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## Multiplication Rule: Basics

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## Finding the Probability of Two or More Selections

- ❖ Multiple selections
- ❖ Multiplication Rule

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## Notation

$P(\underline{A \text{ and } B}) =$   
 $P(\text{event A occurs in a first trial and}$   
 $\text{event B occurs in a second trial})$

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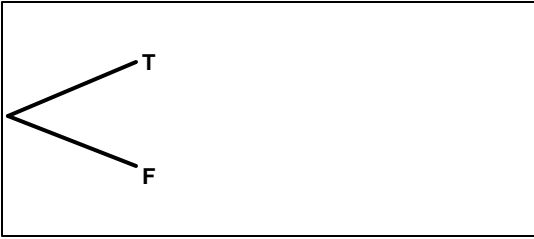
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### Tree Diagram of Test Answers



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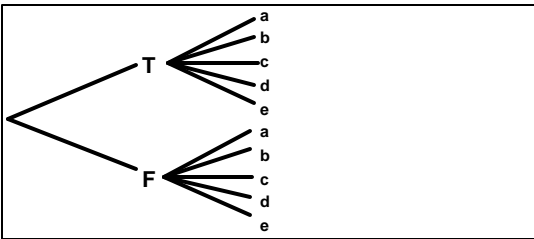
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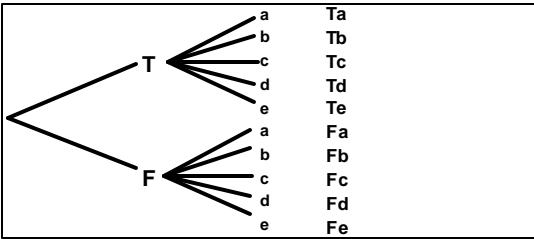
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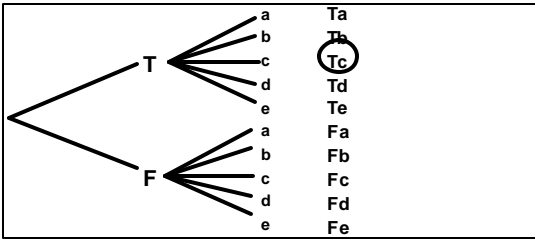
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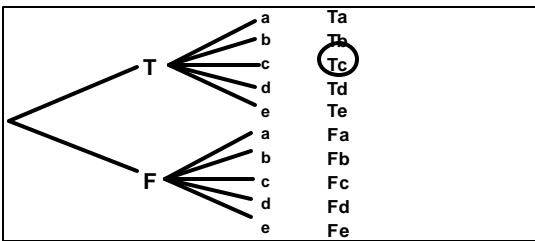
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### Tree Diagram of Test Answers



$$P(T) = \frac{1}{2}$$

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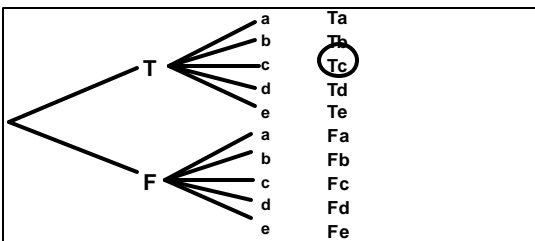
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### Tree Diagram of Test Answers



$$P(T) = \frac{1}{2} \quad P(c) = \frac{1}{5}$$

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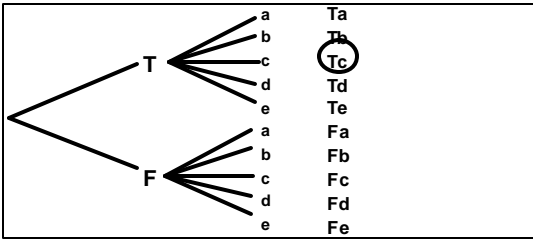
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### Tree Diagram of Test Answers



$$P(T) = \frac{1}{2} \quad P(c) = \frac{1}{5} \quad P(T \text{ and } c) = \frac{1}{10}$$

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**P (both correct)**

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**P (both correct) = P (T and c)**

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**P (both correct) = P (T and c)**

$$\frac{1}{10} \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{5}$$

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**P (both correct) = P (T and c)**

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{5}$$

**Multiplication  
Rule**

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**P (both correct) = P (T and c)**

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{5}$$

**Multiplication  
Rule**

**INDEPENDENT EVENTS**

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## Notation for Conditional Probability

$P(B|A)$  represents the probability of event B occurring after it is assumed that event A has already occurred (read B|A as “B given A”).

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## Definitions

### ❖ Independent Events

Two events A and B are independent if the occurrence of one does not affect the probability of the occurrence of the other.

### ❖ Dependent Events

If A and B are not independent, they are said to be dependent.

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## Formal Multiplication Rule

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

❖ If A and B are independent events,  $P(B|A)$  is really the same as  $P(B)$

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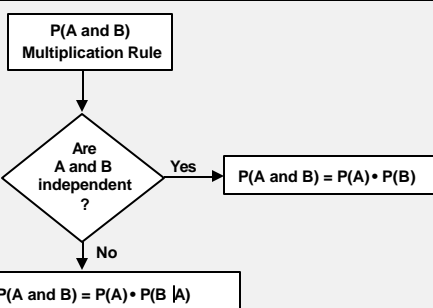
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### Applying the Multiplication Rule



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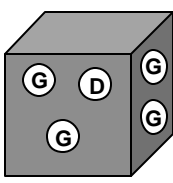
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### Independent Events



- Two selections
  - With replacement
- P (both good) =

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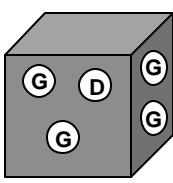
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### Independent Events



- Two selections
  - With replacement
- P (both good) =
- P (good and good) =

$$\frac{4}{5} \cdot \frac{4}{5} = \frac{16}{25} = 0.64$$

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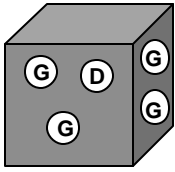
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

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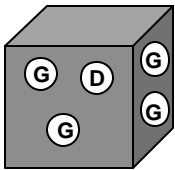
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

P (good) and P(good) =

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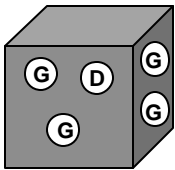
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

P (good)  $\circ$  P(good) =

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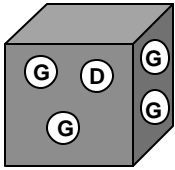
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

$P(\text{good}) \circ P(\text{good}) =$

$$\frac{4}{5}$$

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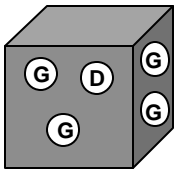
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- Two selections
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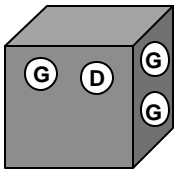
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

$P(\text{good}) \circ P(\text{good}) =$

$$\frac{4}{5} \circ \frac{3}{4}$$

(assume good was selected)

← 3 good left  
← 4 dryers left

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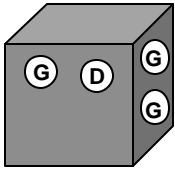
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- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

$$P(\text{good}) \circ P(\text{good}) =$$

$$\frac{4}{5} \circ \frac{3}{4} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} 3 \text{ good left} \\ 4 \text{ dryers left} \end{array} = \frac{12}{20} = 0.60$$

(assume good was selected)

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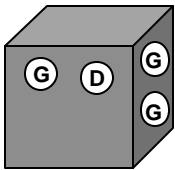
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## DEPENDENT EVENTS



- Two selections
- Without replacement

P (both good) =

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## Intuitive Multiplication

When finding the probability that event A occurs in one trial and B occurs in the next trial, multiply the probability of event A by the probability of event B, but be sure that the probability of event B takes into account the previous occurrence of event A.

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Find the probability of drawing two cards from a shuffled deck of cards such that the first is an Ace and the second is a King. (The cards are drawn without replacement.)

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- $P(\text{King} | \text{Ace}) = \frac{4}{51}$

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- $P(\text{drawing Ace, then a King}) = \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{4}{51} = \frac{16}{2652} = 0.00603$

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## DEPENDENT EVENTS

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**P(all 8 quit smoking) =**

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**or**

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or

$$0.60^8 = 0.0168$$

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## Small Samples from Large Populations

If a sample size is no more than 5% of the size of the population, treat the selections as being *independent* (even if the selections are made without replacement, so they are technically dependent).

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**Example:** If Houston has an annual car-theft rate of 4.5%, find the probability that among 4 randomly selected cars, all are stolen during a given year. (There are 970,000 cars in Houston.)

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 \text{P(all 4 cars stolen)} = \text{P(stolen)} \text{P(stolen)} \text{P(stolen)} \text{P(stolen)} = \\
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 (0.045)^4 = \frac{43650}{970000} \frac{43649}{969999} \frac{43648}{969998} \frac{43647}{969997} = \\
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## Independence

You must treat a problem as independent when:

- you do not have the sample or population size, and
- you have only a percentage (probability) of the individual characteristic

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