## **Chapter 3**

## **Problems**

- 13. (a) (.9)(.8)(.7) = .504
  - (b) Let  $F_i$  denote the event that she failed the *i*th exam.

$$P(F_2 | F_1^c F_2^c F_3^c)^c) = \frac{P(F_1^c F_2)}{1 - .504} = \frac{(.9)(.2)}{.496} = .3629$$

17. With S being survival and C being C section of a randomly chosen delivery, we have that

$$.98 = P(S) = P(S \mid C).15 + P(S \mid C^{2}).85$$
$$= .96(.15) + P(S \mid C^{2}).85$$

Hence

$$P(S \mid C^{c}) \approx .9835.$$

23. a. 
$$\frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4}{6 \cdot 6 \cdot 6} = \frac{5}{9}$$

b. 
$$\frac{1}{3!} = \frac{1}{6}$$

c. 
$$\frac{5}{9} \frac{1}{6} = \frac{5}{54}$$

24.  $P(w \mid w \text{ transferred}) P(w \mid r) + P(w \mid R \text{ tr.}) P(R \text{ tr.}) = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{9}$ .

$$P\{w \text{ transferred } | w\} = \frac{P\{w|w \text{ tr.}\}P\{w \text{ tr.}\}}{P\{w\}} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{4}{9}} = 1/2.$$

26. (a) 
$$P\{g-g \mid \text{at least one } g\} = \frac{1/4}{3/4} = 1/3.$$

- (b) Since we have no information about the ball in the urn, the answer is 1/2.
- 28. Let *M* be the event that the person is male, and let *C* be the event that he or she is color blind. Also, let *p* denote the proportion of the population that is male.

$$P(M \mid C) = \frac{P(C \mid M)P(M)}{P(C \mid M)P(M) + P(C \mid M^c)P(M^c)} = \frac{(.05)p}{(.05)p + (.0025)(1-p)}$$

33. Let C be the event that the tumor is cancerous, and let N be the event that the doctor does not call. Then

$$\beta = P(C \mid N) = \frac{P(NC)}{P(N)}$$

$$= \frac{P(N \mid C)P(C)}{P(N \mid C)P(C) + P(N \mid C^c)P(C^c)}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)}$$

$$= \frac{2\alpha}{1 + \alpha} \ge \alpha$$

with strict inequality unless  $\alpha = 1$ .

35. (a) Let G denote the event "Gloria used the key last," D denote "Dominic used the key last," and M denote "key was misplaced". Then,

$$P(M) = P(M|G)P(G) + P(M|D)P(D) = 0.3 \times \frac{2}{3} + 0.45 \times \frac{1}{3} = .35$$

Thus, the probability of the key being put in its proper place is .65.

(b) 
$$P(G|M) = \frac{P(M|G)P(G)}{P(M)} = \frac{0.3 \times \frac{2}{3}}{0.35} = .5714$$

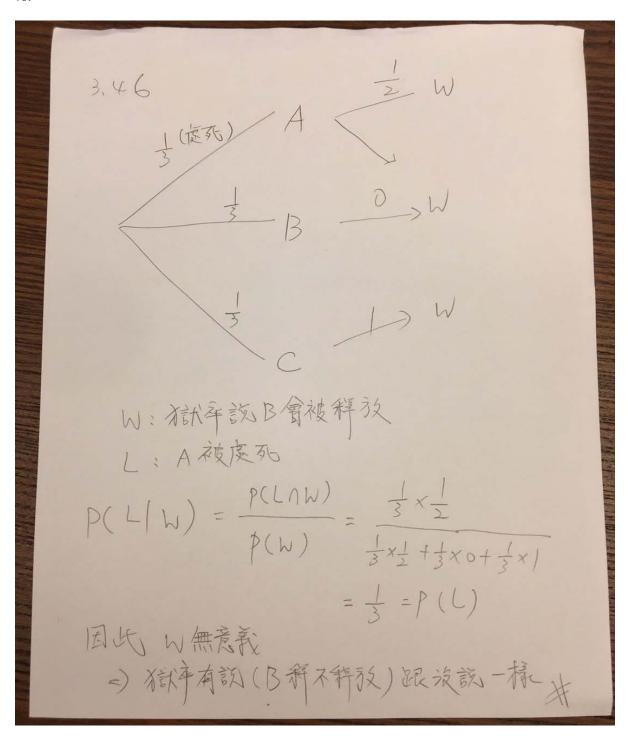
40.

P[tails|w] = 
$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{15}$$

=  $\frac{12}{25} \times \frac{12}{15} \times \frac{12}{15}$ 

=  $\frac{12}{37} \times \frac{12}{15} \times \frac{12}{1$ 

45. 
$$P\{2 \text{ headed } | \text{ heads}\} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}(1)}{\frac{1}{3}(1) + \frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{4}{4 + 2 + 3} = \frac{4}{9}.$$



49. 
$$P\{\text{all white}\} = \frac{1}{6} \left[ \frac{5}{15} + \frac{5}{15} \frac{4}{14} + \frac{5}{15} \frac{4}{14} \frac{3}{13} + \frac{5}{15} \frac{4}{14} \frac{3}{13} \frac{2}{12} + \frac{5}{15} \frac{4}{14} \frac{3}{13} \frac{2}{12} \frac{1}{11} \right]$$

$$P\{3 \mid \text{all white}\} = \frac{\frac{1}{6} \frac{5}{15} \frac{4}{14} \frac{3}{13}}{P\{\text{all white}\}}$$

54. Let  $L_i$  be the event that A is in position i, i = 1, 2, 3, 4, and let A be the event that A wins the tournament. Then

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{4}(P(A|L_1) + P(A|L_2) + P(A|L_3) + P(A|L_4)) = \frac{1}{4}(p^3 + p^3 + p^2 + p).$$

57. (a) Let T be the event that one of the teams wins the first 3 games. Then, with A being the event that team A wins the first 3 games, we have

$$P(A|T) = \frac{P(AT)}{P(T)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(T)} = \frac{p^3}{p^3 + (1-p)^3}$$

(b) Letting W be the event that a team wins the first 3 games and also wins the series, we have

$$P(W|T) = \frac{P(WT)}{P(T)}$$

$$= \frac{P(W)}{P(T)}$$

$$= \frac{p^{3}(1 - (1 - p)^{4}) + (1 - p)^{3}(1 - p^{4})}{p^{3} + (1 - p)^{3}}$$

where the preceding used that W occurs if either A wins the first 3 games and then does not lose 4 games in a row or if player B wins the first 3 games and then does not lose 4 games in a row.

60. 
$$P\{\text{Boy}, F\} = \frac{4}{16+x}$$
  $P\{\text{Boy}\} = \frac{10}{16+x}$   $P\{F\} = \frac{10}{16+x}$ 

so independence 
$$\Rightarrow 4 = \frac{10 \cdot 10}{16 + x} \Rightarrow 4x = 36 \text{ or } x = 9.$$

A direct check now shows that 9 sophomore girls (which the above shows is necessary) is also sufficient for independence of sex and class.

62. (a) 
$$2p(1-p)$$

(b) 
$$\binom{3}{2} p^2 (1-p)$$

(c) 
$$P\{\text{up on first } | \text{up 1 after 3}\}$$

= 
$$P$$
{up first, up 1 after 3}/[3 $p$ <sup>2</sup>(1 –  $p$ )]  
=  $p$ 2 $p$ (1 –  $p$ )/[3 $p$ <sup>2</sup>(1 –  $p$ )] = 2/3.

67. (a) 
$$P\{\text{both hit} \mid \text{at least one hit}\} = \frac{P\{\text{both hit}\}}{P\{\text{at least one hit}\}}$$

$$= p_1 p_2 / (1 - q_1 q_2)$$

(b) 
$$P\{\text{Barb hit } | \text{ at least one hit}\} = p_1/(1 - q_1q_2)$$

 $Q_i = 1 - p_i$ , and we have assumed that the outcomes of the shots are independent.

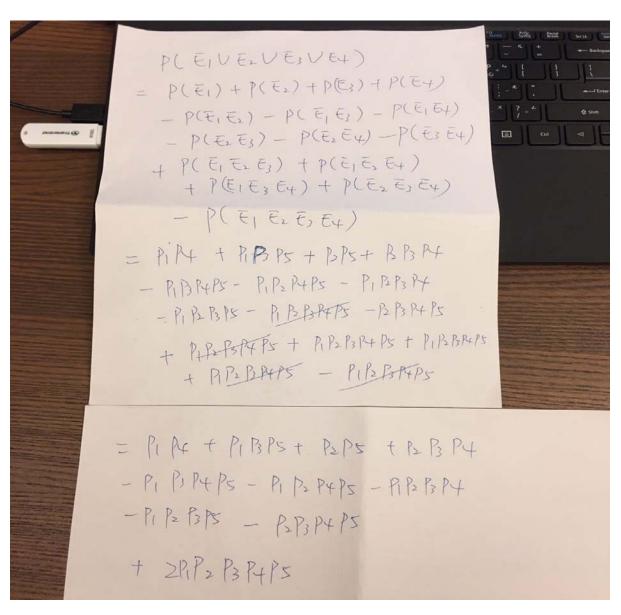
70. (a) 
$$[1-(1-P_1P_2)(1-P_3P_4)]P_5 = (P_1P_2+P_3P_4-P_1P_2P_3P_4)P_5$$

(b) Let  $E_1 = \{1 \text{ and } 4 \text{ close}\}, E_2 = \{1, 3, 5 \text{ all close}\}\$ 

 $E_3 = \{2, 5 \text{ close}\}, E_4 = \{2, 3, 4 \text{ close}\}.$  The desired probability is

$$P(E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3 \cup E_4) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) + P(E_3) + P(E_4) - P(E_1E_2) - P(E_1E_3) - P(E_1E_4)$$
$$-P(E_2E_3) - P(E_2E_4) + P(E_3E_4) + P(E_1E_2E_3) + P(E_1E_2E_4)$$
$$+P(E_1E_3E_4) + P(E_2E_3E_4) + P(E_1E_2E_3E_4)$$

$$= P_1 P_4 + P_1 P_3 P_5 + P_2 P_5 + P_2 P_3 P_4 - P_1 P_3 P_4 P_5 - P_1 P_2 P_4 P_5 - P_1 P_2 P_3 P_4$$
$$- P_1 P_2 P_3 P_5 - P_2 P_3 P_4 P_5 + 2 P_1 P_2 P_3 P_4 P_5 + 3 P_1 P_2 P_3 P_4 P_5.$$



71. (a) 
$$P_1P_2Q_3Q_4 + P_1P_3Q_2Q_4 + P_1P_4Q_2Q_3 + P_2P_3Q_1Q_4 + P_2P_4Q_1Q_3 + P_3P_4Q_1Q_2 + P_1P_2P_3Q_4 + P_1P_2P_4Q_3 + P_1P_3P_4Q_2 + P_2P_3P_4Q_1 + P_1P_2P_3P_4$$
, where  $Q_i = 1 - P_i$ .

(c) 
$$\sum_{i=k}^{n} {n \choose i} p^{i} (1-p)^{n-i}$$

77. Let  $P_A$  be the probability that A wins when A rolls first, and let  $P_B$  be the probability that B wins when B rolls first. Using that the sum of the dice is 9 with probability 1/9, we obtain upon conditioning on whether A rolls a 9 that

$$P_A = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{8}{9}(1 - P_B)$$

Similarly,

$$P_B = \frac{5}{36} + \frac{31}{36} (1 - P_A)$$

Solving these equations gives that  $P_A = 9/19$  (and that  $P_B = 45/76$ .)

- 81. (a) Because there will be 4 games if each player wins one of the first two games and then one of them wins the next two,  $P(4 \text{ games}) = 2p(1-p)[p^2 + (1-p)^2]$ .
  - (b) Let A be the event that A wins. Conditioning on the outcome of the first two games gives

$$P(A ) = P(A \mid a, a)p^{2} + P(A \mid a, b)p(1 - p) + P(A \mid b, a)(1 - p)p + P(A \mid b, b)(1 - p)^{2}$$
$$= p^{2} + P(A)2p(1 - p)$$

where the notation a, b means, for instance, that A wins the first and B wins the second game. The final equation used that  $P(A \mid a, b) = P(A \mid b, a) = P(A)$ . Solving, gives

$$P(A) = \frac{p^2}{1 - 2p(1 - p)}$$

## **Self-Test Problems and Exercises**

9.

9. 令 A 表植物仍活著之事件令 W 為植物被澆水之事件。

(a) 
$$P(A) = P(A \mid W)P(W) + P(A \mid W^c)P(W^c)$$
$$= (.85)(.9) + (.2)(.1) = .785$$

(b) 
$$P(W^{c} \mid A^{c}) = \frac{P(A^{c} \mid W^{c})P(W^{c})}{P(A^{c})}$$
$$= \frac{(.8)(.1)}{.215} = \frac{16}{43}$$

12.

12. 令  $L_i$ 為 Maria 喜歡第 i本書之事件,i=1,2。則

$$P(L_2 \mid L_1^c) = \frac{P(L_1^c L_2)}{P(L_1^c)} = \frac{P(L_1^c L_2)}{4}$$

利用  $L_2$  為互斥事件  $L_1$  和  $L_2$  和  $L_1^c$   $L_2$  之聯集,我們可得

$$.5 = P(L_2) = P(L_1L_2) + P(L_1^cL_2) = .4 + P(L_1^cL_2)$$

所以

$$P(L_2 \mid L_1^c) = \frac{.1}{.4} = .25$$