

## Conditional Probabilities-Definitions and properties:

### I- Conditional Probability

**Definition 1:** Let A and B be two events of the same random experiment such that event B occurred before event A. The probability of event A given that event B is realized is denoted by  $P(A / B)$ .

#### Example 1

The table at right shows the distribution of 100 grade 12 students in a secondary school.

One student is selected randomly from the school.

Consider the events:

H: "The selected student is an H student"

E: "The selected student is an ES student"

L: "The selected student is an LS student"

B: "The selected student is a boy"

	H	LS	ES	Total
Boys	15	12	20	47
Girls	10	18	25	53
Total	25	30	45	100

#### Part A :

Calculate the probabilities  $P(H / B)$ ,  $P(L / B)$ ,  $P(B / E)$ ,  $P(\bar{B} / E)$ ,  $P(E / \bar{B})$ ,  $P(B / B)$ .

#### Part B:

- 1) Calculate the probability of selecting a boy knowing that he is in the LS section.
- 2) Calculate the probability of selecting an H student given that it is a girl.
- 3) The selected student is in the ES section. Calculate the probability of being a boy.
- 4) Knowing that the selected student is a girl, calculate the probability of being in the ES section.
- 5) Calculate the probability of selecting an LS girl.
- 6) Calculate the probability of selecting a boy or an ES student.

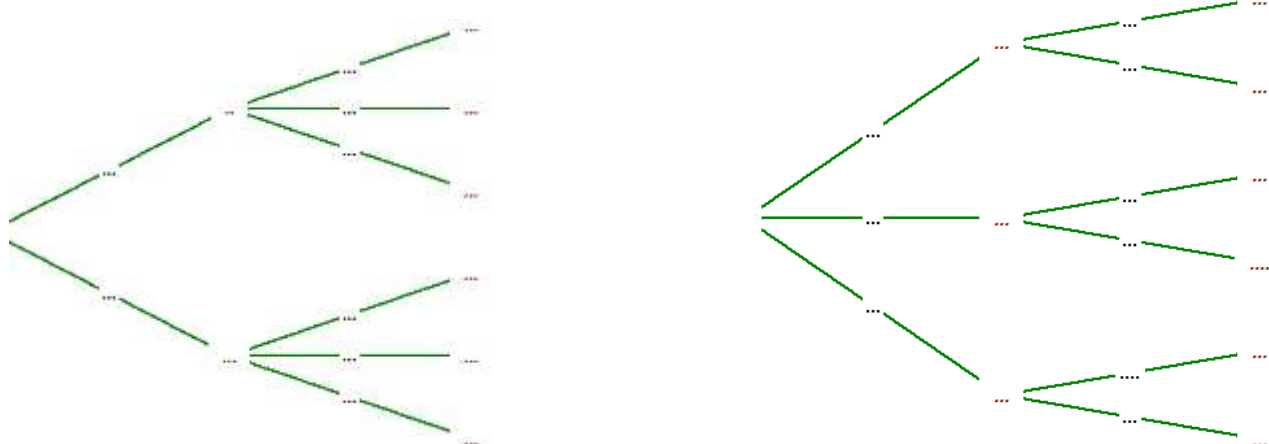
#### Part C: (Properties)

- 1) Calculate  $P(L)$ ,  $P(L \cap B)$ ,  $P(B)$ .
- 2) Calculate  $P(L / B)$  and  $P(B / L)$
- 3) What relation exists among  $P(L / B)$ ,  $P(B)$ , and  $P(L \cap B)$ ?
- 4) What relation exists among  $P(B / L)$ ,  $P(L)$ , and  $P(B \cap L)$ ?

#### Part D : (rules of total probability)

- 1) Calculate  $P(B)$ ,  $P(B \cap H)$ ,  $P(B \cap L)$ , and  $P(B \cap E)$ .
- 2) What relation exists among  $P(B)$ ,  $P(B \cap H)$ ,  $P(B \cap L)$ , and  $P(B \cap E)$ ?
- 3) Calculate  $P(L)$ ,  $P(L \cap B)$ ,  $P(L \cap \bar{B})$ .
- 4) What relation exists among  $P(L)$ ,  $P(L \cap B)$ ,  $P(L \cap \bar{B})$ ?

#### Part E : ( Tree diagram )



## Independent Events

**Definition :** Let A and B be two events of the same random experiment.

A and B are independent if and only if  $P(A / B) = P(A)$  OR  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \times P(B)$

**Example 1 :** A and B are two events such that  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.5$ ,  $P(A \cap B) = 0.2$ .

Are A and B independent? Justify.

**Application 1:** E and F are two events such that  $P(E) = 0.5$ ,  $P(F) = 0.25$ , and  $P(E / F) = 0.25$ .

Are E and F independent? Justify.

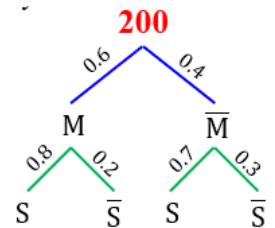
**Exercise 1:** In a factory, 60% of the employees are men. We know that: 80% of the men are single and 70% of the women are single. One employee is randomly selected and interviewed.

Consider the events: M: “The selected employee is a man” S: “The selected employee is single”

- 1) Calculate the probabilities  $P(M)$  and  $P(S/M)$  and prove that  $P(S \cap M) = 0.48$ .
- 2) Calculate  $P(S \cap \overline{M})$  and show that  $P(S) = 0.76$ .
- 3) Are the two events M and S independent? Justify your answer.
- 4) .The selected employee is not single. Calculate the probability of being a woman

Firas, the owner of the factory, knows that there are 200 employees in the factory.

On the LABOUR DAY, Firas decides to select, randomly and successively without replacement, a group of three employees to give them one-month-salary as BONUS at the end of May.



- 1) Calculate the probability of selecting exactly two women.
- 2) Calculate the probability of selecting exactly two men.
- 3) Knowing that the probability of selecting three women is  $\frac{2054}{32835}$ , find, without calculations, the probability of selecting three men.