

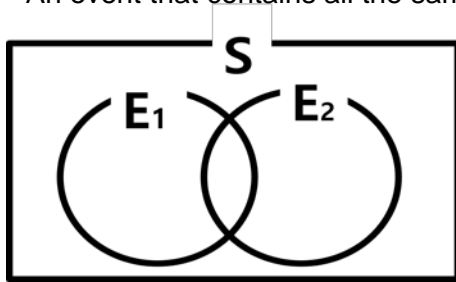
**457.646 Topics in Structural Reliability**  
**In-Class Material: Class 02**

**Recommended reading material:**  
 Der Kiureghian, A., and Ditlevsen, O. (2009)  
 Aleatory or epistemic? Does it matter? *Structural Safety*, 31:105-112

◎ **Set Operations** → useful for ( ) reliability analysis

① “Union” of events:  $E_1 \cup E_2$

- An event that contains all the sample points that are in  $E_1 \cup E_2$



e.g., Concrete mixing

- $E_1$ : shortage of water
- $E_2$ : shortage of sand
- $E_3$ : shortage of gravel
- $E_4$ : shortage of cement

$E$  (concrete can't be produced) =

$$= E_1 \cup E_2$$

e.g., Wind

- $E_1$ : blown off due to pressure
- $E_2$ : missile-like flying objects

$$E = E_1 \cup E_2$$

e.g., Bridge pier under EQ

- $E_1$ : reaches displacement capacity
- $E_2$ : reaches shear capacity

$$E = E_1 \cup E_2$$

※  $A \cup S = S$

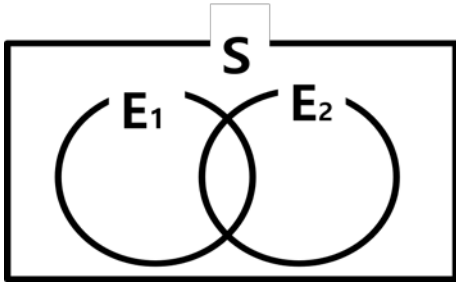
$$A \cup \phi = A$$

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If  $A \subset B$ , then  $A \cup B = B$

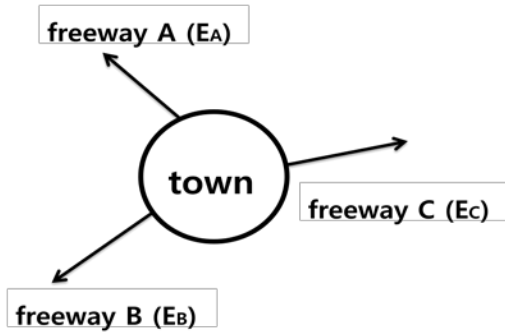
② “intersection” of events  $E_1$   $E_2$  or

: an event that contains all the sample points that are both in  $E_1$   $E_2$



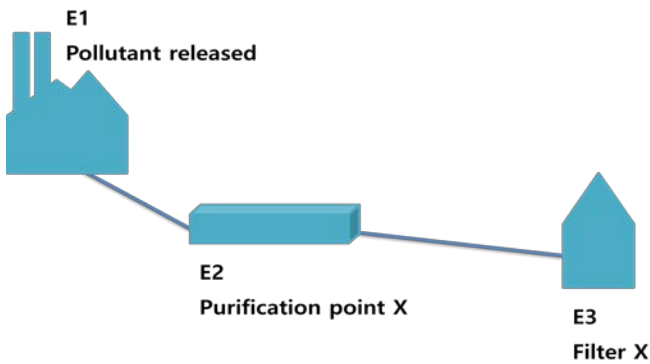
- ※  $A \cdot S =$
- $A \cdot \phi =$
- $A \cdot A =$
- If  $A \subset B$ , then  $AB =$

e.g.,



No evacuation by freeway  $E =$

e.g.,



Exposed to pollutant  $E =$

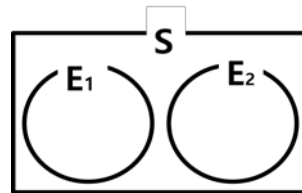
⊙ **Operation Rules**

<b>Commutative Rule</b>	$E_1 \cup E_2 = E_2 \cup E_1$ $E_1 E_2 = E_2 E_1$
<b>Associative Rule</b>	$(E_1 \cup E_2) \cup E_3 = (E_1 \cup (E_2 \cup E_3))$ $(E_1 E_2) E_3 = E_1 (E_2 E_3)$
<b>Distributive Rule</b>	$(E_1 \cup E_2) E_3 = (E_1 E_3) \cup (E_2 E_3)$ $(E_1 E_2) \cup E_3 = (E_1 \cup E_3)(E_2 \cup E_3)$
<b>De Morgan's Rule</b>	$\overline{(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i)} = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \overline{E_i}$ $\overline{(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i)} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overline{E_i}$

⊙ **Relationship between events**

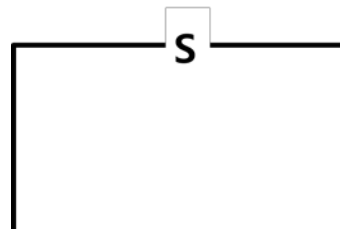
① **Mutually Exclusive events:**  $E_1 E_2 = \emptyset$

- Cannot occur together
- e.g.  $E_1$  and  $\overline{E_1}$
- $E_1 \cdots E_n$  and  $\overline{E_i}$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

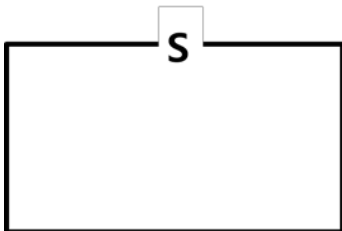


② **Collectively Exhaustive events:**  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i = S$

- The union constitutes the sample space



※ **MECE:**



## 2. Mathematics of Probability (measure of likelihood of event)

⊙ Four approaches for assigning probability of events

Approach	Description	Example : Prob. (a “Yut” stick shows the flat side)
Notion of <b>Relative Frequency</b>	Relative frequency based on empirical data, Prob. = (# of occurrences) / (# of observations)	
On a <b>Priori Basis</b>	Derived based on elementary assumptions on likelihood of events	
On <b>Subjective Basis</b>	Expert opinion (“degree of belief”)	
Based on <b>Mixed Information</b>	Mix the information above to assign probability	

### ⊙ Axioms of Probability

“Axioms”: Statements or ideas which people accept as being the foundation of theory

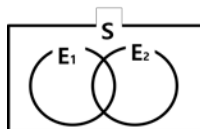
I.  $P(E) \geq 0$   
 II.  $P(S) = 1$   
 III. M.E  $E_1$  &  $E_2$  :  $P(E_1 \cup E_2) =$

As a result,

- ①  $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$  ( $\because P(S) = P(E \cup \bar{E}) = P(E) + P(\bar{E}) = 1$ )
- ②  $P(\phi) = 0$  ( $\because P(S \cup \phi) = P(S) + P(\phi) = 1$ )
- ③  $P(\bar{E}) = 1 - P(E)$  ( $\because P(E \cup \bar{E}) = P(E) + P(\bar{E}) = 1$ )
- ④  $P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1) + P(E_2) - P(E_1 E_2)$

### “Addition Rule”

- Venn Diagram
- Formal Proof



$$P(E_1 \cup E_2) = P(E_1 \cup \bar{E}_1 E_2) = P(E_1) + P(\bar{E}_1 E_2)$$

$$P(E_2) = P(E_1 E_2) + P(\bar{E}_1 E_2)$$

### “Inclusion-Exclusion Rule”

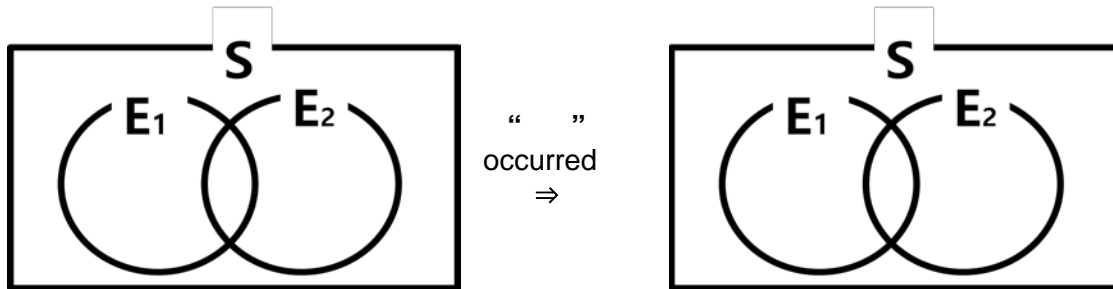
$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E_i) - \sum_{i < j} P(E_i E_j) + \sum_{i < j < k} P(E_i E_j E_k) + \dots + (-1)^{n-1} \times P(E_1 \cdots E_n)$$

◎ **Conditional Probability & Statistical Independence**

① **Conditional Probability**

- C.P of            given

$$P(E_1 | E_2) \equiv$$



②  $P(E_1 | S) =$

③ **“Multiplication Rule”**:  $P(E_1 E_2) =$

$$(\because P(E_1 | E_2) = \quad )$$

-  $P(E_1 E_2 E_3) =$

-  $P(E_1 \cdots E_n) =$

④ All the other prob. rules should be applicable to conditional probabilities as long as all the prob. are defined within the same space

-  $P(E_1 \cup E_2 | E_3) =$

-  $P(E_1 E_2 | E_3) =$

-  $P(\overline{E_1} | E_3) =$

⑤ **Statistical Independence**: The occurrence of one event does not affect the likelihood of the other event

-  $P(E_1 | E_2) =$

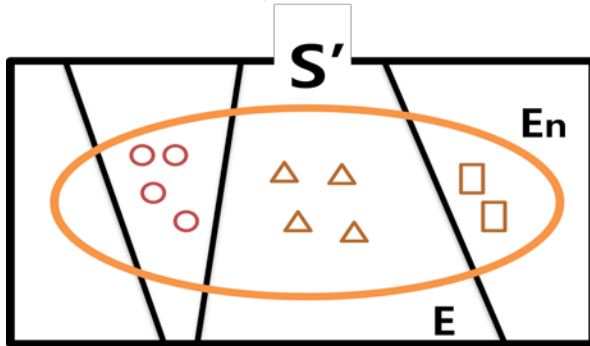
-  $P(E_2 | E_1) =$

-  $P(E_1 E_2) =$

cf. Mutually Exclusive  $P(E_1 E_2) = 0$

© **Total Prob. Theorem**

Setting:  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$  : \_\_\_\_\_ events



$P(E)$  → Not easy to get directly

$P(E | E_i)$  → Easier to get

$$P(E) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(E | E_i) P(E_i)$$

**Proof:**

Examples:

(1) Seismic hazard analysis:

$P(E) =$

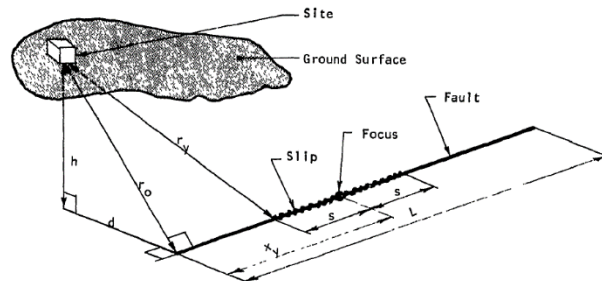
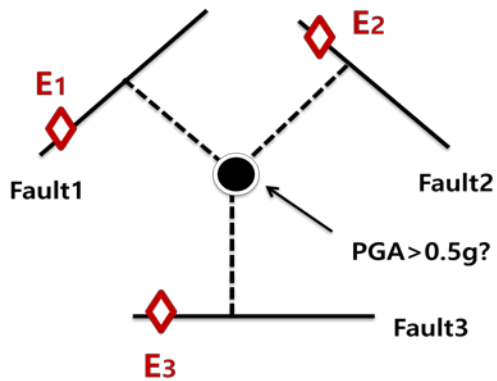


FIG. 3.1 TYPE I SOURCE (BASIC CASE)

Der Kiureghian, A. (1976). *A line source-model for seismic risk analysis*, Ph.D. dissertation, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, USA.

(2) Probability of structural failure under an uncertain input intensity: Fragility

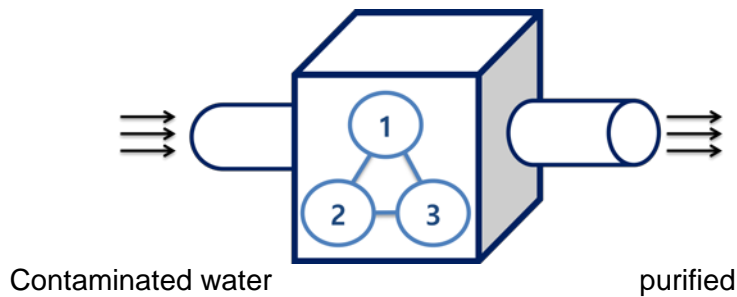


© Bayes Theorem

$$P(E_i|E) = \frac{P(E|E_i)}{\sum_j P(E|E_j)}$$

- Decision making
- Parameter estimation
- Inference

Example)



Measure of cleanness,  $X$  (0 : contaminated ~ 100 : clean)

	$P(E_i)$	$P(X \leq 20   E_i)$
1	0.1	0.9
2	0.3	0.2
3	0.6	0.01

$X \leq 20 \Rightarrow$  Which one failed?

$P(E_i | X \leq 20) =$