

4. Three prisons problem

C is right.

weil sei Event $A =$ 'A is to be pardoned'
Event $B =$ 'B is to be pardoned'
Event $C =$ 'C is to be pardoned'
Event $W =$ 'warden tells B is to be executed'

then we have

$P(A|W) \Leftrightarrow$ 'The probability that A pardoned under the condition that B will be executed'

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } P(A|W) &= \frac{P(A \cap W)}{P(W)} \\ &= \frac{P(A) P(W|A)}{P(A) P(W|A) + P(B) P(W|B) + P(C) P(W|C)} \end{aligned}$$

\Leftrightarrow
first we know $P(A) = P(B) = P(C) = \frac{1}{3}$

then $P(W|A) \Leftrightarrow$ since the warden say either B or C is executed is same.
so. $P(W|A) = \frac{1}{2}$

$P(W|B) = 0$, weil warden tell is true

$P(W|C) = 1$, weil if C pardoned, B will executed.

$$\text{then } P(W) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow P(A|W) = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

so. A is to be pardoned $P(A|W) = P(A) = \frac{1}{3}$. not change.

$$\text{But } P(C|W) = 1 - P(A|W) - P(B|W) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} - 0 = \frac{2}{3}$$

\Rightarrow C is right