



STEP II, 2011, Q12 EC

Q12 Around a quarter of all candidates made an attempt at this question, though the average score was very low. Parts (ii) and (iii) were managed quite comfortably, on the whole, but it was (i) that proved to be difficult for most of those who attempted the question. The real difficulty lay in establishing the given result for w , as the event to which it corresponded was defined recurrently. As it happens, most wayward solutions left the straight-and-narrow by misreading the rules of the match to begin with.



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