

AP Statistics - 5.3 (part 2)	Name:
Conditional Probability and Independence Activity	Date: 2018 KEY

## I. Disjoint vs. Independence

**THINK ABOUT IT?:** Can 2 mutually exclusive events ever be independent? Why?

PG 323



2 MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE EVENTS CAN NEVER BE INDEPENDENT.

← MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE EVENTS HAVE NO OUTCOMES IN COMMON. IF ONE EVENT OCCURS, THE OTHER EVENT IS GUARANTEED NOT TO OCCUR

## II. Conditional Probability Formula

**DEFINITION:** Conditional Probability Formula (p324)

Use the General Multiplication Rule:  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$  to find this formula:

$$\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A) \cdot P(B|A)}{P(A)}$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

Look at your green AP sheet and find this formula. Hence, you do not need to memorize the general multiplication rule. Why? **NO- USE YOUR ALGEBRA SKILLS**

**EXAMPLE:** Conditional Probability Formula – Do problem 96 (page 331)

$$P(\text{MAC}) = .40$$

$$P(\text{PC}) = .60$$

$$P(\text{UNDERGRAD}) = .67$$

$$P(\text{PC} \cap \text{GRAD}) = .23$$

	GRAD	UNDERGRAD
PC	.23	.60
MAC	.10	.40
	.33	.67
	1.00	

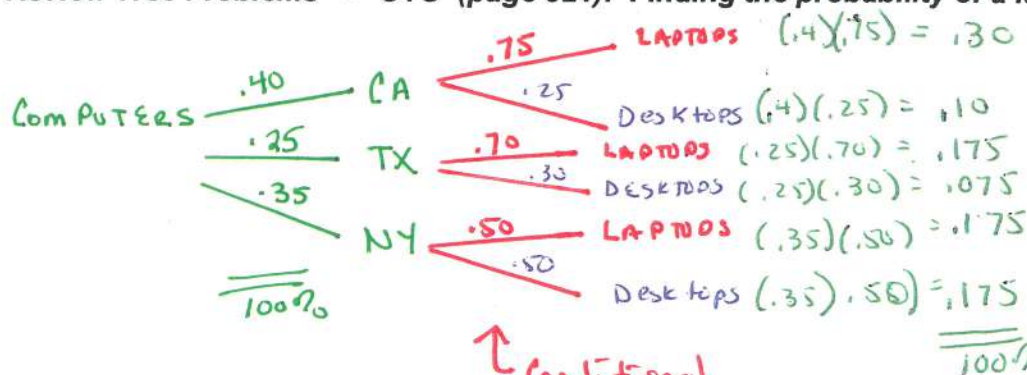
FIND  $P(\text{GRAD} | \text{MAC}) \Rightarrow \frac{P(\text{MAC} \cap \text{GRAD})}{P(\text{MAC})} = \frac{.10}{.40} = .25$

IN CONTEXT:

Approximately 25% of mac users are grad students.

## III. Review Tree Problems - CYU (page 321): Finding the probability of a laptops

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Probabilities

↑ Conditional Probabilities Given in red.

② Probability that the computer is a laptop =  $P(\text{Laptop}) = .30 + .175 + .175 = .65$

IN LONG HAND:

$$P(\text{LAPTOP}) = P(\text{LAPTOP} \cap \text{CA}) + P(\text{LAPTOP} \cap \text{TX}) + P(\text{LAPTOP} \cap \text{NY})$$



#### IV. Tree Diagrams can answer complex probability problems.

For men, binge drinking is defined as having five or more drinks in a row, and for women as having four or more drinks in a row. (The difference is because of the average difference in weight.) According to a study by the Harvard School of Public Health (H. Wechsler, G. W. Dowdall, A. Davenport, and W. DeJong, "Binge Drinking on Campus: Results of a National Study"), 44% of college students engage in binge drinking, 37% drink moderately, and 19% abstain entirely. Another study, published in the *American Journal of Health Behavior*, finds that among binge drinkers aged 21 to 34, 17% have been involved in an alcohol-related automobile accident, while among non-bingers of the same age, only 9% have been involved in such accidents. These are alcohol related accidents

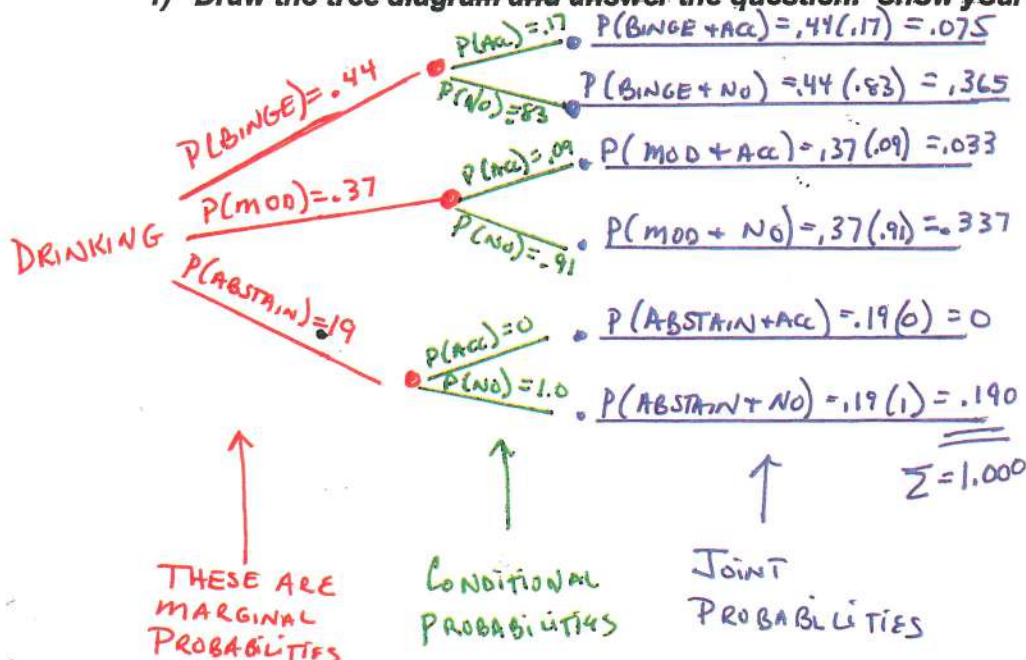
What's the probability that a randomly selected college student will be a binge drinker who has had an alcohol-related car accident?

Given

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{BINGE}) &= .44 \\ P(\text{MOD}) &= .37 \\ P(\text{ABSTAIN}) &= .19 \\ P(\text{ACC} | \text{BINGE}) &= .17 \\ P(\text{ACC} | \text{MOD}) &= .09 \\ P(\text{ACC} | \text{ABSTAIN}) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

because conditional probabilities were given

1) Draw the tree diagram and answer the question. Show your work.



To answer all these questions it would be easy to create a table (if you prefer)

	BINGE	MOD	ABSTAIN	
ACC	.075	.033	0	.108
NO ACC	.365	.337	.190	.892
	.44	.37	.190	1.00

$$P(\text{BINGE} \cap \text{ACCIDENT}) = P(\text{BINGE}) \cdot P(\text{ACCIDENT} | \text{BINGE}) = (.44)(.17) = .0748 \quad (\sim 7.5\%)$$

- Come directly from 2nd BRANCH
- What is the probability an accident given a binge drinker?  $.17$   $P(\text{ACC} | \text{BINGE})$
  - What is the probability an accident given the student drinks moderately?  $.09$   $P(\text{ACC} | \text{MOD})$
  - What is the probability an accident given the student abstains from drinking?  $0$

5) What is the probability of binge drinker?  $.44$

6) What is the probability of having an accident?

$$P(\text{ACCIDENT}) = .0748 + .0333 + 0 = .1081 \quad (\sim 11\%)$$

7) What is the probability of not having an accident?  $P(\text{NOT ACCIDENT}) = 1 - .11 \quad (\sim 89\%)$

- What is the probability of binge drinking and having an accident?  $\sim 7.5\%$  or  $.0748$
- What is the probability a student has an accident is a binge drinker?

$$P(\text{BINGE} | \text{ACCIDENT}) = \frac{P(\text{BINGE} \cap \text{ACCIDENT})}{P(\text{ACCIDENT})} = \frac{.0748}{.1081} = .69195 \quad (\sim 69\%)$$



V. **"Independence: A Special Multiplication Rule"** [TIP reference page 321] **EXAMPLE: Perfect Games**

In baseball, a perfect game is when a pitcher doesn't allow any hitters to reach base in all nine innings. Historically, pitchers throw a perfect inning—an inning where no hitters reach base—about 40% of the time. So, to throw a perfect game, a pitcher needs to have nine perfect innings in a row. **Problem:** What is the probability that a pitcher throws nine perfect innings in a row, assuming the pitcher's performance in an inning is independent of his performance in other innings?

GIVEN

$$P(\text{PERFECT INNING}) = .40$$

TOLD THE 9 INNINGS ARE INDEPENDENT

[THEREFORE WE CAN  
MULTIPLY THE  
PROBABILITIES]

$$P(9 \text{ perfect INNINGS}) = (.4)^9 = .00026 (0.026\%)$$

\* THINK...

$$P(\text{INN. 1 PERFECT}) \cdot P(\text{INN. 2 PERFECT}) \cdot \dots \cdot P(\text{INN. 9 PERFECT})$$

$$(.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4) \cdot (.4)$$

VI. **Finding the probability of "at least one"** [TIP reference page 322] **Example: First Trimester Screen**

The First Trimester Screen is a non-invasive test given during the first trimester of pregnancy to determine if there are specific chromosomal abnormalities in the fetus. According to a study published in the New England Journal of Medicine in November 2005, approximately 5% of normal pregnancies will receive a positive result. Among 100 women with normal pregnancies, what is the probability that there will be at least one false positive?

GIVEN

$$P(\text{Normal pregnancy}) = .05$$

WITH POSITIVE TEST RESULT WITH ABNORMALITY

IT IS REASONABLE THAT THE WOMEN'S TESTS ARE INDEPENDENT.

$$P(\text{FALSE POSITIVE}) = .05 \rightarrow P(\text{NO FALSE POSITIVE}) = .95$$

$$P(\text{AT LEAST 1 POSITIVE TEST OUT OF 100 WOMEN}) =$$

$$1 - P(\text{NO POSITIVE RESULTS FOR 100 WOMEN}) =$$

$$1 - (.95)^{100} = 1 - .0059 = .9941$$

AT LEAST  
THINK  
1 - (NONE)

CONCLUDE: THERE IS OVER A 99% PROBABILITY THAT AT LEAST 1 OF THE 100 WOMEN WITH NORMAL PREGNANCY WILL RECEIVE A FALSE POSITIVE TEST FOR DEFECT.

VII. Compare using trees and tables [TIP reference page 326] **EXAMPLE: False Positives & Drug Testing**

Many employers require prospective employees to take a drug test. A positive result on this test indicates that the prospective employee uses illegal drugs. However, not all people who test positive actually use drugs. Suppose that 4% of prospective employees use drugs, the false positive rate is 5% and the false negative rate is 10%.

**PROBLEM:** What % of people who test positive actually use illegal drugs?

$$P(\text{Took Drugs} | \text{Positive Test}) = \frac{P(\text{Took Drugs AND Positive Test})}{P(\text{Tested Positive})}$$

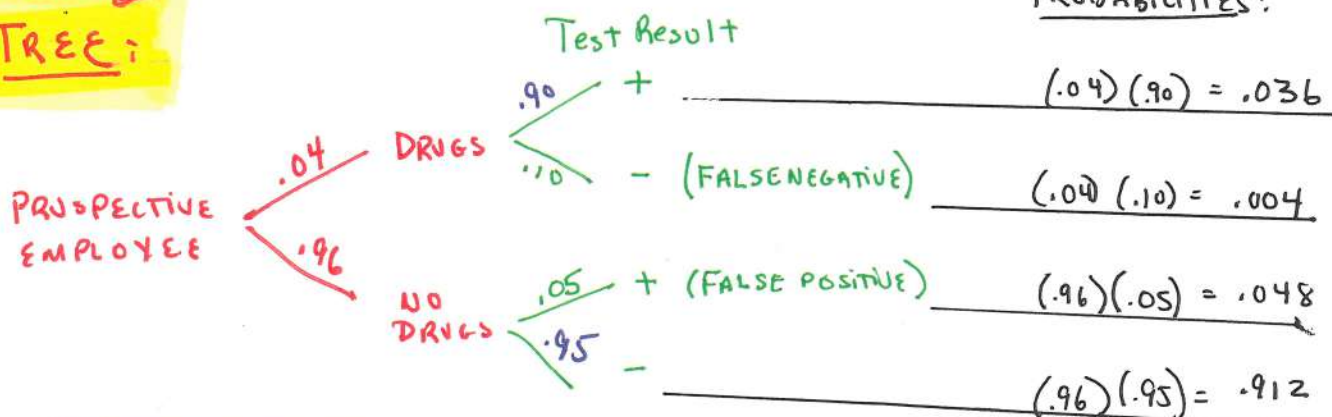
GIVEN INFO

$$P(\text{Took Drugs}) = .04$$

$$P(\text{False Positive}) = .05 = P(\text{Test POS} | \text{NO DRUGS})$$

$$P(\text{False Negative}) = .10 = P(\text{Test NEG} | \text{DRUGS})$$

**OPTION 1 USE 2  
TREE:**



$$P(\text{Took Drugs} | \text{Positive Test}) = \frac{P(\text{Took Drugs AND Positive Test})}{P(\text{Test Positive})} = \frac{.036}{.036 + .048} = \frac{.036}{.084} = .429$$

There is about 43% of the prospective employees who test positive positively actually took drugs

**OPTION 2 USE 2  
TABLE:**

TEST	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	
DRUGS	.90 36	FALSE NEGATIVE .10 4	.04 40
NO DRUGS	FALSE POSITIVE .05 48	.95 912	.96 960
	84	916	1.00 1000

MULTIPLY BY 1000

$$P(D|+) = \frac{36}{84} = .429$$