

# Random Sets

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Lecture #2



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 $\xi^1, \dots, \xi^\nu$  sample  $P^\nu$  (random) empirical measure  
approx.:  $\min \mathbb{E}^\nu\{f(\boldsymbol{\xi}, x)\} = \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{l=1}^{\nu} f(\xi^l, x)$ ,  $x \in C$



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**Stochastic Programming** (with recourse)

$f(\xi, x) = f_{01}(x) + Q(\xi, x)$ ,  $Q(\xi, x) = \inf_y \{f_{02}(\xi, y) \mid y \in C_2(\xi, x)\}$

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**Statistical Estimation** (fusion of hard & soft information)

$L(\xi, h) = -\ln h(\xi)$  if  $h \geq 0$ ,  $\int h = 1$ ,  $h \in A^{\text{soft}} \subset E$

Then, estimate  $h^\nu \in \operatorname{argmin}_E \mathbb{E}^\nu \{L(\xi, h)\} \rightarrow h^{\text{true}} = \operatorname{argmin} \mathbb{E}\{L(\xi, h)\}$

# example: Normal density

mean = (0,0) ... data samples correlated

covariance:  $MDM^T$ ,  $D = \text{diag}(4,1)$ ,  $M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\pi / 6) & \cos(2\pi / 3) \\ \sin(\pi / 6) & \sin(2\pi / 3) \end{pmatrix}$

# samples:  $\nu = 10$ ,

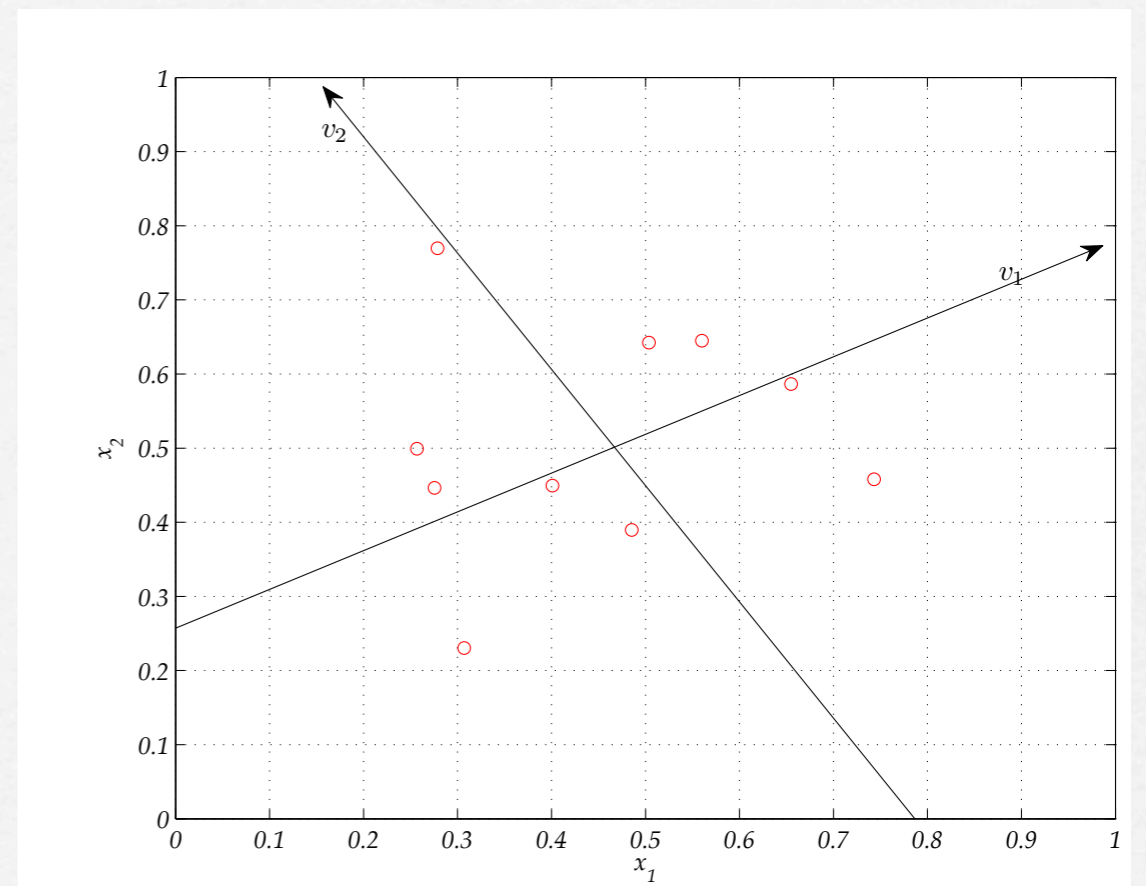
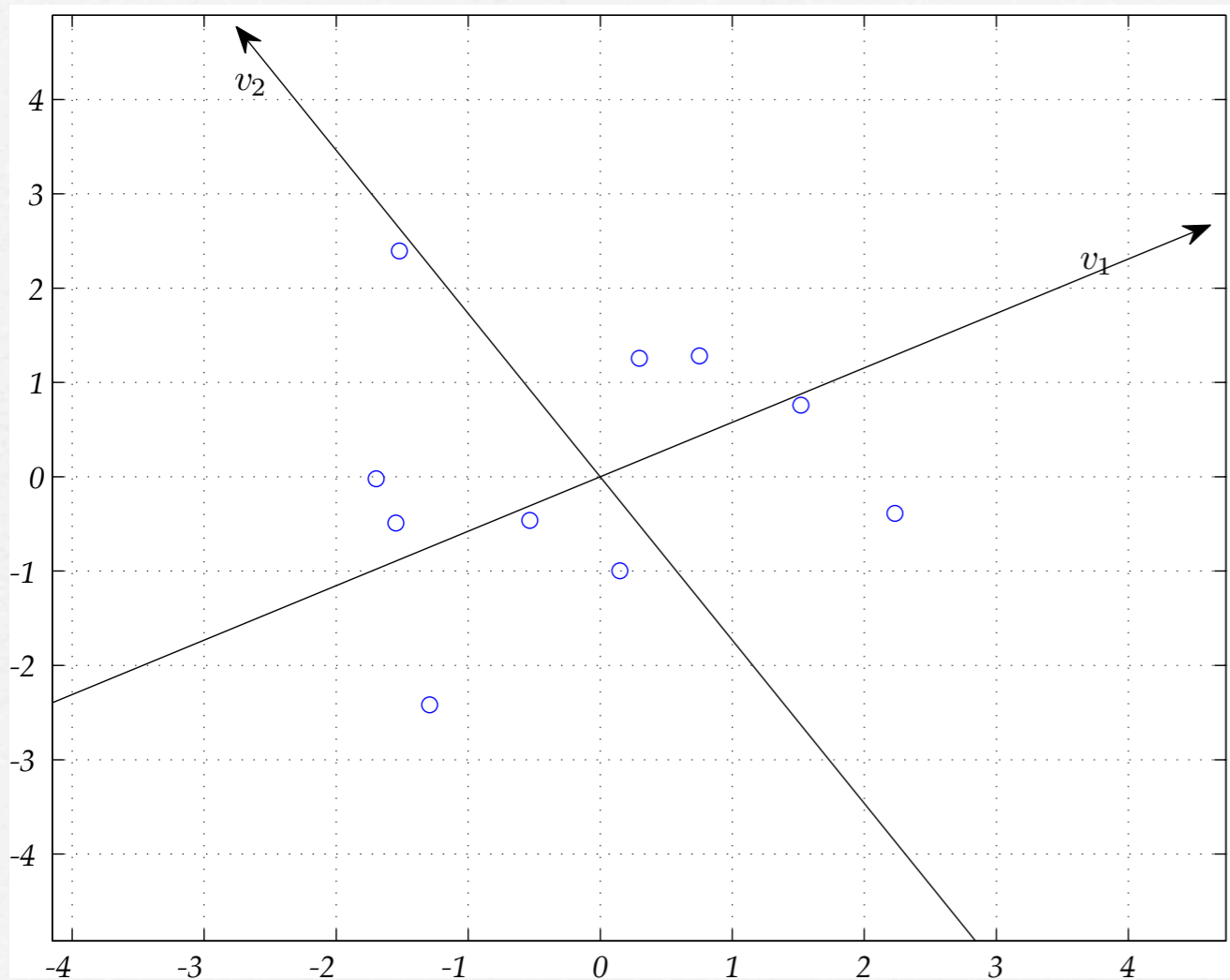
"soft" information:  $h$  unimodal

Results:

$$\|h^{true} - h^{est}\|_2^2 = 0.028, \quad \|h^{true} - h^{est}\|_\infty = 0.006$$

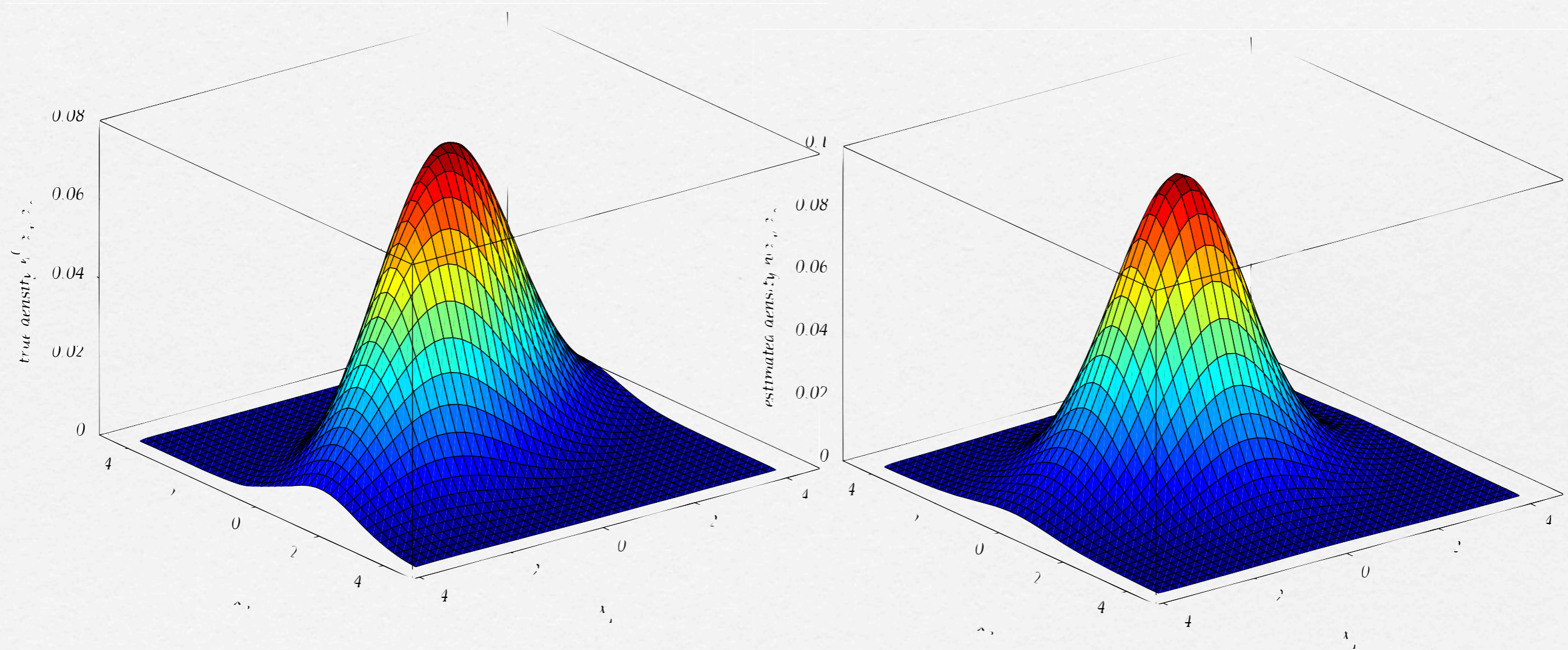


# Sampled data



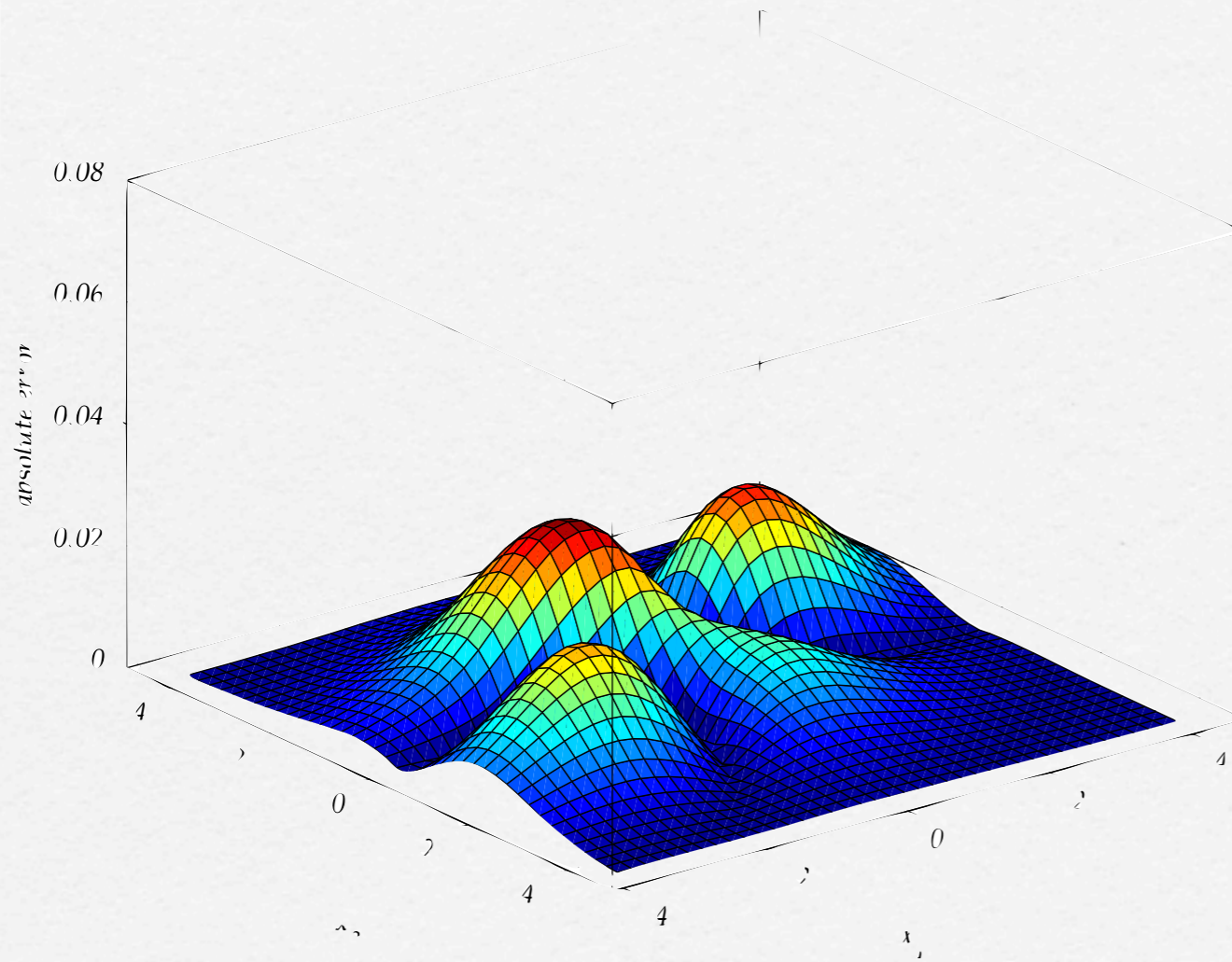
*normalized*

# True & Estimated density

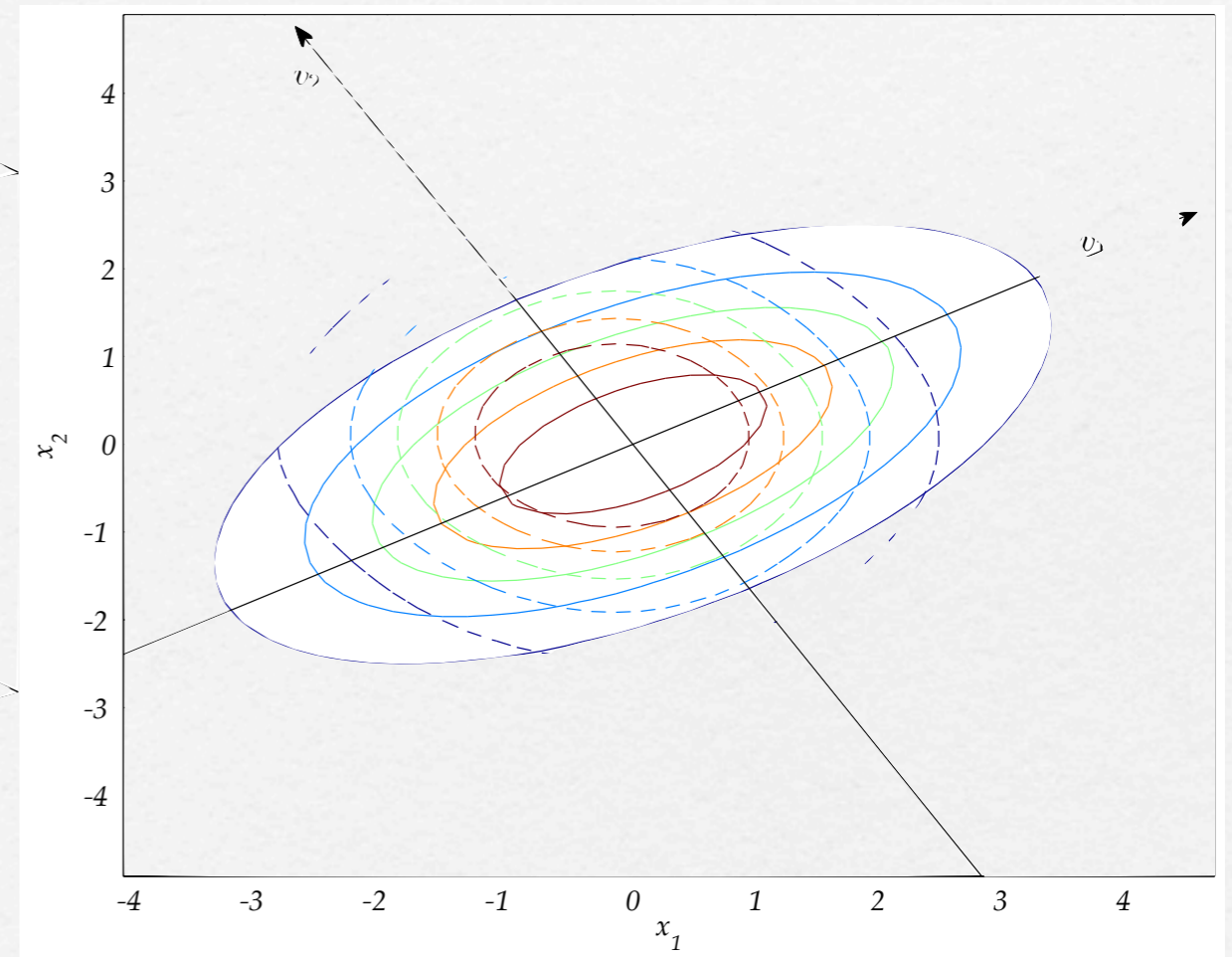




# Measurement Errors



Absolute Error



*Level curves: true & estimate*



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### Pricing contingent claims

claims  $\left\{ G^t(\vec{\xi}^t) \right\}$ , instrum. prices  $\left\{ S^t(\vec{\xi}^t) \right\}_t$ , invest.  $\left\{ X^t(\vec{\xi}^t) \right\}$   
 $\max \mathbb{E}\{\langle S^T, X^T \rangle\}$  s.t.  $\langle S^t, X^{t-1} \rangle \leq G^t + \langle S^t, X^{t-1} \rangle + \text{end conditions.}$

Use 'improved estimation' & sampling:  $\max \sum p_\xi \langle S^T(\xi), X^T(\xi) \rangle$

Correct pricing = well regulated market??



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**Stochastic homogenization:** Variational formulation

given  $u(\xi, x) \in \operatorname{argmin}_{H_0^1(\Omega)} g(\xi, u) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} a(\xi, x) |\nabla u|^2 dx - \langle h, u \rangle$

find  $g^{\text{hom}}$  such that  $\mathbb{E}\{u(\xi, \cdot)\} \in \operatorname{argmin} g^{\text{hom}}$

via Ergodic Thm:  $g^{\text{hom}} = \left( \operatorname{epi}_w\text{-lim} \nu \frac{1}{\nu} \sum_{l=1}^\nu g^*(\xi^l, \cdot) \right)^*$



# Topology of Hyperspaces

Painlevé, Pompeiu, Zoretti  
Zarankiewicz, Hausdorff, Lubben, Moore  
Choquet, Vietoris, Fell, Attouch-Wets, Beer, ...

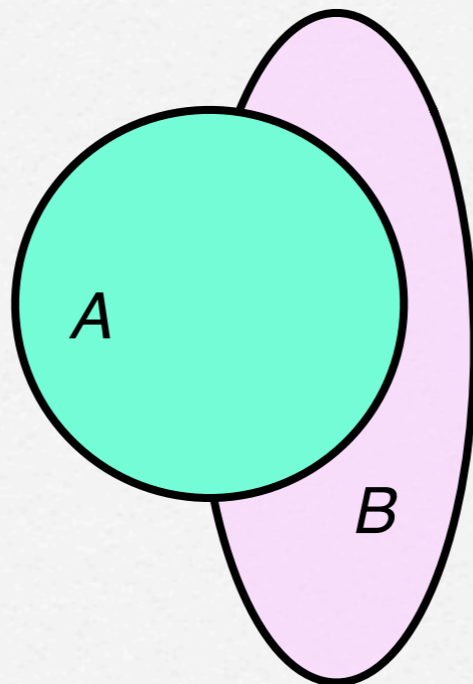


# Hyperspace: *sets*( $E$ )

- $(E, d)$  always a Polish space
- $C \subset E, d(x, C) = \inf \{d(z, x) \mid z \in C\}, d(x, \emptyset) = \infty$
- $\text{cl-sets}(E) = \{\text{all closed subsets of } E\}, \emptyset, E \in \text{cl-sets}(E)$
- $dl(A, B) = \text{distance between } A \text{ \& } B, \text{ metric(?) on cl-sets}(E)$
- $(\text{cl-sets}(E), dl)$  Polish space = complete separable metric ??
- $dl(C^v, C) \rightarrow 0$  means  $C^v \rightarrow C$  (set-convergence)

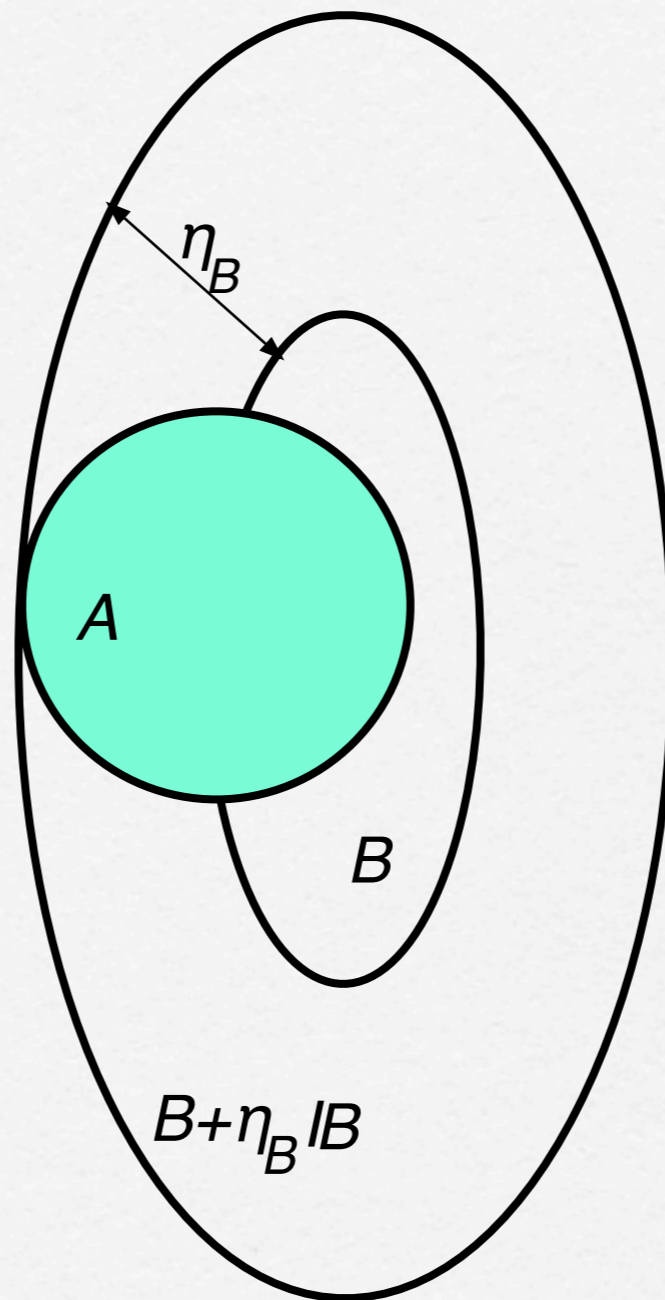


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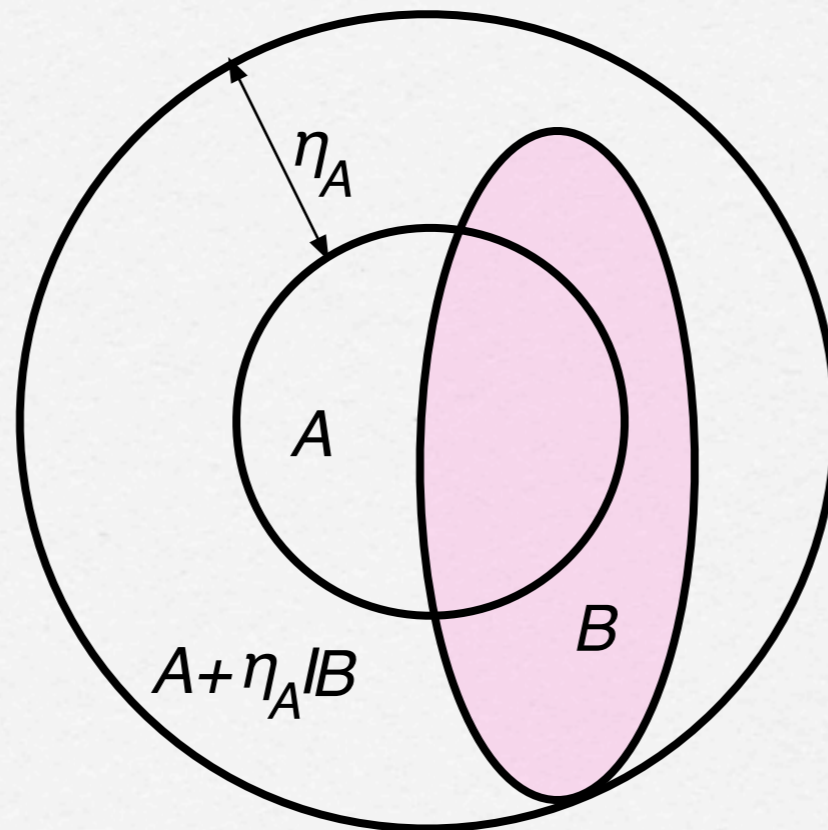


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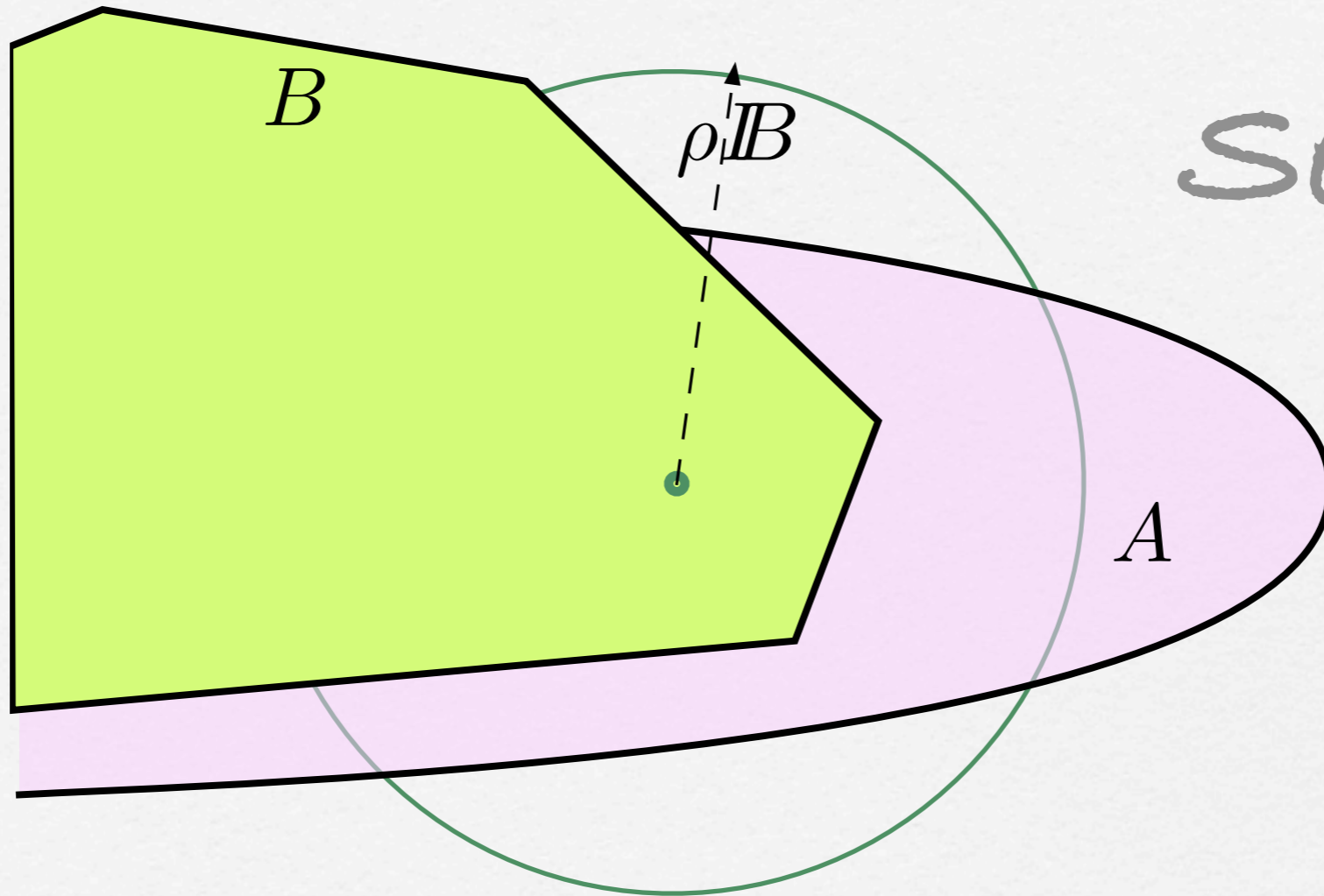
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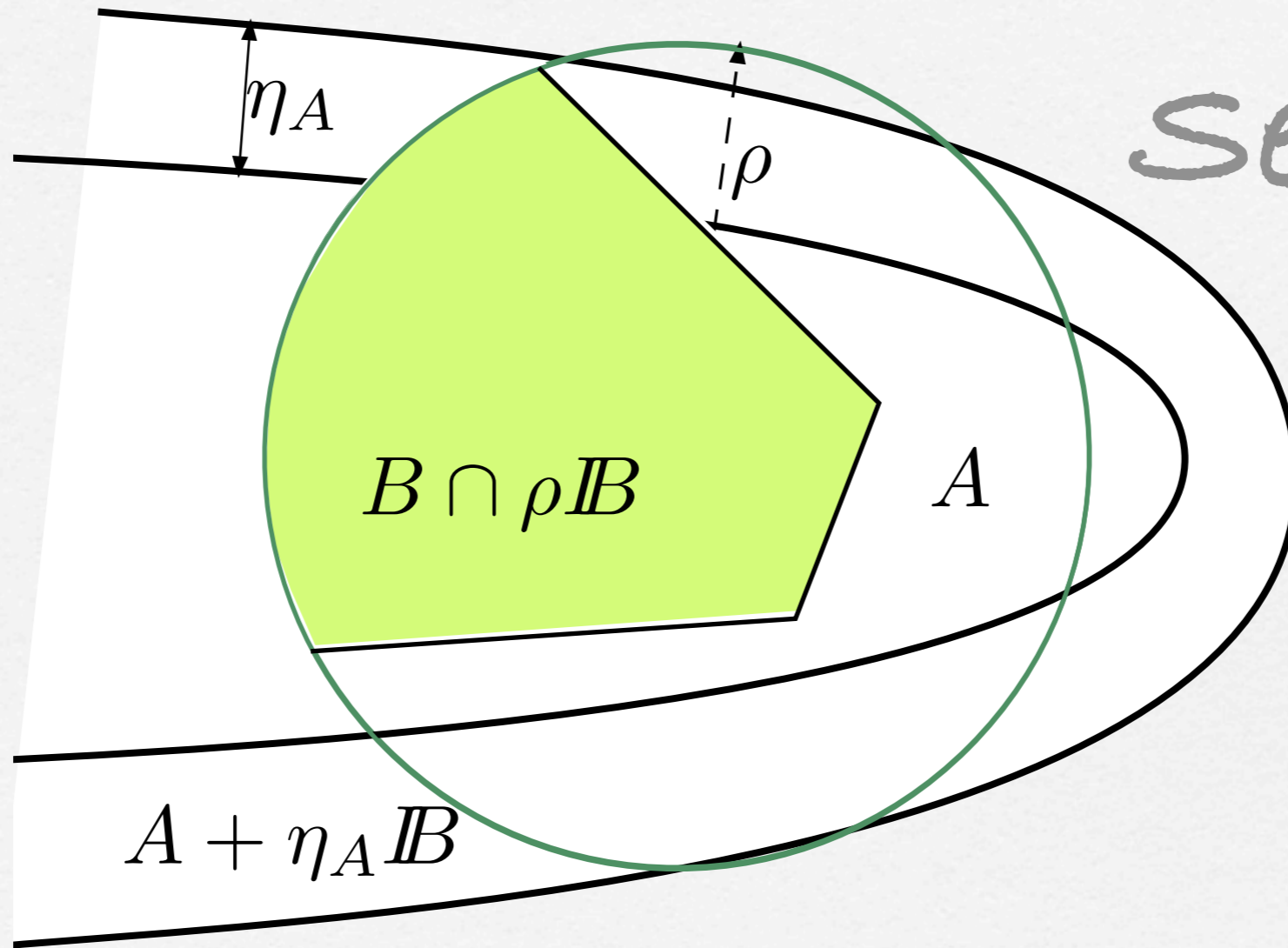


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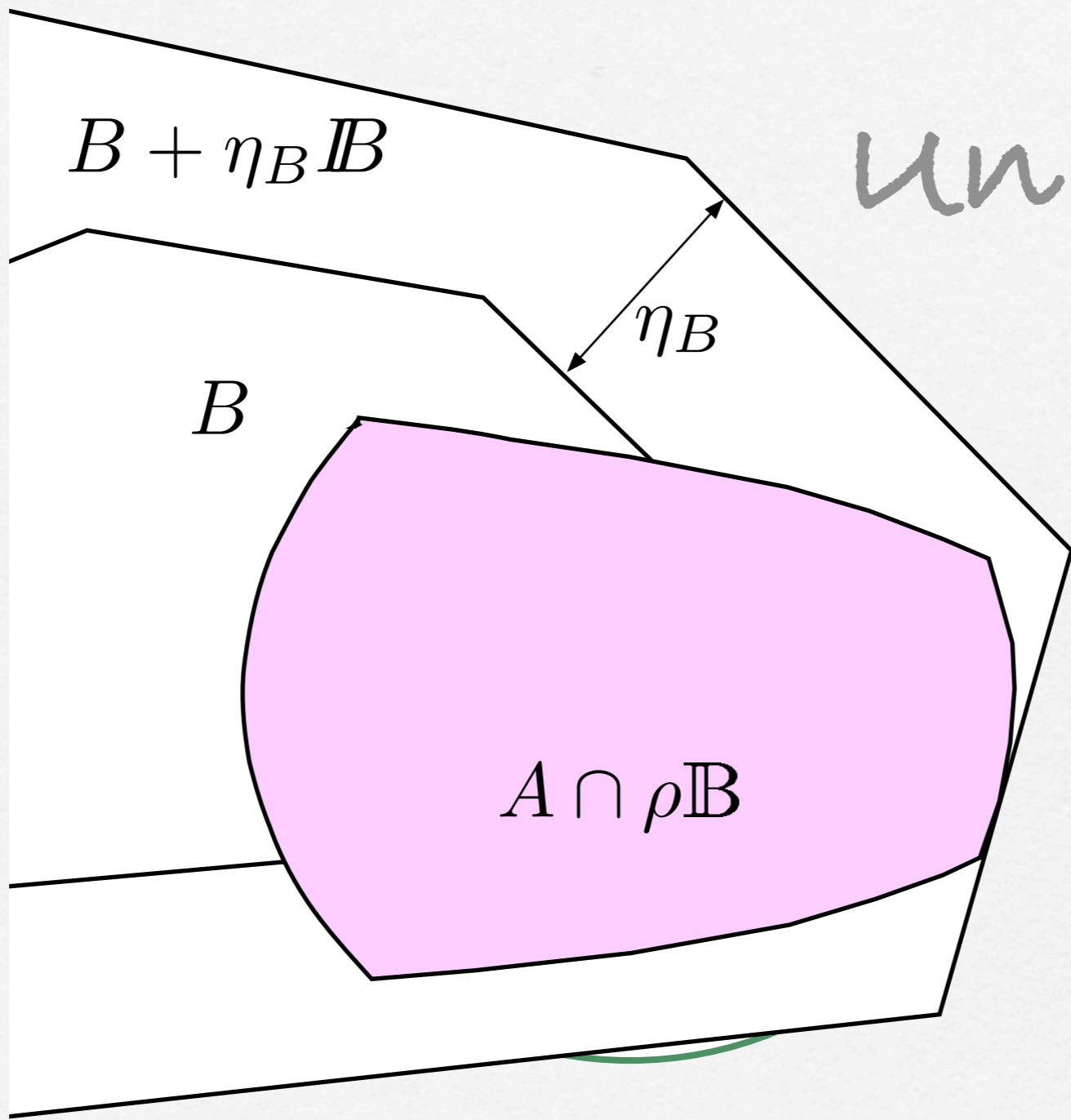




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- $d_\rho(A, B) = \sup_{x \in \rho B} [d(x, A), d(x, B)]$
- for all  $\rho \geq 0, d_\rho$  is a pseudo-metric
- $d(A, B) = \int_{\rho \geq 0} d_\rho(A, B) e^{-\rho} d\rho, \text{ set-metric}$
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# Properties of the set-distance

$C^\nu \rightarrow C$  if  $d\mathcal{l}(C^\nu, C) \rightarrow 0 \iff$  for any  $\bar{\rho} \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{cases} d\mathcal{l}_\rho(C^\nu, C) \rightarrow 0 & \text{for all } \rho \geq \bar{\rho} \\ \hat{d}\mathcal{l}_\rho(C^\nu, C) \rightarrow 0 & \text{for all } \rho \geq \bar{\rho} \end{cases}$$

$(E, d)$  Polish  $\implies$   $(\text{cl-sets}(E), d\mathcal{l})$  complete, metric space

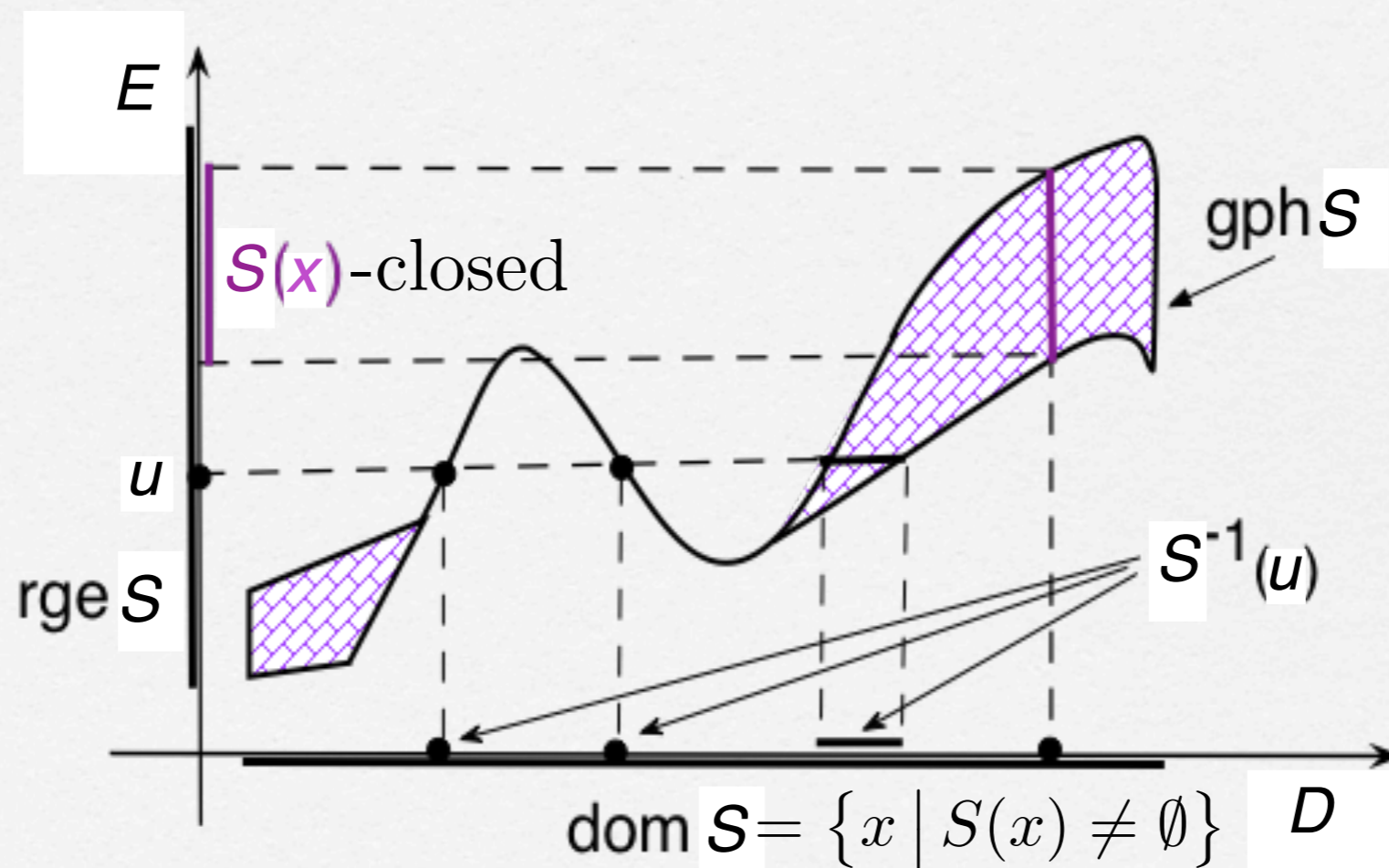
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$$S : D \rightrightarrows E \text{ osc} \iff \text{gph } S \subset D \times E \text{ closed}$$

$$\text{gph } S = \{(x, u) \mid u \in S(x), x \in E\}$$





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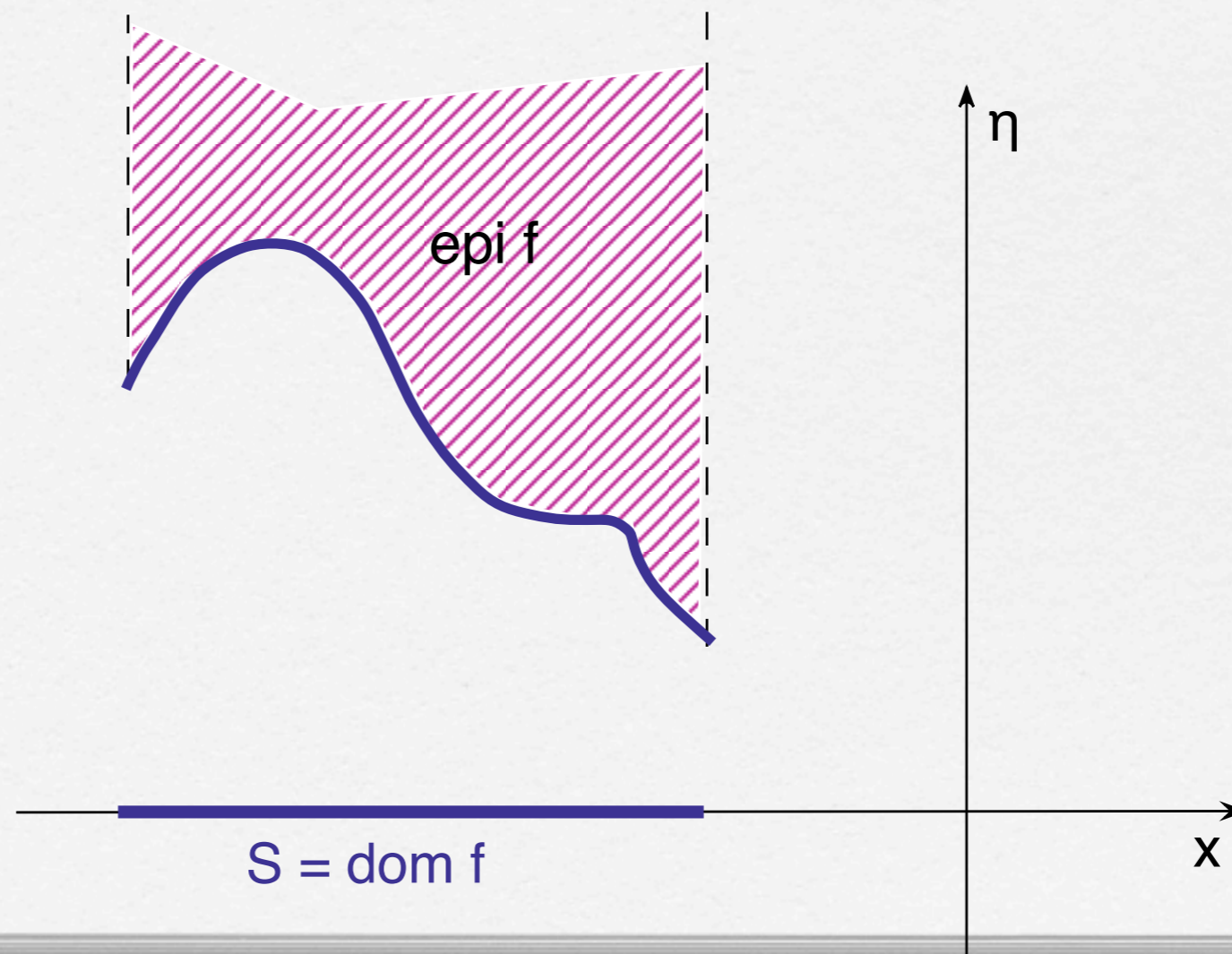
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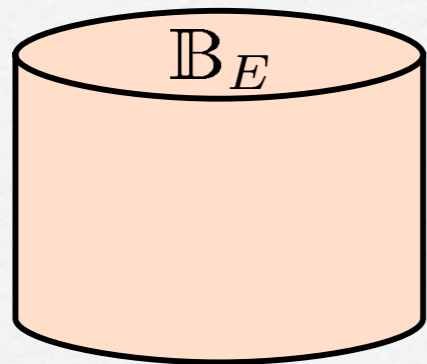
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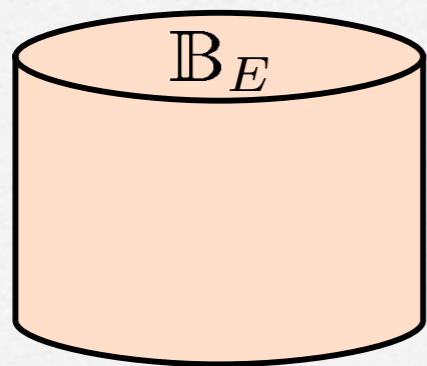
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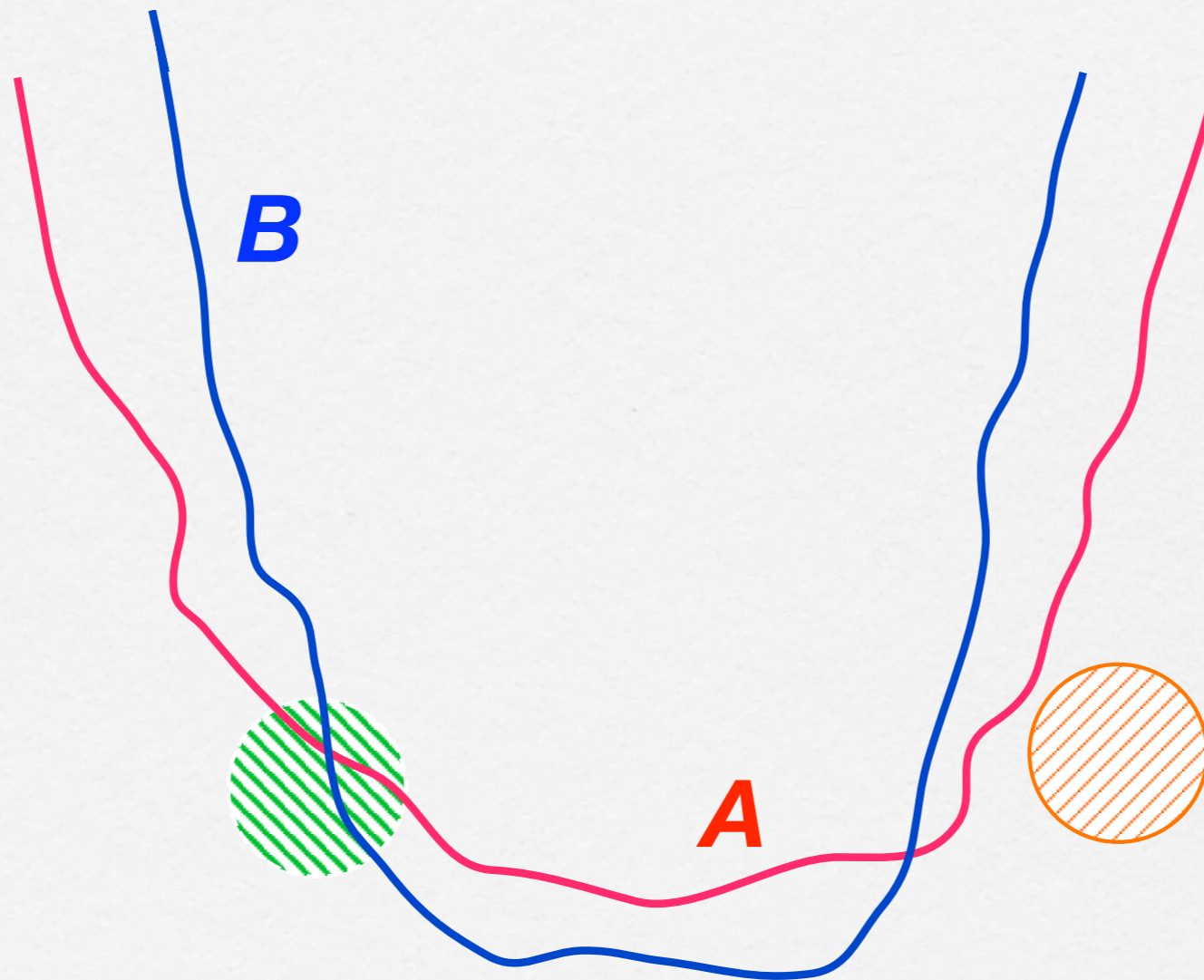
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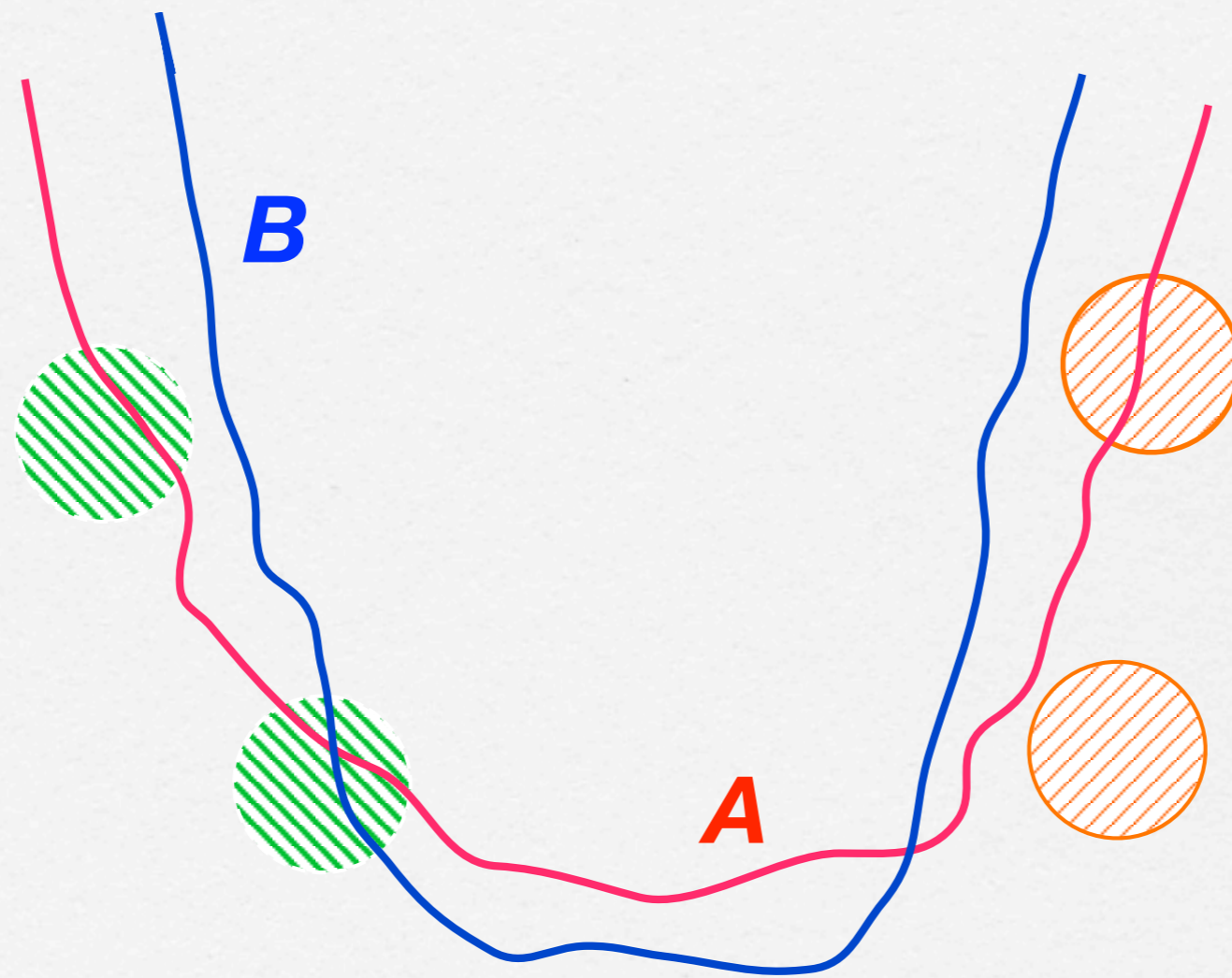


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# $\mathbb{R}^n$ : Set-convergence ( $\tau_{aw} = \tau_f$ ) topology

$\mathcal{F} = \text{cl-sets}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , all closed subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\mathcal{F}^D = \text{subsets } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ that } \textit{miss } D = \{F \cap D = \emptyset\}$

$\mathcal{F}_D = \text{subsets } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ that } \textit{hit } D = \{F \cap D \neq \emptyset\}$

**Hit-and-miss topology** ( $= \tau_f$  Fell topology)

subbase:  $\{\mathcal{F}^K \mid K \text{ compact}\} \& \{\mathcal{F}_O \mid O \text{ open}\}$

$\mathbb{B}(x, \rho)$  closed ball, center  $x$  radius  $\rho$ ,  $\mathbb{B}^\circ(x, \rho)$  open

a subbase  $\left\{ \mathcal{F}^{\mathbb{B}(x, \rho)}, \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}^\circ(x, \rho)} \mid x \in \mathbb{Q}^d, \rho \in \mathbb{Q}_{++} \right\}$

countable base:  $\left\{ \mathcal{F}^{\mathbb{B}(x^1, \rho_1) \cup \dots \cup \mathbb{B}(x^r, \rho_r)} \cap \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}^\circ(x^1, \rho_1) \cup \dots \cup \mathbb{B}^\circ(x^s, \rho_s)} \right\}$

**$(\text{cl-sets}(\mathbb{R}^n), \tau_{aw})$  Polish space (separable, complete metric)**







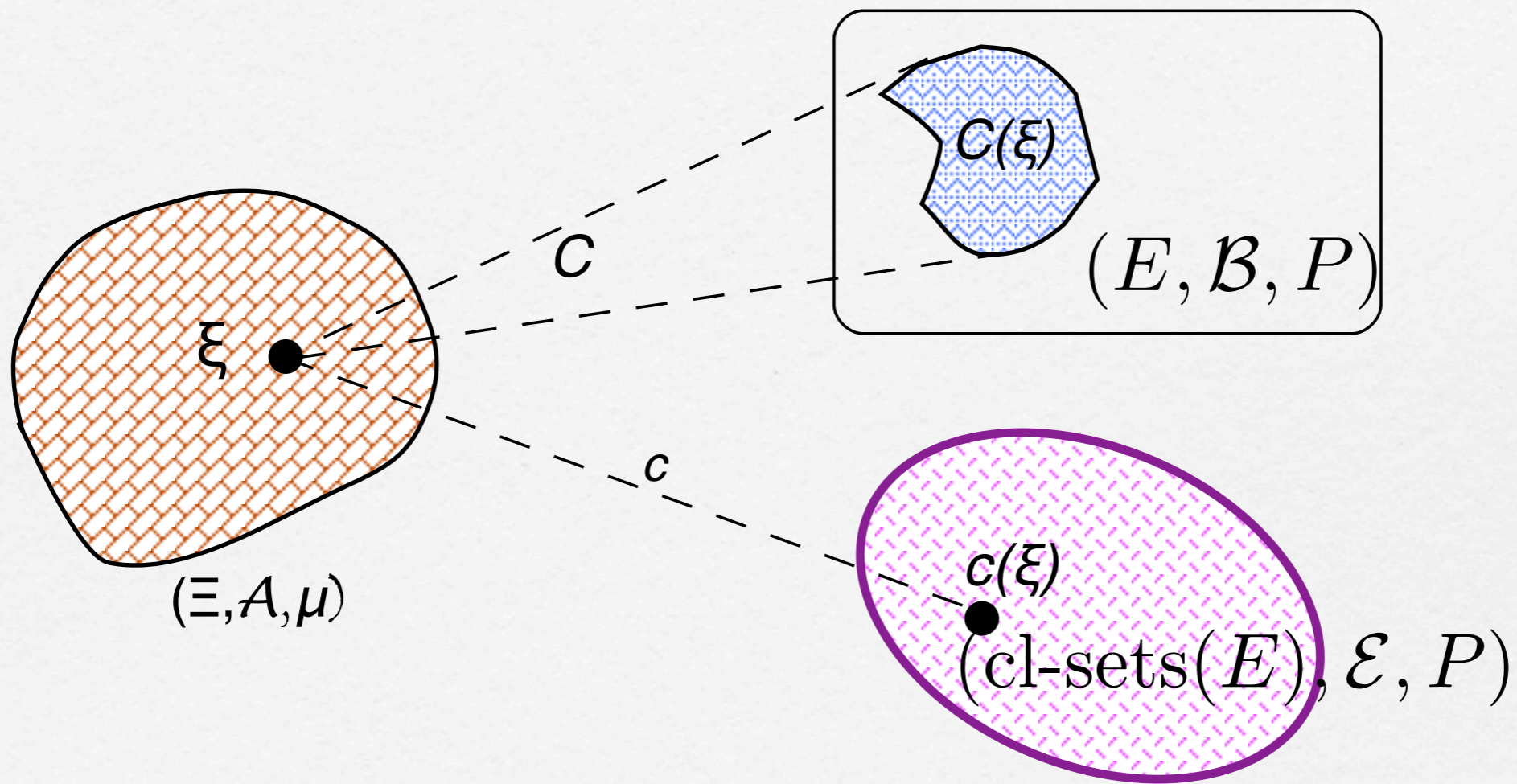
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Matthéron, Choquet

Salinetti-Wets, Castaing, Valadier, Hess, Stoyan, ...



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$c : \Xi \rightarrow \text{cl-sets}(E)$ ,  $c(\xi) \sim C(\xi)$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_O = \{F \subset E \text{ closed} \mid F \cap O \neq \emptyset\}$

$(\text{sets}(E), \mathcal{E})$ ,  $\mathcal{E}$  Effrös field =  $\sigma\text{-}\{\mathcal{F}_O \in \text{sets}(\mathbb{R}^n), O \text{ open}\}$ ,

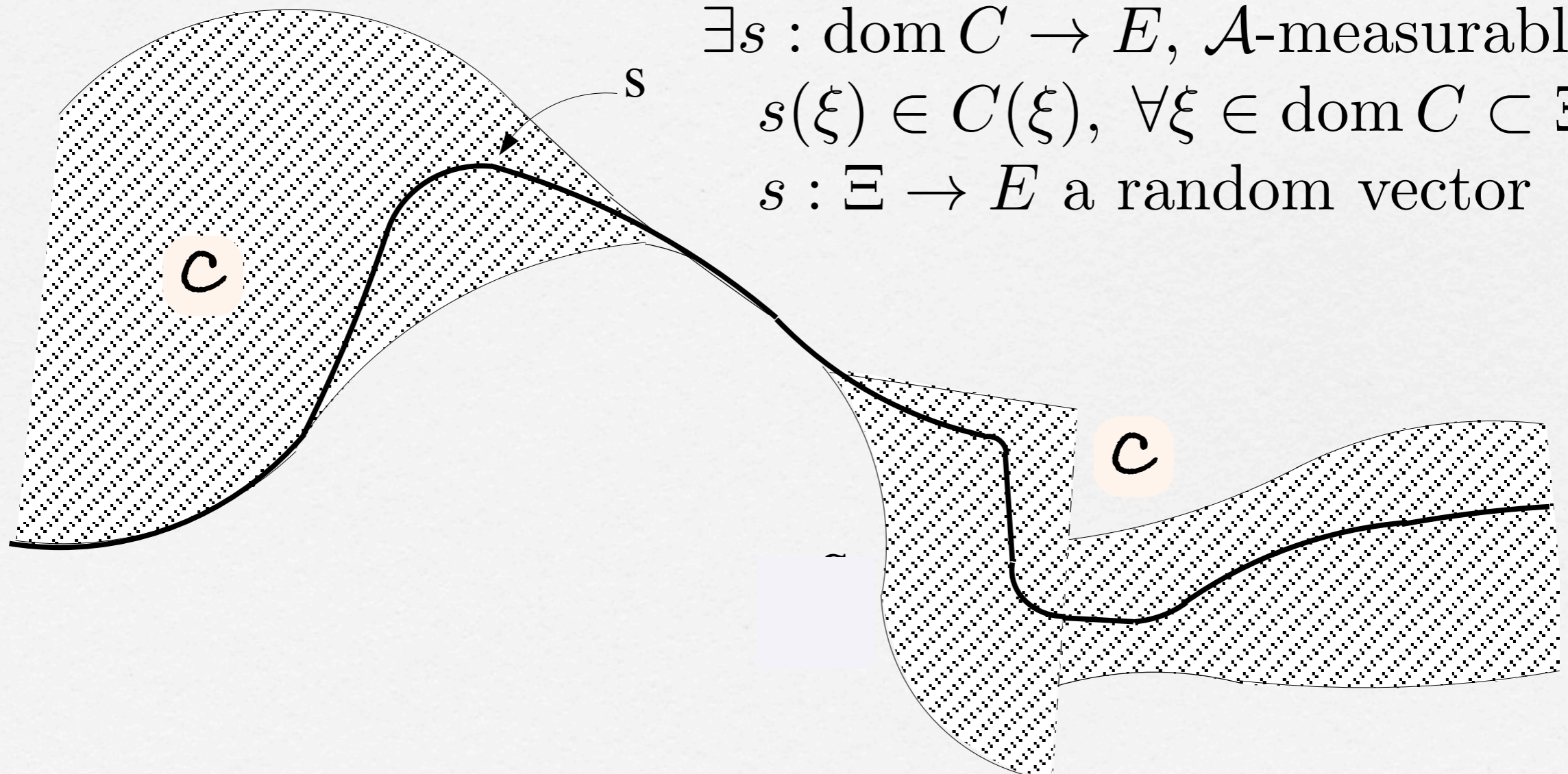
**$C$  measurable  $\Leftrightarrow c$  measurable [ $c^{-1}(\mathcal{F}_O) \in \mathcal{A}$ ]**

$\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{B}$  Borel field when  $E$  Polish (complete separable metric space)



# Measurable selection

- a random closed set  $C$  always admits a measurable selection!



$\exists s : \text{dom } C \rightarrow E$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$ -measurable,  
 $s(\xi) \in C(\xi)$ ,  $\forall \xi \in \text{dom } C \subset \Xi$   
 $s : \Xi \rightarrow E$  a random vector



# Castaing Representation

- $C$  is a random closed set (&  $\text{dom } C$  measurable)  $\Leftrightarrow$  it admits a Castaing representation:  $\exists$  a countable family

$$\left\{ s^v : \text{dom } C \rightarrow E, \text{ meas.-selections} \right\}$$

$$\text{cl} \bigcup_{v \in \mathbb{N}} s^v(\xi) = C(\xi), \forall \xi \in \text{dom } C \subset \Xi$$

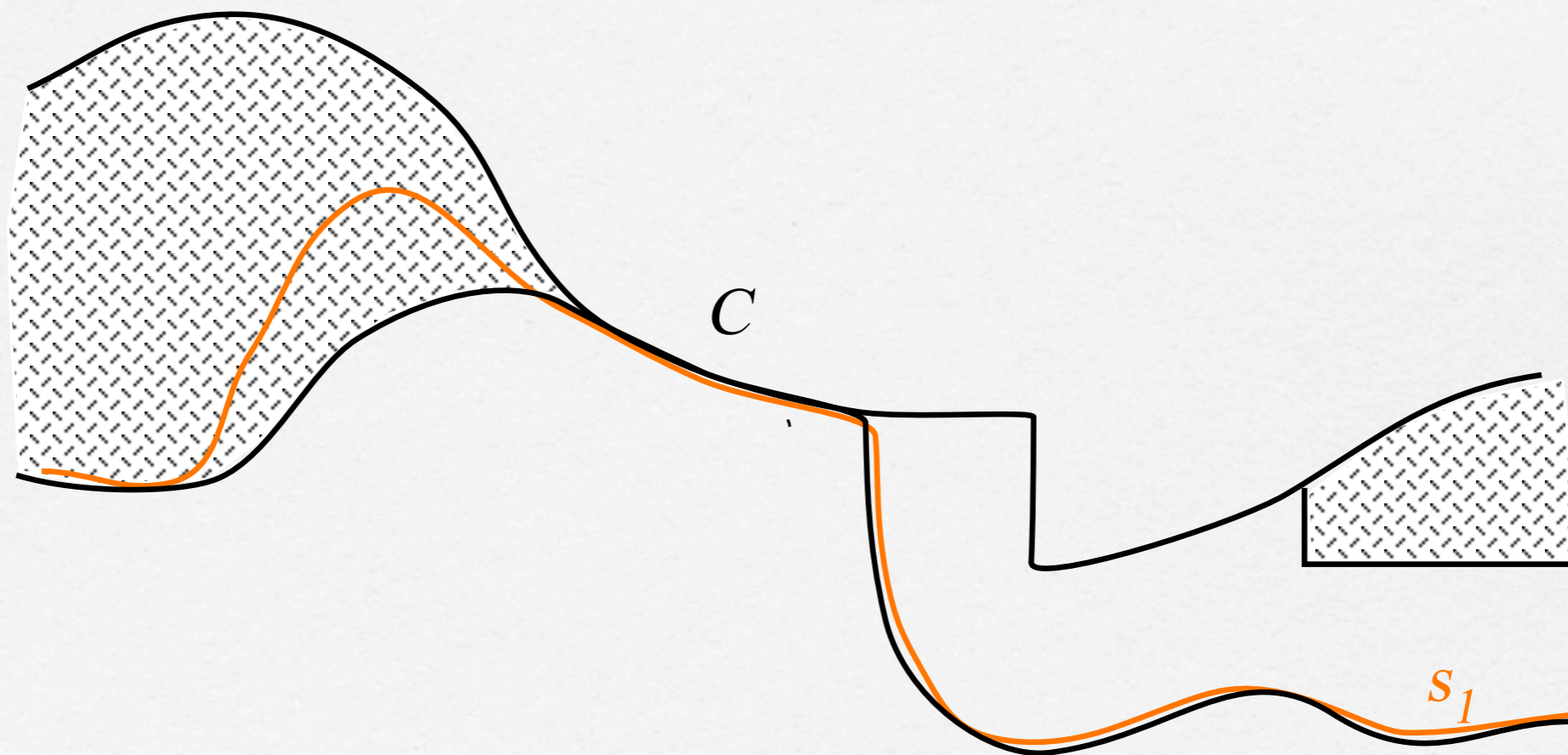
- Graph measurability

$(\Xi, \mathcal{A})$   $P$ -complete for some  $P$ , (negligible sets are  $P$ -measurable)

$C$  random set  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\text{gph } C$   $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}_n$ -measurable

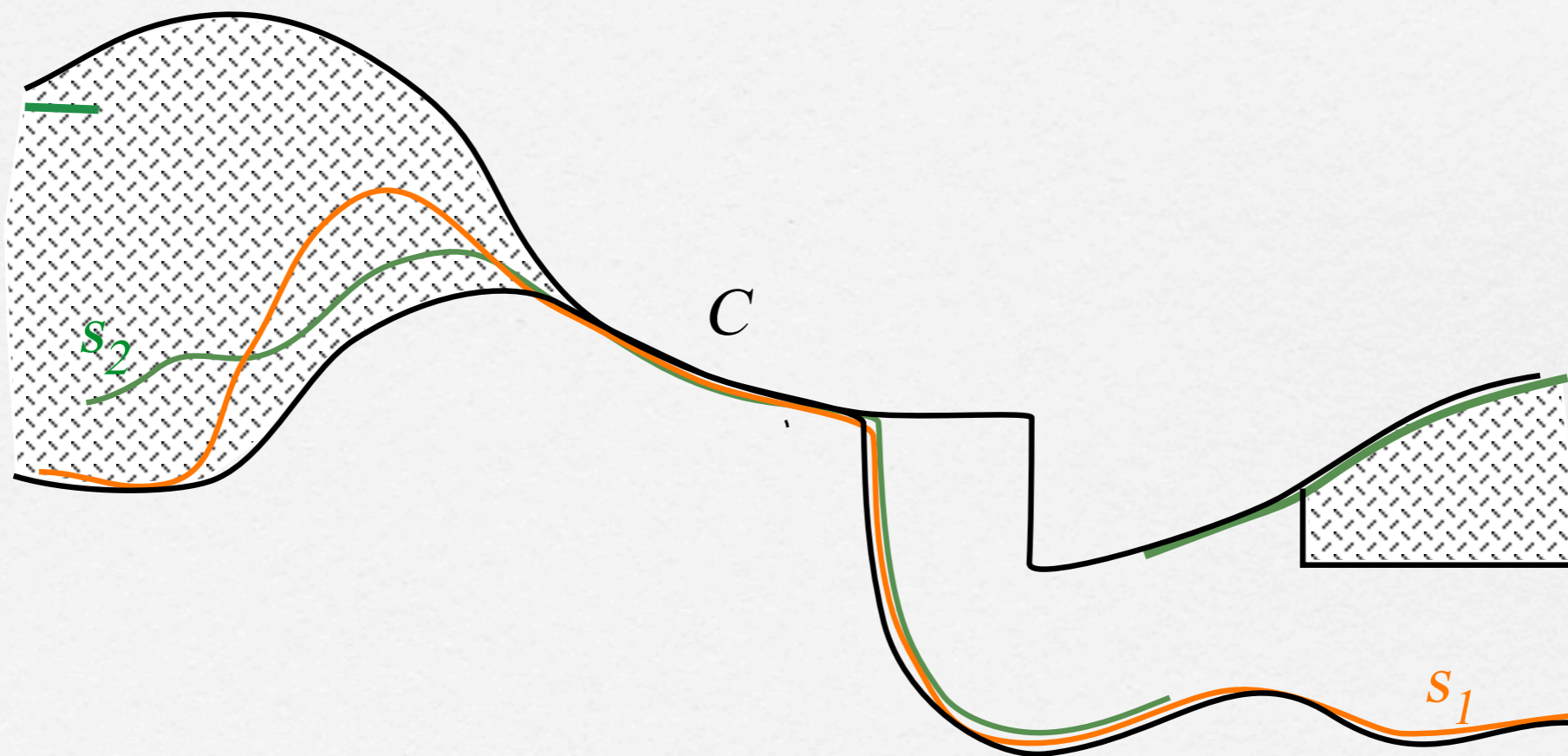


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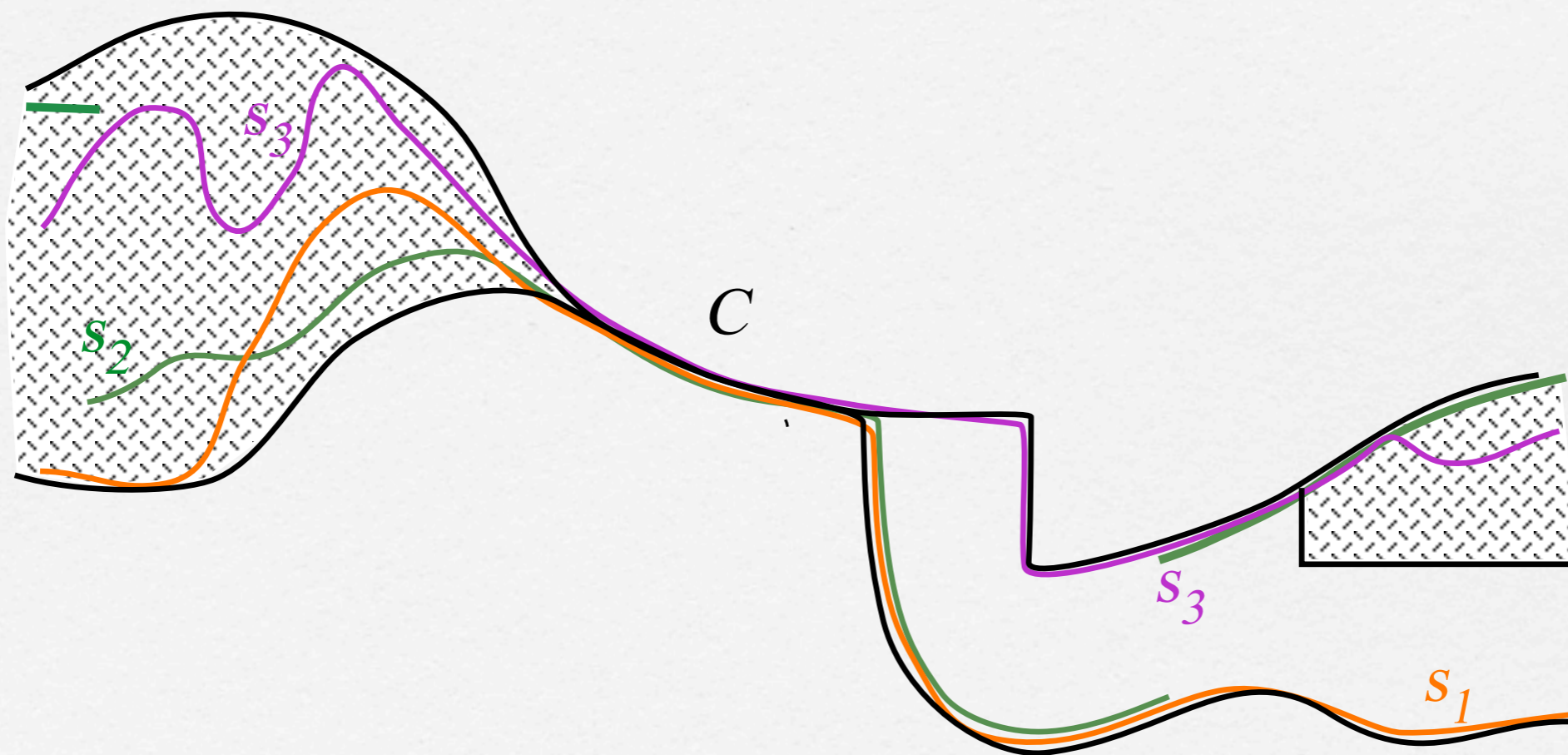


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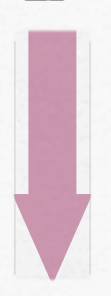


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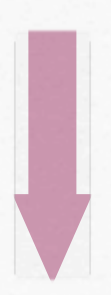
## Convergence (review)

$$\xi : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \rightarrow (\Xi, \mathcal{A}, P), \quad \xi^\nu \xrightarrow{*} \xi$$

a.s. (almost sure) convergence:


$$P\{\xi \mid \lim_{\nu} \xi^\nu(\omega) = \xi \neq \xi(\omega), \omega \in \Omega\} = 0$$

convergence in probability:


$$P(|\xi^\nu - \xi| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0$$

convergence in distribution:  $P^\nu \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} P$



# a.s.-Convergence

- \*  $\{C^v : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^d, v \in \mathbb{N}\}$  random closed sets
- \* a.s. convergence:  $dl(C^v(\xi), C(\xi)) \rightarrow 0$  for  $P$ -almost all  $\xi \in \Xi$   
 $C^v \rightarrow C$  a.s.  $\Rightarrow C$  random closed set on  $\Xi_0, \mu(\Xi_0) = 1$
- \*  $C^v \rightarrow C$   $P$ -a.s. and  $\text{dom } C^v = \text{dom } C$ . Then,  
 $\exists$  Castaing representations of  $C^v \rightarrow$  a Castaing representation of  $C$   
If  $s : \Xi \rightarrow E$  is a measurable selection of  $C$ , then  
 $\exists s^v : \Xi \rightarrow E$  selections of  $C^v$  converging  $P$ -a.s. to  $s$
- \* ('Egorov's Theorem':  $C^v \rightarrow C$   $\mu$ -a.s.  $\Leftrightarrow C^v \rightarrow C$  almost uniformly)



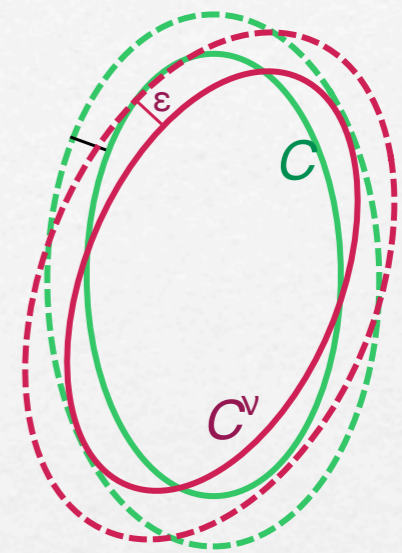
# Convergence in probability

Let  $\varepsilon^\circ C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid d(x, C) < \varepsilon\}$ ,  $C^v, C$  random sets

$$\Delta_{\varepsilon, v} = (C^v \setminus \varepsilon^\circ C) \cup (C \setminus \varepsilon^\circ C^v)$$

$\mu$ -a.s. convergence:  $\mu\{\xi \mid C^v(\xi) \rightarrow C(\xi)\} = 1$

in probability:  $P[\Delta_{\varepsilon, v}^{-1}(K)] \rightarrow 0, \forall \varepsilon > 0, K \in \mathcal{K} = \text{cpct-sets}$



$C^v$  converges to  $C$  in probability

$$\Leftrightarrow P(d_l(C^v, C) > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  every subsequence of  $\{C^v\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$

contains a sub-subsequence converging  $\mu$ -a.s to  $C$

i.e., in probability  $\Rightarrow$  in distribution  $\left[ \int h(\xi) dl(C^v(\xi), C(\xi)) P(d\xi) \rightarrow 0 \right]$



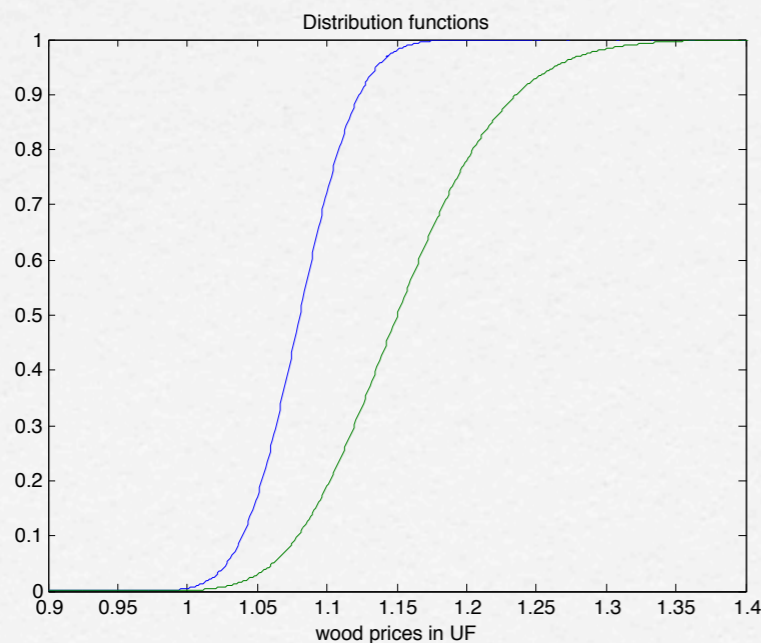
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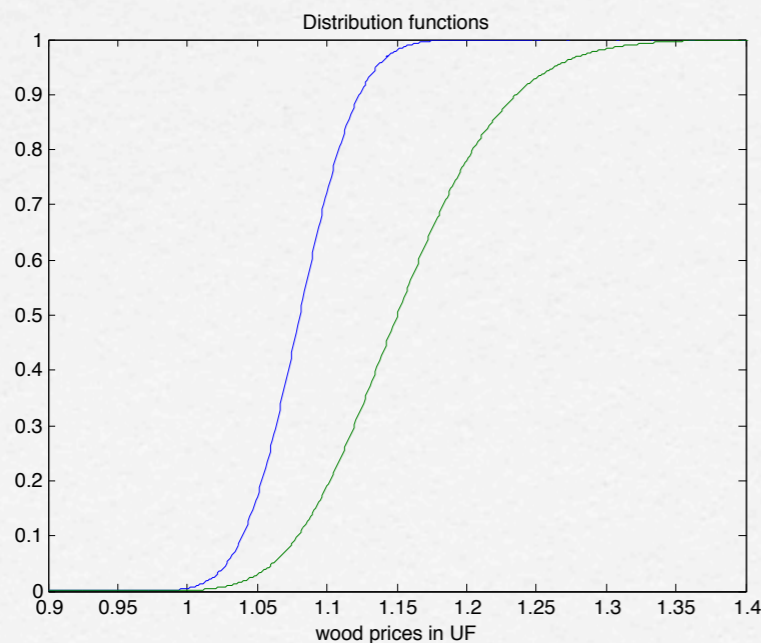
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$(F^\nu \xrightarrow{h} F, F \text{ usc} = -\text{lsc})$   
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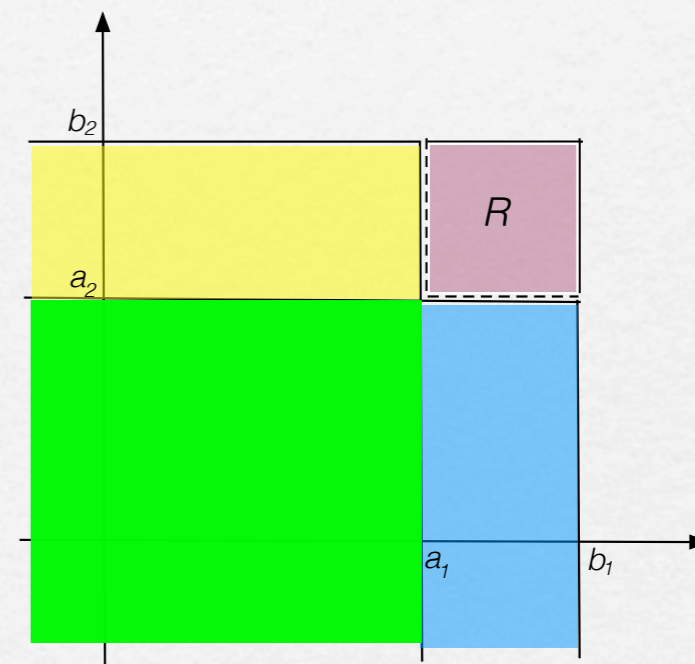
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2.  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} F(z) = 1, \quad \lim_{z_j \rightarrow -\infty} F(z) \rightarrow 0,$

3.  $F$  is usc (upper sc)  $\limsup_{z' \rightarrow z} F(z') \leq F(z),$

4.  $R = (a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times (a_n, b_n], \quad V = \{a_1, b_1\} \times \dots \times \{a_n, b_n\}$  vertices of  $R$   
 $\forall R \subset \mathbb{R}^n, \quad P(\xi \in R) = \sum_{v \in V} \text{sgn}(v) F(v), \quad \text{sgn}(v \in V) = (-1)^{\#a \text{ in } v}$





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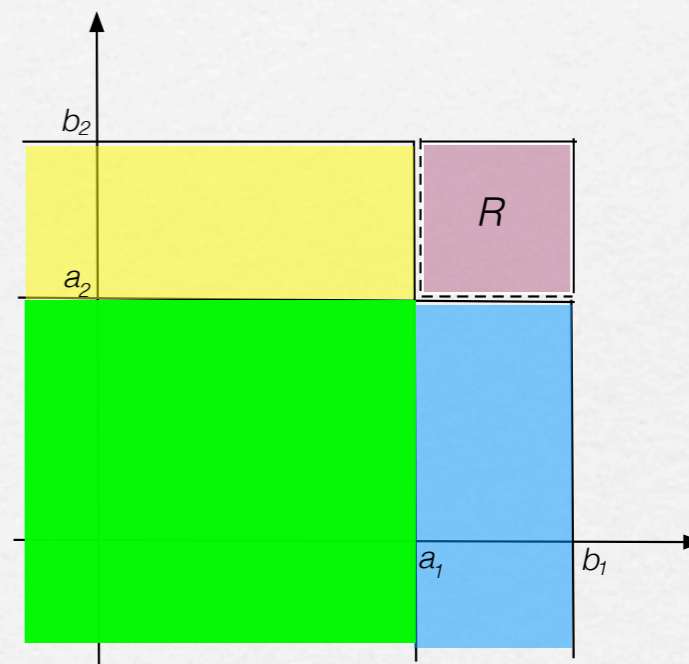
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# Distribution of a random set

Borel  $\sigma$ -field:  $\mathcal{B} = \sigma\{-\mathcal{F}^K \mid K \text{ compact}\}$  or  $\sigma\{-\mathcal{F}_O \mid O \text{ open}\} \dots$

Distribution  $(P, \mathcal{B})$  regular,  $\mathcal{K}$  compact subsets  $E$

determined by values on  $\{\mathcal{F}^K \mid K \in \mathcal{K}\}$  or  $\{\mathcal{F}_K \mid K \in \mathcal{K}\}$

Distribution function (**Choquet capacity**):

$T : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ,  $T(\emptyset) = 0$  and  $\forall \{K^v, v \in \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathcal{K}$ :  
(1,3)

a)  $T(K^v) \searrow T(K)$  when  $K^v \searrow K$  ( $\sim$  usc on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

b)  $\{D_v : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow [0, 1]\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$  where  $D_0(K^0) = 1 - T(K^0)$

$(4)$   $D_1(K^0; K^1) = D_0(K^0) - D_0(K^0 \cup K^1)$  and for  $v = 2, \dots$

$D_v(K^0; K^1, \dots, K^v) = D_{v-1}(K^0; K^1, \dots, K^{v-1}) - D_{v-1}(K^0 \cup K^v; K^1, \dots, K^{v-1})$

( $\sim$  rectangle condition on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )



# Existence-Uniqueness T

$P$  on  $\mathcal{B}$  determines a unique **distribution function**  $T$  on  $\mathcal{K}$

$$T(K) = P(\mathcal{F}_K)$$

$$D_\nu(K^0; K^1, \dots, K^\nu) = P(\mathcal{F}^{K^0} \cap \mathcal{F}_{K^1} \cap \dots \cap \mathcal{F}_{K^\nu})$$

$T$  on  $\mathcal{K}$  determines a unique probability measure  $P$ .

Proof. via Choquet Capacity Theorem (*Matheron*)

(refined) via probabilistic arguments (*Salinetti-Wets*)

$C : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^d$  a random closed set

$(P, \mathcal{B})$  induced probability measure:

$$P(\mathcal{F}_G) = P[C^{-1}(G)] \quad \forall G \in \mathcal{B}, \quad T(K) = P[C^{-1}(K)] \quad \forall K \in \mathcal{K}$$



# Convergence in Distribution

random sets  $C^\nu$  converge in distribution to  $C$  when

induced  $P^\nu$  narrow-converge to  $P : P^\nu \rightarrow_n P = P^\nu \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} P$

$\Leftrightarrow T^\nu \rightarrow_p T$  on  $\mathcal{K}_{T\text{-cont}}$  (convergence of distribution functions)

$\mathcal{K}_{T\text{-cont}}$  ?

a)  $\forall C^\nu, \nu \in N, \exists$  converging subsequence (pre-compact)

b)  $K^\nu \nearrow K = \text{cl} \bigcup_\nu K^\nu$  regularly if  $\text{int} K \subset \bigcup_\nu K^\nu$

c) distribution (fcn) continuity:  $\lim_\nu T(K^\nu) = T(\text{cl} \bigcup_\nu K^\nu)$

d) convergence  $T^\nu \rightarrow_p T$  on  $\mathcal{C}_T$  continuity set  $\Rightarrow P^\nu \rightarrow_n P$

e)  $P^\nu \rightarrow_n P \Leftrightarrow T^\nu \rightarrow_p T$  on  $\mathcal{C}_T^{ub} = \mathcal{C}_T \cap \mathcal{K}^{ub}$

$\mathcal{K}^{ub} =$  finite union of rational ball, positive radius

f)  $\varepsilon \mapsto T(K + \varepsilon\mathbb{B})$ : countable number of discontinuities



# a detour about rates

$T^v \rightarrow_p T$  on  $C_T \Leftrightarrow P^v \rightarrow_n P$  (Polish space:  $E, d$ )

$P^v, P$  defined on  $\mathcal{B}$

probability sc-measures on cl-sets( $E$ ):  $\lambda$

(i)  $\lambda \geq 0$ , (ii)  $\lambda \nearrow \lambda(C^1) \leq \lambda(C^2)$  if  $C^1 \subset C^2$

(iii)  $\lambda$  is  $\tau_f$ -usc on cl-sets( $E$ ), (iv)  $\lambda(\emptyset) = 0, \lambda(E) = 1$

(v)  $\lambda$  modular:  $\lambda(C^1) + \lambda(C^2) = \lambda(C^1 \cup C^2) + \lambda(C^1 \cap C^2)$

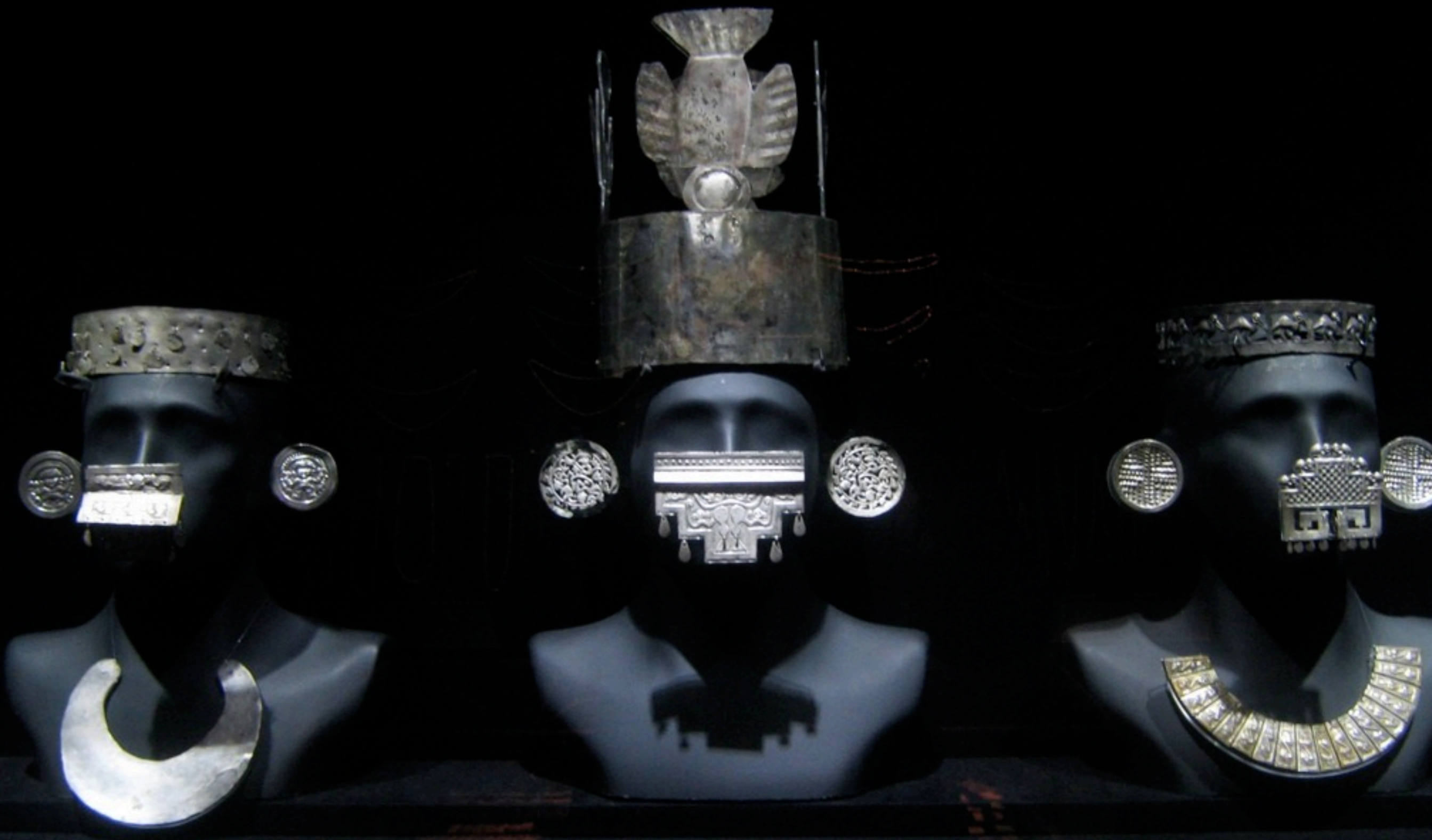
$P$  and  $\lambda = P_{\text{cl-sets}}$  define each other uniquely ( $E$  complete  $\Rightarrow$  tight)

$\{P^v, v \in \mathbb{N}\}$  tight:  $P^v \rightarrow_n P \Leftrightarrow \lambda^v \rightarrow_h \lambda$  ( $\sim - \lambda^v \rightarrow_e - \lambda$ ) on cl-sets( $E$ )

tightness  $\sim$  equi-usc of  $\{\lambda^v\}_{v \in \mathbb{N}}$  at  $\emptyset$

rates:  $dl(\lambda^v, \lambda) \rightarrow 0$  (for  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued r.v., " $\sim$ " Skorohod distance)







# Random Sets

## Convergence & Expectation

Artstein-Vitale-Hart-Wets,  
Cressis, Hiai, Weyl, ...



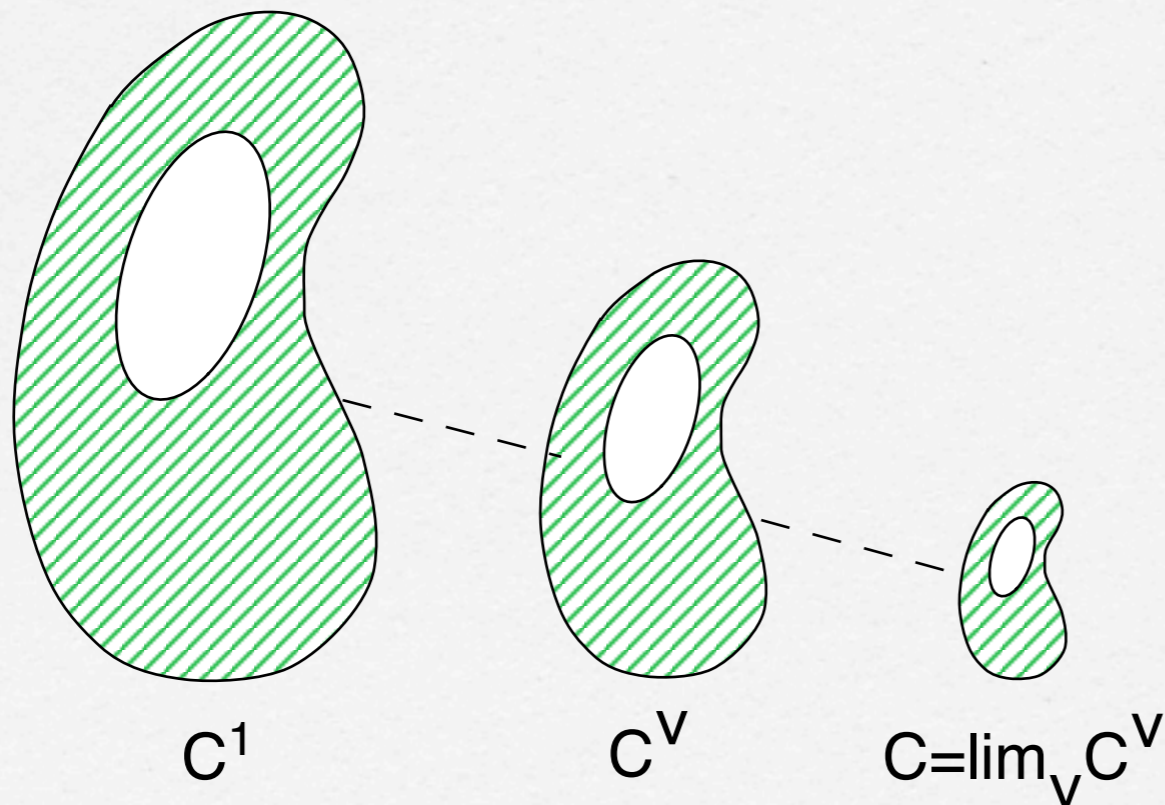
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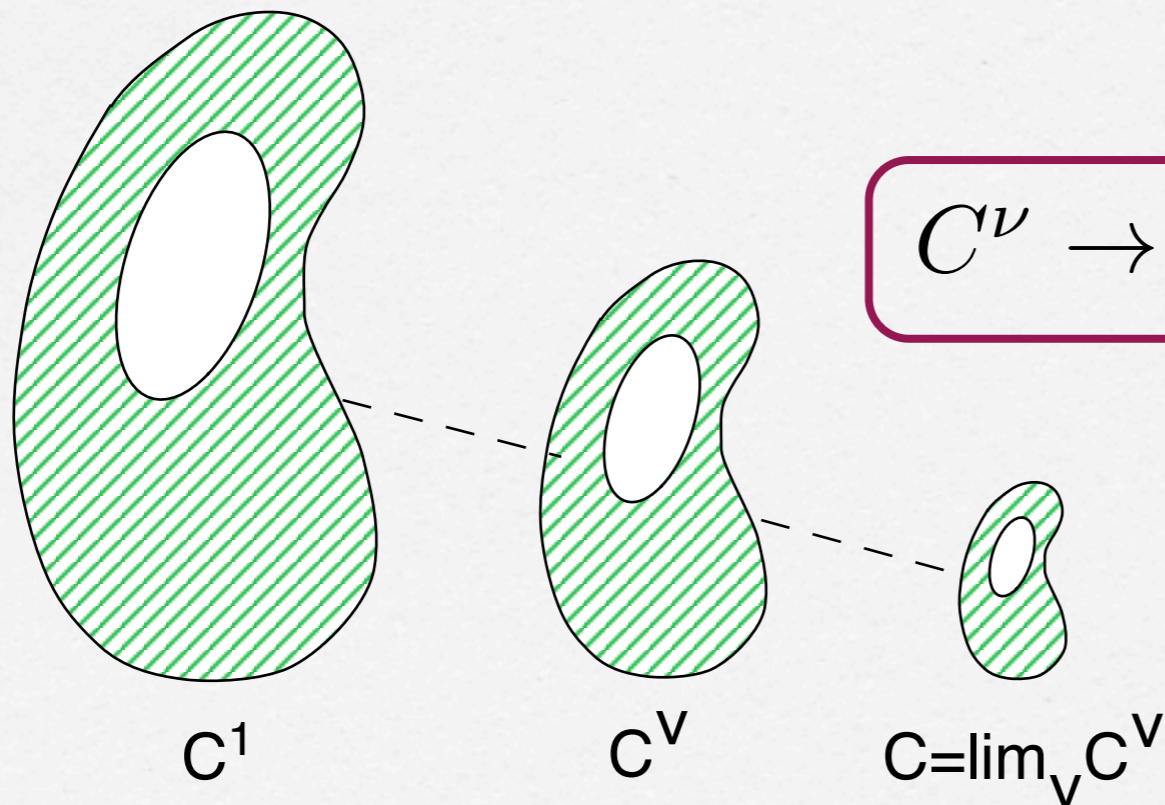
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$$C^\nu \rightarrow C \iff d(C^\nu, C) \rightarrow 0$$



# Characterizing a.s. convergence

$\{C; C^\nu : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n, \nu \in \mathbb{N}\}$  random closed sets. Then,

1.  $C^\nu \rightarrow C$  a.s.,  $d(C^\nu, C) \rightarrow 0$  a.s.,  $\text{Lo}_\nu(C^\nu) \subset C \subset \text{Li}_\nu(C^\nu)$  a.s.,

2.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\xi \in \Xi_1$  with  $P(\Xi_1) = 1$ ,  $d(x, C^\nu(\xi)) \rightarrow d(x, C(\xi))$ ,

3.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\xi \in \Xi_1$  with  $P(\Xi_1) = 1$ ,

$$\lim_{\rho \nearrow \infty} \text{Lo}_\nu (C^\nu(\xi) \cap \mathbb{B}(x, \rho)) \subset C(\xi) \subset \lim_{\rho \nearrow \infty} \text{Li}_\nu (C^\nu(\xi) \cap \mathbb{B}(x, \rho)).$$



# “Proof 1. $\Leftrightarrow$ 2.”

$C^\nu \rightarrow C \iff \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, d(x, C^\nu) \rightarrow d(x, C)$  provided  $E = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

$C^\nu \rightarrow C$  if and only if the hit-miss criterion is satisfied

$C$  hits  $\mathbb{B}^o(x, \rho)$  then  $C^\nu$  hits  $\mathbb{B}^o(x, \rho)$  for  $\nu \geq \nu_{x, \rho}$   
so,  $C \subset \text{Li}_\nu C^\nu \iff d(x, C) \geq \limsup_\nu d(x, C^\nu), \forall x$

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# Building Castaing representations

$C : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ , a random closed set. Let

$$A = \left\{ a_k = (a_k^1, \dots, a_k^n, a_k^{n+1}) \mid a_k^i \in \mathbb{Q}^n \text{ \& \textit{aff. independent}} \right\}$$

for  $\emptyset \neq D = D^0$  closed, define  $\text{prj}_D a_k = \text{prj}_{D^n} a_k^{n+1}$

where  $D^l = \text{prj}_{D^{l-1}} a_k^l$  for  $l = 1, \dots, n$

$\text{prj}_D a_k$  is a singleton: intersection of  $n+1$  “aff. independent” spheres.

Moreover,  $\{ \text{prj}_D a_k, a_k \in A \}$  also dense in  $D$

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$s_k : \Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $s_k(\xi) = \text{prj}_{C(\xi)} a_k$  is a measurable selection of  $C$

□ When  $D$  is a random closed set, so is  $\xi \mapsto \text{prj}_{D(\xi)} a, a \in \mathbb{R}^n$

repeat the argument  $n + 1$  times to obtain  $s_k$  measurable. □



# Converging Castaing representations

$C^\nu : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$  random closed sets converging  $P$ -*a.s.* to  $C$ ,  $\text{dom } C^\nu = \text{dom } C$ .  
Then,  $\exists \{s_k^\nu, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  Castaing representations of  $C^\nu$  converging for each  $k$   
to a Castaing representation  $\{s_k, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  of  $C$ .

□ All Castaing representations are built via our earlier “projections”.

Then,  $\forall \xi \in \Xi_1, s_k^\nu(\xi) \rightarrow s_k(\xi), P(\Xi_1) = 1$  the set of *a.s.*-convergence.

Since,  $P$ -*a.s.* convergence of  $C^\nu \rightarrow C \implies$  (rely on 2. earlier)

$$d(a_k^1, s_k^\nu(\xi)) = d(a_k^1, C^\nu(\xi)) \rightarrow d(a_k^1, C(\xi)) = d(a_k^1, s_k(\xi)), \forall \xi \in \Xi_1. \quad \square$$

(a) Convergence of Castaing representations  $\not\Rightarrow$  convergence of random sets!

(b)  $v$  meas-selection of  $C \implies \exists v^\nu$  meas-selection of  $C^\nu$  converging *a.s.* to  $v$ .



# “Simple” random sets

$C : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$  is a *simple* random set if  $\text{rge } C$  is finite.

$C$  is a closed random set  $\iff C = P\text{-a.s.}$  limit of simple random sets.

$\square \Leftarrow$ : the limit of a sequence of random sets is a random set

$\Rightarrow$ : let  $C^\nu = C \cap \nu\mathbb{B}$ , unif. bounded closed random set,  $C = \text{Lm}_\nu C^\nu$

build (via "prj") Castaing representations  $\{r_k^\nu\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  of the  $C^\nu$

let  $\{s_k^\nu\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}'} = \bigcup_{\nu \leq \nu} \{r_k^\nu\}_{\nu \in \mathbb{N}}$ , also Castaing for  $C^\nu$

$D_k^\nu = \bigcup_{j \leq k} s_j^\nu$   $d_l$ -converge uniformly to  $C^\nu$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$

since each  $s_k^\nu = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} s_{kl}^\nu$  uniformly,  $s_{kl}^\nu$  simple random variables

$\Delta_{kl}^\nu = \bigcup_{j \leq k} s_{jl}^\nu$  is a simple random set,  $C(\xi) = \text{Lm}_\nu \text{Lm}_k \text{Lm}_l \Delta_{kl}^\nu(\xi)$

$\Delta_{kl}^\nu \xrightarrow{u} D_k^\nu \xrightarrow{u} C^\nu$  allows diagonalization to find  $\Delta_{k^\nu l^\nu}^\nu \rightarrow C$ .  $\square$



# Sierpiński-Lyapunov Theorems

$(\Xi, \mathcal{A})$  a measure space

**Sierpiński** (1922). Suppose  $P$  is an atomless probability measure.

Given  $A_0, A_1 \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $0 \leq P(A_0) \leq P(A_1) \leq 1$ , then

$\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \exists A_\lambda \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $P(A_\lambda) = (1 - \lambda)P(A_0) + \lambda P(A_1)$ .

In particular, it implies  $\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \exists A \in \mathcal{A}$  such that  $P(A) = \lambda$ ;

choose  $A_0 = \emptyset$  and  $A_1 = \Xi$ .

**Lyapunov** (1940)  $\mu : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  atomless,  $\sigma$ -additive measure.

For  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , define  $\text{rge } \mu(A) = \{\mu(B) \mid B \subset A \cap \mathcal{A}\}$ . Then,

$\text{rge } \mu(\Xi) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is convex and if  $\mu$  is also bounded, it's compact.



# Expectation: simple random set

$C : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$  a simple random set, i.e.,  $\text{rge } C = \{z^k \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid k \in K, |K| \text{ finite}\}$

Given  $\bar{r}, \bar{s} \in EC = \mathbb{E}\{C(\xi)\} \implies$

$\exists$  simple selections  $r, s : \Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\mathbb{E}\{r(\xi)\} = \bar{r}, \mathbb{E}\{s(\xi)\} = \bar{s}$ .

Let  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Define  $v : \Xi \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  as follows:

1. partition  $\Xi$  into subsets  $A_ =$  and  $\mathcal{A}_\neq$
2.  $A_ = = \{\xi \in \Xi \mid r(\xi) = s(\xi)\} \in \mathcal{A}$
3.  $A = \{\xi \in \Xi \mid r(\xi) = z_k, s(\xi) = z_l, k \neq l\} \in \mathcal{A}_\neq$ , a finite collection
4. split each  $A \in \mathcal{A}_\neq$ ,  $P(A_r) = \lambda P(A)$  &  $A_s = A \setminus A_r$  (Sierpiński)

$$\text{set } v(\xi) = \begin{cases} r(\xi) & \text{on } \bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}_\neq} A_r \cup A_ = \\ s(\xi) & \text{on } \bigcup_{A \in \mathcal{A}_\neq} A_s \end{cases}$$

then  $\bar{v} = \mathbb{E}\{v(\xi)\} = \lambda \bar{r} + (1 - \lambda) \bar{s} \implies EC$  convex.

Clearly  $EC$  is bounded and it's easy to show it's also closed  $\implies$  compact.



# Expectation of random set

$C : \Xi \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$  a closed random set

$\implies C = P$ -a.s. limit of simple random sets,

say  $C^\nu \xrightarrow{a.s.} C$  with  $C^\nu \nearrow$  w.l.o.g

$EC^\nu = \mathbb{E}\{C^\nu(\xi)\} \nearrow$  are convex, compact  $\implies$

$$EC = \mathbb{E}\{C(\xi)\} = \bigcup_\nu EC^\nu$$

$\implies EC$  convex

$\implies EC$  closed if  $C$  is integrably bounded

$\implies$  compact if  $\text{rge } C$  is bounded





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