

Section 2 Relationship and operations of events

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Notions:

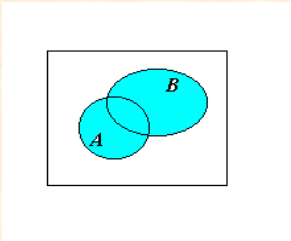
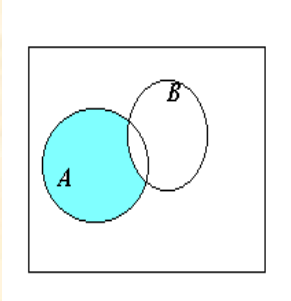
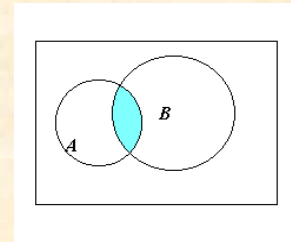
Sample point ω = basic event

Sample space Ω = {sample point}

= certain event

event = subset of Ω .

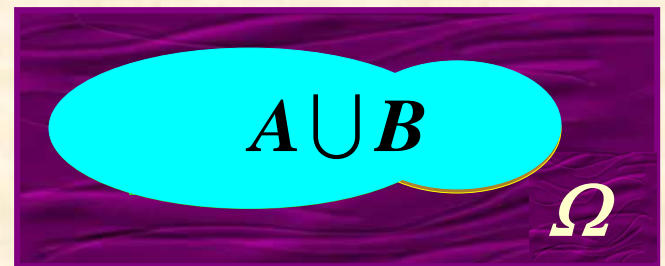
1.Operations(3 kinds)

operation	notation	Probability	Set theory	Venn graph
union	$A \cup B$	At least A or B happens	A union B	
minus	$A - B$	A happens B not happen	A minus B	
intersect	AB or $A \cap B$	A happens and B happens	A intersects B	

$A \cup B$: *at least one event happens*

$$A \cup B = \{e \mid e \in A \text{ or } e \in B\}.$$

e. g. The door is suitable = both the length and height are suitable. Thus, {door not suitable} = {Length not suitable} \cup { height not suitable }

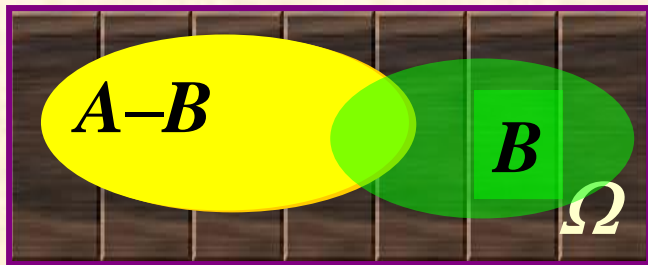


$A - B$: A happens, and B not happen.

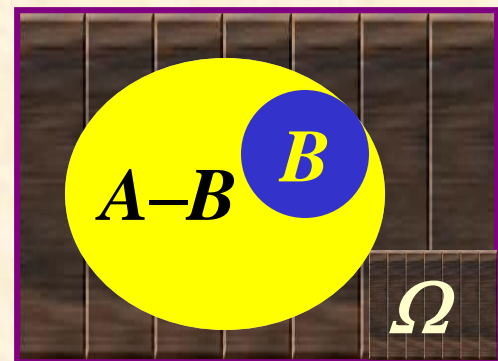
e.g., A : length is suitable. B : height is suitable , then
 $A - B$ = length is suitable and the height is not suitable.

$A - B$

$B \not\subset A$



$B \subset A$



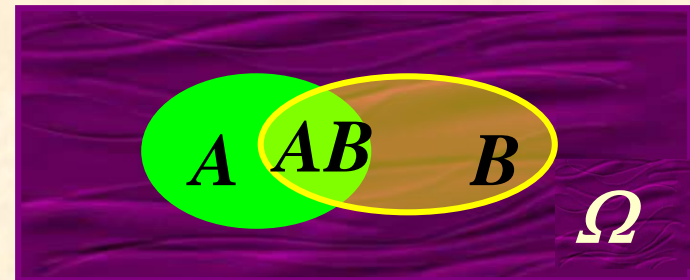
$A \cap B, \quad A \cap B = \{e \mid e \in A \text{ and } e \in B\}.$

in short $A \cdot B$ or AB .

E.g. $A = \{\text{length suitable}\}, B = \{\text{height suitable}\}$

$AB =$ “**length suitable**” and “height suitable” .

The intersection of A and B .



generalization ① $A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i :$

At least one of A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n happens

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_n \cdots = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i :$$

At least one of $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n, \cdots$ happens.

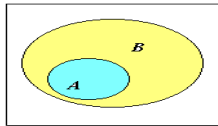
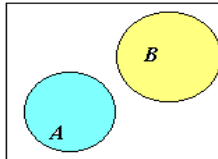
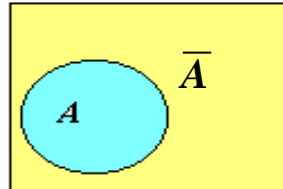
② $A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \cdots \cap A_n = \bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i :$

All A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n happen.

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All $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n, \cdots$ happen.

2.Relationship(4 types)

relation- ship	notation	probability	Venn graph
include	$A \subset B$	A hapeens then B happens	
equal	$A = B$	$A \subset B$ and $B \subset A$	
mutually exclude	$AB = \emptyset$	A and B do not happen at the same time	
Opposite	\bar{A}	A union \bar{A} = sample space	

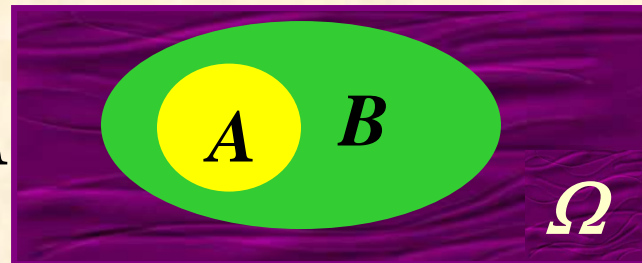
Include

***B* includes *A*, If *A* happens, then *B* happens .**

For short, ***B* \supset *A* or *A* \subset *B*.**

**e. g. “B: length is suitable” includes
“A: the door is suitable”**

Graph ***B* includes *A***



Mutually exclusive

$$A \cap B = AB = \emptyset.$$

if A happens, then B does not happen, or if B happens, then A does not happen.

e.g. toss a coin, “A: head appears”
and “B: tail appears”



e.g. Toss a die, observe the number.

“the die is 1” $\xleftrightarrow{\text{Mutually exclusive}}$ “the die is 2”



graph A and B are mutually exclusive



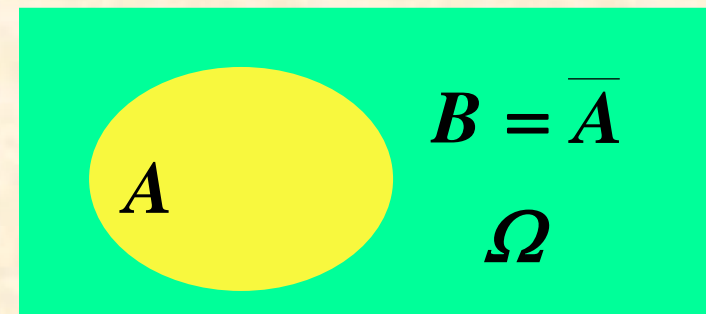
Note if $A \cap B = \emptyset$, $A \cup B$ can be denoted by $A+B$.
any event A and \emptyset are mutually exclusive.

The opposite event A

if A : “ A happens ” , then “ A does not happen ”
is A 's *opposite event*, denoted by \overline{A} .

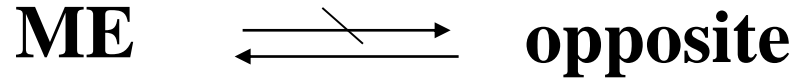
e.g. toss a die “no. is 1” \longleftrightarrow “no. is not 1.”

Graph: A and B are opposite.



if A and B are opposite, then $A \cup B = \Omega$, $AB = \emptyset$.

Note. 1 °the relationship between mutually exclusive and opposite



e.g. Toss a die, $A = \{2\}, B = \{5\}$

$\because AB = \emptyset \quad \therefore A$ and B mutually exclusive

but $A \cup B = \{2, 5\} \neq \Omega = \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$

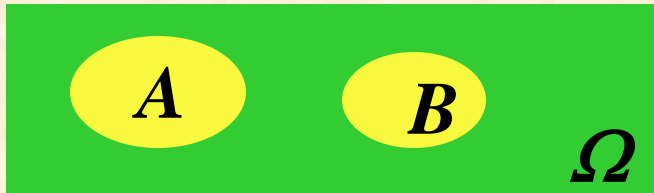
$\therefore A$ and B are not opposite.

$D = \{1, 3, 5\}$ and $G = \{2, 4, 6\}$ are opposite.

2 ° Ω and \emptyset are opposite .

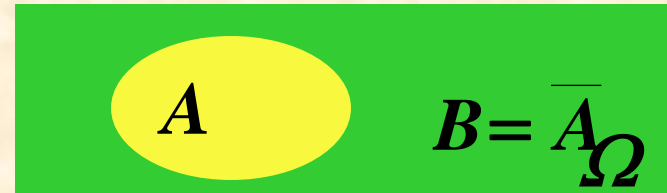
Difference between ME and opposition

A 、 B mutually exclusive



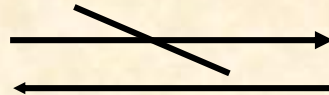
$$AB = \emptyset,$$

A 、 B opposite



$$A \cup B = \Omega \text{ 且 } AB = \emptyset.$$

Mutually exclusive



opposite

3. Rules of operations of events

1.communication: $(1) A \cup B = B \cup A$

$$(2) AB = BA$$

2. association: $(1) (A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$

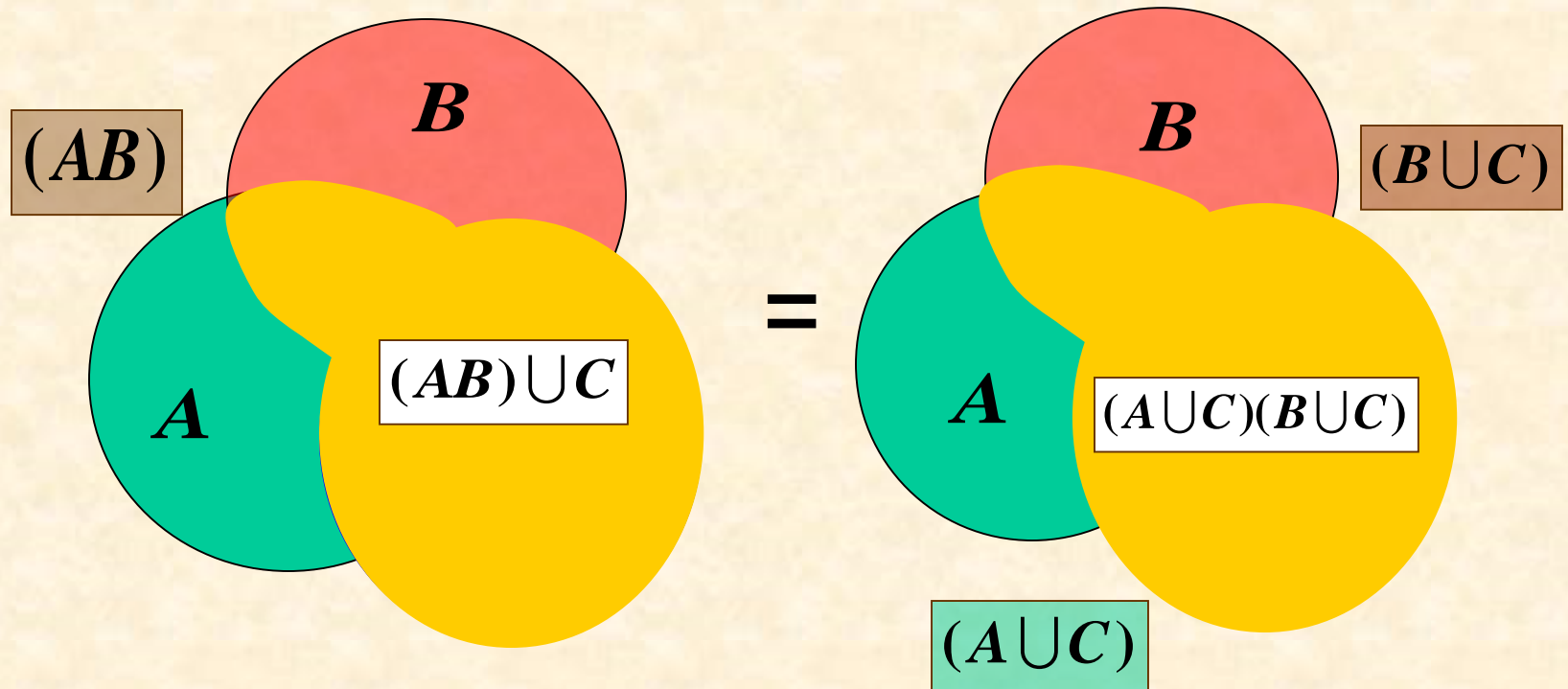
$$(2) (AB)C = A(BC)$$

3.distribution $(1) (A \cup B)C = AC \cup BC$

★ $(2) (AB) \cup C = (A \cup C)(B \cup C)$

$$A \cup (BC) = (A \cup B)(A \cup C)$$

Show the correction of formula ★ by veen graph



Note: just show the correction, the proof is not strict .

4. (De Morgan theory)

$$(1) \overline{A \cup B} = \bar{A} \bar{B}$$

meaning: “A or B happen” ’s opposite event is
“both A and B do not happen” .

$$(2) \overline{AB} = \bar{A} \cup \bar{B}$$

meaning: “both A and B happen” ’s opposite event is
“A does not happen or B does not happen.”

generalization: $\overline{\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i} = \bigcap_{i=1}^n \overline{A_i}$

$$\overline{\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \overline{A_i}$$

5. *if* $A \subset B$, then $A \cup B = B$, $AB = A$.

particularly, $A \cup \emptyset = A$, $A \cup \Omega = \Omega$

$$A\emptyset = \emptyset, \quad A\Omega = A$$

e.g.1 **A, B are two events, try to prove :**

$$(1) \ A - B = A - AB$$

$$(2) \ A \cup B = A + B\bar{A} = A\bar{B} + \bar{A}B + AB$$

Proof : (1) $A - AB = \overline{A\bar{A}B}$ ($A - B = A\bar{B}$)

$$\begin{aligned} &= A(\bar{A} \cup \bar{B}) \\ &= A\bar{A} \cup A\bar{B} = \emptyset \cup A\bar{B} \\ &= A\bar{B} = A - B \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad A + B\bar{A} = A \cup B\bar{A}$$

$$= (A \cup B)(A \cup \bar{A})$$

$$= (A \cup B)\Omega = A \cup B$$

$$A\bar{B} + \bar{A}B + AB$$

$$= A(B + \bar{B}) + \bar{A}B = A\Omega + B\bar{A}$$

$$= A + B\bar{A} = A \cup B$$

e.g.2 true or false?

$$(1) \overline{AB} = \overline{A}\overline{B}$$

✗

A does not happen,
or B does not happen

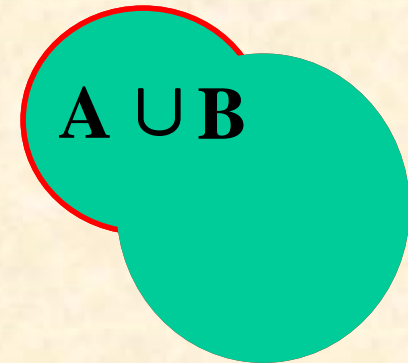
Both A, B do not happen

$$(2) A + (B - A) = B$$

✗

Solution: false.

In fact , $A + (B - A) = A \cup B \neq B$



special case,

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

Therefore, $A + (B - A) = A \cup B = B$

$$(3) \ B(A - C) = BA - BC \quad \checkmark$$

Solution: true.

$$BA - BC = BA\overline{BC} = BA(\overline{B} \cup \overline{C})$$

$$= BA(\overline{B} \cup \overline{C})$$

$$= BA\overline{B} \cup BA\overline{C} = \emptyset \cup BA\overline{C}$$

$$= BA\overline{C} = B(A - C)$$

e.g. 3 Given A, B, C are events, describe the following events by operations of events A, B, C

(1) A happens and B, C do not happen.

solution: $A\bar{B}\bar{C}$ or $\overline{A\bar{B}\bar{C}}$

(2) Only one event of A, B, C happens.

solution: $A\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}B\bar{C} + \bar{A}\bar{B}C$

(3) Only two events of A, B, C happen

solution: $AB\bar{C} + A\bar{B}C + \bar{A}BC$

or $AB \cup BC \cup AC - ABC$

(4) Not more than one event happens.

solution: $\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C} + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C$
or $\overline{AB \cup BC \cup AC}.$

e.g.4 **E = Choose one student from NPU, if**
A=“the student selected is male ” ;
B=“the student selected is in his/her first year ” ;
C=“the student selected is athlete” .

(1) Give the meaning of the event $AB\bar{C}$.

(2) Give the condition such that $ABC=C$?

(3) When $C \subset B$ always hold

Solution (1) $AB\bar{C}$ means “the student selected is male, who is in his/her first year, but not athlete.

(2) $\because ABC \subset C$

$\therefore ABC = C \text{ iff } C \subset ABC$

moreover $\because ABC \subset AB$

$\therefore ABC = C \text{ iff } C \subset AB$

$C \subset AB$ means “all the athletes are male
and in his/her first year at NPU

(3) *when $C \subset B$ always holds?*

Solution: When all the athletes are in their first year, C is
the subset of B , yielding

$$C \subset B.$$