

## Math 140: Thursday, Oct 10th, Day 14 Notes

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Agenda for Thursday, Oct 10th, 2024

Chapter 3 Probability

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### Coming up

- ! Online HW 7 due Today
- ! Written HW 4 due Tuesday
- Office Hour **tomorrow 12-1:15pm** in C162 (not today at 1pm)
- **Exam 2** on Thursday Oct 17th - Study guide and Practice Exam posted by end of Friday
- Carrera de los Lancers - 5k this Saturday; meet in front of gym at 10am

Recall: See probability flow chart

## Probabilities involving "AND" continued

Independent events revisited:

- Consider drawing two cards (one at a time) from a deck of cards **with replacement**. Let  $K_{1st}$  be the event of "drawing a King the first time" and  $K_{2nd}$  be the event of "drawing a King the second time". Find:

$$P(K_{2nd}) = \frac{4}{52}$$

formula for conditional prob  
 $P(*|*) = \frac{P(*and*)}{P(*)}$

$$P(K_{2nd}|K_{1st}) = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{P(K_{2nd} \text{ and } K_{1st})}{P(K_{1st})} = \frac{P(K_{2nd}) \cdot P(K_{1st})}{P(K_{1st})}$$

$$* \quad P(K_{2nd}|K_{1st}) = P(K_{2nd})$$

when events are independent

$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

Event A and B are independent if and only if:

- $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$  ✓
- $P(A|B) = P(A)$  ✓
- $P(B|A) = P(B)$  ✓

$$P(T) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(T|F) = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$P(F) = \frac{2}{10}$$

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$$P(K_{2nd}|K_{1st}) = \frac{3}{51}$$

solve for this

can't break it down into a product

$$P(K_{2nd}|K_{1st}) = \frac{P(K_{2nd} \text{ and } K_{1st})}{P(K_{1st})}$$

$$P(K_{2nd} \text{ and } K_{1st}) = P(K_{1st}) \cdot P(K_{2nd}|K_{1st}) = \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{3}{51}$$

## General Multiplication Rule

$$P(* \text{ and } \star) = P(*) \cdot P(\star | *)$$

The probability that two events  $A$  and  $B$  will occur in sequence is

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A).$$

If events  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, then the rule can be simplified to

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B).$$

$$P(B|A) = P(B)$$

**Example 1.** In a survey, 510 adults were asked if they drive a pickup truck and if they drive a Ford. The results showed that one in six adults surveyed drives a pickup truck, and three in ten adults surveyed drive a Ford. Of the adults surveyed that drive Fords, two in nine drive a pickup truck.

$$P(T) = \frac{1}{6}, \quad P(F) = \frac{3}{10},$$

- Find the probability that a randomly selected adult drives a pickup truck, **given** that the adult drives a Ford.

$$P(T | F) = \frac{2}{9}$$

- Are the events "driving a Ford" and "driving a pickup truck" independent or dependent? Explain.

Check  $P(T | F) \stackrel{?}{=} P(T)$

$$\frac{2}{9} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{1}{6}$$

not independent

- Find the probability that a randomly selected adult drives a Ford pick up truck.

$$P(* \text{ and } \star) = P(*) \cdot P(\star | *)$$

$$P(F \text{ and } T) = P(F)P(T | F) = \frac{3}{10} \cdot \frac{2}{9} = \frac{2}{30} = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$P(F \text{ and } T) = \frac{2}{30}$$

$$P(T) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(F) = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\frac{1 \cdot \cancel{3} \cdot 5 \cdot \cancel{10}}{\cancel{2} \cdot \cancel{9} \cdot 3} = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$\frac{3 \cdot 2}{10 \cdot 9} = \frac{6}{90} = \frac{1}{15}$$

$$90 \div 6 = 15$$

## Using Tree Diagrams

$$P(B) = .44$$

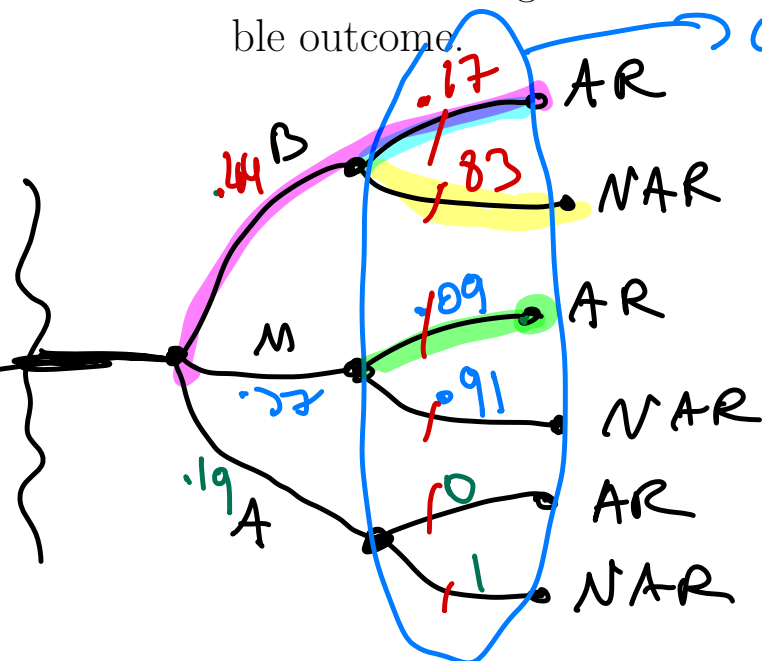
$$P(M) = .37$$

$$P(A) = .19$$

The kind of picture that helps us look at conditional probabilities and multiplication rule for dependent events is called a **tree diagram**.

**Example 2.** According to a study 44% of college students engage in binge drinking, 37% drink moderately, and 19% abstain entirely. Another study finds that among binge drinkers, 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.

1. Build a tree diagram with corresponding probabilities on each possible outcome.



$$P(AR|B) = .17$$

$$P(NAR|B) = .83$$

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

$$(.44)(.17)$$

3. What's the probability that a randomly selected college student will have an alcohol-related car accident **given** they are a moderate drinker?

$$P(AR|M) = .09$$

4. What's the probability that a randomly selected college student will be a moderate drinker **and** has had no alcohol-related car accident?