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**SYST 302: Systems Methodology
and Design II #4**

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Statistical Methods

- **Descriptive Statistics**
 - Analysis techniques to describe sample data
 - Frequency distribution (histogram)
 - Measures of central tendency (mean)
 - Measures of dispersion (variance)
- **Inferential Statistics**
 - Drawing inference about a population from the sample
 - Estimate population parameters
 - Hypothesis testing

Parameter Estimation

- **Estimation:** the process of inferring the value of a quantity of interest from indirect, inaccurate, and uncertain observations
 - Determine model parameters for physical system - system identification
 - Determine message characteristics from noisy channel - communication
- **Optimal Estimator:** the algorithm that yields an estimate of interest which minimizes a certain error criterion
 - Unbiased estimate
 - Maximum likelihood estimate
 - Maximum A Posterior estimate
 - Minimum Mean Square Error estimate

Maximum Likelihood and Maximum A Posterior Estimates

Non – Bayesian :

Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE):

$$\hat{x}^{ML}(Z) = \max_x \Lambda_Z(x) = \max_x p(Z|x)$$

Bayesian :

Maximum A Posterior Estimate (MAP):

$$\hat{x}^{MAP}(Z) = \max_x p(x|Z) = \max_x [p(Z|x)p(x)]$$

ML Estimator Example

Maximum Likelihood Estimate (MLE) :

$$\hat{x}^{ML}(Z) = \max_x \Lambda_Z(x) = \max_x p(Z | x)$$

For example: (parameter estimation)

Given a static parameter x with Gaussian prior

$$p(x) \sim N(x; \bar{x}, \sigma_0^2)$$

with observation model : $z = x + \omega$,

where $\omega \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, then with ML estimator

$$\Lambda(x) = p(z|x) = N(z; x, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(z-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

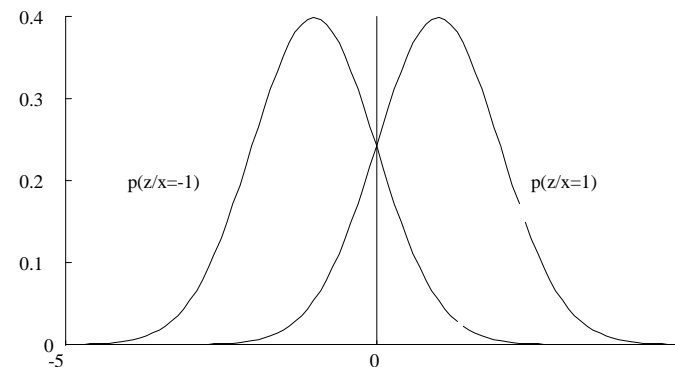
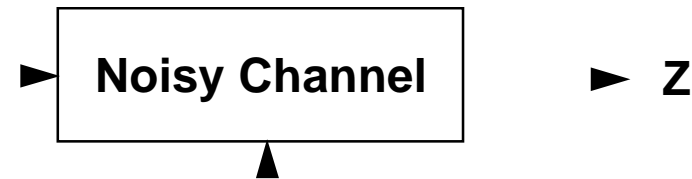
$$\Rightarrow \hat{x}^{ML} = \max_x \Lambda(x) = z$$

Communication System Example

$$z = x + w$$

$$x = \begin{cases} 1 \\ -1 \end{cases}, \quad w = N(0,1)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(z|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(z-x)^2}{2}}$$



Maximum likelihood decision policy: if $z > 0$, $x=1$ if $z < 0$, $x=-1$

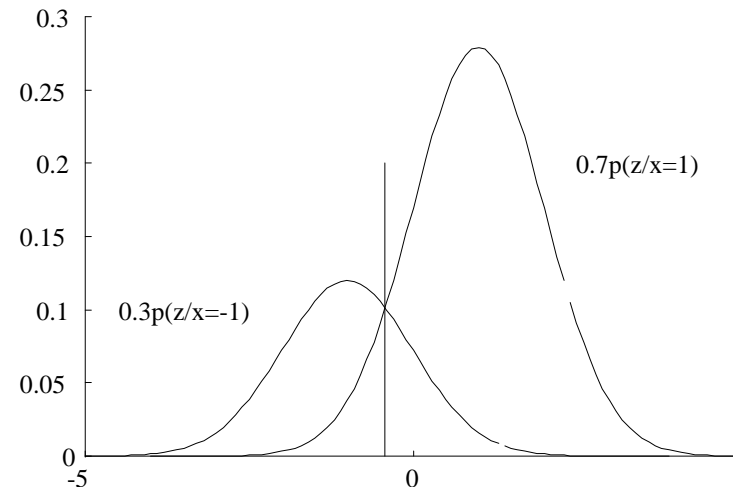
$$\text{Prob(error)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-\frac{(t-1)^2}{2}} dt = \text{erf}(-1) = 0.1587$$

MAP Estimate Example

$$z = x + w$$

$$P(x = 1) = 0.7, P(x = -1) = 0.3$$

$$w = N(0,1)$$



$$\text{MAP Estimate : } \max_x p(x | z) = \max_x \frac{1}{C} p(z | x)P(x)$$

$$\text{Decision boundary : } p(z | x = 1)P(x = 1) = p(z | x = -1)P(x = -1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.7e^{-\frac{(z-1)^2}{2}} = 0.3e^{-\frac{(z+1)^2}{2}} \Rightarrow z = \ln(3/7)/2 = -0.4236$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob(error)} &= 0.7\text{erf}(-1.4236) + 0.3[1 - \text{erf}(1 - 0.4236)] \\ &= 0.7 * 0.0773 + 0.3 * [1 - 0.7178] = 0.0541 + 0.0847 = 0.1388 \end{aligned}$$

Hypothesis Testing

- **Hypothesis Testing**

- Formulate a hypothesis concerning the population parameters (null hypothesis)
- Specify acceptance or rejection criteria (level of significance)
- Conduct the statistical test (making the decision)

- **Possible Outcomes**

- Correct decision (accept true hypothesis or reject false hypothesis)
- Type I error (reject true hypothesis)
- Type II error (accept false hypothesis)

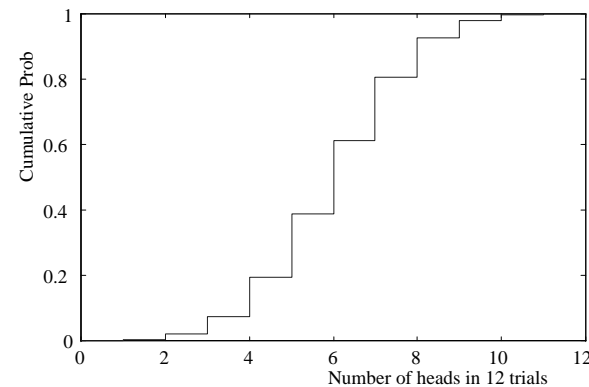
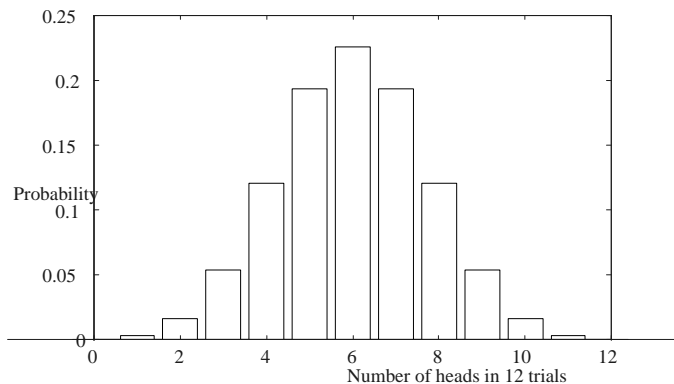
- **Designing a Test**

- Trade-off between accuracy and complexity
- Dependency between type I and type II errors

Example - Testing a Coin

• Testing Steps

- A coin is suspected to be biased, set up a *null hypothesis* stating that the coin is unbiased
- Choose level of significance (α) and number of trials (12)



$$P_k = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!k!} P^k (1-P)^{n-k}, n=12, p=0.5$$

Example - Testing a Coin

Set $\alpha = 0.01$

$$P_0 = \frac{12!}{12!0!} P^0 (1-P)^{12} = P_{12} = 0.0002$$

$$P_1 = \frac{12!}{11!1!} P^1 (1-P)^{11} = P_{11} = 0.0029$$

$$P_2 = \frac{12!}{10!2!} P^2 (1-P)^{10} = P_{10} = 0.0161$$

With two-tails test

$$P\{2 \leq k \leq 10\} = 1 - P_0 - P_1 - P_{11} - P_{12} = 0.9936 > 0.99 = 1 - \alpha$$

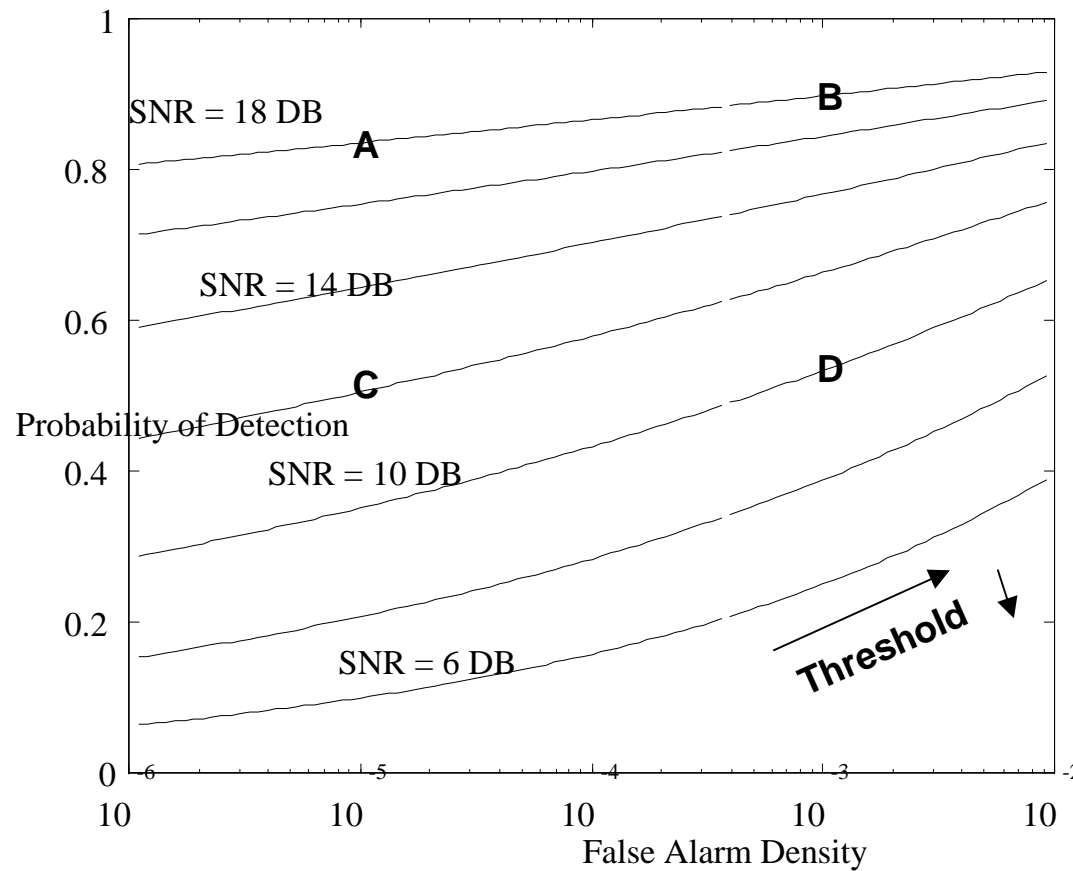
$$P\{3 \leq k \leq 9\} = 1 - P_0 - P_1 - P_2 - P_{10} - P_{11} - P_{12} = 0.9614 < 0.99 = 1 - \alpha$$

Decision: Reject the null hypothesis when either 11 or 12 heads or tails are obtained. This decision is subject to a Type I error

Type II error (actually biased but detect no bias) is more difficult to determine

Example - Sensor Systems

System Operating Characteristic



Probability of Detection vs. False Alarm Density (SNR = $10\log(S/N)$)

Performance Analysis

- **Operating Points**

- Lower detection threshold, increase PD, increase Pfa, A \rightarrow B
- Smaller SNR, same PD, increase Pfa, C \rightarrow D
- Smaller SNR, lower PD, same Pfa, B \rightarrow D

- **Performance**

- Operating point A (PD = 0.85, Pfa = 10^{-5})
 - Type I error = $1 - \text{PD} = 0.15$, Type II error = Pfa
- Operating point B (PD = 0.9, Pfa = 10^{-3})
 - Type I error = $1 - \text{PD} = 0.1$, Type II error = Pfa

- **Selecting an Operating Point**

- Trade-off between detection probability and false alarm probability
- Dependency between type I and type II errors
- Type I: a target exists, but miss the detection
- Type II: no target exists, but falsely detected

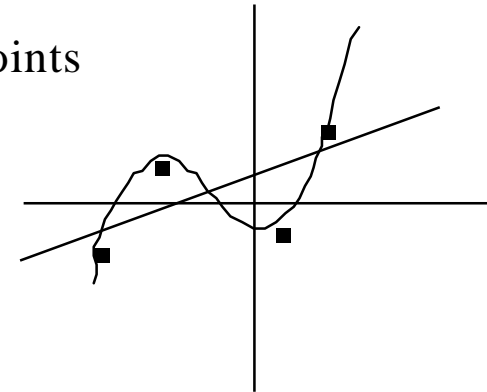
Linear Regression

Linear regression: to identify linear relationship between two variables

Fit the straight line $y = a + bx$ through the given points

$(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ such that

$$q = \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - a - bx_j)^2 \text{ is minimized}$$



necessary conditions:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial q}{\partial a} &= -2 \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - a - bx_j) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial q}{\partial b} &= -2 \sum_{j=1}^n x_j (y_j - a - bx_j) = 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} an + b \sum x_j &= \sum y_j \\ a \sum x_j + b \sum x_j^2 &= \sum x_j y_j \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x_j \\ \sum x_j & \sum x_j^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum y_j \\ \sum x_j y_j \end{bmatrix}$$

Curve Fitting

Fit a polynomial of degree m : $p(x) = b_0 + b_1x + \dots + b_mx^m$
through the given points $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ where $m \leq n - 1$

then $q = \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - p(x_j))^2$

necessary conditions: $\frac{\partial q}{\partial b_0} = 0, \dots, \frac{\partial q}{\partial b_m} = 0$

Example: 2nd order polynomial $p(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2$

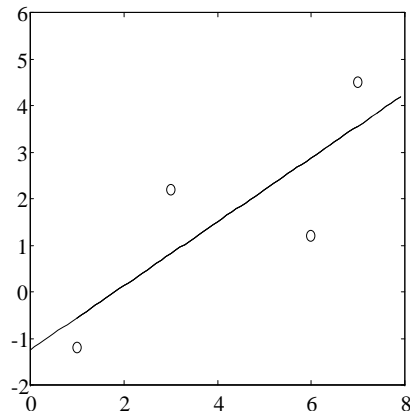
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$$\begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x_j & \sum x_j^2 \\ \sum x_j & \sum x_j^2 & \sum x_j^3 \\ \sum x_j^2 & \sum x_j^3 & \sum x_j^4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum y_j \\ \sum x_j y_j \\ \sum x_j^2 y_j \end{bmatrix}$$

MATLAB Tools for Curve Fitting

- **Least Squares**

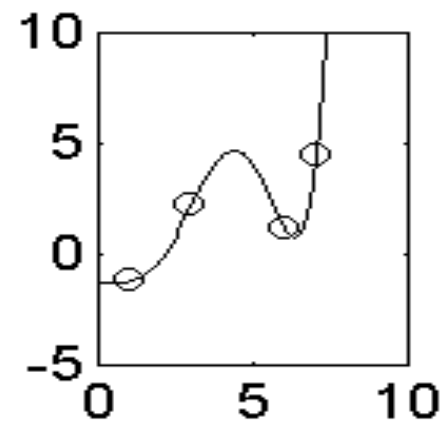
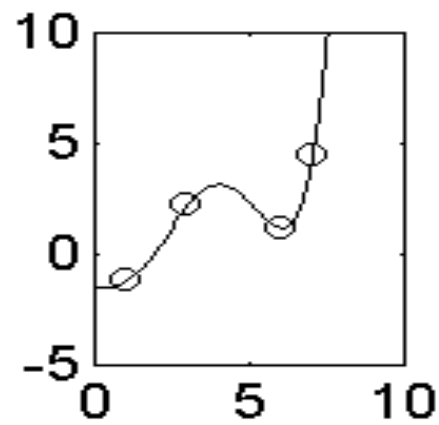
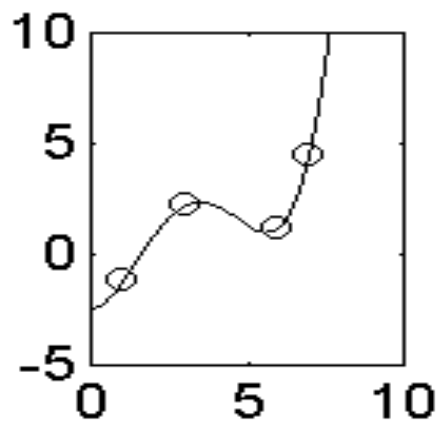
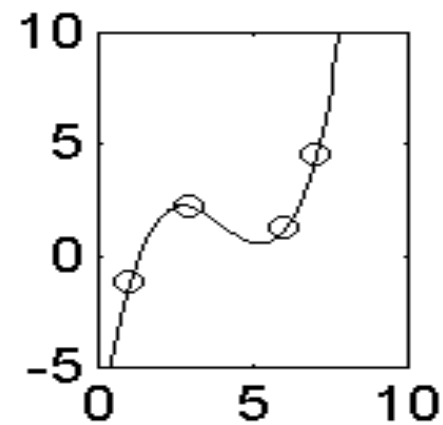
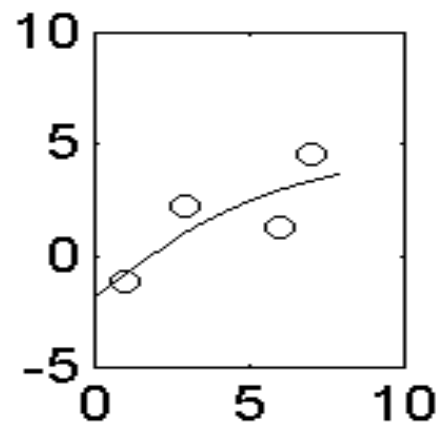
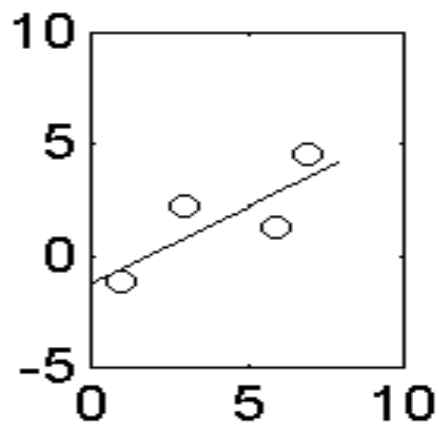
- given a set of data
- find a curve that is closest to the points
- minimizing sum of squared distance from each point to the curve
- linear or polynomial (nonlinear) regression
- **coef = polyfit (x , y , n)**

$$y = f(x) = a_0x^n + a_1x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_{n-1}x + a_n$$



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x = [ 1, 3, 6, 7 ];  
y = [ -1.2, 2.2, 1.2, 4.5 ];  
coef = polyfit ( x, y, 1 );  
newx = 1 : 0.1 : 7;  
newy = polyval ( coef, newx );  
  
plot ( x, y, 'o', newx, newy, x, y )
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Polynomial Fits Examples



Monte Carlo Simulation

- **Motivation**

- Uncertain decision environment requires probabilistic models
- Formal mathematic solutions may be difficult or impossible
- Monte Carlo analysis provides a powerful tool through simulation

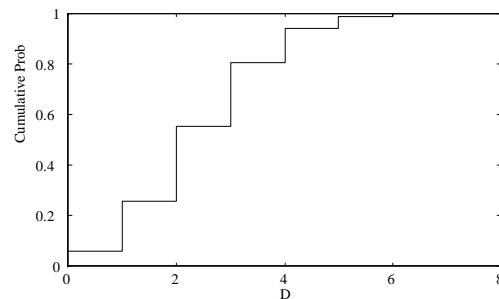
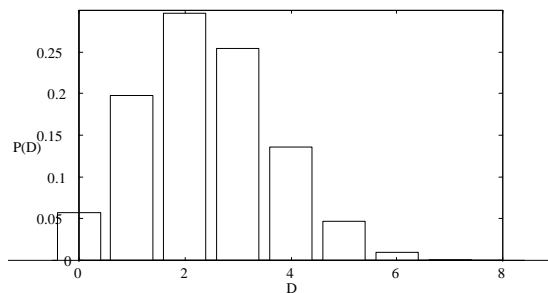
- **Applications**

- System performance evaluation
- System operation characteristics analysis

Lead Time Demand Example

$$L : \text{Lead Time, } f(L) = 0.25 e^{-0.25L} \Rightarrow F(L) = \int_0^L f(L)dL = 1 - e^{-0.25L}$$

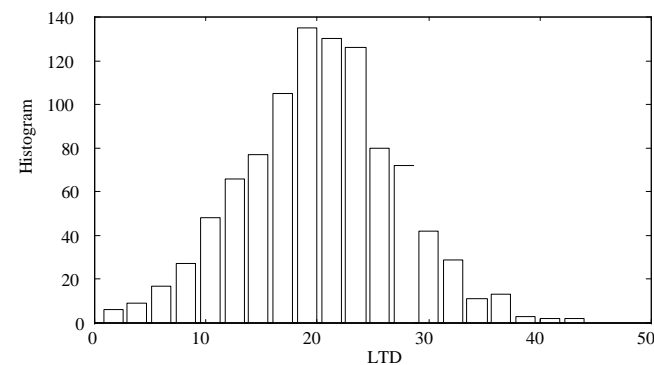
$D : \text{Demand, } P(D)$



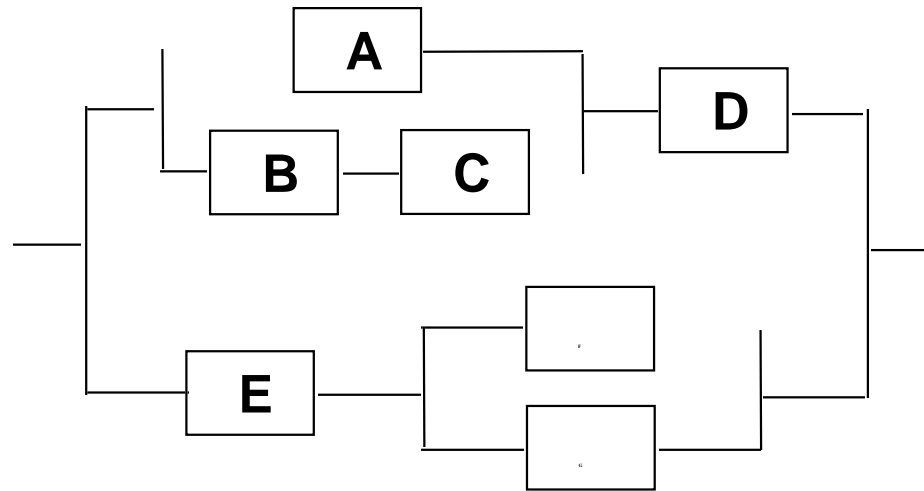
Simulation Results: ($LTD = \sum_L D$)

<i>Trial</i>	<i>L(rounded)</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>LTD</i>
1	5	3,1,2,4,6	16
2	4	6,2,3,4	15
3	7	3,1,2,4,3,2,5	20
4	2	2,4	6
⋮	⋮	...	⋮

$$\text{Average LTD} = \sum_i LTD_i$$



Reliability Example



Given component reliabilities:

$$P(A)=P(B)= P(E)=0.7, P(C)=P(D)=0.9, P(F)=P(G)=0.8$$

What is the system overall reliability?

One approach is to use Monte Carlo simulation

**serial connection: AND logic
parallel connection: OR logic**