

## UNIT-VI : PROBABILITY

CHAPTER

# 13

Term-II

## PROBABILITY

### Syllabus

- Conditional probability, multiplication theorem on probability, independent events, total probability, Bayes' theorem, Random variable and its probability distribution.



### STAND ALONE MCQs

(1 Mark each)

Q. 1. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two events such that  $P(A) \neq 0$  and  $P(B|A) = 1$ , then

- (A)  $A \subset B$  (B)  $B \subset A$   
(C)  $B = \varnothing$  (D)  $A = \varnothing$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A) \neq 0 \\ \text{and } &P(B|A) = 1 \\ &P(B|A) = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} \\ &1 = \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} \\ &P(A) = P(B \cap A) \\ \therefore &A \subset B \end{aligned}$$

Q. 2. If  $P(A|B) > P(A)$ , then which of the following is correct :

- (A)  $P(B|A) < P(B)$   
(B)  $P(A \cap B) < P(A).P(B)$   
(C)  $P(B|A) > P(B)$   
(D)  $P(B|A) = P(B)$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A|B) > P(A) \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} > P(A) \\ \Rightarrow &P(A \cap B) > P(A).P(B) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow &\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} > P(B) \\ \Rightarrow &P(B|A) > P(B) \end{aligned}$$

Q. 3. If  $A$  and  $B$  are any two events such that  $P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A)$ , then

- (A)  $P(B|A) = 1$  (B)  $P(A|B) = 1$   
(C)  $P(B|A) = 0$  (D)  $P(B|A) = 0$

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

**Explanation :**

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \\ \Rightarrow &P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) = P(A) \\ \Rightarrow &P(B) - P(A \cap B) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow &P(A \cap B) = P(B) \\ \therefore &P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{P(B)}{P(B)} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Q. 4. In a box containing 100 bulbs, 10 are defective. The probability that out of a sample of 5 bulbs, none is defective is

- (A)  $10^{-1}$  (B)  $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^5$   
(C)  $\left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$  (D)  $\frac{9}{10}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.



**Explanation :** The repeated selections of defective bulbs from a box are Bernoulli trials. Let  $X$  denotes the number of defective bulbs out of a sample of 5 bulbs.

Probability of getting a defective bulb,

$$p = \frac{10}{100}$$

$$= \frac{1}{10}$$

$$\therefore q = 1 - p$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{10}$$

$$= \frac{9}{10}$$

Clearly,  $X$  has a binomial distribution with  $n = 5$

and  $p = \frac{1}{10}$ .

$$\therefore P(X = x) = {}^nC_x q^{n-x} p^x$$

$$= {}^5C_x \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^{5-x} \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^x$$

$P$  (none of the bulbs is defective)  $= P(X=0)$

$$= {}^5C_0 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$$

$$= 1 \cdot \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$$

**Q. 5.** The mean of the numbers obtained on throwing a die having written 1 on three faces, 2 on two faces and 5 on one face is

- (A) 1 (B) 2  
(C) 5 (D)  $\frac{8}{3}$

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation :**

Let  $X$  be the random variable representing a number on the die.

The total number of observations is 6. Therefore,

$$P(X = 1) = \frac{3}{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(X = 2) = \frac{2}{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(X = 5) = \frac{1}{6}$$

Therefore, the probability distribution is as follows.

$X$	1	2	5
$P(X)$	1/2	1/3	1/6

$$\text{Mean} = E(X)$$

$$= \sum p_i x_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 1 + \frac{1}{3} \times 2 + \frac{1}{6} \times 5$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6}$$

$$= \frac{3+4+5}{6}$$

$$= \frac{12}{6}$$

$$= 2$$

**Q. 6.** The probability of obtaining an even prime number on each die, when a pair of dice is rolled is

- (A) 0 (B)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{12}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{36}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** When two dice are rolled, the number of outcomes is 36. The only even prime number is 2.

Let  $E$  be the event of getting an even prime number on each die.

$$\therefore E = \{(2, 2)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(E) = \frac{1}{36}$$

**Q. 7.** If  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.8$  and  $P(B|A) = 0.6$ , then  $P(A \cup B)$  is equal to

- (A) 0.24 (B) 0.3  
(C) 0.48 (D) 0.96

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :**

Here,

$$P(A) = 0.4, P(B) = 0.8 \text{ and } P(A|B) = 0.6$$

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

$$\Rightarrow P(B \cap A) = P(B|A) \cdot P(A)$$

$$= 0.6 \times 0.4 = 0.24$$

$$\therefore P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$= 0.4 + 0.8 - 0.24$$

$$= 1.2 - 0.24 = 0.96$$

**Q. 8.** A box has 100 pens of which 10 are defective. What is the probability that out of a sample of 5 pens drawn one by one with replacement at most one is defective?

- (A)  $\left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^4$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5$  (D)  $\left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^4$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Here,

$$n = 5, p = \frac{10}{100} = \frac{1}{10} \text{ and } q = \frac{9}{10}$$

$$r \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow r = 0, 1$$

Also,

$$P(X = r) = {}^nC_r p^r q^{n-r}$$

$$P(X = r) = P(r = 0) + P(r = 1)$$

$$= {}^5C_0 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^0 \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5 + {}^5C_1 \left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^1 \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^4$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5 + 5 \cdot \frac{1}{10} \cdot \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^4$$

$$= \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^5 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{10}\right)^4$$

**Q. 9.** A and B are two students. Their chances of solving a problem correctly are  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ , respectively. If the probability of their making a common error is,  $\frac{1}{20}$  and they obtain the same answer, then the probability of their answer to be correct is

(A)  $\frac{1}{12}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{40}$

(C)  $\frac{13}{120}$  (D)  $\frac{10}{13}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Let  $E_1$  = Event that both A and B solve the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(E_1) &= \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{12} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $E_2$  = Event that both A and B got incorrect solution of the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(E_2) &= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $E$  = Event that they got same answer  
Here,

$$P(E / E_1) = 1,$$

$$P(E / E_2) = \frac{1}{20}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(E_1 / E) &= \frac{P(E_1 \cap E)}{P(E)} \\ &= \frac{P(E_1) \cdot P(E / E_1)}{P(E_1) \cdot P(E / E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(E / E_2)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{12} \times 1}{\frac{1}{12} \times 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{20}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\frac{1}{12}}{\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{20}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{12}}{\frac{10+6}{60}} \\ &= \frac{1}{13} \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 10.** In a college, 30% students fail in physics, 25% fail in mathematics and 10% fail in both. One student is chosen at random. The probability that she fails in physics if she has failed in mathematics is

(A)  $\frac{1}{10}$  (B)  $\frac{2}{5}$

(C)  $\frac{9}{20}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{3}$

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Here,

$$\begin{aligned} P_{(Ph)} &= \frac{30}{100} \\ &= \frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{(M)} &= \frac{25}{100} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } P_{(M \cap Ph)} &= \frac{10}{100} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P\left(\frac{Ph}{M}\right) &= \frac{P(Ph \cap M)}{P(M)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\frac{1}{4}} \\ &= \frac{2}{5} \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 11.** Two cards are drawn from a well shuffled deck of 52 playing cards with replacement. The probability, that both cards are queens, is

(A)  $\frac{1}{13} \times \frac{1}{13}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{13}$

(C)  $\frac{1}{13} \times \frac{1}{17}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{13} \times \frac{4}{51}$

**Ans. Option (A) is correct.**

**Explanation :**

$$\text{Required probability} = \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13} \times \frac{1}{13}$$

**Q. 12.** Two dice are thrown. If it is known that the sum of numbers on the dice was less than 6, the probability of getting a sum 3, is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{18}$  (B)  $\frac{5}{18}$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{5}$  (D)  $\frac{2}{5}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation :** Let,

$E_1$  = Event that the sum of numbers on the dice was less than 6 and

$E_2$  = Event that the sum of numbers on the dice is 3.

$$\therefore E_1 = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4), (2, 1), (2, 2), (2, 3), (3, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow n(E_1) = 10$$

$$\text{and } E_2 = \{(1, 2), (2, 1)\}$$

$$\Rightarrow n(E_2) = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{Required probability} = \frac{2}{10} = \frac{1}{5}$$

Q. 13. Eight coins are tossed together. The probability of getting exactly 3 heads is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{256}$  (B)  $\frac{7}{32}$   
 (C)  $\frac{5}{32}$  (D)  $\frac{3}{32}$

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

**Explanation :**

We know that, probability distribution

$$P(X = r) = {}^nC_r (p)^r (q)^{n-r}$$

Here,  $n = 8$ ,  $r = 3$ ,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $q = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Required probability} &= {}^8C_3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{8-3} \\ &= \frac{8!}{5!3!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^8 \\ &= \frac{8 \cdot 7 \cdot 6}{3 \cdot 2} \cdot \frac{1}{2^8} \\ &= \frac{7}{32} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 14. A box contains 3 orange balls, 3 green balls and 2 blue balls. Three balls are drawn at random from the box without replacement. The probability of drawing 2 green balls and one blue ball is

- (A)  $\frac{3}{28}$  (B)  $\frac{2}{21}$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{28}$  (D)  $\frac{167}{168}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explunation :**

Probability of drawing 2 green balls and one blue ball

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(G) \cdot P(G) \cdot P(B) + P(B) \cdot P(G) \cdot P(G) \\ &\quad + P(G) \cdot P(B) \cdot P(G) \\ &= \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{2}{6} + \frac{2}{8} \cdot \frac{3}{7} \cdot \frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{2}{6} \\ &= \frac{3}{28} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 15. A die is thrown and a card is selected at random from a deck of 52 playing cards. The probability of getting an even number on the die and a spade card is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{4}$   
 (C)  $\frac{1}{8}$  (D)  $\frac{3}{4}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation :** Let,

$E_1$  = Event for getting an even number on die and

$E_2$  = Event that a spade card is selected

$$\therefore P(E_1) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{and } P(E_2) = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then, } P(E_1 \cap E_2) &= P(E_1) \cdot P(E_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 16. Assume that in a family, each child is equally likely to be a boy or a girl. A family with three children is chosen at random. The probability that the eldest child is a girl given that the family has at least one girl is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
 (C)  $\frac{2}{3}$  (D)  $\frac{4}{7}$

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

**Explanation :** We have,

$$S = \{B, B, B\}, \{G, G, G\}, \{B, G, G\}, \{G, B, G\}, \{G, G, B\}, \{G, B, B\}, \{B, G, B\}, \{B, B, G\}\}$$

$E_1$  = Event that a family has at least one girl, then

$$E_1 = \{(G, B, B), (B, G, B), (B, B, G), (G, G, B), (B, G, G), (G, B, G), (G, G, G)\}$$

$E_2$  = Event that the eldest child is a girl, then

$$E_2 = \{(G, B, B), (G, G, B), (G, B, G), (G, G, G)\}$$

$$\therefore E_1 \cap E_2 = \{(G, B, B), (G, G, B), (G, B, G), (G, G, G)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore P(E_2 | E_1) &= \frac{P(E_1 \cap E_2)}{P(E_1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{4}{7}}{\frac{8}{7}} \\ &= \frac{4}{8} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

**Q. 17.** Two events  $E$  and  $F$  are independent. If  $P(E) = 0.3$ ,  $P(E \cup F) = 0.5$ , then  $P(E|F) - P(F|E)$  equals

- (A)  $\frac{2}{7}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{35}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{70}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{7}$

**Ans. Option (C) is correct.**

**Explanation :** We have,

$$P(E) = 0.3$$

$$\text{and } P(E \cup F) = 0.5$$

Also,  $E$  and  $F$  are independent.

Now,

$$P(E \cup F) = P(E) + P(F) - P(E \cap F)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.5 = 0.3 + P(F) - 0.3P(F)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow P(F) &= \frac{0.5 - 0.3}{0.7} \\ &= \frac{2}{7}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore P(E/F) - P(F/E) &= P(E) - P(F) \\ &\quad (\text{as } E \text{ and } F \text{ are independent}) \\ &= \frac{3}{10} - \frac{2}{7} \\ &= \frac{1}{70}\end{aligned}$$

**Q. 18.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are two independent events with

$$P(A) = \frac{3}{5} \text{ and } P(B) = \frac{4}{5}, \text{ then } P(A \cap B) \text{ equals}$$

- (A)  $\frac{4}{15}$  (B)  $\frac{8}{45}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{3}$  (D)  $\frac{2}{9}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Since  $A$  and  $B$  are independent events,  $A'$  and  $B'$  are also independent. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}P(A' \cap B') &= P(A') \cdot P(B') \\ &= (1 - P(A))(1 - P(B)) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{3}{5}\right)\left(1 - \frac{4}{5}\right) \\ &= \frac{2}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{5} \\ &= \frac{2}{25}\end{aligned}$$

**Q. 19.** If  $A$  and  $B$  are such events that  $P(A) > 0$  and  $P(B) \neq 1$ , then  $P(A|B)$  equals

- (A)  $1 - P(A|B)$  (B)  $1 - P(A|B)$   
(C)  $\frac{1 - P(A \cup B)}{P(B')}$  (D)  $P(A|P(B))$

**Ans. Option (C) is correct.**

**Explanation :** We have,

$$P(A) > 0 \text{ and } P(B) \neq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A' / B') &= \frac{P(A' \cap B')}{P(B')} \\ &= \frac{1 - P(A \cup B)}{P(B')}\end{aligned}$$

**Q. 20.** Let  $P(A) = \frac{7}{13}$ ,  $P(B) = \frac{9}{13}$  and  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{4}{13}$ . Then  $P(A|B)$  is equal to

- (A)  $\frac{6}{13}$  (B)  $\frac{4}{13}$   
(C)  $\frac{4}{9}$  (D)  $\frac{5}{9}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Here,

$$P(A) = \frac{7}{13},$$

$$P(B) = \frac{9}{13}$$

$$\text{and } P(A \cap B) = \frac{4}{13}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P(A' | B) &= \frac{P(A' \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{P(B) - P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \\ &= \frac{9 - 4}{9} \\ &= \frac{5}{9}\end{aligned}$$

**Q. 21.**  $A$  and  $B$  are events such that  $P(A) = 0.4$ ,  $P(B) = 0.3$  and  $P(A \cup B) = 0.5$ . Then  $P(B \cap A)$  equals

- (A)  $\frac{2}{3}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$   
(C)  $\frac{3}{10}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{5}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** We have,

$$P(A) = 0.4,$$

$$P(B) = 0.3$$

$$\text{and } P(A \cup B) = 0.5$$

$$\text{Now, } P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow P(A \cap B) &= 0.4 + 0.3 - 0.5 \\ &= 0.2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A) &= 0.4, \\
 P(B) &= 0.3 \\
 \text{and } P(A \cup B) &= 0.5 \\
 \text{Now, } P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\
 \Rightarrow P(A \cap B) &= 0.4 + 0.3 - 0.5 \\
 &= 0.2 \\
 \therefore P(B' \cap A) &= P(A) - P(A \cap B) \\
 &= 0.4 - 0.2 \\
 &= 0.2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q. 22. If  $P(A) = \frac{2}{5}$ ,  $P(B) = \frac{3}{10}$  and  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{5}$ , then

$P(A' | B')$ ,  $P(B' | A')$  is equal to

- (A)  $\frac{5}{6}$  (B)  $\frac{5}{7}$   
(C)  $\frac{25}{42}$  (D) 1

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation :** We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A) &= \frac{2}{5}, \\
 P(B) &= \frac{3}{10} \\
 \text{and } P(A \cap B) &= \frac{1}{5} \\
 P(A' | B') \cdot P(B' | A') &= \frac{P(A' \cap B')}{P(B')} \cdot \frac{P(A' \cap B')}{P(A')} \\
 &= \frac{(P((A \cup B)'))^2}{P(A')P(B')} \\
 &= \frac{(1 - P(A \cup B))^2}{(1 - P(A))(1 - P(B))}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{(1 - P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B))^2}{(1 - P(A))(1 - P(B))} \\
 &= \frac{\left[1 - \left(\frac{2}{5} + \frac{3}{10} - \frac{1}{5}\right)\right]^2}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{3}{10}\right)} \\
 &= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2}{\frac{3}{5} \cdot \frac{7}{10}} \\
 &= \frac{25}{42}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q. 23. If  $P(A) = \frac{4}{5}$  and  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{7}{10}$ , then  $(P(B | A))$  is equal to

- (A)  $\frac{1}{10}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{8}$   
(C)  $\frac{7}{8}$  (D)  $\frac{17}{20}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation :**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore P(A) &= \frac{4}{5}, \\
 P(A \cap B) &= \frac{7}{10} \\
 \therefore P(B | A) &= \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{7}{10}}{\frac{4}{5}} \\
 &= \frac{7}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$



## ASSERTION AND REASON BASED MCQs

(1 Mark each)

**Directions :** In the following questions, A statement of Assertion (A) is followed by a statement of Reason (R). Mark the correct choice as

- (A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A  
(B) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A  
(C) A is true but R is false  
(D) A is false but R is True

Q. 1. Assertion (A): Let A and B be two events such that  $P(A) = \frac{1}{5}$ , while  $P(A \text{ or } B) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Let  $P(B) = P$ , then

for  $P = \frac{3}{8}$ , A and B independent.

Reason (R) : For independent events,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(A \cap B) &= P(A) P(B) \\
 P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\
 &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A) P(B)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{5} + P - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)P \\
 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} &= \frac{1}{5} + \frac{4}{5}P \\
 \Rightarrow P &= \frac{3}{8}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:** Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

Q. 2. Assertion (A) : If A and B are two mutually exclusive events with  $P(\bar{A}) = \frac{5}{6}$  and  $P(B) = \frac{1}{3}$ . Then  $P(A / \bar{B})$  is equal to  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

**Reason (R) :** If  $A$  and  $B$  are two events such that  $P(A) = 0.2$ ,  $P(B) = 0.6$  and  $P(A|B) = 0.2$  then the value of  $P(A|\bar{B})$  is 0.2.

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation:** Assertion (A) is correct.

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

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

[since, given  $A$  and  $B$  are two mutually exclusive events]

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{A}{\bar{B}}\right) &= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{5}{6}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{\frac{2}{3}} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Reason (R) is also correct.

For independent events,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A|\bar{B}) &= P(A) \\ &= 0.2. \end{aligned}$$

**Q. 3. Assertion (A) :** Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two events such that the occurrence of  $A$  implies occurrence of  $B$ , but not vice-versa, then the correct relation between  $P(A)$  and  $P(B)$  is  $P(B) \geq P(A)$ .

**Reason (R) :** Here, according to the given statement

$$\begin{aligned} A &\subseteq B \\ P(B) &= P(A \cup (A \cap B)) \\ &\quad (\because A \cap B = A) \\ &= P(A) + P(A \cap B) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } P(B) \geq P(A)$$

**Ans. Option (A) is correct.**

**Explanation:** Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).

**Q. 4. Assertion (A) :** If  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$  then,  $P(A) = P(B)$ .

**Reason (R) :** If  $A \subset B$  then  $P(\bar{A}) \leq P(\bar{B})$ .

**Ans. Option (C) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Assertion (A) is correct.

$A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A \Rightarrow A = B$

Hence,  $P(A) = P(B)$ .

But (R) is wrong.

$$A \subset B \Rightarrow \bar{B} \subset \bar{A}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } P(\bar{A}) \geq P(\bar{B})$$

**Q. 5. Assertion (A) :** The probability of an impossible event is 1.

**Reason (R) :** If  $A$  is a perfect subset of  $B$  and  $P(A) < P(B)$ , then  $P(B - A)$  is equal to  $P(B) - P(A)$ .

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation :** Assertion (A) is wrong.

If the probability of an event is 0, then it is called as an impossible event.

But Reason (R) is correct.

From Basic Theorem of Probability,

$P(B - A) = P(B) - P(A)$ , this is true only if the condition given in the question is true.

**Q. 6. Assertion (A) :** If  $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \dots \cup A_n$ , where  $A_1 \dots A_n$  are mutually exclusive events then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) = P(A)$$

**Reason (R) :**

Given,  $A = A_1 \cup A_2 \dots \cup A_n$

Since  $A_1 \dots A_n$  are mutually exclusive

$$P(A) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots + P(A_n)$$

$$\text{Therefore } P(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$$

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation:** Assertion (A) and Reason (R) both are correct and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).



## CASE-BASED MCQs

**Attempt any four sub-parts from each question. Each sub-part carries 1 mark.**

**I. Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:**

A coach is training 3 players. He observes that the player  $A$  can hit a target 4 times in 5 shots, player  $B$  can hit 3 times in 4 shots and the player  $C$  can hit 2 times in 3 shots. [CBSE QB 2021]



Q. 1. Let the target is hit by A, B: the target is hit by B and, C: the target is hit by A and C. Then, the probability that A, B and, C all will hit, is

- (A)  $\frac{4}{5}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{5}$   
(C)  $\frac{2}{5}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{5}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$P(A) = \frac{4}{5}, P(B) = \frac{3}{4}, P(C) = \frac{2}{3}$$

Probability that A, B and C all will hit the target

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(A \cap B \cap C) \\ &= P(A)P(B)P(C) \\ &= \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{2}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 2. What is the probability that B, C will hit and A will lose?

- (A)  $\frac{1}{10}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{10}$   
(C)  $\frac{7}{10}$  (D)  $\frac{4}{10}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{A}) &= 1 - \frac{4}{5} \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Probability that B, C will hit and A will lose

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(\bar{A} \cap B \cap C) \\ &= P(\bar{A})P(B)P(C) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 3. What is the probability that 'any two of A, B and C will hit'?

- (A)  $\frac{1}{30}$  (B)  $\frac{11}{30}$   
(C)  $\frac{17}{30}$  (D)  $\frac{13}{30}$

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{B}) &= 1 - \frac{3}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{4}, \\ P(\bar{C}) &= 1 - \frac{2}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Probability that any two of A, B and C will hit

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(\bar{A})P(B)P(C) + P(A)P(\bar{B})P(C) \\ &\quad + P(A)P(B)P(\bar{C}) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} + \frac{2}{15} + \frac{1}{5} \\ &= \frac{3+4+6}{30} \\ &= \frac{13}{30} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 4. What is the probability that 'none of them will hit the target'?

- (A)  $\frac{1}{30}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{60}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{15}$  (D)  $\frac{2}{15}$

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

**Explanation:** Probability that none of them will hit the target

$$\begin{aligned} &= P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C}) \\ &= P(\bar{A})P(\bar{B})P(\bar{C}) \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{60} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 5. What is the probability that at least one of A, B or C will hit the target?

- (A)  $\frac{59}{60}$  (B)  $\frac{2}{5}$   
(C)  $\frac{3}{5}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{60}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

II. Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:

The reliability of a COVID PCR test is specified as follows:

Of people having COVID, 90% of the test detects the disease but 10% goes undetected. Of people free of COVID, 99% of the test is judged COVID negative but 1% are diagnosed as showing COVID positive. From a large population of which only 0.1% have COVID, one person is selected at random, given the COVID PCR test, and the pathologist reports him/her as COVID positive. [CBSE QB 2021]



**Q. 1.** What is the probability of the 'person to be tested as COVID positive' given that 'he is actually having COVID'?

- (A) 0.001 (B) 0.1  
(C) 0.8 (D) 0.9

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Explanation:**

$E$  = Person selected has Covid

$F$  = Does not have Covid

$G$  = Test judge Covid positive

Probability of the person to be tested as Covid positive given that he is actually having Covid

$$= P(G / E) = 90\% = \frac{90}{100} = 0.9$$

**Q. 2.** What is the probability of the 'person to be tested as COVID positive' given that 'he is actually not having COVID'?

- (A) 0.01 (B) 0.99  
(C) 0.1 (D) 0.001

**Ans. Option (A) is correct.**

**Explanation:** Probability of person to be tested as Covid positive given that he is actually not having Covid

$$= P(G / E) = 1\% = \frac{1}{100} = 0.01$$

**Q. 3.** What is the probability that the 'person is actually not having COVID'?

- (A) 0.998 (B) 0.999  
(C) 0.001 (D) 0.111

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation:**

$$P(E) = 1 - P(F)$$

$$= 1 - 0.001 \left[ \because P(F) = 0.1\% = \frac{0.1}{100} = 0.001 \right]$$

$$= 0.999$$

**Q. 4.** What is the probability that the 'person is actually having COVID given that 'he is tested as COVID positive'?

- (A) 0.83 (B) 0.0803  
(C) 0.083 (D) 0.089

**Ans. Option (C) is correct.**

**Explanation:**

$$P(E / G) = \frac{0.001 \times 0.9}{0.001 \times 0.9 + 0.999 \times 0.01}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^{-4}}{9 \times 10^{-4} + 99.9 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 10^{-4}}{10^{-4}(9 + 99.9)}$$

$$= \frac{9}{108.9}$$

$$= 0.083 \text{ (approx)}$$

**Q. 5.** What is the probability that the 'person selected will be diagnosed as COVID positive'?

- (A) 0.1089 (B) 0.01089  
(C) 0.0189 (D) 0.189

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**III.** Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:

In answering a question on a multiple choice test for class XII, a student either knows the answer or guesses.

Let  $\frac{3}{5}$  be the probability that he knows the answer and  $\frac{2}{5}$  be the probability that he guesses. Assume that a student who guesses at the answer

will be correct with probability  $\frac{1}{3}$ . Let  $E_1, E_2, E$  be the events that the student knows the answer, guesses the answer and answers correctly respectively.

[CBSE QB 2021]



**Q. 1.** What is the value of  $P(E_1)$ ?

- (A)  $\frac{2}{5}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{3}$   
(C) 1 (D)  $\frac{3}{5}$

**Ans. Option (D) is correct.**

**Q. 2.** Value of  $P(E | E_1)$  is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{3}$  (B) 1  
(C)  $\frac{2}{3}$  (D)  $\frac{4}{5}$

**Ans. Option (B) is correct.**

**Explanation:**

$$P(E_1 / E) = 1$$

**Q. 3.**  $\sum_{k=1}^{k=2} P(E | E_k) P(E_k)$  Equals

- (A)  $\frac{11}{15}$  (B)  $\frac{4}{15}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{5}$  (D) 1

**Ans. Option (A) is correct.**

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=1}^{k=2} P(E|E_k)P(E_k) &= P(E|E_1)P(E_1) + P(E|E_2)P(E_2) \\ &= 1 \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} \\ &= \frac{11}{15}\end{aligned}$$

Q. 4. Value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{k=2} P(E_k)$

- (A)  $\frac{1}{3}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{5}$   
(C) 1 (D)  $\frac{3}{5}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{k=1}^{k=2} P(E_k) &= P(E_1) + P(E_2) \\ &= \frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{5} \\ &= \frac{5}{5} \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Q. 5. What is the probability that the student knows the answer given that he answered it correctly?

- (A)  $\frac{2}{11}$  (B)  $\frac{5}{3}$   
(C)  $\frac{9}{11}$  (D)  $\frac{13}{3}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned}P(E|E_1) &= \frac{P(E_1) \cdot P(E_1|E)}{P(E_1) \cdot P(E_1|E) + P(E_2) \cdot P(E|E_2)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{5} \times 1}{\frac{3}{5} \times 1 + \frac{2}{5} \times \frac{1}{3}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{15}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{9}{15} + \frac{2}{15}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{3}{5}}{\frac{11}{15}} \\ &= \frac{9}{11}\end{aligned}$$

IV. Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:

In an office three employees Vinay, Sonia and Iqbal process incoming copies of a certain form. Vinay process 50% of the forms. Sonia processes 20% and Iqbal the remaining 30% of the forms. Vinay has an error rate of 0.06, Sonia has an error rate of 0.04 and Iqbal has an error rate of 0.03.



[CBSE QB 2021]

Q. 1. The conditional probability that an error is committed in processing given that Sonia processed the form is :

- (A) 0.0210 (B) 0.04  
(C) 0.47 (D) 0.06

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Q. 2. The probability that Sonia processed the form and committed an error is :

- (A) 0.005 (B) 0.006  
(C) 0.008 (D) 0.68

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$P$  (sonia processed the form and committed an error) = 20%  $\times$  0.4

$$\begin{aligned}&= \frac{20}{100} \times 0.04 \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \times 0.04 \\ &= 0.008\end{aligned}$$

Q. 3. The total probability of committing an error in processing the form is :

- (A) 0 (B) 0.047  
(C) 0.234 (D) 1

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

Q. 4. The manager of the company wants to do a quality check. During inspection he selects a form at random from the days output of processed forms. If the form selected at random has an error, the probability that the form is NOT processed by Vinay is :

- (A) 1 (B)  $\frac{30}{47}$   
(C)  $\frac{20}{47}$  (D)  $\frac{17}{47}$

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

Q. 5. Let  $A$  be the event of committing an error in processing the form and let  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$  and  $E_3$  be the events that Vinay, Sonia and Iqbal processed the form. The value of  $\sum_{i=1}^3 P(E_i|A) = 1$  is :

- (A) 0 (B) 0.03  
(C) 0.06 (D) 1

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

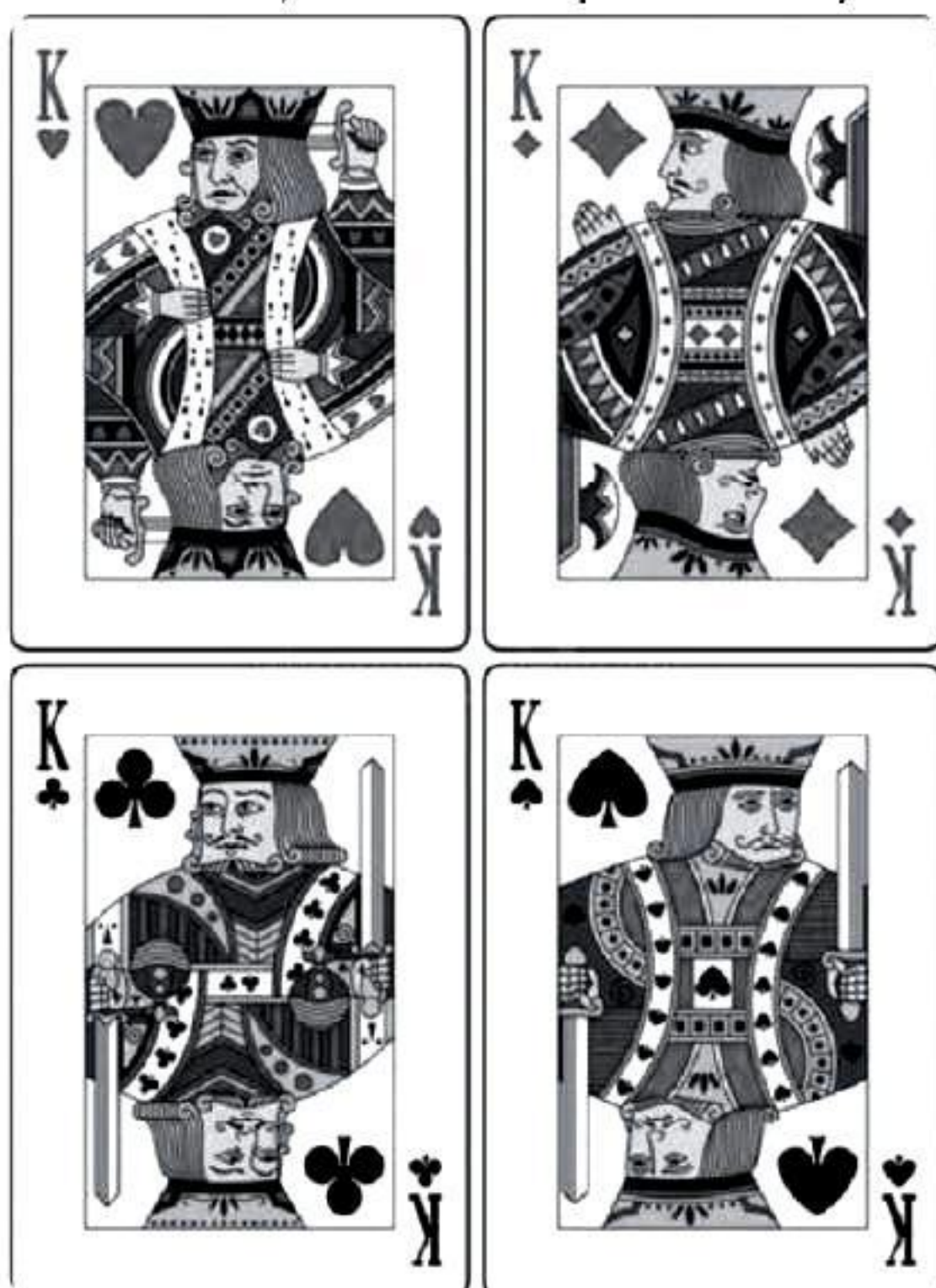
**Explanation:**

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 P\left(\frac{E_i}{A}\right) = P\left(\frac{E_1}{A}\right) + P\left(\frac{E_2}{A}\right) + P\left(\frac{E_3}{A}\right) = 1$$

[ $\because$  sum of all occurrence of an event is equal to 1]

V. Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:

A group of people start playing cards. And as we know a well shuffled pack of cards contains a total of 52 cards. Then 2 cards are drawn simultaneously (or successively without replacement).



Q. 1. If  $x$  = no. of kings = 0, 1, 2. Then  $P(x = 0) = ?$

- (A)  $\frac{188}{221}$  (B)  $\frac{198}{223}$   
(C)  $\frac{197}{290}$  (D)  $\frac{187}{221}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$P(x = 0) = \frac{48}{52} \times \frac{47}{51} = \frac{188}{221}$$

Q. 2. If  $x$  = no. of kings = 0, 1, 2. Then  $P(x = 1) = ?$

- (A)  $\frac{32}{229}$  (B)  $\frac{32}{227}$   
(C)  $\frac{32}{221}$  (D)  $\frac{32}{219}$

Ans. Option (C) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$P(x = 1) = \frac{48}{52} \times \frac{47}{51} = \frac{188}{221}$$

Q. 3. If  $x$  = no. of kings = 0, 1, 2. Then  $P(x = 2) = ?$

- (a)  $\frac{2}{219}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{221}$   
(C)  $\frac{3}{209}$  (D)  $\frac{1}{209}$

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$P(x = 2) = \frac{4}{52} \times \frac{3}{51} = \frac{1}{221}$$

Q. 4. Find the mean of the number of kings ?

- (A)  $\frac{2}{13}$  (B)  $\frac{1}{13}$   
(C)  $\frac{1}{17}$  (D)  $\frac{2}{17}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} &= \sum x_i p_i \\ &= \left(0 \times \frac{188}{221}\right) + \left(1 \times \frac{32}{221}\right) + \left(2 \times \frac{1}{221}\right) \\ &= \frac{34}{221} \\ &= \frac{2}{13} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 5. Find the variance of the number of kings ?

- (A)  $\frac{400}{2873}$  (B)  $\frac{400}{2877}$   
(C)  $\frac{400}{2879}$  (D)  $\frac{400}{2871}$

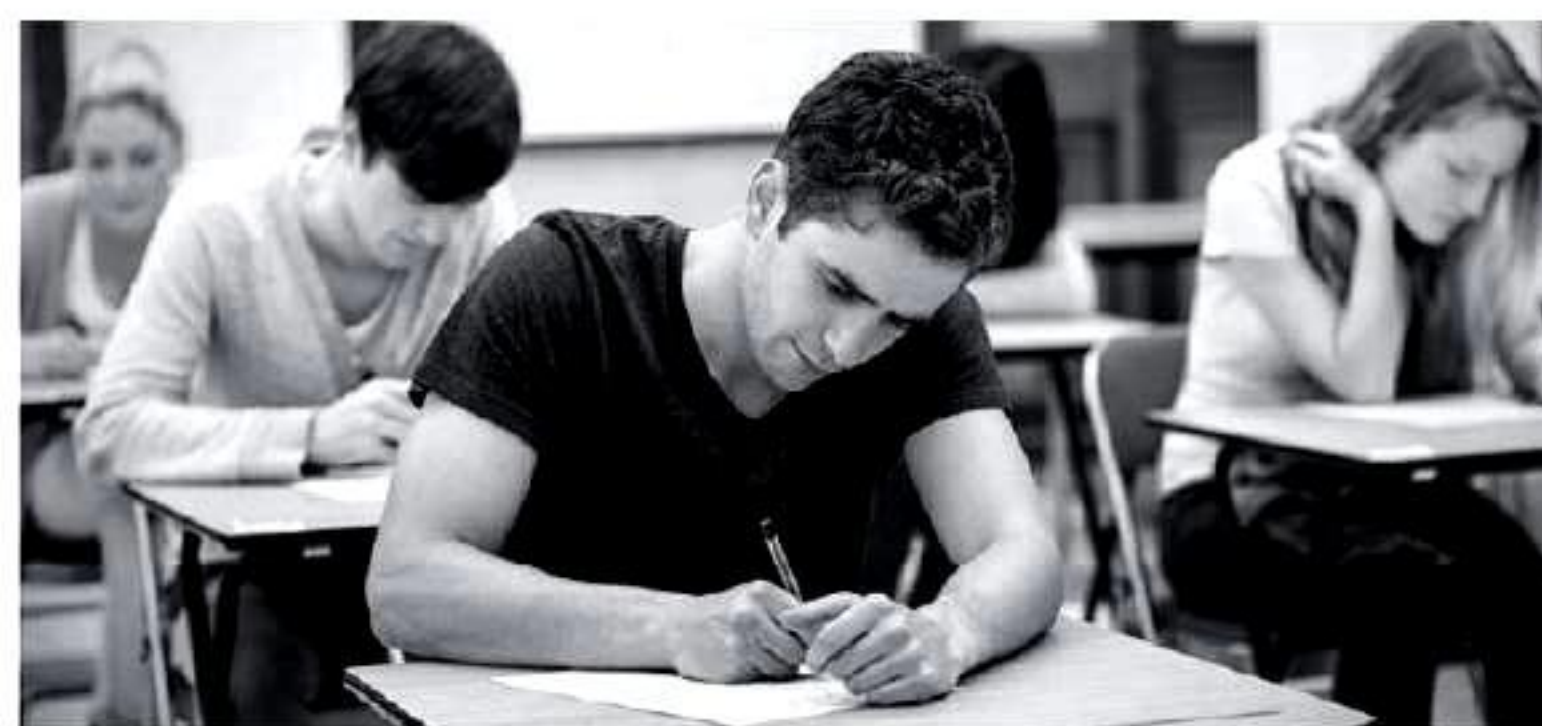
Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Variance} &= \sum x_i^2 p_i - (\sum x_i p_i)^2 \\ \sum x_i^2 p_i &= \left(0 \times \frac{188}{221}\right) + \left(1 \times \frac{32}{221}\right) + \left(4 \times \frac{1}{221}\right) \\ &= \frac{36}{221} \\ \text{Variance} &= \frac{36}{221} - \left(\frac{2}{13}\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{400}{2873} \end{aligned}$$

VI. Read the following text and answer the following questions on the basis of the same:

Anand, Samanyu and Shah of SHORTCUTS classes were given a problem in Mathematics whose respective probabilities of solving it are  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$ . They were asked to solve it independently.



Based on the above data, answer any four of the following questions.



Q. 1. The probability that Anand alone solves it is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$   
(C)  $\frac{11}{24}$  (D)  $\frac{17}{24}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

Let  $A \rightarrow$  event that Anand solves

$B \rightarrow$  event that Samanyu solves

$C \rightarrow$  event that Shah solves

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{2}, P(B) = \frac{1}{3}, P(C) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore P(A') = \frac{1}{2}, P(B') = \frac{2}{3}, P(C') = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B' \cap C') &= P(A) P(B') P(C') \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 2. The probability that the problem is not solved is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$   
(C) 0 (D)  $\frac{11}{24}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} P(A' \cap B' \cap C') &= P(A') P(B') P(C') \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 3. The probability that the problem is solved is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$   
(C)  $\frac{17}{24}$  (D)  $\frac{11}{24}$

Ans. Option (B) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B \cup C) &= 1 - P(A') P(B') P(C') \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 4. The probability that exactly one of them solves it is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$   
(C)  $\frac{17}{24}$  (D)  $\frac{11}{24}$

Ans. Option (D) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A \cap B' \cap C') + P(A' \cap B \cap C') + P(A' \cap B' \cap C) \\ &= P(A) P(B') P(C') + P(A') P(B) P(C') + P(A') P(B') P(C) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{11}{24} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 5. The probability that exactly two of them solves it is

- (A)  $\frac{1}{4}$  (B)  $\frac{3}{4}$   
(C)  $\frac{17}{24}$  (D)  $\frac{11}{24}$

Ans. Option (A) is correct.

**Explanation:**

$$\begin{aligned} &P(A \cap B \cap C') + P(A \cap B' \cap C) + P(A' \cap B \cap C) \\ &= P(A) P(B) P(C') + P(A) P(B') P(C) + P(A') P(B) P(C) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{6}{24} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$