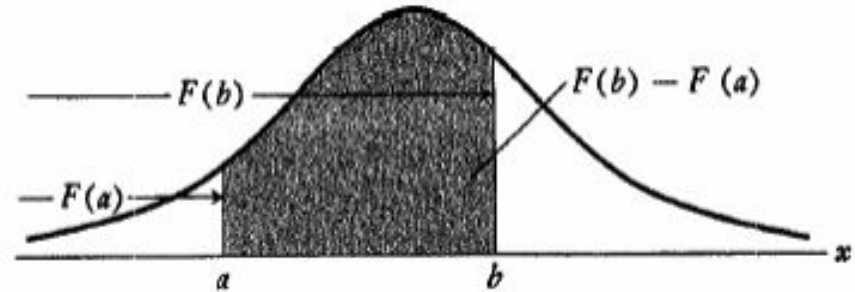
**Probability Distribution Function (PDF):** specification of the probability associated with each value of a random variable.

For continuous r.v.s:

$$F(a) = p(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a f(x) dx = \text{Area up to } X = a$$



$$p(a \leq X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$



# Probability Mass Function (PMF)

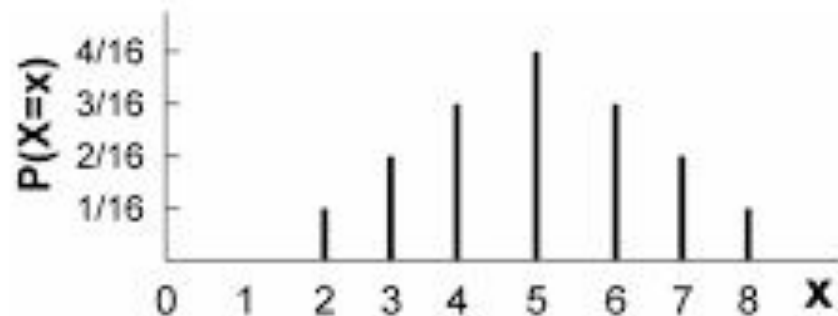
A probability distribution involving only discrete values of  $X$ . Aggregates different possible values of  $X$ , and the different possible values of  $P(x)$ .

Properties:

$$0 \leq P(X = x) \leq 1$$

$$\sum P(X = x) = 1.$$

$x$	$P(x)$
2	$1/16$
3	$2/16$
4	$3/16$
5	$4/16$
6	$3/16$
7	$2/16$
8	$1/16$

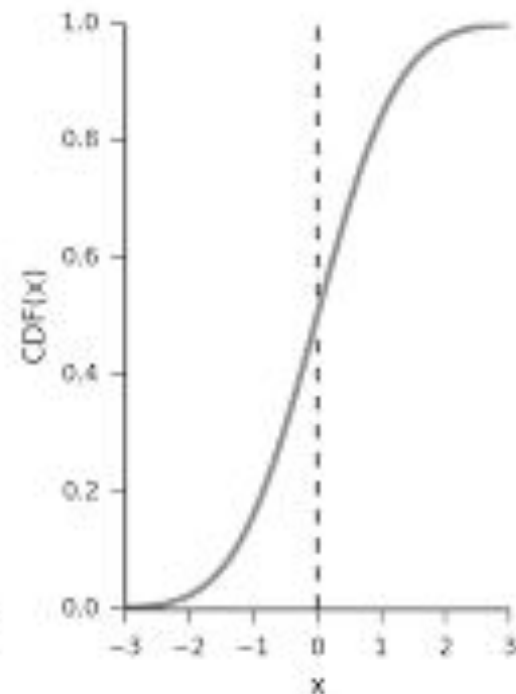
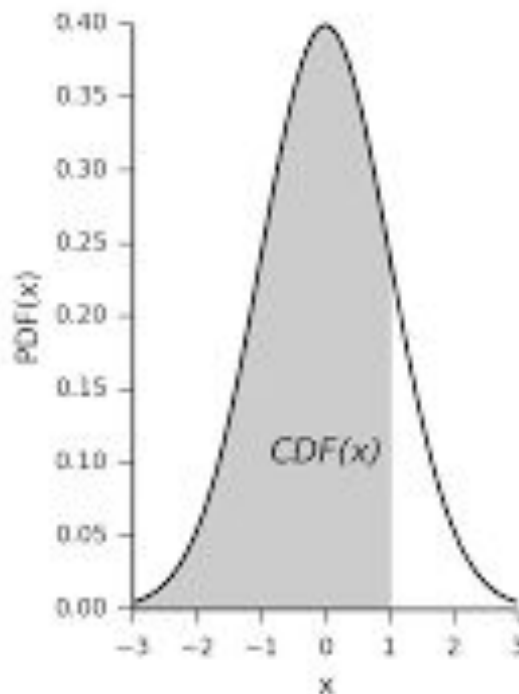


# Cumulative Density Function (CDF)

The probability that a random variable  $X$  takes on a value less than or equal to some particular value  $a$  is often written as

$$F(a) = p(X \leq a) = \sum_{X \leq a} p(x)$$

(for discrete variables, integral for continuous)



# Basic Rules of Probability

1. For any event  $P(E) [0,1]$
2. If an event cannot occur  $P(E) = 0$
3. If an event is certain to occur  $P(E) = 1$
4. The sum of the probability of all outcomes must equal 1.

Likelihood of event

$$P(\text{event}) = \frac{\text{\# of outcomes of event}}{\text{\# of outcomes in } \Omega}$$

# Probability Jargon

**Marginal Probability:**  $P(A)$

**Joint Probability:**  $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A, B)$

**Conditional Probability:**  $P(A \text{ given } B) = P(A|B)$

$$P(A|B) = P(A, B) / P(B)$$

**NOTICE:**  $P(A|B)$  NOT EQUAL  $P(B|A)$



Here are some examples of bayes rule

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/data/bayes-theorem.html>

Make sure to check out the test questions at the bottom. You should be able to identify

$P(A|B)$  (what you're looking for),

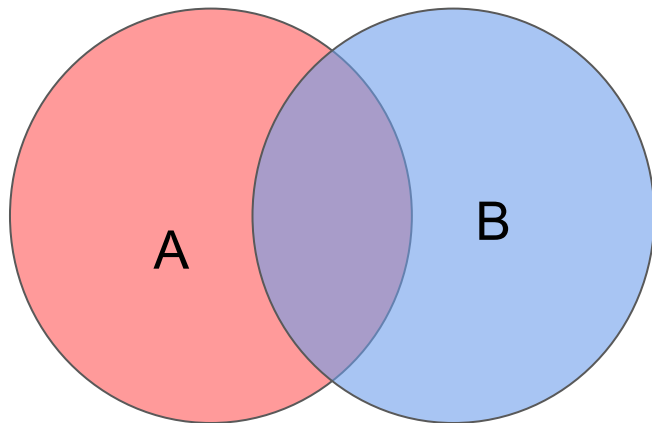
$P(B|A)$  the prior,

$P(A)$  the marginal of the conditional that you are looking for, and

$P(B)$  marginal of the condition (or how to find it)

If no  $P(B)$ , define  $P(A)P(B|A) + P(\text{not } A)P(\text{not } A|\text{not } B)$

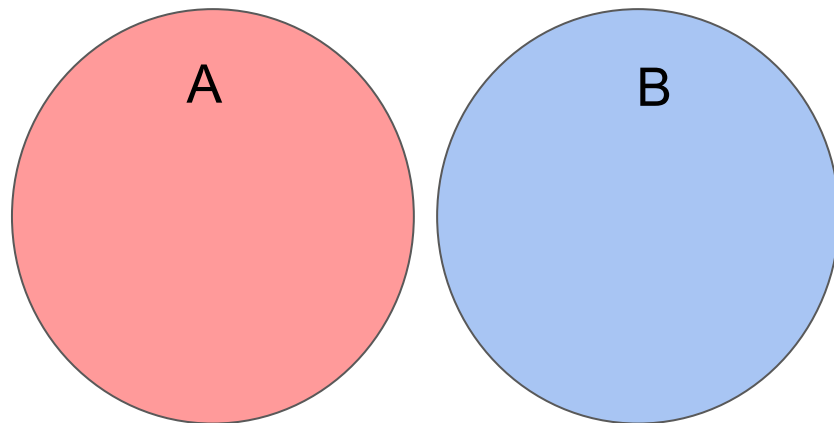
Non-mutually exclusive



$$P(A \cup B)$$

$$P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

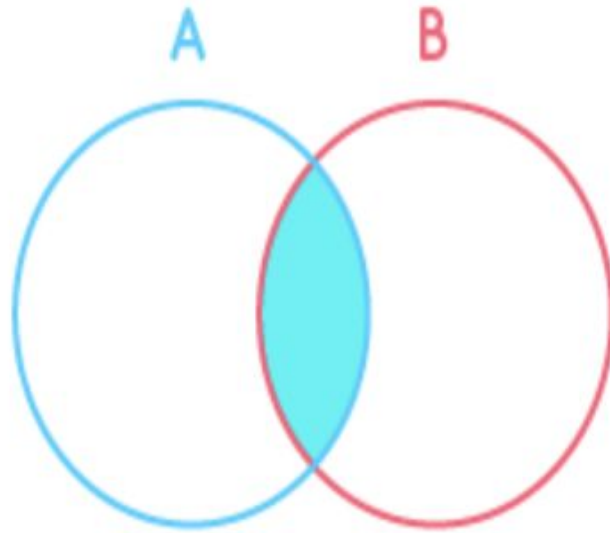
Mutually exclusive



$$P(A \cup B)$$

$$P(A) + P(B)$$

Independent



$$P(A \cap B)$$

$$P(A) * P(B)$$

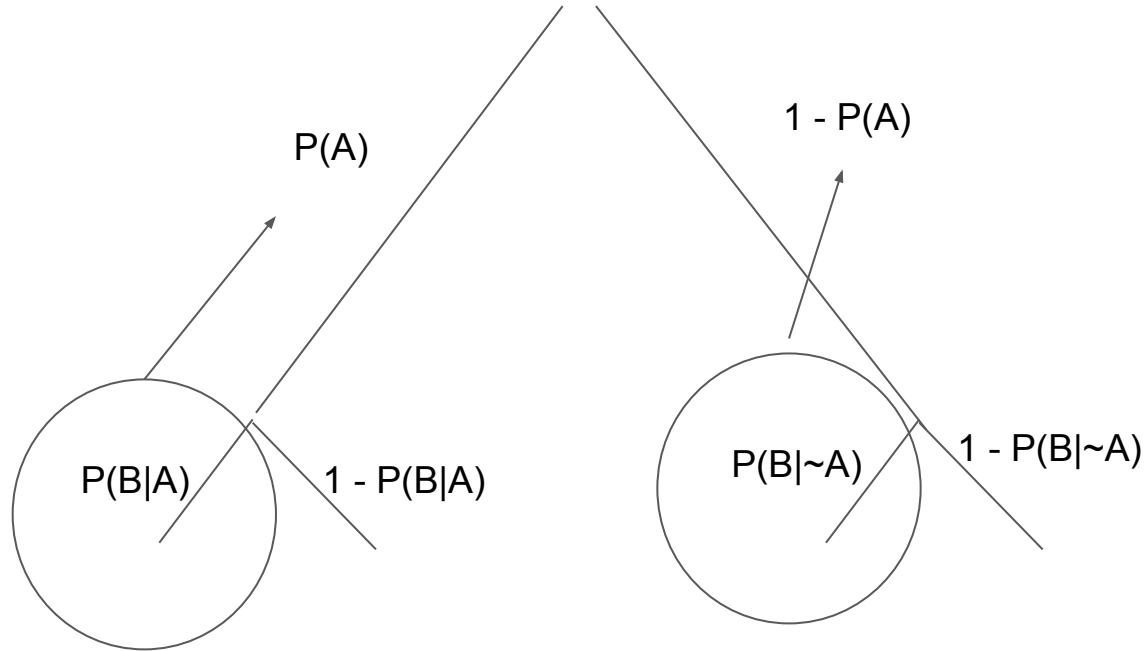
## Summary of probabilities

Event	Probability
A	$P(A) \in [0, 1]$
not A	$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
A or B	$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$ $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) \quad \text{if A and B are mutually exclusive}$
A and B	$P(A \cap B) = P(A B)P(B) = P(B A)P(A)$ $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) \quad \text{if A and B are independent}$
A given B	$P(A   B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B A)P(A)}{P(B)}$

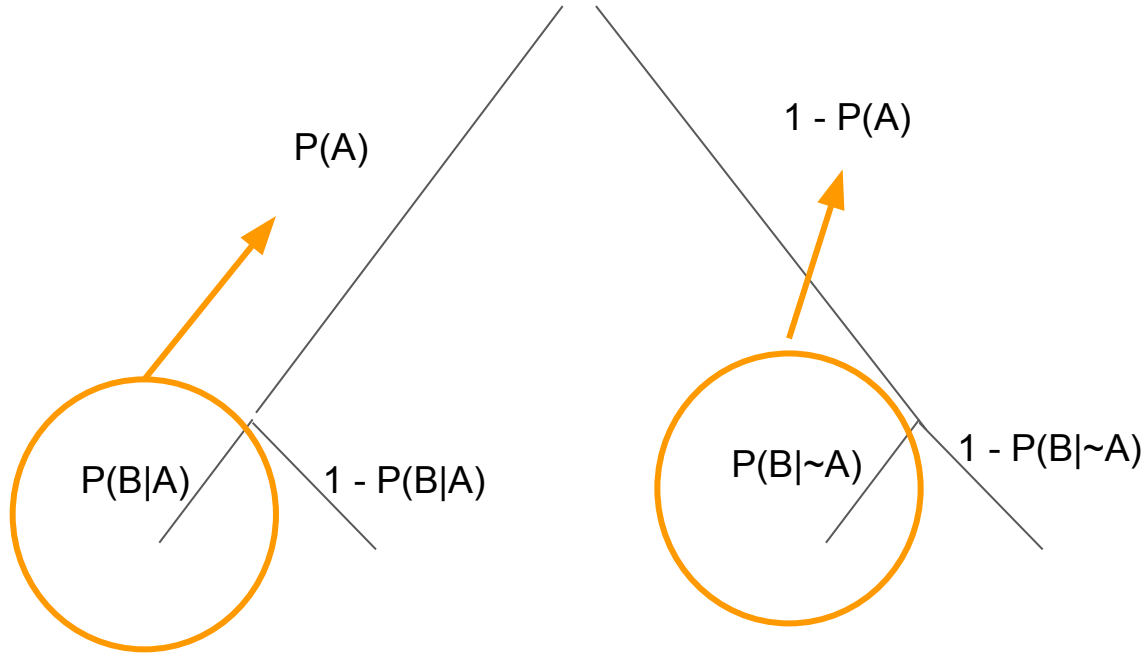
# Bayes Rule

- $P(A|B) = P(B|A) * P(A) / P(B)$
- NOTE: we often do not have access to  $P(B)$  and have to calculate by looking at all possible cases:
- $P(B) = P(B|A) * P(A) + P(B|\text{not } A) * P(\text{not } A)$

# Two Possibilities Graph



Two Possibilities Graph:  $P(B) = P(B|A) * P(A) + P(B|\text{not } A) * P(\text{not } A)$



## Bayes example 1

At a School, 60% of the boys play football and 36% of the boys play ice hockey.

Given that 40% of those that play football also play ice hockey, what percent of those that play ice hockey also play football?



$P(A|B)$ ?

$$P(A) = 60\% = 0.6$$

$$P(B) = 36\% = 0.36$$

$$P(B|A) = 40\% = 0.4$$

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A)P(B|A)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.6 \times 0.4}{0.36} = \frac{0.24}{0.36} = 66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

## Example 1b

Now, for the problem above, what is the percentage of those that do not play football that play hockey?

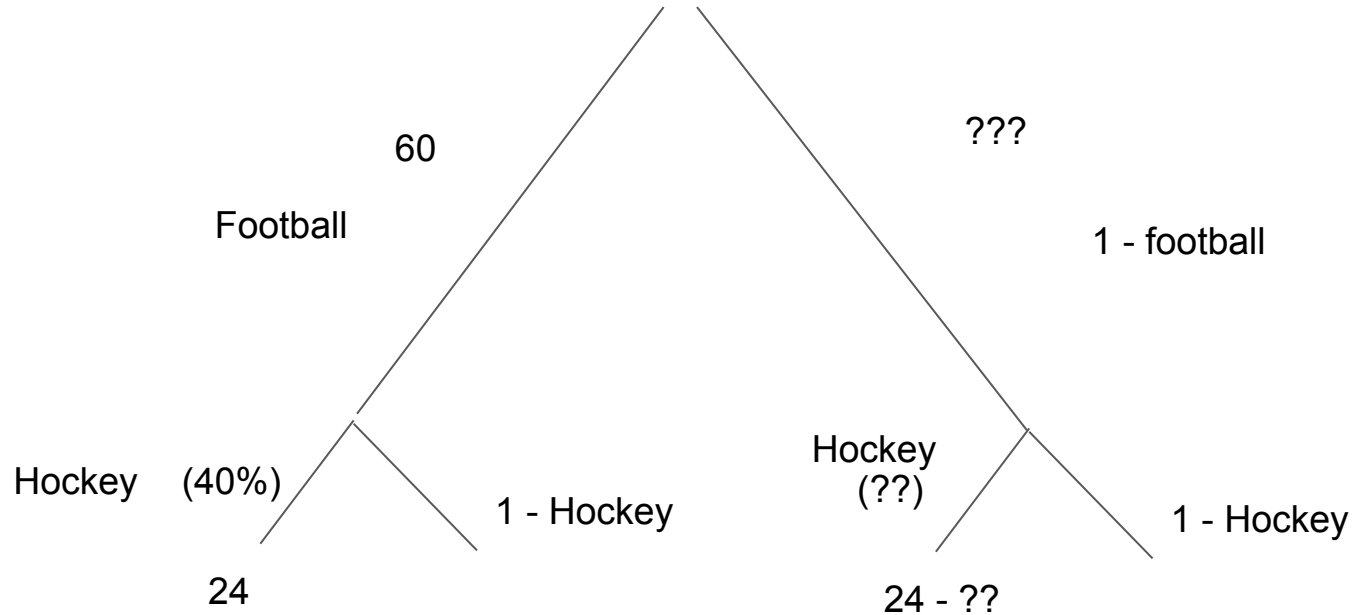
What is the  $P(H|\sim F)$ ?

$$P(F) = 60\% = 0.6$$

$$P(H|F) = 40\% = 0.4$$

$$P(H) = 36\% = P(F)P(H|F) + P(\sim F)P(H|\sim F) = 0.36$$

Let's imagine that there are 100 students...



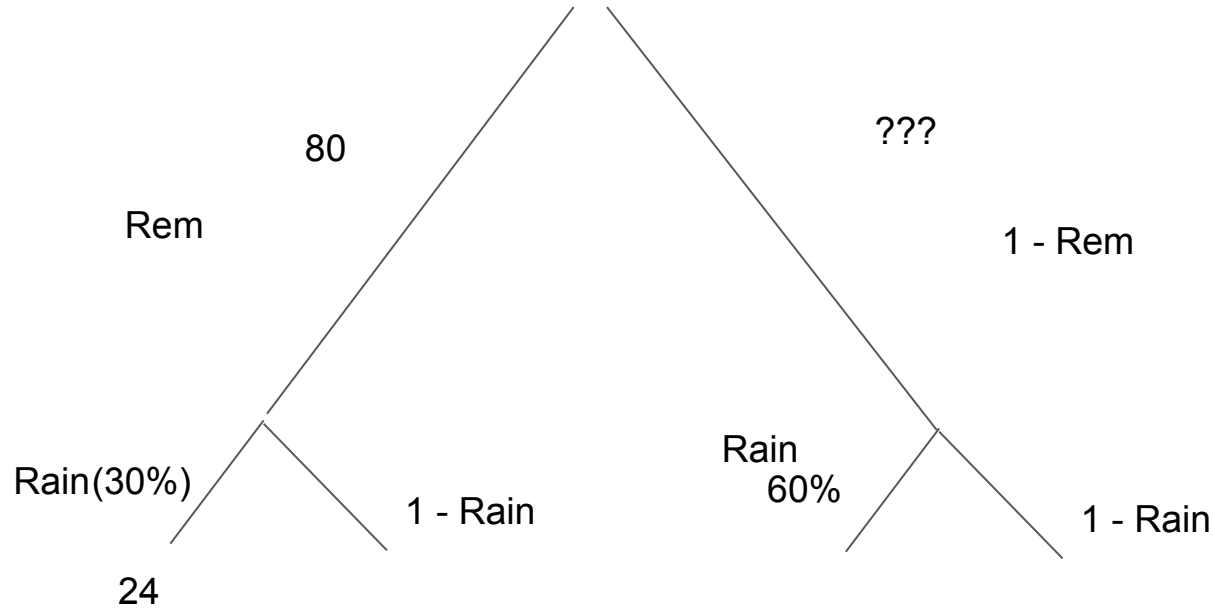
## Bayes Example 3

Dr. Foster remembers to take his umbrella with him 80% of the days.

It rains on 30% of the days when he remembers to take his umbrella, and it rains on 60% of the days when he forgets to take his umbrella.

What is the probability that he remembers his umbrella when it rains?

Let's imagine that there are 100 students...



P(Remembers | Rains)

P(Remembers) = 80%

P(Rains | Remembers) = 30%

**R(Rains) = 30% × 80% + 60% × 20% = 0.24 + 0.12 = 0.36**

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A)P(B|A)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.8 \times 0.3}{0.36} = \frac{0.24}{0.36} = \frac{2}{3}$$

## Bayes Example 4

In a factory, machine X produces 60% of the daily output and machine Y produces 40% of the daily output.

2% of machine X's output is defective, and 1.5% of machine Y's output is defective.

One day, an item was inspected at random and found to be defective. What is the probability that it was produced by machine X?



$P(X|\text{defective})$

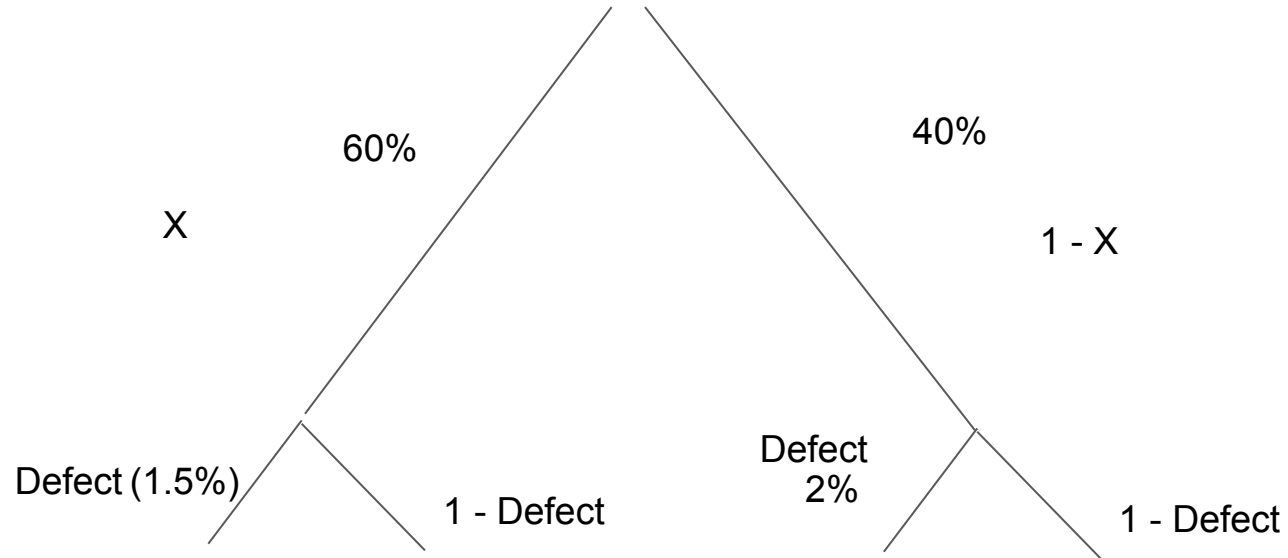
$$P(X) = 60\% = 0.6$$

$$P(\text{defective}) = 2\% \times 60\% + 1.5\% \times 40\% = 0.012 + 0.006 \\ = 0.018$$

$$P(\text{defective}|X) = 2\% = 0.02$$

$$\frac{P(A)P(B|A)}{P(B)} = \frac{0.6 \times 0.02}{0.018} = \frac{0.012}{0.018} = \frac{2}{3}$$

# Defect



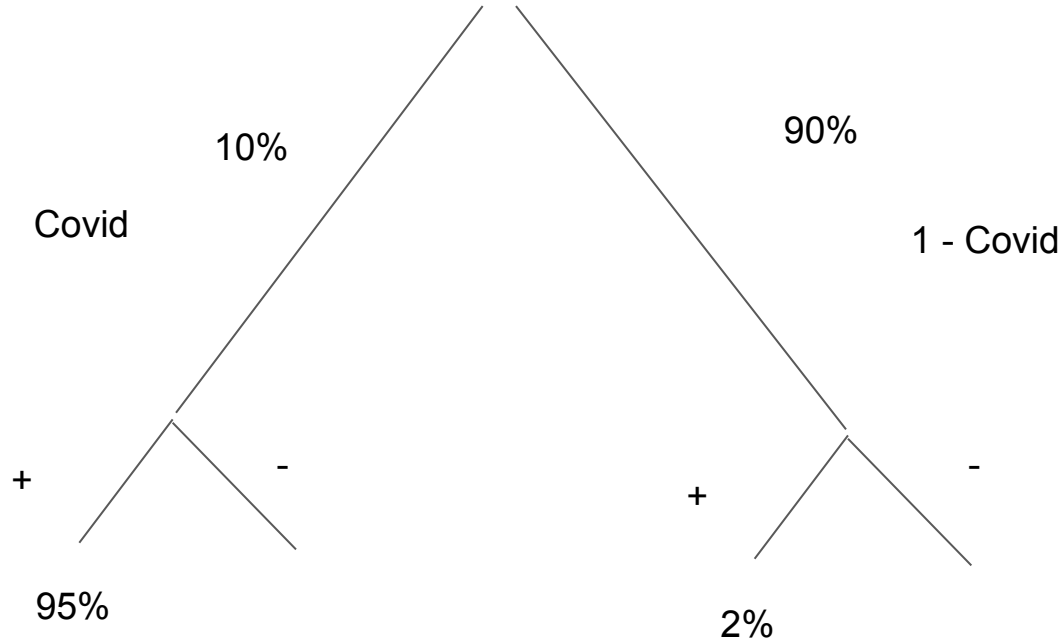
# Covid

Let's 5% of the population has COVID, and test has true positive of 85% (says you have it when you do have it), and false positive of 10% (says you have it when you don't).

You take a test and it says positive, what is the actual chance that you have it?

# Have Covid given a positive test result

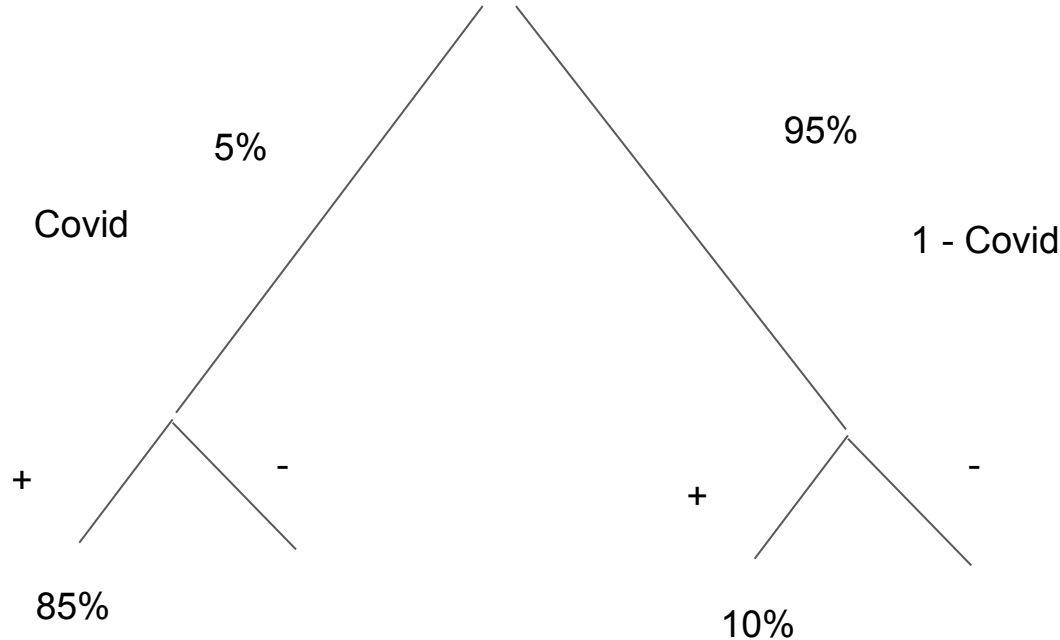
$$\frac{10\% * 95\%}{(10\% * 95\% + 90\% * 2\%)} = 84\%$$



$$P(B) = P(A)P(B|A) + P(\sim A)P(B|\sim A) = 10\% * 95\% + 90\% * 2\%$$

# Have Covid given a positive test result

$$\frac{5\% * 85\%}{(5\% * 85\% + 95\% * 10\%)} = 31\%$$



$$P(B) = P(A)P(B|A) + P(\sim A)P(B|\sim A) = 5\% * 85\% + 95\% * 10\%$$

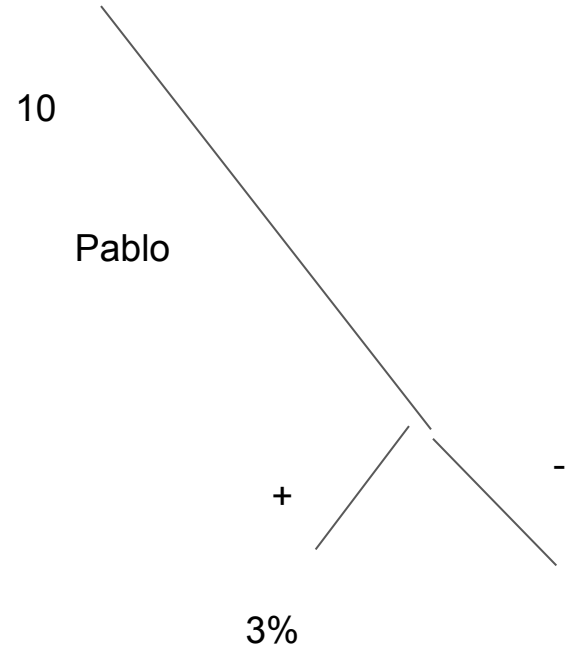
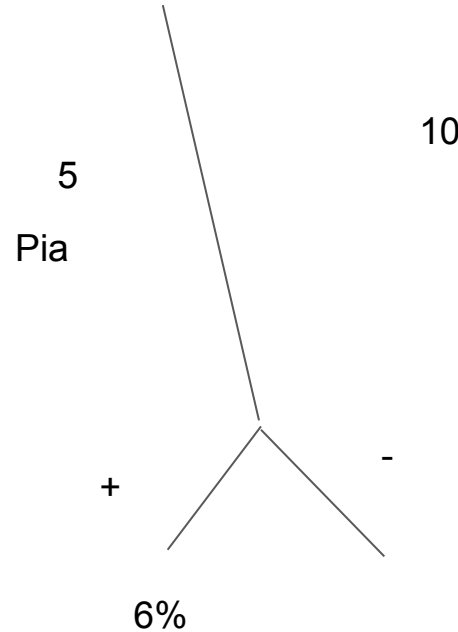
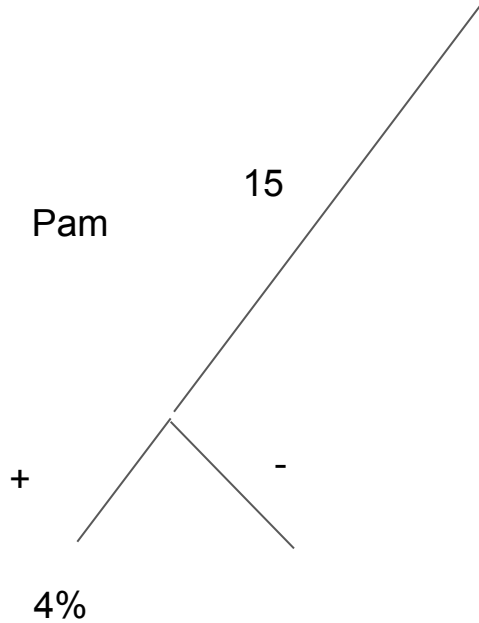
$$P(A1|B) = \frac{P(A1)P(B|A1)}{P(A1)P(B|A1) + P(A2)P(B|A2) + P(A3)P(B|A3) + \dots \text{etc}}$$

- Pam put in 15 paintings, 4% of her works have won First Prize.
- Pia put in 5 paintings, 6% of her works have won First Prize.
- Pablo put in 10 paintings, 3% of his works have won First Prize.

What is the chance that Pam will win First Prize?

# Pam wins?

$$\frac{4\% \cdot 15/30}{(4\% \cdot 15/30 + 6\% \cdot 5/30 + 4\% \cdot 10/30)} = 50\%$$



$$P(B) = P(A)P(B|A) + P(\sim A)P(B|\sim A) = 4\% \cdot 15/30 + 6\% \cdot 5/30 + 4\% \cdot 10/30$$

# Review Homework 3



End of class form



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