

# Multivariate Modeling: Probability and Statistics



## Lecture outline . . .

- **Probability in Subsurface Modeling**
- **Frequentist Concepts**
- **Bayesian Concepts**


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## Other Resources:

- Lectures recorded on YouTube.



### Lecture 2: Probability

Introduction

Lecture outline . . .


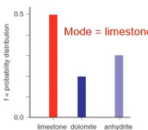
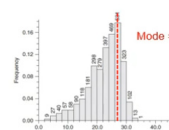
- Probability Definition
- Venn Diagrams
- Frequentist Concepts
- Bayesian Concepts

Note: some slides were modified from Dr. Zoya Heidari's and Dr. L. Pyrcz's slides.

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### Measures of Central Tendency

Note, population mean is denoted as  $\mu$ .

- Arithmetic Average / Mean  
Sample mean,  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$   
assumes sorted into ascending order
- Median (P50)  
$$\text{Median}(x) = \begin{cases} x_{(N+1)/2} & \text{if } N \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{x_{N/2} + x_{(N/2+1)}}{2} & \text{if } N \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

- Mode
  - Most common value.
  - Continuous
    - sensitive to bins
  - Categorical
    - highest frequency

Probability and statistics lectures on YouTube.

- Worked out examples on GitHub in Excel and Python

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# Probability and Statistics

## What should you learn from this lecture?

- **Fundamentals of Statistics and Probability**
  - **Fundamentals of Probability**
    - » **Basic Definitions and Rules**
    - » **Venn Diagram**
    - » **Conditional Probability**
    - » **Probability tree**
    - » **Bayes' Theorem**
    - » **Applications of Probability in Decision Making**

# Probability Supports Decision Making



For example:

- What is the probability that a well is a success? – *drill the well*
- What is the probability that a valve has a crack? – *replace the valve*
- What is the probability that a seismic survey finds a reservoir? – *acquire the seismic*
- What is the probability that a reservoir seal will fail? – *inject the CO2*

Most of our decisions involve uncertainty:

- By quantifying probability we can make better decisions.

# Probability in Modeling Workflows

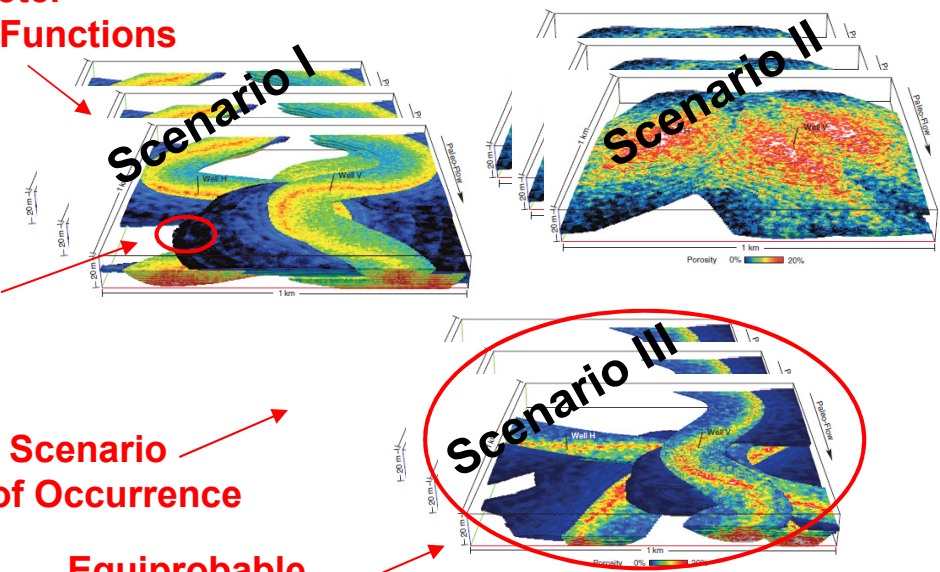


**Model Parameter  
Probability Density Functions**

**Local Probability  
of Occurrence**

**Discrete Scenario  
Probability of Occurrence**

**Equiprobable  
Realizations**

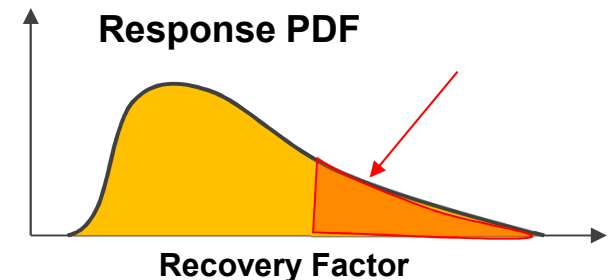


## Geostatistical Subsurface Modeling

1. The entire workflow is based on probability (and statistics).
2. We must understand probability and statistics!
3. Let's make sure we are on the same page.

**Transfer  
Function**

**Probability of Exceeding  
Economic Hurdle**



# Probability Definitions

## What is Probability?

### Frequentist Approach



**Measure of the likelihood that an event will occur.** For random experiments and well-defined settings (such as coin tosses):

$$\text{Prob}(A) = P(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{n(A)}{n(\Omega)} \right)$$

**frequentist approach** to probability is the limit of relative frequency over a large number of trials.

**where:**

$n(A)$  = number of times event  $A$  occurred

$n(\Omega)$  = number of trials

Example: Possibility of drilling a dry hole for the next well, encountering sandstone at a location ( $\mathbf{u}_\alpha$ ), exceeding a rock porosity of 15% at a location ( $\mathbf{u}_\alpha$ ).

# Probability Definitions

## What is Probability?

## Bayesian Approach



**Measure of the likelihood that an event will occur.** For any occurrence:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

**Bayesian approach** probability is interpreted as reasonable likelihood representing a state of knowledge or as quantification of a personal belief. Specify a prior and update with new information.

**where:**

$P(A)$  = prior

$P(B|A)$  = likelihood

$P(B)$  = evidence

$P(A|B)$  = posteriori

Example: Given a prior probability of 40%, a likelihood of 10% and evidence term of 20% the updated posteriori is 20%.



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# Probability Definitions

## What is Probability?



**We will start with Frequentist notions and then move to Bayesian approaches.**

Knowledge of both is essential as there are many classes of problems that can only be addressed practically with Frequentist or Bayesian approaches.

- We need both frequentist and Bayesian frameworks

We build up to Bayesian Updating with frequentist concepts but we accept the role of belief and updating with new evidence.

# Probability Concepts

## Venn Diagrams



**Venn Diagrams are a tool to communicate probability**

**Experiments (Sampling) (J):** Establishment of conditions that produce an outcome.

**Simple Event (x):** A single outcome of an experiment.

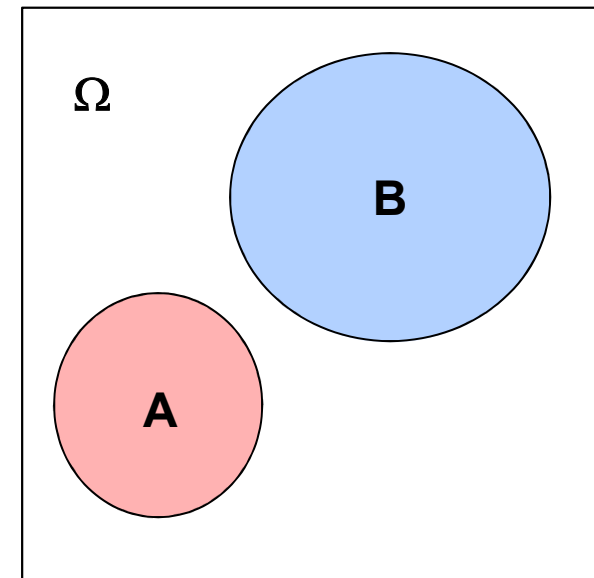
**Event (A, B, ...):** Collection of simple events.

**Occurrence of A:** A has occurred if the outcome of experiment (sampling) belongs to it.

**Sample Space ( $\Omega$ ):** Collection of all possible events.

**What do we learn from a Venn diagram?**

- size of regions = probability of occurrence
- overlap = probability of joint occurrence
- excellent tool to visualize marginal, joint and conditional probability.



Venn Diagram – illustration of events and relations to each other.

# Probability Definitions

## Venn Diagram Example



### Experiments (Sampling) (J):

- Facies determined from a set of well cores (N=3,000 measures at 1 foot increments)

### Sample Space ( $\Omega$ ):

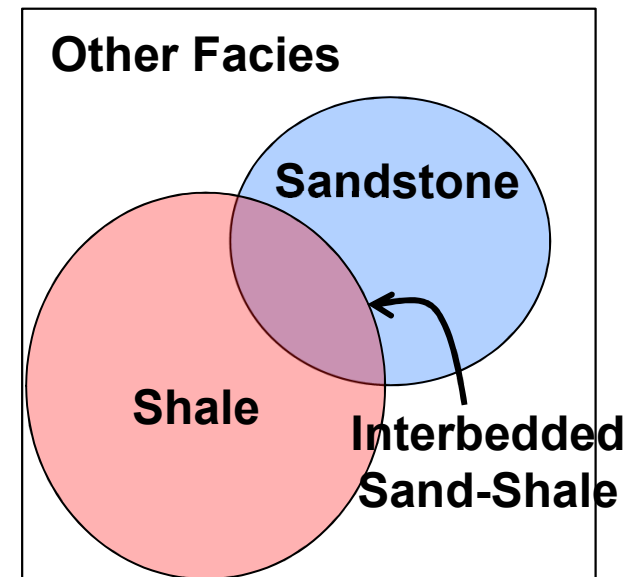
- Facies for the N=3,000 core measures

### Event (A, B, ...):

- Facies = {Sandstone, Interbedded Sandstone and Shale, Shale and other facies}

### Venn Diagram Tells Us About Probability:

- $\text{Prob}\{\text{Other Facies}\} > \text{Prob}\{\text{Shale}\} > \text{Prob}\{\text{Sandstone}\} > \text{Prob}\{\text{Interbedded}\} = \text{Prob}\{\text{Shale and Sandstone}\}$
- $\text{Prob}\{\text{Sandstone and Shale given Sandstone}\} < \text{Prob}\{\text{Sandstone}\}$



Venn Diagram – illustration of events and relations to each other.

# Probability Definitions

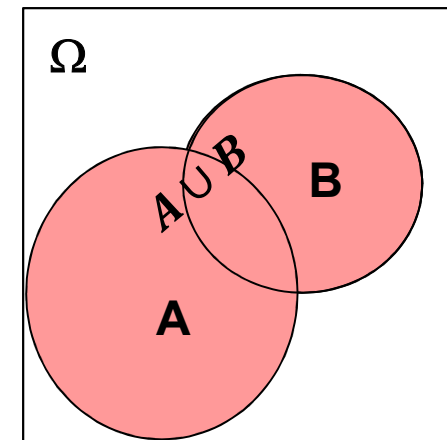
## Probability Operators



### Union of Events:

- All outcomes in the sample space that belong to either event A or B

$$A \cup B = \{x: x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$$

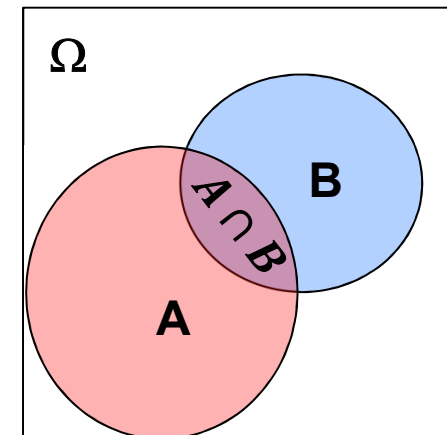


Venn Diagram – illustrating union.

### Intersection of Events:

- All outcomes in the sample space that belong to both events A and B

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Venn Diagram – illustrating intersection.

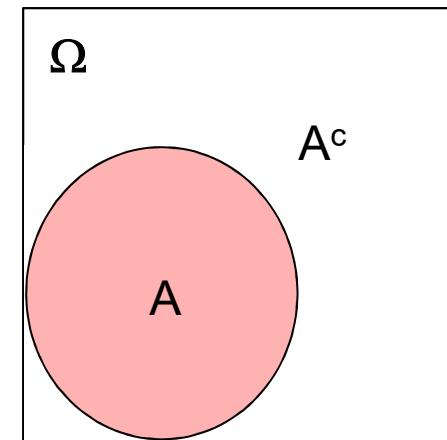
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## Probability Operators



### Complementary Events: $A^c$

- All outcomes in the sample space that do not belong to A

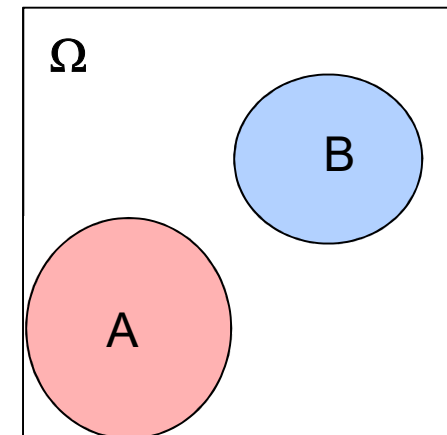


Venn Diagram – illustrating complementary events.

### Mutually Exclusive Events:

- The events that do not intersect or do not have any common outcomes

$$A \cap B = \emptyset \rightarrow \text{Null Set}$$



Venn Diagram – illustrating mutually exclusive.

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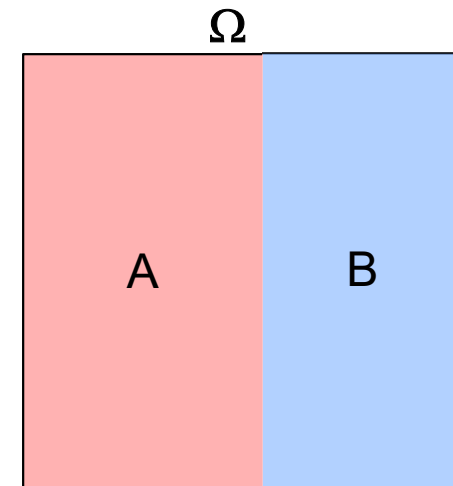


### Exhaustive, Mutually Exclusive Sequence of Events:

- The sequence of events whose union is equal to the sample space

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots \cup A_n = \Omega$$

- For example, all the samples are either A or B



Venn Diagram – illustrating exhaustive events.

# Probability Definitions Now We Refine Probability



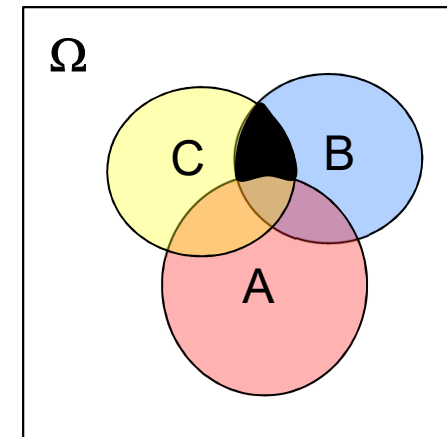
where: 
$$\text{Prob}(A) = P(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\text{Area}(A)}{\text{Area}(\Omega)} \right)$$

$\text{Area}(A)$  = area of  $A$  / total area =  $P(A)$

$\text{Area}(\Omega)$  = total area / total area = probability of any possible outcome =  $P(\Omega) = 1.0$

Example: Possibility of drilling a dry hole for the next well ( $A^C$ ), encountering sandstone at a location ( $\mathbf{u}_\alpha$ )( $B$ ), exceeding a rock porosity of 15% at a location ( $\mathbf{u}_\alpha$ )( $C$ ).

$$\text{Prob}(A^C \cap B \cap C) = \text{Area}(A^C \cap B \cap C) / \text{Area}(\Omega)$$





# Probability Definitions

## Probability Concepts

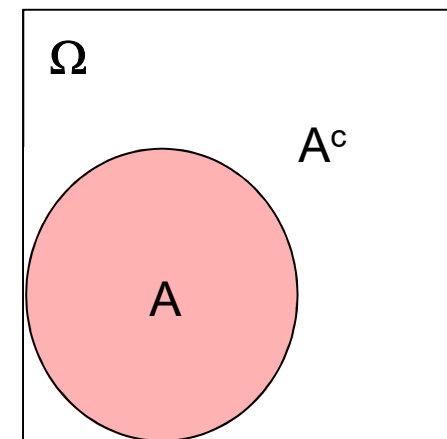


### Non-negativity, Normalization:

- Fundamental probability constraints
  - Bounded  $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$
  - Closure  $P(\Omega) = 1$
  - Null Sets  $P(\phi) = 0$

### Complimentary Events:

- Closure  $P(A^c) + P(A) = 1$



Venn Diagram – illustrating complementary events.

# Probability Definitions

## Probability Concepts



**The Addition Rule:**

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

**Must account for the intersection!**

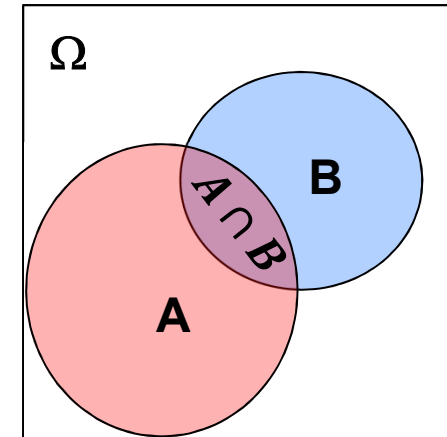
**If mutually exclusive events:**

$$A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j$$

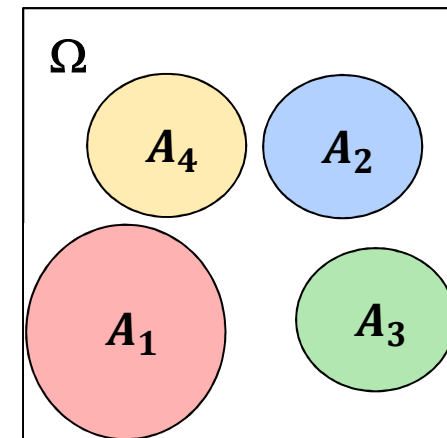
**then,**

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(A_i)$$

**no intersections to account for.**



**Venn Diagram – illustrating intersection.**



**Venn Diagram – illustrating no intersection.**

# Probability Definitions

## Hands-on Addition Rule

### Example



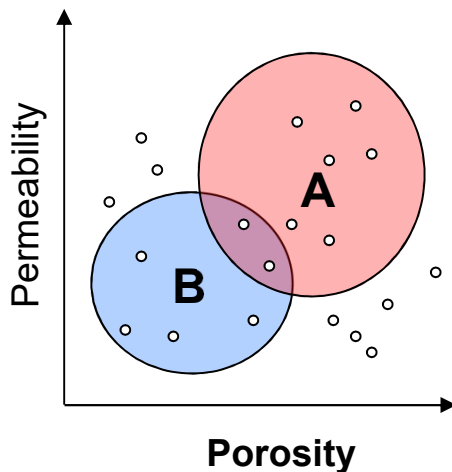
Calculate the following probabilities for event **A** and **B**: Note Event A: Sandstone and Event B: Shale

$$P(A) =$$

$$P(B) =$$

$$P(A \cap B) =$$

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

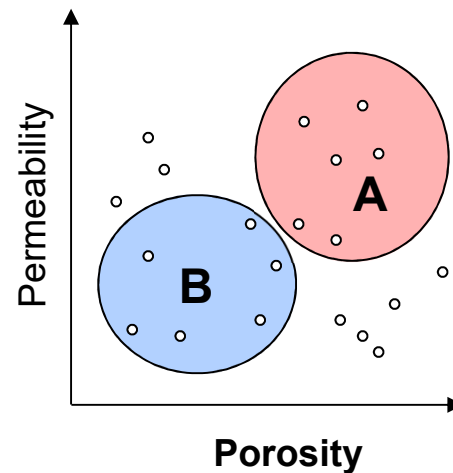


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Recall:  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$  Hint: count points, don't calculate area.

# Probability Definitions Addition Rule Example



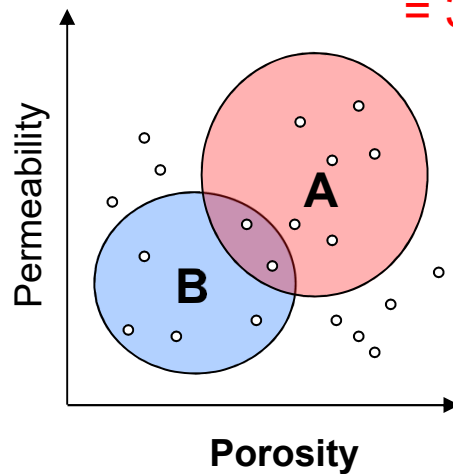
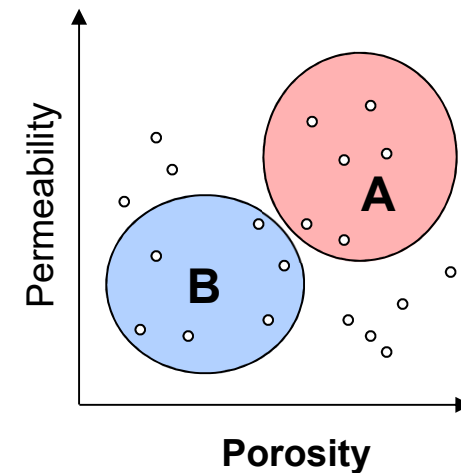
**Calculate the following probabilities for event A and B:** Note Event A: Sandstone and Event B: Shale

$$P(A) = \frac{6}{20} = 30\%$$

$$P(B) = \frac{6}{20} = 30\%$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{0}{20} = 0\%$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cup B) &= P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B) \\ &= 30\% + 30\% - 0\% = 60\% \end{aligned}$$



$$P(A) = \frac{8}{20} = 40\%$$

$$P(B) = \frac{6}{20} = 30\%$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{2}{20} = 10\%$$

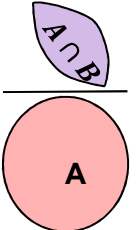
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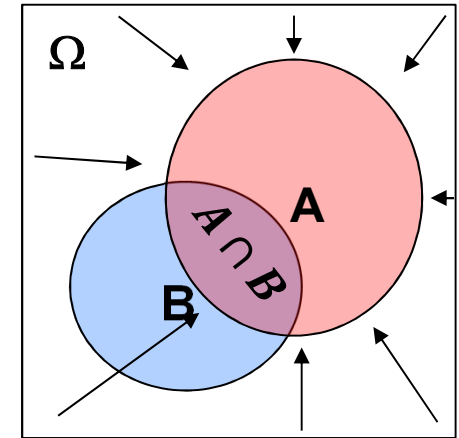
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## Conditional Probability



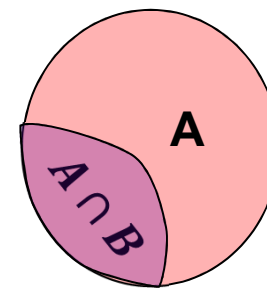
Probability of B given A occurred?  $P(B | A)$

$$P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$
A diagram illustrating the components of the conditional probability formula. The numerator  $P(A \cap B)$  is represented by a small purple circle labeled  $A \cap B$ . The denominator  $P(A)$  is represented by a larger red circle labeled  $A$ .



Conceptually we shrink space of possible outcomes.

A occurred  
so we shrink  
our space to  
only event A.



# Probability Definitions

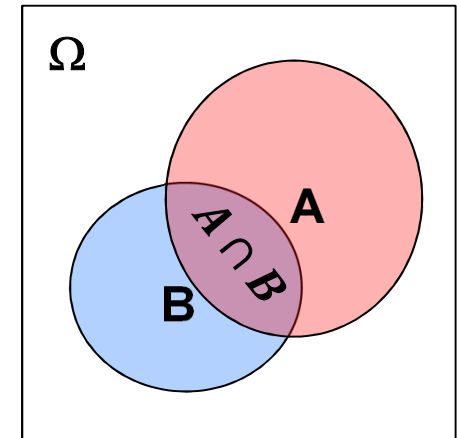
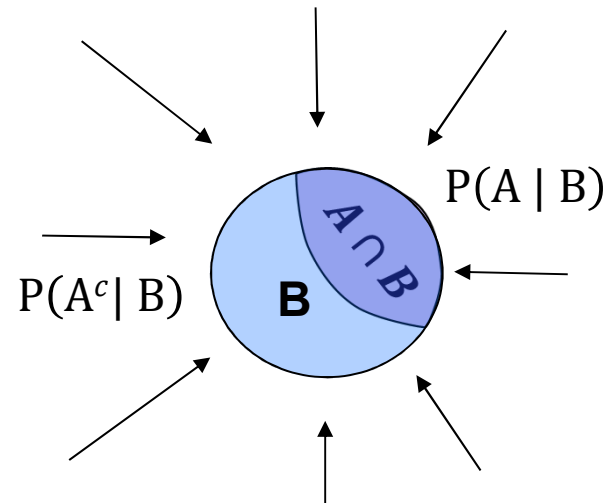
## More on Conditional Probability



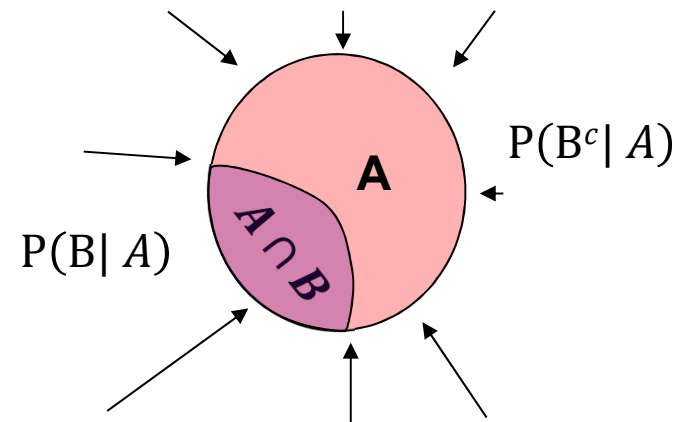
### Other Relations with Conditional Probability

- Closure with conditional probabilities:

$$P(A | B) + P(A^c | B) = 1$$



$$P(B | A) + P(B^c | A) = 1$$



# Probability Definitions

## Conditional Probability Hands-on



Recall:

$$P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

For Case 1 calculate:

$$P(A | B) =$$

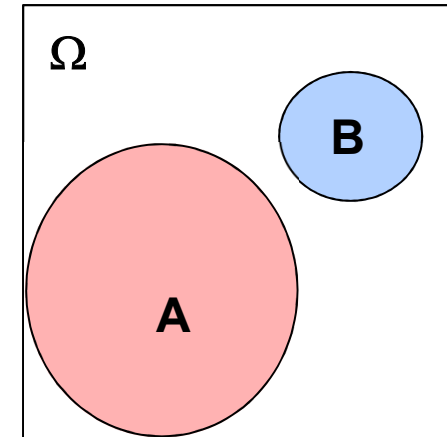
$$P(B | A) =$$

For Case 2 calculate:

$$P(A | B) =$$

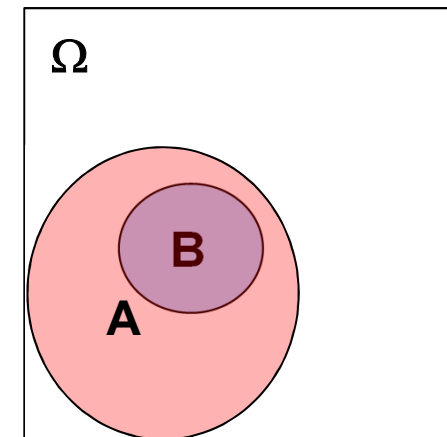
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**Case 1:**



Venn Diagram – case 1.

**Case 2:**



Venn Diagram – case 2.

# Probability Definitions

## Conditional Probability Example



Recall:

$$P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

For Case 1 calculate:

$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{\emptyset}{P(B)} = \emptyset$$

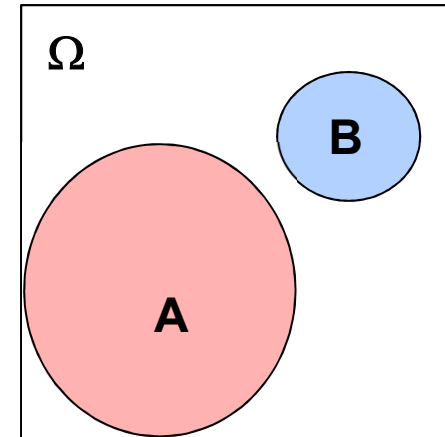
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For Case 2 calculate:

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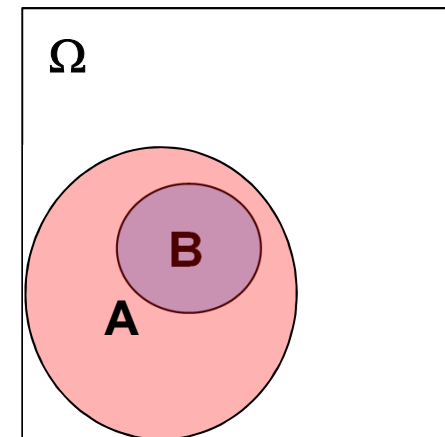
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Case 2:



Venn Diagram – case 2.



# Probability Definitions

## Conditional Probability Example



Question: Calculate the following probabilities for events A and B:

Event A: Porosity > 15%

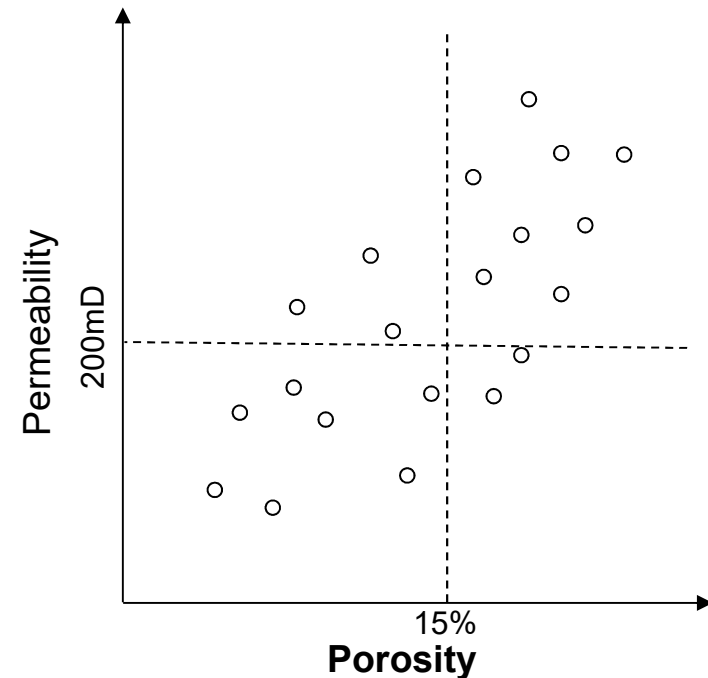
Event B: Permeability > 200 mD

For Case 1 calculate:

$P(A | B) =$

$P(B | A) =$

**Bonus Question:** How much information does event B tell you about event A and visa versa?



$$\text{Recall } P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}$$

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## Conditional Probability Example



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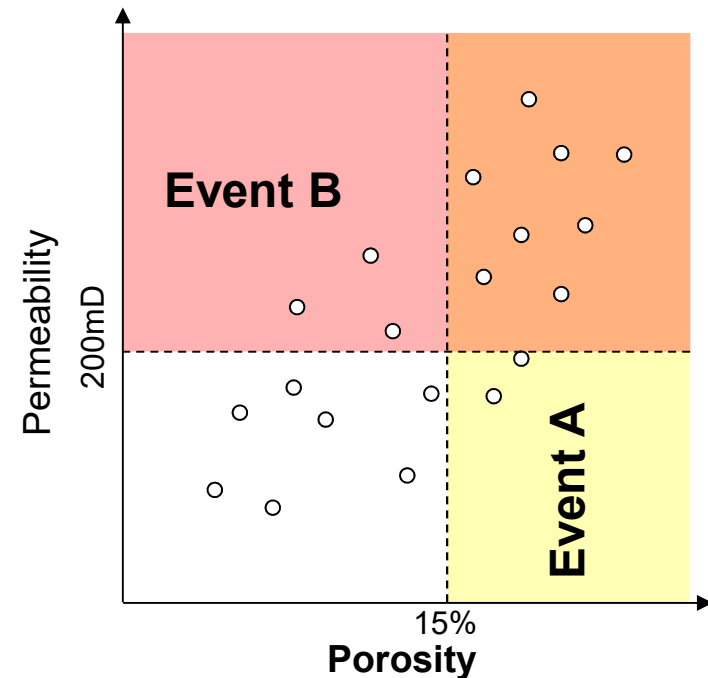
Event A: Porosity > 15%

Event B: Permeability > 200 mD

For Case 1 calculate:

$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{8/20}{11/20} = 8/11$$

$$P(B | A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} = \frac{8/20}{10/20} = 8/10$$



**Bonus Question:** How much information does B tell you about A and visa versa?

$P(A) = 10/20$ ,  $P(A|B) = 8/11$  Probability from 50% → 73%

$P(B) = 11/20$ ,  $P(B|A) = 8/10$  Probability from 55% → 80%

We cannot work with A and B independently, they provide information about each other.

# Probability Definitions

## Conditional, Marginal and Joint Example



**Joint Distribution:**

$$f_{XY}(x, y)$$

**Marginal Distribution:**

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy$$

**Conditional Distribution:**

$$f_{X|Y}(x | y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

**Table of Frequencies**

<b>Porosity (%)</b>	<b>25%</b>	1	1	0	0	0
	<b>20%</b>	2	3	2	0	0
	<b>15%</b>	1	2	2	1	0
	<b>10%</b>	0	0	2	3	2
	<b>5%</b>	0	0	1	1	1
		<b>10%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>90%</b>
		<b>Fraction Shale (%)</b>				

# Probability Definitions

## Conditional Probability Example



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**Table of Joint Probabilities**

Porosity (%)	25%					
	4%	4%	0	0	0	
	8%	12%	8%	0	0	
	4%	8%	8%	4%	0	
	0	0	8%	12%	8%	
5%	0	0	4%	4%	4%	
		10%	30%	50%	70%	90%
		Fraction Shale (%)				

# Probability Definitions

## Conditional Probability Hands-on



Given these joint probabilities calculate the: **Table of Joint Probabilities**

**Marginal Distributions:**

<b>Vsh</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>90%</b>
$f_{Vsh}(v_{sh}) =$					

<b>Porosity</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>
$f_{\varphi}(\varphi) =$					

<b>Porosity (%)</b>	<b>25%</b>	4%	4%	0	0	0
	<b>20%</b>	8%	12%	8%	0	0
	<b>15%</b>	4%	8%	8%	4%	0
	<b>10%</b>	0	0	8%	12%	8%
	<b>5%</b>	0	0	4%	4%	4%
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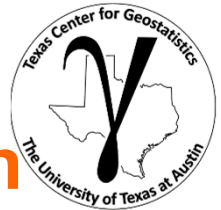
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$$f_{Vsh|\varphi}(v_{sh} | \varphi = 15\%) =$$

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## Conditional Probability Hands-on



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$f_{Vsh}(v_{sh})$	16%	24%	28%	20%	12%

<b>Porosity</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>25%</b>
$f_{\varphi}(\varphi)$	12%	28%	24%	28%	8%

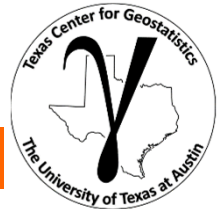
**Conditional Distribution:**

<b>Vsh</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>90%</b>
	1/6	1/3	1/3	1/6	0

<b>Porosity (%)</b>	<b>25%</b>	4%	4%	0	0	0
<b>20%</b>	8%	12%	8%	0	0	
<b>15%</b>	4%	8%	8%	4%	0	
<b>10%</b>	0	0	8%	12%	8%	
<b>5%</b>	0	0	4%	4%	4%	
	<b>10%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>90%</b>	
	<b>Fraction Shale (%)</b>					

$$f_{Vsh|\varphi}(v_{sh} | \varphi = 15\%) = f_{Vsh,\varphi}(v_{sh}, \varphi = 15\%) / f_{\varphi}(\varphi = 15\%)$$

# Frequentist Hands-on Joint, Conditional and Marginal



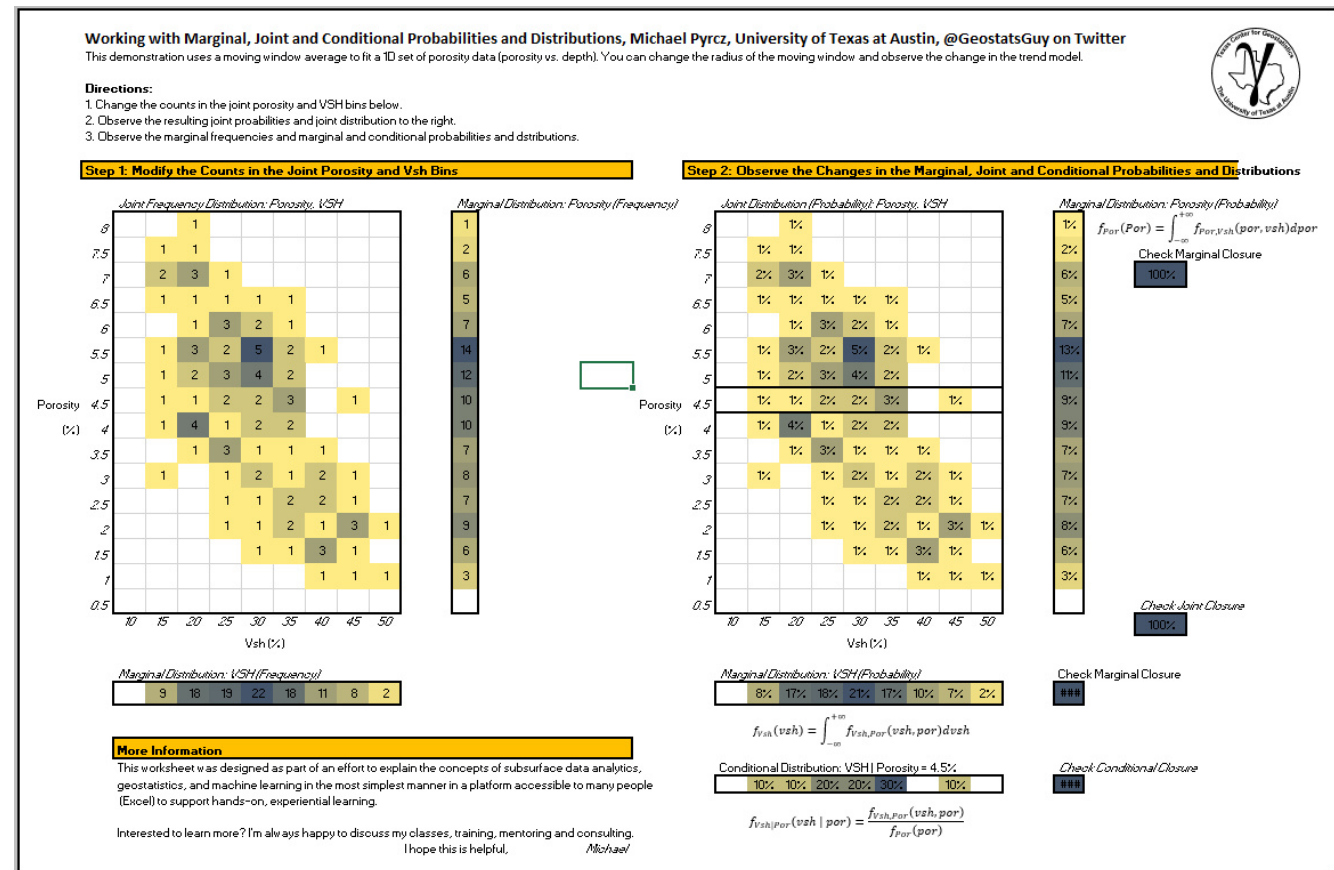
## Bayesian Inversion, Value of Information:

### Things to try:

1. Add a spike  
(large frequency) in  
an outlier location.

2. Systematically  
increase the  
frequencies for the  
low porosity, high  
vsh region.

Observe the impact  
on joint, marginal  
and conditional  
probabilities and  
distributions.



The file is at: <https://git.io/fhA9X>. The file is Marginal\_Joint\_Conditional.xlsx

# Multivariate Modeling: Probability and Statistics



**Lecture outline . . .**

- **Bayesian Concepts**

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# Probability Definitions Bayesian Statistics



## Product Rule:

$$P(B \cap A) = P(A|B) P(B)$$

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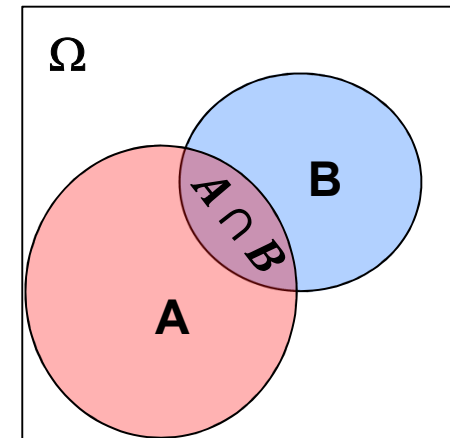
It follows that:

$$P(B \cap A) = P(A \cap B)$$

Therefore we combine two product rules, substitute:

$$P(A|B) P(B) = P(B|A) P(A)$$

We get Bayes' Theorem!



Venn Diagram – illustrating intersection.

# Probability Definitions Bayesian Statistics



## Bayesian Statistical Approaches:

- probabilities based on a degree of belief (expert experience) in an event
- updated as new information is available
- solve probability problems that we cannot use simple frequencies

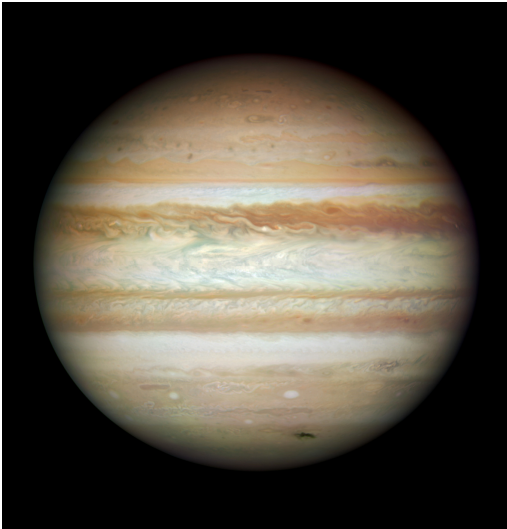


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**From Sivia (1996), What is the mass of Jupiter?**

**Frequentist:** measure the mass of enough Jupiter-like planets from multiple solar systems.

**Bayesian:** form a prior probability and update with any available information.

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics



### Bayes' Theorem:

Make an easy adjustment and we get the popular form.

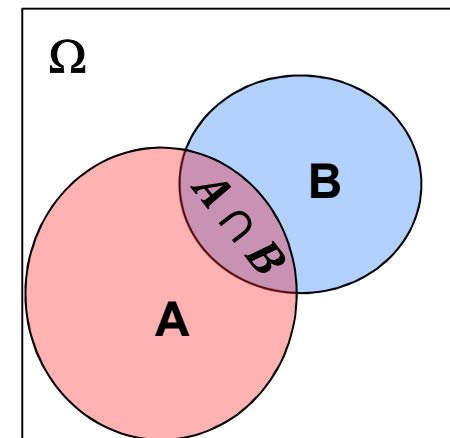
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Observations:

1. We are able to get  $P(A | B)$  from  $P(B | A)$  as you will see this often comes in handy.
2. Each term is known as:

$$\text{Posterior} = \frac{\text{Likelihood} \times \text{Prior}}{\text{Evidence}}$$

3. Prior should have no information from likelihood.
4. Evidence term is usually just a standardization to ensure closure.



Venn Diagram – illustrating intersection.

Note: we got to Bayes' Theorem by fundamental frequentist approaches.

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics



### Bayes' Theorem:

A common example of Bayes' Theorem for modeling the subsurface.

Model Updating with a New Data Source:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Posterior} & & \text{Likelihood} & & \text{Prior} \\ \swarrow & & \swarrow & & \swarrow \\ P(\text{Model} \mid \text{New Data}) & = & \frac{P(\text{New Data} \mid \text{Model}) P(\text{Model})}{P(\text{New Data})} \end{array}$$

Evidence  $\uparrow$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics



### Bayes' Theorem:

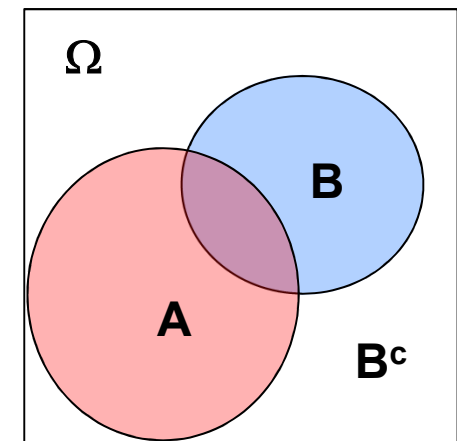
Alternative form, symmetry:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)} \quad P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A)}$$

Alternative form to calculate evidence term:

$$\text{Given: } P(A) = \underbrace{P(A|B) P(B)}_{P(A \text{ and } B)} + \underbrace{P(A|B^c) P(B^c)}_{P(A \text{ and } B^c)}$$

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A|B) P(B) + P(A|B^c) P(B^c)}$$



Venn Diagram – illustrating intersection.

# Probability Definitions Bayesian Statistics



**Bayesian approaches allow you to solve statistical problems that are not possible otherwise. Consider:**

Event A	Event B
You have a disease	You test positive for the disease
There is fault compartmentalization	Geologist says there's a fault
Low permeability of a sample	The laboratory measure is low
A valve will fail	X-ray test is positive
You drill a dry well	Seismic AVO response looks poor

**In all of these cases you need to calculate:**

$$P\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Something is} \\ \text{Happening} \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} \text{Looks like} \\ \text{its happening} \end{array}\right) = \frac{P\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Looks like} \\ \text{its happening} \end{array} \middle| \begin{array}{c} \text{Something is} \\ \text{Happening} \end{array}\right) P\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Something is} \\ \text{Happening} \end{array}\right)}{P\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Looks like} \\ \text{its happening} \end{array}\right)}$$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



Bayesian approaches allow you to solve statistical problems that are not possible otherwise. Consider:

**Correct Detection Rate x Occurrence Rate**

$$P(\text{Something is Happening} \mid \text{Looks like its happening}) = \frac{P(\text{Looks like its happening} \mid \text{Something is Happening}) P(\text{Something is Happening})}{P(\text{Looks like its happening})}$$

**All Detection Rate (included false positives)**

Often these terms are much easier to collect:

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A)} = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A|B) P(B) + P(A|B^c) P(B^c)}$$

*Let's try this out next.*

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Hands-on



**Example:** Prior information at a site suggests a channel feature exists at a given location with probability of 60%. We decide to further investigate this information using seismic data.

Seismic survey can show a feature

- is present with 90% probability if it really is present
- is not present with a probability 70% if it really is not

**A=The feature is present**

**B=Seismic shows the feature**

**A<sup>c</sup>=The feature not present**

**B<sup>c</sup>=Seismic does not show the feature**

$$P(A) = 0.6$$

$$P(B|A) = 0.9$$

$$P(B^c|A^c) = 0.7$$

$$P(A^c) =$$

$$P(B|A^c) =$$

**Will seismic information be useful?**

Recall:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B|A) P(A) + P(B|A^c) P(A^c)}$$



# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



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$$P(B|A^c) = 1 - P(B^c|A^c) = 0.3$$

**True Positive**

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B|A) P(A) + P(B|A^c) P(A^c)} = \frac{(0.9)(0.6)}{(0.9)(0.6) + (0.3)(0.4)} = 82\%$$

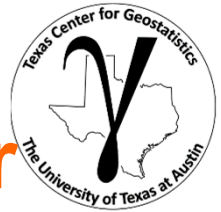
**True Positive**

**False Positive**

**Will seismic information be useful?**

**P(A) = 60% and now P(A|B) = 82%**

# Bayesian Hands-on Actual Happening Given Indicator



## Bayesian Inversion, Value of Information:

### Things to try:

1. False Positives:  
Drop the false  
positive rate form  
0.01% to 0.001%?

2. Rare Events:  
What if probability  
of occurrence  
increased from  
0.001% to 0.01%?

Observe the impact  
on the posterior,  
updated probability.

### Bayesian Updating V2.0 - Inverting Conditional Probabilities

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With **Bayesian Updating** we can invert conditional probabilities (e.g.  $P(A|B) \leftarrow P(B|A)$ ). This is very powerful, because often we can use an easier to calculate conditional probability to assess a more difficult to calculate, but more important conditional probability. For example, your doctor gives you a medical test that comes back positive for a disease. It would be important to know what is the probability that you have the disease given the positive test. This is a general category of problems that may be generalized as follows. **You have an positive indicator that something is happening, is the thing actually happening?** E.g. seismic interpretation indicates a fault, x-ray analysis indicates a crack etc.

$$P(\text{Actually Happening} | \text{Positive Indicator}) = \frac{P(\text{Positive Indicator} | \text{Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{Actually Happening})}{P(\text{Positive Indicator})}$$

It turns out that the denominator (Evidence Term) is often hard to calculate so we may use probability logic to calculate it as follows:

$$P(\text{Positive Indicator}) = \underbrace{P(\text{Positive Indicator} | \text{Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{Actually Happening})}_{\text{True Positive}} + \underbrace{P(\text{Positive Indicator} | \text{NOT Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{NOT Actually Happening})}_{\text{False Positive}}$$

Returning to the doctor's office. Your doctor has just informed you that you have tested positive (Positive Indicator) for a disease. Don't panic, resort to probability math. What information do you have to work with?

**Instructions:**  
Adjust the yellow probabilities (that would likely be available) and observe the resulting probability of having the disease given a positive test. Note intermediate calculated probabilities are in blue cells.

Probability of getting this disease	$P(\text{Actually Happening}) =$	<span style="background-color: yellow;">0.0001%</span>
By closure the compliment, probability of not getting this disease	$P(\text{Not Actually Happening}) = 1 - P(\text{Actually Happening}) =$	<span style="background-color: lightblue;">99.9999%</span>
Probability of detecting the disease if you have it. This is the sensitivity of the test.	$P(\text{Positive Indicator}   \text{Actually Happening}) =$	<span style="background-color: yellow;">99.0000%</span>
Probability of detecting the disease if you don't have it. This is the false positive rate of the test.	$P(\text{Positive Indicator}   \text{NOT Actually Happening}) =$	<span style="background-color: yellow;">0.0100%</span>
$P(\text{Positive Indicator}) = P(\text{Positive Indicator}   \text{Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{Actually Happening}) + P(\text{Positive Indicator}   \text{NOT Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{NOT Actually Happening})$		
$P(\text{Positive Indicator}) = 0.99\% \times 0.00001\% + 0.0001\% \times 99.9999\%$	$\rightarrow P(\text{Positive Indicator}) =$	<span style="background-color: lightblue;">0.0100%</span>
We now have everything we need to solve for the probability you have the disease given a positive test.		
$P(\text{Actually Happening}   \text{Positive Indicator}) = \frac{P(\text{Positive Indicator}   \text{Actually Happening}) \times P(\text{Actually Happening})}{P(\text{Positive Indicator})}$		
$= \frac{99.0000\% \times 0.00001\%}{0.0100\%}$	$=$	<span style="background-color: yellow;">0.00099%</span>
<b>What should you observe?</b>		
Why is the $P(\text{Actually Happening}   \text{Positive Indicator})$ so low? Check out the following joint probabilities.		
The probability of experiencing a false positive is $P(\text{Not Actually Happening and Positive Indicator}) =$	<span style="background-color: lightblue;">0.0001%</span>	<span style="background-color: lightblue;">10.10</span> Ratio of Probability of False Positive / Probability of True Positive
Compare this to the true positive $P(\text{Actually Happening and Positive Indicator}) =$	<span style="background-color: lightblue;">0.0000%</span>	
The combination of a very unlikely event (rare disease) and a significant false positive rate results in 10.1x greater probability of a false positive than a true positive with this test. The problem is that given an apparently low false positive rate and a very high true positive rate most people would assume that the detected condition is actually happening, when in fact it is unlikely!		

The file is at: <https://git.io/fjexw>. The file is BayesianUpdatingInversion\_Demo.xlsx

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



### What did we learn?

- combination of rare events and high false positive rates can make the conditional probability of an event given an indication of the event low!
- we can calculate the prior compare to the posterior and use this to assess the value of information of a test!

$$P(\text{Something is Happening} \mid \text{Looks like its happening}) = \frac{P(\text{Looks like its happening} \mid \text{Something is Happening}) P(\text{Something is Happening})}{P(\text{Looks like its happening})}$$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



**Machine 1**

$P(X_1)$ , **20% Production**  
 $P(Y|X_1)$ , **5% Error Rate**

**Machine 2**

$P(X_2)$ , **30% Production**  
 $P(Y|X_2)$ , **3% Error Rate**

**Machine 3**

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**Example:** Probability of an error in the product,  $P(Y)$ ?

Hint: Calculate Marginal  $P(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y, X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y|X_i)P(X_i)$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



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$$P(Y) = P(Y|X_1)P(X_1) + P(Y|X_2)P(X_2) + P(Y|X_3)P(X_3)$$

$$P(Y) = (0.20)(0.05) + (0.30)(0.03) + (0.50)(0.01)$$

$$P(Y) = 0.024 = 2.4\%$$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



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**Example:** Probability product came each machine given an error is observed,  $P(X_i|Y)$ ?

Note: From the previous slide:  $P(Y) = 0.024 = 2.4\%$

Hint calculate the conditional:  $P(X_i|Y) = \frac{P(Y|X_i)P(X_i)}{P(Y)}$

# Probability Definitions

## Bayesian Statistics Example



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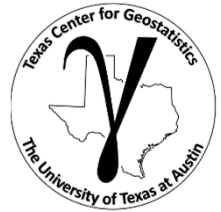
$$P(X_i|Y) = \frac{P(Y|X_i)P(X_i)}{P(Y)}$$

$$P(X_1|Y) = \frac{(0.05)(0.2)}{(0.024)} = 0.41$$

$$P(X_3|Y) = \frac{(0.01)(0.5)}{(0.024)} = 0.21$$

$$P(X_2|Y) = \frac{(0.03)(0.3)}{(0.024)} = 0.38$$

# Bayesian Hands-on Updating Exploration Success



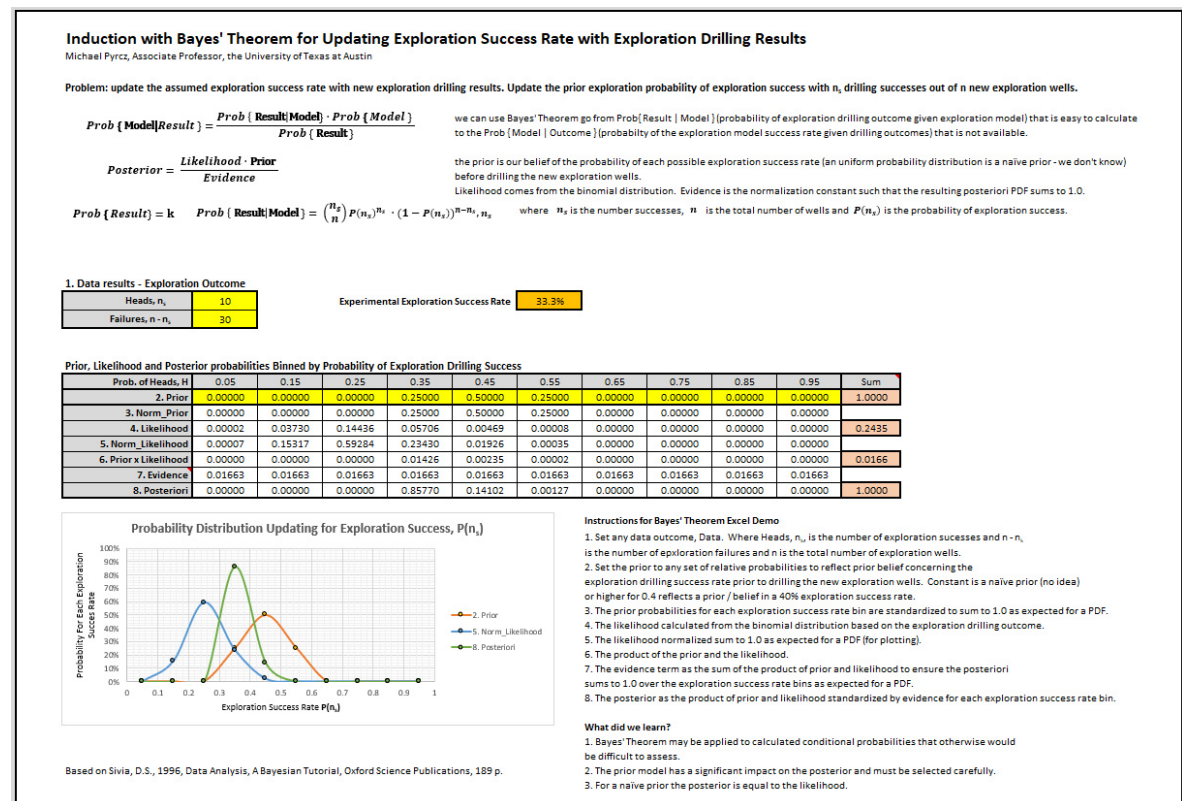
## Exploration Bayesian Updating:

### Things to try:

1. Change the Recent Drilling Success from 33% to 10% or 80%.

2. Change the Prior from mode of 45% to 10% or 50%.

Observe the impact on the posterior, updated probability.



The file is at: <https://git.io/fjexw>. The file is Bayesian\_Exploration\_Demo.xlsx.



# Bayesian Updating with Gaussian Distributions



**There is an analytical solution for working with Gaussian distributions for Bayesian updating (Sivia, 1996).**

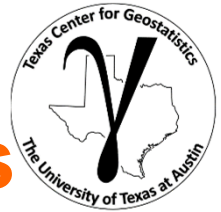
- Calculate the mean of the posterior from the prior and likelihood mean and variance.

$$\bar{x}_{\text{updated}} = \frac{\bar{x}_{\text{likelihood}}(\mathbf{u}) \cdot \sigma_{\text{prior}}^2(\mathbf{u}) + \bar{x}_{\text{prior}}(\mathbf{u}) \cdot \sigma_{\text{likelihood}}^2(\mathbf{u})}{[1 - \sigma_{\text{likelihood}}^2(\mathbf{u})][\sigma_{\text{prior}}^2(\mathbf{u}) - 1] + 1}$$

- Calculate the variance of the posterior from the prior and likelihood variances (no means, homoscedastic!).

$$\sigma_{\text{updated}}^2(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{\sigma_{\text{prior}}^2(\mathbf{u}) \sigma_{\text{likelihood}}^2(\mathbf{u})}{[1 - \sigma_{\text{likelihood}}^2(\mathbf{u})][\sigma_{\text{prior}}^2(\mathbf{u}) - 1] + 1}$$

# Bayesian Hands-on Updating with Gaussian Distributions



## Exploration Bayesian Updating with Gaussian Assumption:

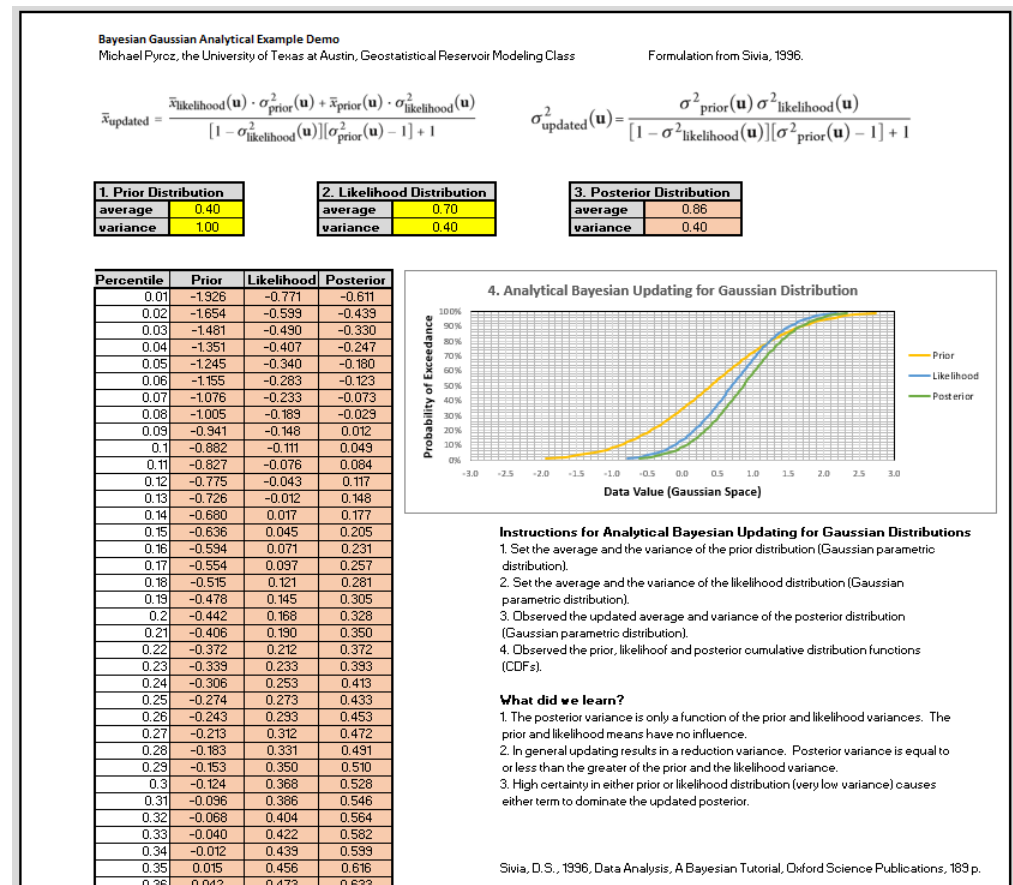
### Things to try:

1. Use a large variance for the prior.

2. Make the prior and likelihood distributions the same.

3. Make the prior low, and the likelihood even lower!

Observe the impact on the posterior, updated probability.



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# Probability New Tools



Topic	Application to Subsurface Modeling
<b>Frequentist Concepts</b>	<p>When sufficient observations are available use (long-run) counting to access the required probabilities.</p> <p><i>Predict reservoir average porosity by pooling analogous fields.</i></p>
<b>Bayesian Concepts Inversion of Conditionals</b>	<p>Calculate a difficult to access conditional probability from an accessible one. Probability of event given indicator from probability indicator given event.</p> <p><i>Calculate probability of sealing fault given indicator of sealing fault.</i></p>
<b>Bayesian Concepts Bayesian Updating</b>	<p>Update prior belief with new information.</p> <p><i>Calculate probability of exploration success rate given prior model and outcomes from exploration drilling program.</i></p>

# Multivariate Modeling: Probability and Statistics



**Lecture outline . . .**

- **Probability in Subsurface Modeling**
- **Frequentist Concepts**
- **Bayesian Concepts**

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