

# Homework Solutions

Q1.

A manufacturer carried out a survey of the defects in their soft toys. It is found that the probability of a toy having poor stitching is 0.03 and that a toy with poor stitching has a probability of 0.7 of splitting open. A toy without poor stitching has a probability of 0.02 of splitting open.

(a) Draw a tree diagram to represent this information.

(3)

(b) Find the probability that a randomly chosen soft toy has exactly one of the two defects, poor stitching or splitting open.

(3)

The manufacturer also finds that soft toys can become faded with probability 0.05 and that this defect is independent of poor stitching or splitting open. A soft toy is chosen at random.

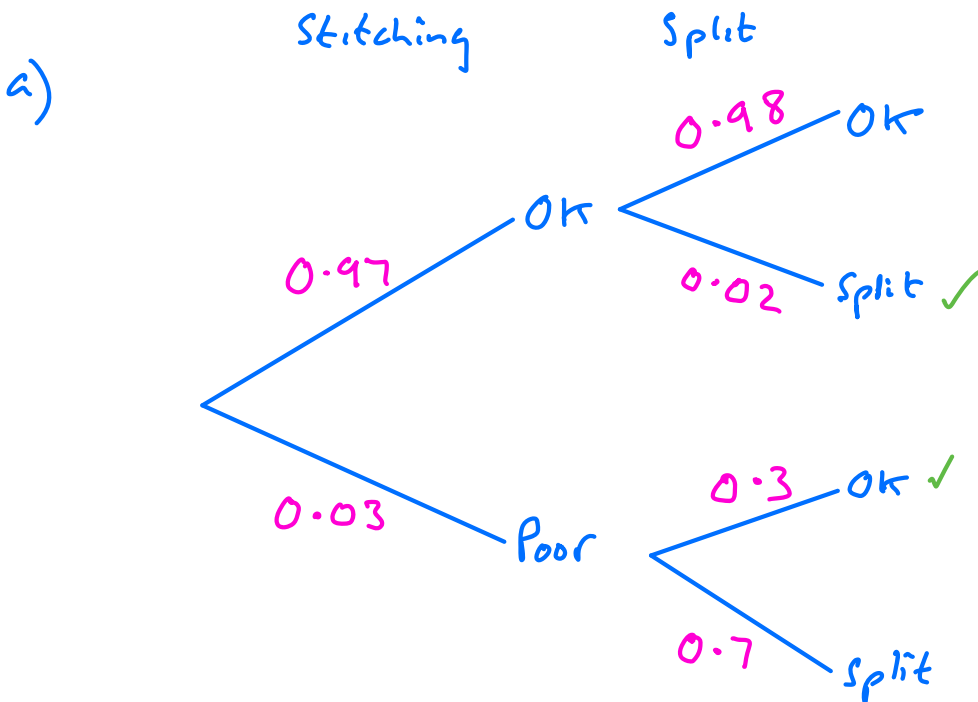
(c) Find the probability that the soft toy has none of these 3 defects.

(2)

(d) Find the probability that the soft toy has exactly one of these 3 defects.

(4)

(Total 12 marks)



b)

$$P(\text{Exactly one defect}) = 0.97 \times 0.02 + 0.03 \times 0.3$$
$$= 0.0284$$

c)

$$P(\text{No defects}) = 0.97 \times 0.98 \times 0.95$$
$$= 0.90307$$

$$d) P(\text{Exactly 1 defect})$$

$$= 0.0284 \times 0.95 + 0.97 \times 0.98 \times 0.05$$

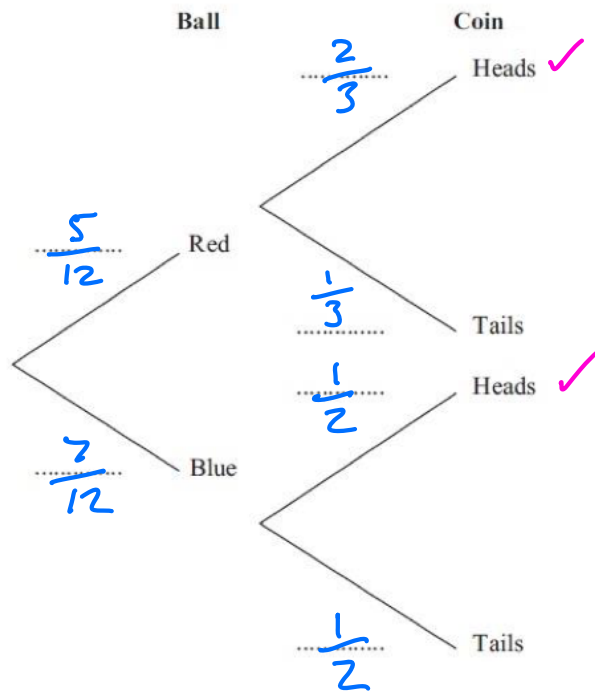
$$= 0.07451$$

Q3.

An experiment consists of selecting a ball from a bag and spinning a coin. The bag contains 5 red balls and 7 blue balls. A ball is selected at random from the bag, its colour is noted and then the ball is returned to the bag.

When a red ball is selected, a biased coin with probability  $\frac{2}{3}$  of landing heads is spun. When a blue ball is selected a fair coin is spun.

(a) Complete the tree diagram below to show the possible outcomes and associated probabilities.



(2)

Shivani selects a ball and spins the appropriate coin.

(b) Find the probability that she obtains a head.

(2)

$$P(\text{Head}) = \frac{5}{12} \times \frac{2}{3} + \frac{7}{12} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{41}{72}$$

Given that Tom selected a ball at random and obtained a head when he spun the appropriate coin,

(c) find the probability that Tom selected a red ball.

(3)

Shivani and Tom each repeat this experiment.

(d) Find the probability that the colour of the ball Shivani selects is the same as the colour of the ball Tom selects.

(3)

(Total 10 marks)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } P(\text{Red} \setminus \text{Head}) &= \frac{P(\text{Red} \cap \text{Head})}{P(\text{Head})} \\ &= \frac{\frac{5}{12} \times \frac{2}{3}}{\frac{41}{72}} = \frac{\frac{10}{36}}{\frac{41}{72}} = \frac{10}{36} \times \frac{72}{41} \\ &= \frac{20}{41} \end{aligned}$$

d) RR or BB

$$\frac{5}{12} \times \frac{5}{12} + \frac{7}{12} \times \frac{7}{12} = \frac{25+49}{144} = \frac{37}{72}$$

Q5.

On a randomly chosen day the probability that Bill travels to school by car, by bicycle or on foot is  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{6}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$  respectively. The probability of being late when using these methods of travel is  $\frac{1}{5}$ ,  $\frac{2}{5}$  and  $\frac{1}{10}$  respectively.

(a) Draw a tree diagram to represent this information.

(3)

(b) Find the probability that on a randomly chosen day

(i) Bill travels by foot and is late,

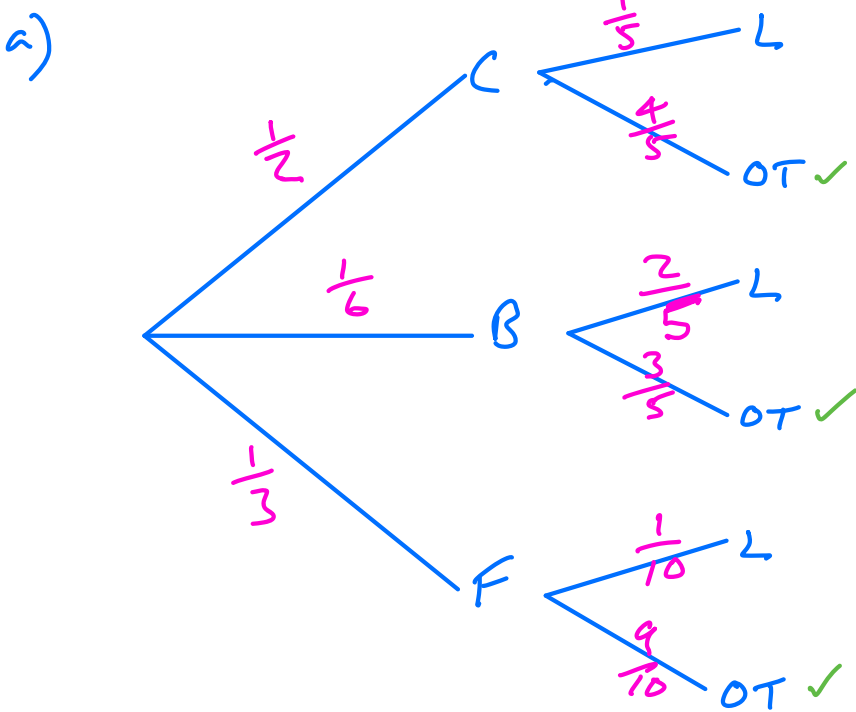
(ii) Bill is not late.

(4)

(c) Given that Bill is late, find the probability that he did not travel on foot.

(4)

(Total 11 marks)



$$b) i) P(F \cap L) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{30}$$

$$ii) P(\text{On time}) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{9}{10}$$

$$= \frac{4}{10} + \frac{3}{30} + \frac{9}{30} = \frac{8}{10}$$

$$c) P(F' \setminus L) \quad P(\text{Late}) = 1 - \frac{8}{10} = \frac{2}{10}$$

$$P(F' \cap L) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(F' \setminus L) = \frac{P(F' \cap L)}{P(L)} = \frac{\frac{1}{6}}{\frac{2}{10}} = \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{10}{2} = \frac{5}{6}$$


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Q7.

In a large company,

- 78% of employees are car owners,
- 30% of these car owners are also bike owners,
- 85% of those who are not car owners are bike owners.

(a) Draw a tree diagram to represent this information.

(3)

An employee is selected at random.

(b) Find the probability that the employee is a car owner or a bike owner but not both.

(2)

Another employee is selected at random.

Given that this employee is a bike owner,

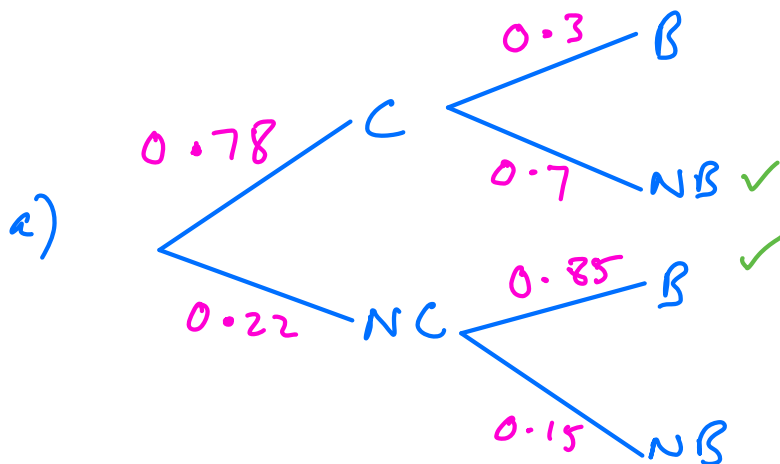
(c) find the probability that the employee is a car owner.

(3)

Two employees are selected at random.

(d) Find the probability that only one of them is a bike owner.

(3)



(Total 11 marks)

b)  $P(\text{Owns one of car/bike})$

$$= 0.78 \times 0.7 + 0.22 \times 0.85 = 0.733$$

c)  $P(C \setminus B) = \frac{P(C \cap B)}{P(B)}$

$$= \frac{0.78 \times 0.3}{0.78 \times 0.3 + 0.22 \times 0.85} = \frac{234}{421} = 0.5558$$

$$d) P(B, NB) + P(NB, B)$$

$$P(B) = 0.78 \times 0.3 + 0.22 \times 0.85 = 0.421$$

$$P(NB) = 1 - 0.421 = 0.579$$

$$P(B, NB) + P(NB, B)$$

$$= 0.421 \times 0.579 \times 2 = 0.487518$$
$$= 0.488 \text{ to 3sf.}$$

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