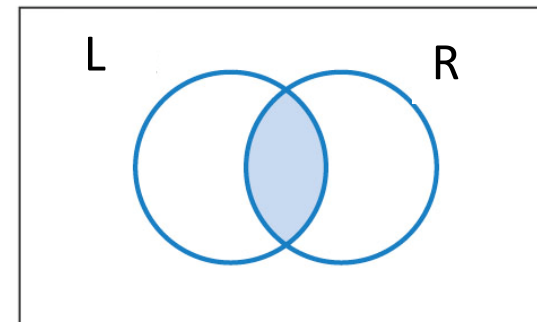


# Circuits

# Series Circuit

This circuit operates only if there is **at least one path of functional devices** from left to right. The **probability** that **each device functions** is shown on the graph. Assume that the **devices fail independently**. What is the probability that the circuit operates?

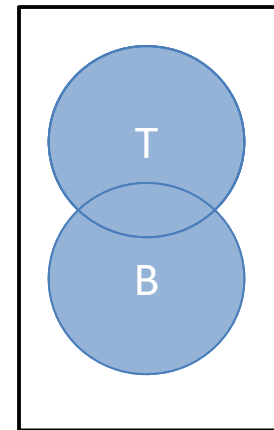
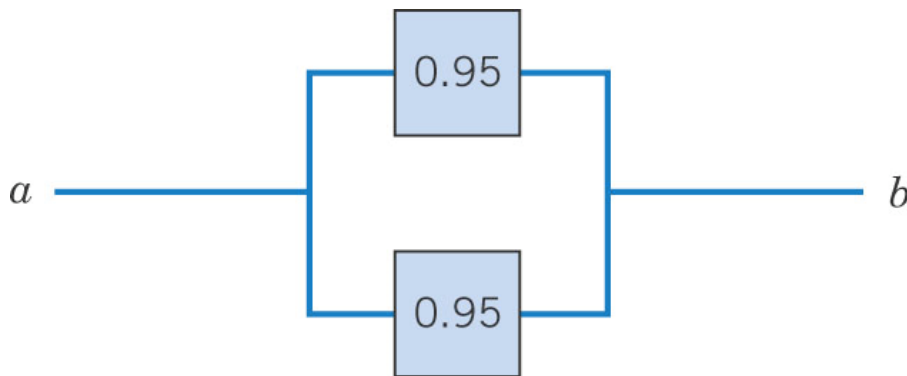


Let L & R denote the events that the left and right devices operate. The probability that the circuit operates is:

$$P(L \text{ and } R) = P(L \cap R) = P(L) * P(R) = 0.8 * 0.9 = 0.72.$$

# Parallel Circuit

This circuit operates only if there is a path of functional devices from left to right. The probability that each device functions is shown. Each device fails independently.

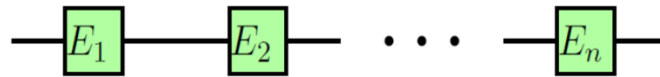


Let T & B denote the events that the top and bottom devices operate. The probability that the circuit operates is:

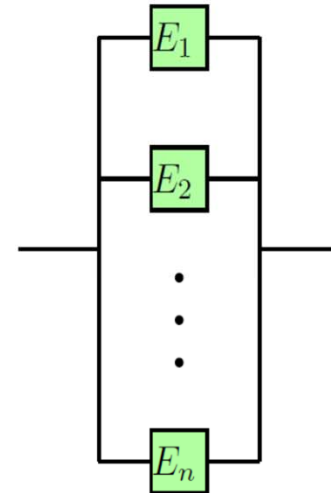
$$P(T \cup B) = 1 - P(T' \cap B') = 1 - P(T') * P(B') = 1 - 0.05^2 = 1 - 0.0025 = 0.9975.$$

# Duality between parallel and series circuits

$$q_i = 1 - p_i.$$



(a)

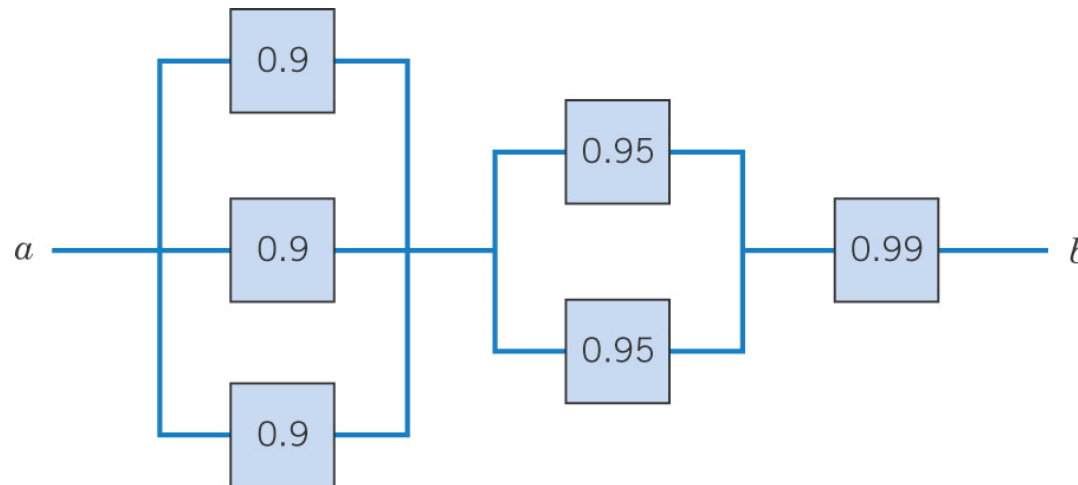


(b)

Connection	Notation	Works with prob	Fails with prob
Serial	$E_1 \cap E_2 \cap \dots \cap E_n$	$p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$	$1 - p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$
Parallel	$E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \dots \cup E_n$	$1 - q_1 q_2 \dots q_n$	$q_1 q_2 \dots q_n$

# Advanced Circuit

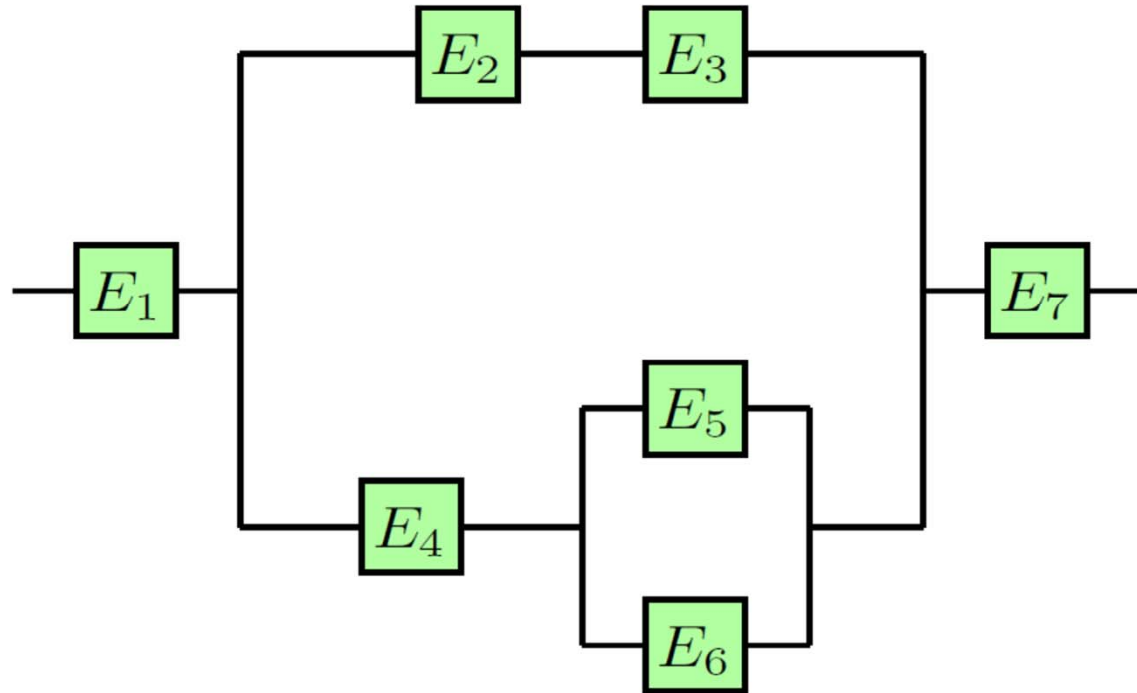
This circuit operates only if there is a path of functional devices from left to right. The probability that each device functions is shown. Each device fails independently.



Partition the graph into 3 columns with L & M denoting the left & middle columns.

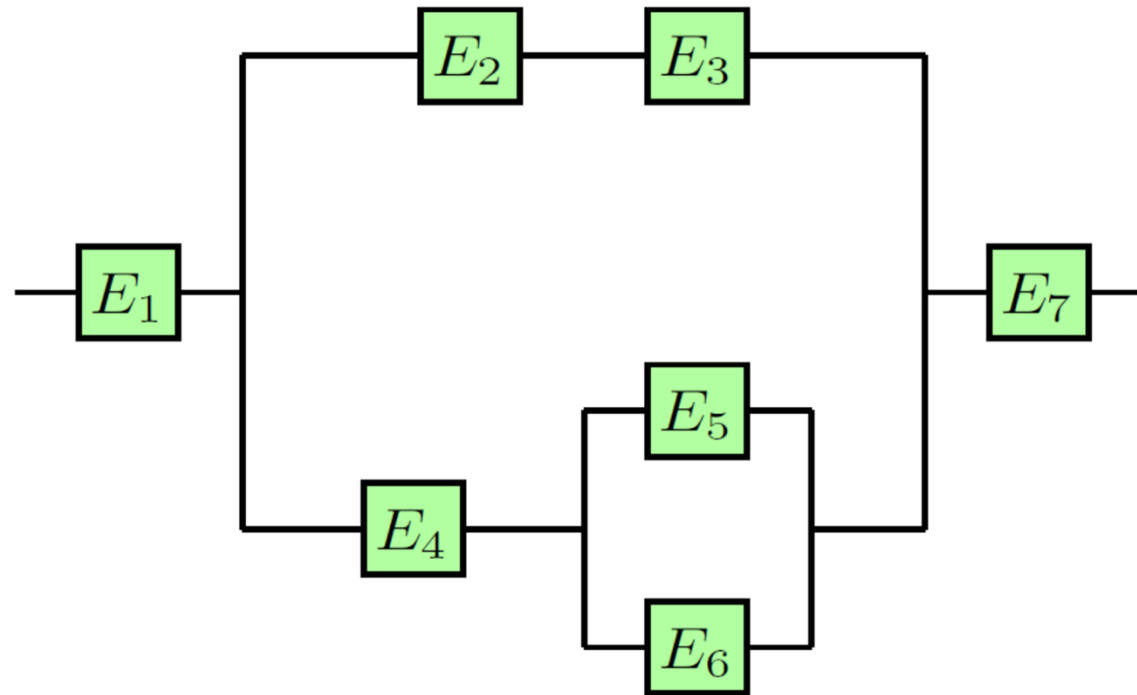
$P(L) = 1 - 0.1^3$ , and  $P(M) = 1 - 0.05^2$ , so the probability that the circuit operates is:  $(1 - 0.1^3)(1 - 0.05^2)(0.99) = 0.9875$  (this is a series of parallel circuits).

# Circuit $\rightarrow$ Set equation



Component	$E_1$	$E_2$	$E_3$	$E_4$	$E_5$	$E_6$	$E_7$
Probability of functioning well	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.8

# Circuit → Set equation



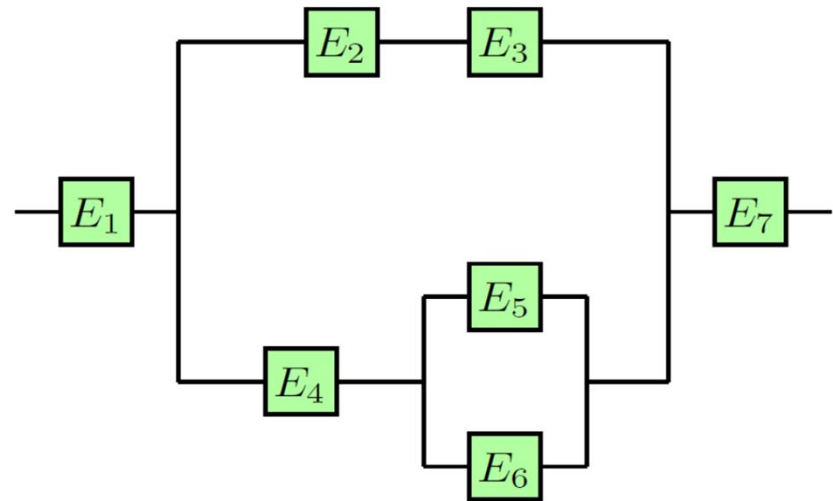
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$$E_1 \cap [(E_2 \cap E_3) \cup (E_4 \cap (E_5 \cup E_6))] \cap E_7.$$

$$P(\text{Works}) = 0.9 \cdot (1 - (1 - 0.5 \cdot 0.3) \cdot (1 - 0.1 \cdot (1 - 0.6 \cdot 0.5))) \cdot 0.8 = 0.15084$$

# Matlab group exercise

- Break into groups by rows (or half rows).  
I will collect results on the blackboard
- Each group writes a matlab script to simulate  $10^6$  tests of this circuit
- Calculate the fraction of time circuit works
- Compare to our calculation: 0.15084

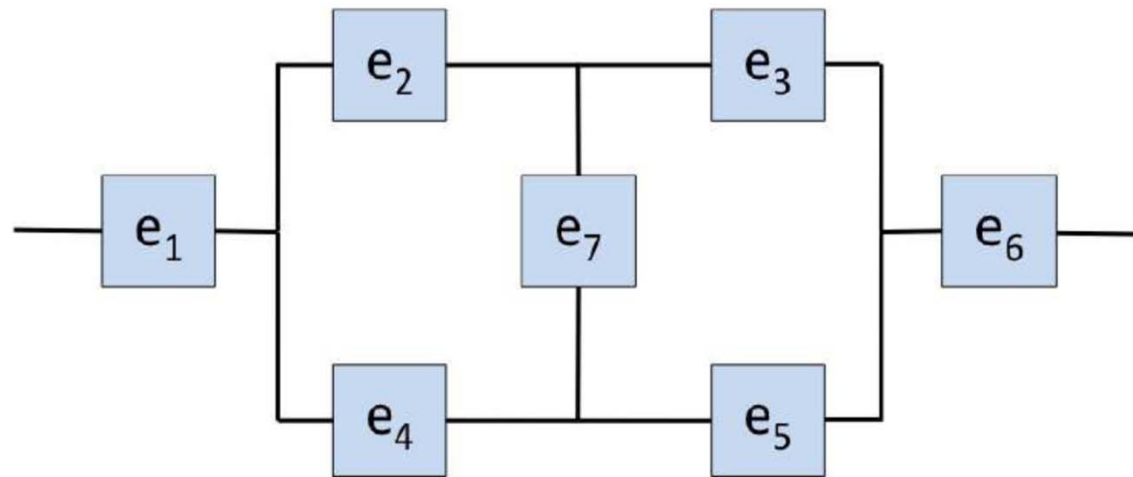


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# Matlab check

- `M=1000000;`
- `s = 0;`
- `for i = 1:M`
- `e1 = rand < 0.9; e2 = rand < 0.5; e3 = rand < 0.3;`
- `e4 = rand < 0.1; e5 = rand < 0.4; e6 = rand < 0.5;`
- `e7 = rand < 0.8;`
- `s1 = min(e2,e3); % or s1 = e2*e3;`
- `s2 = max(e5,e6); % or s2= e5+e6>0;`
- `s3 = min(e4,s2); % or s3 = e4*s2;`
- `s4 = max(s1,s3); % or s4 = s1+s3 > 0;`
- `st = min([e1;s4;e7]); % or st=e1*s4*e7;`
- `s = s + st;`
- `end`
- `works = s/M`
- `fails = 1 - works`



Component	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$	$e_4$	$e_5$	$e_6$	$e_7$
Probability of component working	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.4



# Bayes Theorem

# Bayes' theorem (1812)



Thomas Bayes  
(1701-1761)

English statistician, philosopher,  
and Presbyterian minister

# Bayes' theorem (simple)

Definitions:  $P(\text{B} | \text{A}) = P(\text{B} \cap \text{A}) / P(\text{A})$ ;  $P(\text{A} | \text{B}) = P(\text{A} \cap \text{B}) / P(\text{B})$

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

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

- In Science we often want to know:  
“How much faith should I put into hypothesis, given the data?”  
or  $P(H|D)$
- What we usually can calculate is:  
“Assuming that this hypothesis is true, what is the probability of the observed data?” or  $P(D|H)$
- Bayes' theorem can help:  $P(H|D) = P(D|H) \cdot P(H) / P(D)$
- The problem is  $P(H)$  (so-called prior) is often not known

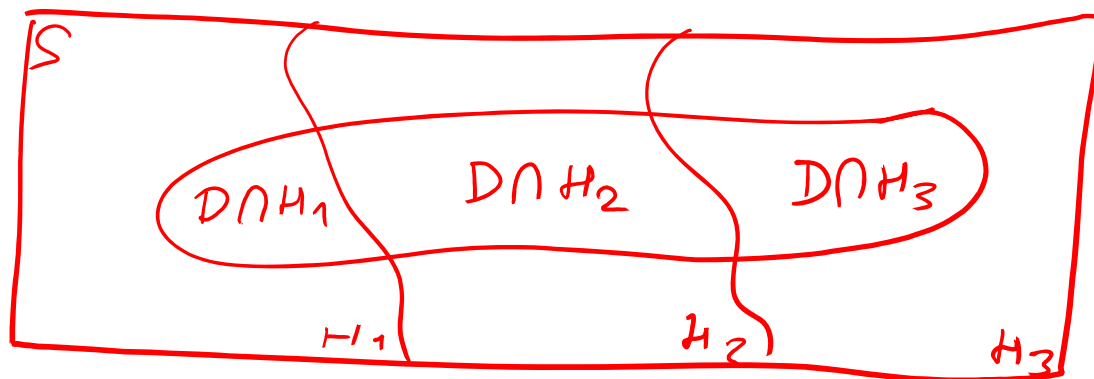
# Bayes theorem (continued)

Works best with **exhaustive** and **mutually-exclusive** hypotheses:

$H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n$  such that  $H_1 \cup H_2 \cup H_3 \dots \cup H_n = S$  and  $H_i \cap H_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$

$$P(H_k|D) = P(D|H_k) \cdot P(H_k) / P(D)$$

- $P(H_k)$  is a prior of hypothesis k. But what is  $P(D)$ ?
- $P(D) = P(D \cap H_1) + P(D \cap H_2) + \dots + P(D \cap H_n) =$   
 $= P(D|H_1) \cdot P(H_1) + P(D|H_2) \cdot P(H_2) + \dots + P(D|H_n) \cdot P(H_n)$



An **awesome new test** has been invented for an early detection of cancer. The probability that it **correctly identifies someone with cancer as positive is 95%**, and the probability that it **correctly identifies someone without cancer as negative is 99%**. The **incidence** of this type of cancer in the general population is  $10^{-4}$ . A random person in the population takes the test, and the result is positive.

What is the probability that he/she has cancer?

- A. 99%
- B. 95%
- C. 30%
- D. 1%

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Events:  $C$  - cancer,  $C'$  - no cancer  
Test events  $Y$  - positive,  $N$  - negative

We know:

$$P(C) = 10^{-4}, \quad P(Y|C) = 0.95$$
$$P(N|C') = 0.99$$

We need

$$P(C|Y)$$

Bayes:

$$P(C|Y) = P(Y|C) \cdot \frac{P(C)}{P(Y)} ?$$



$P(Y)$  - probability that a random person will test positive

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y) &= P(Y \cap C) + P(Y \cap C') = \\ &= P(Y|C)P(C) + P(Y|C')P(C') = \\ &= 0.95 \times 10^{-4} + (1 - 0.99) \times (1 - 10^{-4}) \approx \\ &\approx 10^{-4} + 10^{-2} \approx 10^{-2} = 1\% \end{aligned}$$

$$P(C|Y) = P(Y|C) \cdot \frac{P(C)}{P(Y)} = 0.95 \times \frac{10^{-4}}{10^{-2}} \approx 1\%$$



What if a doctor is already 50% sure of cancer based on other tests?

That changes things!

Now  $P(C) = P(C') = 0.5$

$$P(C|Y) = \frac{P(Y|C) \cdot P(C)}{P(Y|C) \cdot P(C) + P(Y|C') \cdot P(C')}$$

$$= \frac{0.95 \times 0.5}{0.95 \times 0.5 + (1 - 0.99) \times 0.5} \approx 0.99$$

## How come?

We thought it was a great test..

- Let  $C$  – be the event that the patient has cancer;  
 $C'$  – patient is cancer free
- $Y/N$  – events that test is Positive/Negative  
( $N=Y'$ )
- We know:  $P(C)=10^{-4}$ ,  $P(Y|C)=0.95$ ,  $P(N|C')=0.99$
- We need to find  $P(C|Y)$
- Bayes to the rescue:  $P(C|Y)=P(Y|C)*P(C)/P(Y)$
- What on earth is  $P(Y)$  ???

# What is $P(Y)$ ???

- Likelihood that a random patient would test Y:  
$$P(Y) = P(Y \cap C) + P(Y \cap C') = P(Y|C)P(C) + P(Y|C')P(C') = 0.95 * 10^{-4} + (1 - 0.99) * (1 - 10^{-4}) \approx 0.01$$
- Hence  $P(C|Y) = P(Y|C) * P(C) / P(Y) \approx 10^{-4} / 0.01 = 0.01 = 1\%$
- But we would like it to be 100%, please!!!
- Until the false positive discovery rate  $1 - P(N|C')$  does not fall below the general population prevalence the result will never be close 100%



# What if I am already 50% sure (based on other tests) that a patient has cancer?

- That changes everything!
- Now  $P(C)=P(C')=0.5$
- $P(C|Y)=P(Y|C)*P(C)/[P(Y|C)*P(C)+P(Y|C')*P(C')]=0.95*0.5/[0.95*0.5+(1-0.99)*0.5]=0.99$
- Now the doctor can be almost 100% sure.
- The importance of prior:
  - If prior belief that one has cancer is  $10^{-4}$  – test is useless
  - If prior belief is at least 1% - the test is useful

(15 points) Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer found in males. It is checked by PSA test that is notoriously unreliable. The probability that a noncancerous man will have an elevated PSA level is approximately 0.135, with this probability increasing to approximately 0.268 if the man does have cancer. If, based on other factors, a physician is 70 percent certain that a male has prostate cancer, what is the conditional probability that he has the cancer given that the test indicates an elevated PSA level?

A. 99.99%

B. 99%

C. 82%

D. 71%

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Use Bayes Theorem again

Events: C - cancer, E - PSA elevated

$$P(C) = 0.7 : \frac{\text{doctor's prior belief}}{\text{belief}}$$

$$P(C|E) = P(E|C) \cdot \frac{P(C)}{P(E)}$$

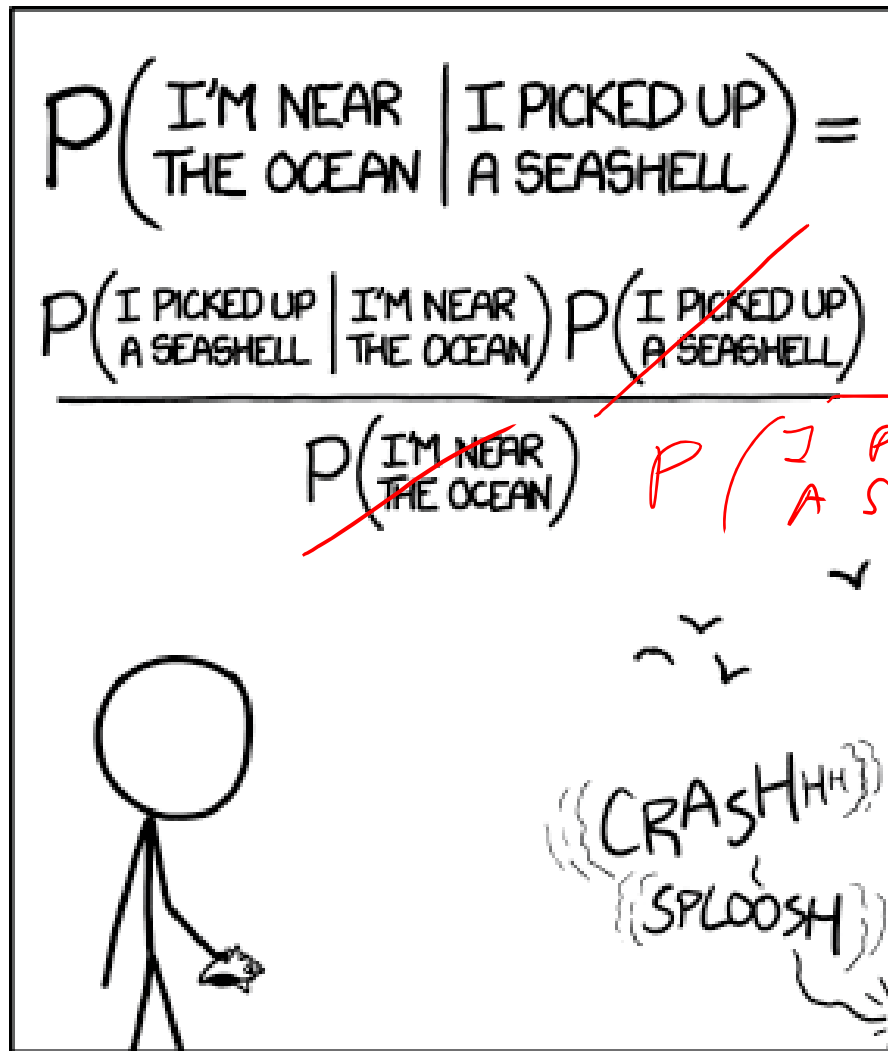
$$\begin{aligned} P(E) &= P(E|C) \cdot P(C) + P(E|C') \cdot P(C') \\ &= 0.268 \cdot 0.7 + 0.135 \cdot 0.3 = 0.23 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(C|E) = 0.268 \cdot \frac{0.7}{0.23} = 0.82 = \underline{\underline{82\%}}$$

vs. 70%

All this trouble for a lousy  
12% gain in confidence?  
I don't believe you!

- Let  $C$  – be the event that the patient has cancer;  
 $C'$  – patient is cancer free,  $E$  – events that the  
PSA test was elevated
- We know doctor's prior belief:  $P(C)=0.7$
- We know test stats:  $P(E|C)=0.268$ ,  $P(E|C')=0.135$
- We need to find  $P(C|E)=P(E|C)*P(C)/P(E)$
- $P(E)=P(E|C)*P(C)+P(E|C')*P(C')=$   
 $=0.268*0.7+0.135*0.3=0.23$
- $P(C|E)=0.7*0.268/0.23=0.82=82\%$



STATISTICALLY SPEAKING, IF YOU PICK UP A SEASHELL AND DON'T HOLD IT TO YOUR EAR, YOU CAN PROBABLY HEAR THE OCEAN.

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# WHY ARE THERE SLAVES IN THE BIBLE

WHY DO TWINS HAVE DIFFERENT FINGERPRINTS  
WHY ARE AMERICANS AFRAID OF DRAGONS  
WHY IS HTTPS CROSSED OUT IN RED  
WHY IS THERE A LINE THROUGH HTTPS  
WHY IS THERE A RED LINE THROUGH HTTPS ON FACEBOOK  
WHY IS HTTPS IMPORTANT

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comics

## QUESTIONS FOUND IN GOOGLE AUTOCOMPLETE



WHY ARE THERE WEEKS IN MAY DO I FEEL DIZZY

WHY DO WHALES JUMP  
WHY ARE WITCHES GREEN  
WHY ARE THERE MIRRORS ABOVE BEDS  
WHY DO I SAY UH  
WHY IS SEA SALT BETTER  
WHY ARE THERE TREES IN THE MIDDLE OF FIELDS  
WHY IS THERE NOT A POKEMON MMO  
WHY IS THERE LAUGHING IN TV SHOWS  
WHY ARE THERE DOORS ON THE FREEWAY  
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY SVCHOST.EXE RUNNING  
WHY AREN'T THERE ANY COUNTRIES IN ANTARCTICA  
WHY ARE THERE SCARY SOUNDS IN MINECRAFT  
WHY IS THERE KICKING IN MY STOMACH  
WHY ARE THERE TWO SLASHES AFTER HTTP  
WHY ARE THERE CELEBRITIES  
WHY DO SNAKES EXIST  
WHY DO OYSTERS HAVE PEARLS  
WHY ARE DUCKS CALLED DUCKS  
WHY DO THEY CALL IT THE CLAP  
WHY ARE KYLE AND CARTMAN FRIENDS  
WHY IS THERE AN ARROW ON AANG'S HEAD  
WHY ARE TEXT MESSAGES BLUE  
WHY ARE THERE MUSTACHES ON CLOTHES  
WHY ARE THERE MUSTACHES ON CARS  
WHY ARE THERE MUSTACHES EVERYWHERE  
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY BIRDS IN OHIO  
WHY IS THERE SO MUCH RAIN IN OHIO  
WHY IS OHIO WEATHER SO WEIRD  
WHY ARE THERE MALE AND FEMALE BIKES

WHY ARE THERE BRIDESMAIDS  
WHY DO DYING PEOPLE REACH UP  
WHY AREN'T THERE VARIOUS PRIETIES  
WHY ARE OLD KLINGONS DIFFERENT



WHY IS PROGRAMMING SO HARD  
WHY IS THERE A 0 OHM RESISTOR  
WHY DO AMERICANS HATE SOCCER  
WHY DO RHYMES SOUND GOOD  
WHY DO TREES DIE  
WHY IS THERE NO SOUND ON CNN  
WHY AREN'T POKEMON REAL  
WHY AREN'T BULLETS SHARP  
WHY DO DREAMS SEEM SO REAL

WHY AREN'T ECONOMISTS RICH  
WHY DO AMERICANS CALL IT SOCCER  
WHY ARE MY EARS RINGING  
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY AVENGERS  
WHY ARE THE AVENGERS FIGHTING THE X MEN  
WHY IS WOLVERINE NOT IN THE AVENGERS

## WHY ARE THERE ANTS IN MY LAPTOP

WHY IS EARTH TILTED  
WHY IS SPACE BLACK  
WHY IS OUTER SPACE SO COLD  
WHY ARE THERE PYRAMIDS ON THE MOON  
WHY IS NASA SHUTTING DOWN



WHY IS THERE AN OWL IN MY BACKYARD  
WHY IS THERE AN OWL OUTSIDE MY WINDOW  
WHY IS THERE AN OWL ON THE DOLLAR BILL  
WHY DO OWLS ATTACK PEOPLE  
WHY ARE AK 47s SO EXPENSIVE  
WHY ARE THERE HELICOPTERS CIRCLING MY HOUSE  
WHY ARE THERE GODS  
WHY ARE THERE TWO SPOCKS

WHY ARE THERE TINY SPIDERS IN MY HOUSE  
WHY DO SPIDERS COME INSIDE  
WHY ARE THERE HUGE SPIDERS IN MY HOUSE  
WHY ARE THERE LOTS OF SPIDERS IN MY HOUSE  
WHY ARE THERE SPIDERS IN MY ROOM  
WHY ARE THERE SO MANY SPIDERS IN MY ROOM  
WHY DO SPIDER BITES ITCH  
WHY IS DYING SO SCARY

WHY IS THERE NO GPS IN LAPTOPS  
WHY DO KNEES CLICK  
WHY AREN'T THERE E GRADES  
WHY IS ISOLATION BAD  
WHY DO BOYS LIKE ME  
WHY DON'T BOYS LIKE ME  
WHY IS THERE ALWAYS A JAVA UPDATE  
WHY ARE THERE RED DOTS ON MY THIGHS  
WHY IS LYING GOOD



WHY IS MT VESUVIUS THERE  
WHY DO THEY SAY T MINUS  
WHY ARE THERE OBELISKS  
WHY ARE WRESTLERS ALWAYS WET  
WHY ARE OCEANS BECOMING MORE ACIDIC  
WHY IS ARWEN DYING  
WHY AREN'T MY QUAIL LAYING EGGS  
WHY AREN'T MY QUAIL EGGS HATCHING  
WHY AREN'T THERE ANY FOREIGN MILITARY BASES IN AMERICA

WHY ARE CIGARETTES LEGAL  
WHY ARE THERE DUCKS IN MY POOL  
WHY IS JESUS WHITE  
WHY IS THERE LIQUID IN MY EAR  
WHY DO Q TIPS FEEL GOOD  
WHY DO GOOD PEOPLE DIE



WHY ARE ULTRASOUNDS IMPORTANT  
WHY ARE ULTRASOUND MACHINES EXPENSIVE  
WHY IS STEALING WRONG

WHY ARE DOGS AFRAID OF FIREWORKS  
WHY IS THERE NO KING IN ENGLAND