

Seminar 15 (Suggested Solution)

1.
 - a. $P(A|C) = P(A \text{ and } C) / P(C) = (1/7) / (1/3) = 3/7$
 - b. $P(C|A) = P(A \text{ and } C) / P(A) = (1/7) / (3/14) = 2/3$
 - c. $P(B \text{ and } C) = P(B|C) P(C) = (5/21) \times (1/3) = 5/63$
 - d. $P(C|B) = P(C \text{ and } B) / P(B) = (5/63) / (1/6) = 10/21$

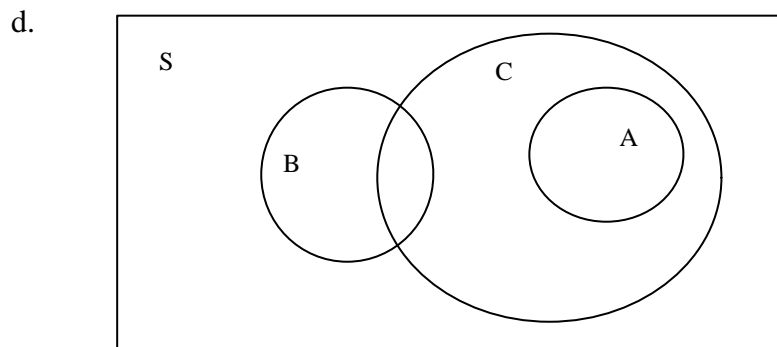
2.
 - a. $P(A \text{ or } B \text{ or } C)$
 $= P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \text{ and } B) - P(B \text{ and } C) - P(A \text{ and } C) + P(A \text{ and } B \text{ and } C)$
 since $P(A) + P(B) + P(C) = 0.21 + 0.15 + 0.40 = 0.76 < 1$
 and $P(A \text{ and } B \text{ and } C) = 0$.

$$\therefore P(A \text{ or } B \text{ or } C) < 1$$

\Rightarrow A, B and C are not collectively exhaustive

- b. $P(B|C) = P(B \cap C) / P(C) = 0.0225 / 0.4 = 0.05625 \neq P(B)$
 \therefore events B and C are not statistically independent

- c. $P(A \text{ and } C) = P(A) + P(C) - P(A \text{ or } C)$
 $= 0.21 + 0.40 - 0.40 = 0.21 \neq 0$
 \therefore events A and C are not mutually exclusive



Tutors should remind the students to define necessary events first, and then use the defined events in all calculation.
For example: use $P(M)$ instead of $P(\text{shoplifter is male})$ in question 3.

3. Define $M = \text{shoplifter is male}$, $W = \text{shoplifter is female}$
 $F = \text{shoplifter is first-time offender}$, $R = \text{repeat offender}$
 - a. $P(M) = (77+55)/250 = 0.5280$
 - b. $P(F|M) = P(F \text{ and } M) / P(M) = (77/250) / (132/250) = 0.5833$
 - c. $P(W|R) = P(W \text{ and } R) / P(R) = (85/250) / (140/250) = 0.6071$
 - d. $P(W|F) = P(W \text{ and } F) / P(F) = (33/250) / (110/250) = 0.3000$
 - e. $P(M \text{ and } R) = 55/250 = 0.2200$

4. Define **R = radiation leak occurs**, **F = fire occurs**,
M = mechanical failure occurs, **H = human error occurs**.

Event	P(Event)	P(R Event)	P(R ∩ Event)	P(Event R)
F	0.0010 / 0.2 = 0.005	0.20	0.0010	0.0010 / 0.0037 = 0.2703
M	0.0015 / 0.50 = 0.003	0.50	0.0015	0.0015 / 0.0037 = 0.4054
H	0.0012 / 0.10 = 0.012	0.10	0.0012	0.0012 / 0.0037 = 0.3243
			P(R) = 0.0037	

- a. $P(F) = 0.005$, $P(M) = 0.003$, $P(H) = 0.012$
b. $P(R) = 0.0037$
c. $P(F|R) = 0.2703$, $P(M|R) = 0.4054$, $P(H|R) = 0.3243$
- 5 a. **Define D be the event of the disease.**
M be the event of positive test result.
*** N be the event of negative test result. (it is not necessary to define another event, N, for negative test result, \bar{M} should be used instead)*

$$P(D) = 0.03, \quad P(\bar{D}) = 0.97, \quad P(M|D) = 0.90, \quad P(M|\bar{D}) = 0.02$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(M) &= P(M|D)P(D) + P(M|\bar{D})P(\bar{D}) \\ &= (0.90)(0.03) + (0.02)(0.97) \\ &= 0.0464 \end{aligned}$$

- b. Required probability:
 $= P(D|M)$
 $= \frac{P(M|D)P(D)}{P(M)}$
 $= \frac{(0.90)(0.03)}{0.0464}$
 $= 0.5819$ (correct to 4 decimal places)
- c. $P(\bar{M}) = 1 - P(M) = 1 - 0.0464$
 $= 0.9536$

$$P(M|\bar{D}) = 0.02 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(\bar{M}|\bar{D}) = 0.98$$

Required probability:
 $= P(\bar{D}|\bar{M})$
 $= \frac{P(\bar{M}|\bar{D})P(\bar{D})}{P(\bar{M})}$
 $= \frac{(0.98)(0.97)}{0.9536}$
 $= 0.9969$ (correct to 4 decimal places)