

Exercise 31.6

1. Solution:

Given,

Bag A contains 5 white and 6 black balls

Bag B contains 4 white and 3 black balls

Now, there are two ways of transferring a ball from bag A to bag B

Way – 1

By transferring one white ball from bag A to bag B, then drawing one black ball from bag B.

Way – 2

By transferring one black ball from bag A to bag B, then drawing one black ball from bag B.

Let E_1 , E_2 and A be events as below:

E_1 – One white ball drawn from bag A

E_2 – One black ball drawn from bag A

A – One black ball drawn from bag B

So, we have

$$P(E_1) = 5/11$$

$$P(E_2) = 6/11$$

Now,

$$P(A/E_1) = 3/8 \quad [\text{Since, } E_1 \text{ has increased one white ball in bag B}]$$

$$P(A/E_2) = 4/8 \quad [\text{Since, } E_2 \text{ has increased one black ball in bag B}]$$

By the law of total probability, we get

$$P(A) = P(E_1) \cdot P(A/E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(A/E_2)$$

$$= (5/11 \times 3/8) + (6/11 \times 4/8)$$

$$= 15/88 + 24/88$$

$$= 39/88$$

Hence, the required probability is $39/88$.

2. Solution:

Given,

Purse (I) contains 2 silver and 4 copper coins

Purse (II) contains 4 silver and 3 copper coins

Now, one coin is drawn from one of the two purse and it is silver

Let E_1 , E_2 and A be events as below:

E_1 – selecting purse I

E_2 – selecting purse II

A – drawing a silver coin

So, we have

$$P(E_1) = 1/2$$

$$P(E_2) = 1/2 \quad [\text{As there are only 2 purses}]$$

Now,

$$P(A/E_1) = P(\text{drawing a silver from purse I})$$

$$= 2/6$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1/3 \\ P(A/E_2) &= P(\text{drawing a silver coin from purse II}) \\ &= 4/7 \end{aligned}$$

By the law of total probability, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= P(E_1) \cdot P(A/E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(A/E_2) \\ &= (1/2 \times 1/3) + (1/2 \times 4/7) \\ &= 1/6 + 4/14 \\ &= (7 + 12)/42 \\ &= 19/42 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required probability is 19/42.

3. Solution:

Given,

Bag I contains 4 yellow and 5 red balls

Bag II contains 6 yellow and 3 red balls

Now, there are two ways of transferring a ball from bag I to bag II

Way – 1

By transferring one yellow ball from bag I to bag II, then one yellow ball is drawn from bag II.

Way – 2

By transferring one red ball from bag I to bag II, then one yellow ball is drawn from bag II.

Let E_1 , E_2 and A be events as below:

E_1 – One yellow ball drawn from bag I

E_2 – One red ball drawn from bag I

A – One yellow ball drawn from bag II

So, we have

$$P(E_1) = 4/9$$

$$P(E_2) = 5/9$$

Now,

$$P(A/E_1) = 7/10$$

[Since, E_1 has increased one yellow ball in bag II]

$$P(A/E_2) = 6/10$$

[Since, E_2 has increased one red ball in bag II]

By the law of total probability, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= P(E_1) \cdot P(A/E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(A/E_2) \\ &= (4/9 \times 7/10) + (5/9 \times 6/10) \\ &= (28 + 30)/90 \\ &= 58/90 \\ &= 29/45 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required probability is 29/45.

4. Solution:

Given,

Bag I contains 3 white and 2 black balls

Bag II contains 2 white and 4 black balls

One bag is chosen at random, then one ball is drawn and it is white

Let E_1 , E_2 and A be events as below:

E_1 – Choosing bag I

E_2 – Choosing bag II

A – Drawing one white ball

So, we have

$$P(E_1) = 1/2$$

$$P(E_2) = 1/2 \quad \text{[Since, there are only 2 bags]}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A/E_1) &= P(\text{drawing a white ball from Bag I}) \\ &= 3/5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A/E_2) &= P(\text{drawing a white ball from Bag II}) \\ &= 2/6 \end{aligned}$$

By the law of total probability, we get

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= P(E_1) \cdot P(A/E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(A/E_2) \\ &= (1/2 \times 3/5) + (1/2 \times 2/6) \\ &= 3/10 + 2/12 \\ &= (18 + 10)/60 \\ &= 28/60 \\ &= 7/15 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the required probability is $7/15$.

5. Solution:

Given,

Bag I contains 1 white, 2 black and 3 red balls

Bag II contains 2 white, 1 black and 1 red balls

Bag III contains 4 white, 5 black and 3 red balls

One bag is chosen at random, then one red ball and one white ball is drawn

Let E_1 , E_2 , E_3 and A be events as below:

E_1 – Choosing bag I

E_2 – Choosing bag II

E_3 – Choosing bag III

A – Drawing one red and one white ball

So, we have

$$P(E_1) = 1/3$$

$$P(E_2) = 1/3$$

$$P(E_3) = 1/3 \quad \text{[Since, there are only 3 bags]}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P(A/E_1) &= P(\text{drawing one red and one white ball from Bag I}) \\ &= ({}^1C_1 \times {}^3C_1) / {}^6C_2 \\ &= (1 \times 3) / (30/2) \\ &= 1/5 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A/E_2) &= P(\text{drawing one red and one white ball from Bag II}) \\ &= ({}^2C_1 \times {}^1C_1) / {}^4C_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= (2 \times 1) / (12/2)$$

$$= 1/3$$

$P(A/E_3) = P(\text{drawing one red and one white ball from Bag III})$

$$= ({}^4C_1 \times {}^3C_1) / {}^{12}C_2$$

$$= (4 \times 3) / (132/2)$$

$$= 2/11$$

By the law of total probability, we get

$$P(A) = P(E_1) \cdot P(A/E_1) + P(E_2) \cdot P(A/E_2) + P(E_3) \cdot P(A/E_3)$$

$$= (1/3 \times 1/5) + (1/3 \times 1/3) + (1/3 \times 2/11)$$

$$= 1/15 + 1/9 + 2/33$$

$$= (33 + 55 + 30)/495$$

$$= 118/495$$

Hence, the required probability is 118/495.

