

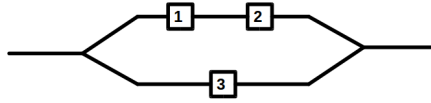
EX 2.1.2: Consider the following system of connected components shown below.

Components 1 & 2 are connected in series with component 3 connected to them in parallel.

For the entire system to function, either components 1 & 2 must function or component 3 must function.

The experiment consists of observing each component's condition and labeling it as either (*S*)uccess or (*F*)ailure.

So, for example, the outcome for components 1 & 2 functioning but 3 not functioning would be denoted as *SSF*.



- (a) Determine the sample space Ω for the experiment.

$$\Omega = (\text{The set of all possible outcomes}) = \{FFF, FFS, FSF, FSS, SFF, SSF, SFS, SSS\}$$

- (b) Find the outcomes for event $A \equiv$ "Component 1 functions".

$$A = \{SFF, SSF, SFS, SSS\} \quad \text{OR} \quad A = \{(S, F, F), (S, S, F), (S, F, S), (S, S, S)\}$$

- (c) Find the outcomes for event $B \equiv$ "Component 2 functions".

$$B = \{FSF, FSS, SSF, SSS\} \quad \text{OR} \quad B = \{(F, S, F), (F, S, S), (S, S, F), (S, S, S)\}$$

- (d) Find the outcomes for event $C \equiv$ "Component 3 functions".

$$C = \{FFS, FSS, SFS, SSS\} \quad \text{OR} \quad C = \{(F, F, S), (F, S, S), (S, F, S), (S, S, S)\}$$

- (e) Find the outcomes for event $D \equiv$ "Exactly two components function".

$$D = \{FSS, SSF, SFS\} \quad \text{OR} \quad D = \{(F, S, S), (S, S, F), (S, F, S)\}$$

- (f) List the outcomes for event $E \equiv$ "At most two components function".

$$E = \{FFF, FFS, FSF, FSS, SFF, SSF, SFS\}$$

- (g) List the outcomes for event $F \equiv$ "The entire system functions".

$$F = \{SSF, FFS, SSS, SFS, FSS\}$$

- (h) Compute F^c . What does event F^c represent in the context of the experiment?

$$F^c = (\text{The set of all outcomes not in } F) = \{FFF, FSF, SFF\}$$

$$F^c \equiv \text{The entire system does not function}$$

- (i) Compute $A \cup B$. What does event $A \cup B$ represent in the context of the experiment?

$$A \cup B = (\text{The set of all outcomes in } A \text{ or } B) = \{FSF, FSS, SFF, SFS, SSF, SSS\}$$

$$A \cup B \equiv \text{Component 1 functions or Component 2 functions}$$

- (j) Compute $A \cap B$. What does event $A \cap B$ represent in the context of the experiment?

$$A \cap B = (\text{The set of all outcomes in } A \text{ and } B) = \{SSF, SSS\}$$

$$A \cap B \equiv \text{Component 1 functions and Component 2 functions}$$

- (k) Compute $(A \cup B)^c$. What does event $(A \cup B)^c$ represent in the context of the experiment?

$$(A \cup B)^c = (\text{The set of all outcomes neither in } A \text{ nor } B) = \{FFF, FFS\}$$

$$(A \cup B)^c \equiv \text{Neither Component 1 nor Component 2 functions}$$

- (l) Compute $A \cap B^c \cap C$. What does event $A \cap B^c \cap C$ represent in the context of the experiment?

$$\begin{aligned} A \cap B^c \cap C &= (A \cap B^c) \cap C = (\{SFF, SSF, SFS, SSS\} \cap \{FFF, FFS, SFF, SFS\}) \cap \{FFS, FSS, SFS, SSS\} \\ &= \{SFF, SFS\} \cap \{FFS, FSS, SFS, SSS\} = \{SFS\} \end{aligned}$$

$$A \cap B^c \cap C \equiv \text{Component 1 functions and Component 2 does not function and Component 3 functions}$$