

# LECTURE #3

## PROBABILITY REVIEW (II)

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Queueing Theory and  
Applications in Networks

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# Outline

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- Probability meaning
- Random Variable
- Discrete RV
- Continuous RV
- Multiple RVs

# Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

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- Definition:

$$F_X(x) = P[X \leq x]$$

- Contain complete information about the probability model of the random variable
- PMF  CDF

# CDF Theorem

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**Theorem:** For a discrete random variable  $X$

with  $S_X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  &  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots$

1)  $F_X(-\infty) = 0$  and  $F_X(\infty) = 1$  → **From 0 to 1**

2)  $\forall x' \geq x, F_X(x') \geq F_X(x)$  → **Monotonic Increasing**

3) For  $x_i \in S_X$  and  $\varepsilon = +\text{small number}$

$F_X(x_i) - F_X(x_i - \varepsilon) = P_X(x_i)$  → **Discontinuity =  $P_X(x)$**

4)  $F_X(x) = F_X(x_i) \quad \forall x, x_i \leq x < x_{i+1}$  → **Horizon line**

# CDF Example

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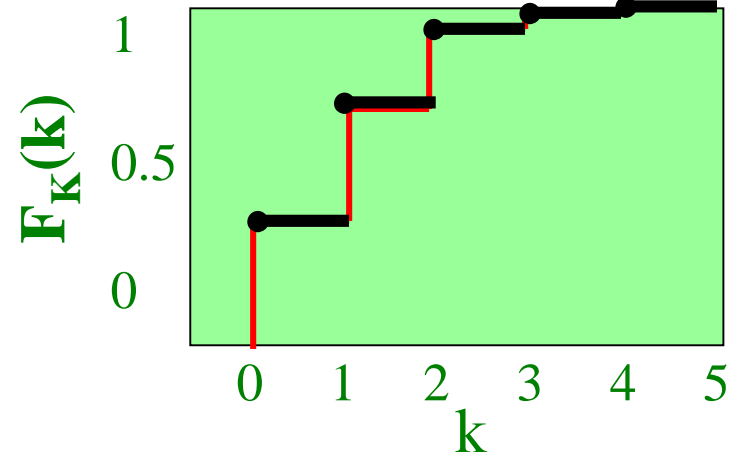
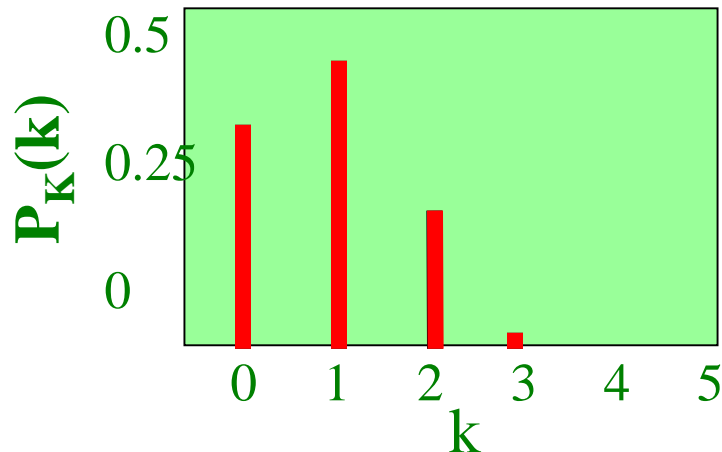
- For a binomial RV, # of fail CDs in 5 tests with  $p = 0.2$

$$P_K(k) = \begin{cases} \binom{5}{k} (0.2)^k (0.8)^{5-k} & k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 5 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# CDF Example

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k	$P_K(k)$	k	$P_K(k)$
0	0.33	3	0.05
1	0.41	4	0.01
2	0.20	5	0



# Average

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- Study RV  $\rightarrow$  average
- What is the average of an RV?
  - A single number that describes the RV
  - An example of statistic
- What is Statistic?
  - Numbers that collect all information of things under our interesting
  - Averages: mean, mode, and median

# Average

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- Mean:
  - Sum / #terms
- Mode:
  - Most common value
  - $P_X(x_{\text{mod}}) \geq P_X(x) \quad \forall x$
- Median:
  - The middle of the data set
  - $P[X < x_{\text{med}}] = P[X > x_{\text{med}}]$



# Mean $\rightarrow$ Expected Value

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- Adding all measurements / #terms

$$E[X] = \mu_X = \sum_{x \in S_X} xP_X(x)$$

- **Example:**

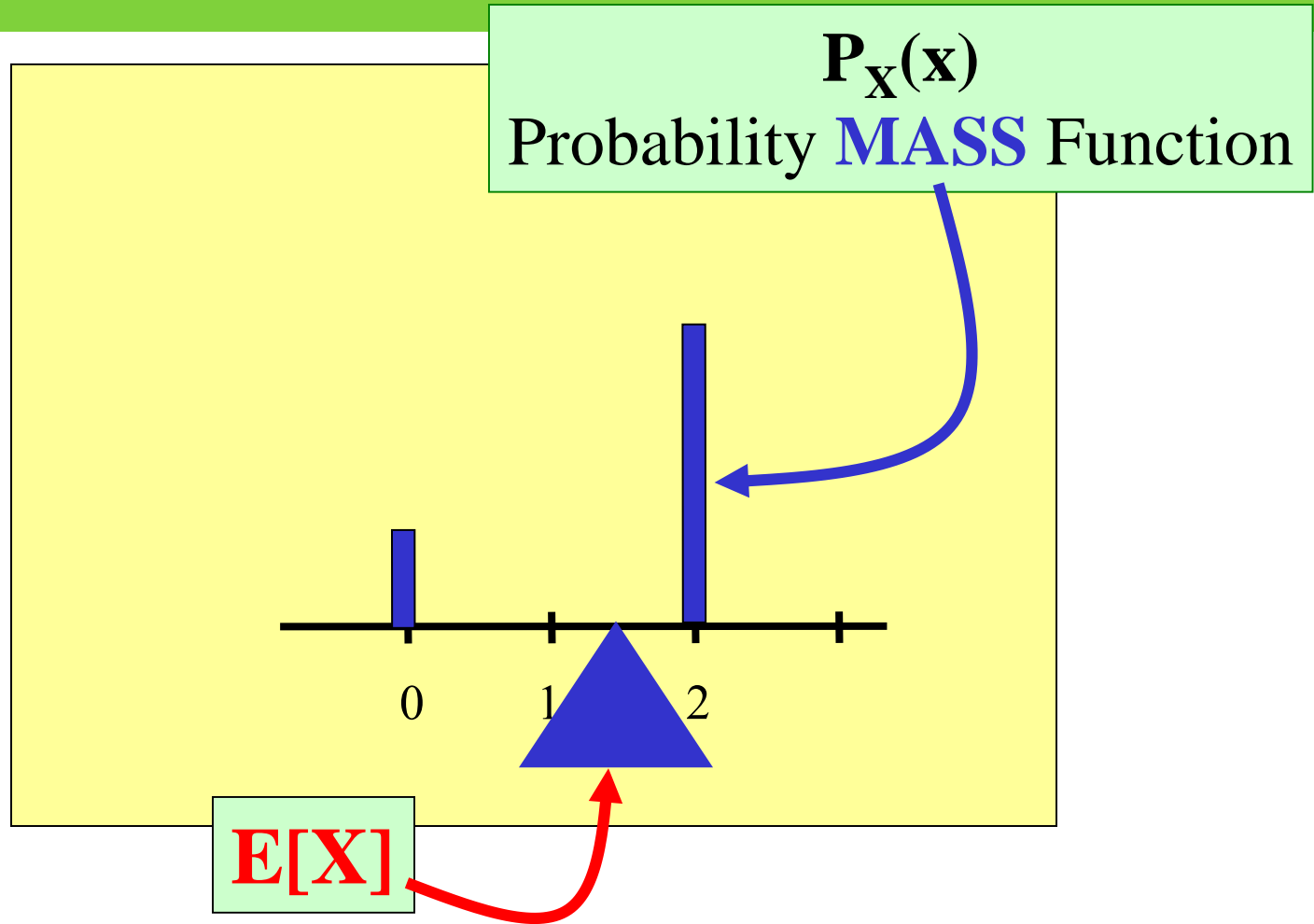
$$P_T(t) = \begin{cases} 1/4 & t = 0 \\ 3/4 & t = 2 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- $E[T] = ?$

$$= 0(1/4) + 2(3/4) = 3/2$$

# Expected Value

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# Useful Discrete RV

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<p><b><u>Uniform</u></b> Equiprobable outcomes</p>	$\begin{cases} 1/(j-k+1) & x = k, k+1, k+2, \dots, j \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = \frac{(j+k)}{2}$
<p><b><u>Bernoulli</u></b> Pass/Fail</p>	$\begin{cases} 1-p & x = 0 \\ p & x = 1 \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = p$
<p><b><u>Geometric</u></b> # tests until fail</p>	$\begin{cases} p(1-p)^{x-1} & x = 1, 2, 3, \dots \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = 1/p$

# Useful Discrete RV

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<p><b><u>Binomial</u></b></p> <p># fails in n tests</p>	$\begin{cases} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} & x=1,2,\dots,n \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = np$
<p><b><u>Pascal</u></b></p> <p># tests until k fails</p>	$\begin{cases} \binom{x-1}{k-1} p^k (1-p)^{x-k} & x = k, k+1, \dots \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = k/p$
<p><b><u>Poisson</u></b></p> <p>occurrence in a period</p>	$\begin{cases} \frac{(\lambda T)^x e^{-\lambda T}}{x!} & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & \textit{Otherwise} \end{cases}$	$E[X] = \alpha$ $\alpha = \lambda T$

# Variance & Standard Deviation

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- We knew average,  $E[X]$ ,  
why do we need these Variance &  
Standard Deviation?
- How far from the average?
- $T = X - \mu_x$   
 $E[T] = E[X - \mu_x]$   
 $= 0$

# Variance

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- The useful measurement is  $\mathbf{E}[|T|]$
- $\mathbf{E}[T^2] = \mathbf{E}[(X - \mu_x)^2] \rightarrow \mathbf{Variance}$

## **Definition:**

$$\text{Var}[X] = \mathbf{E} [(X - \mu_x)^2]$$

# Standard Deviation

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**Definition:**

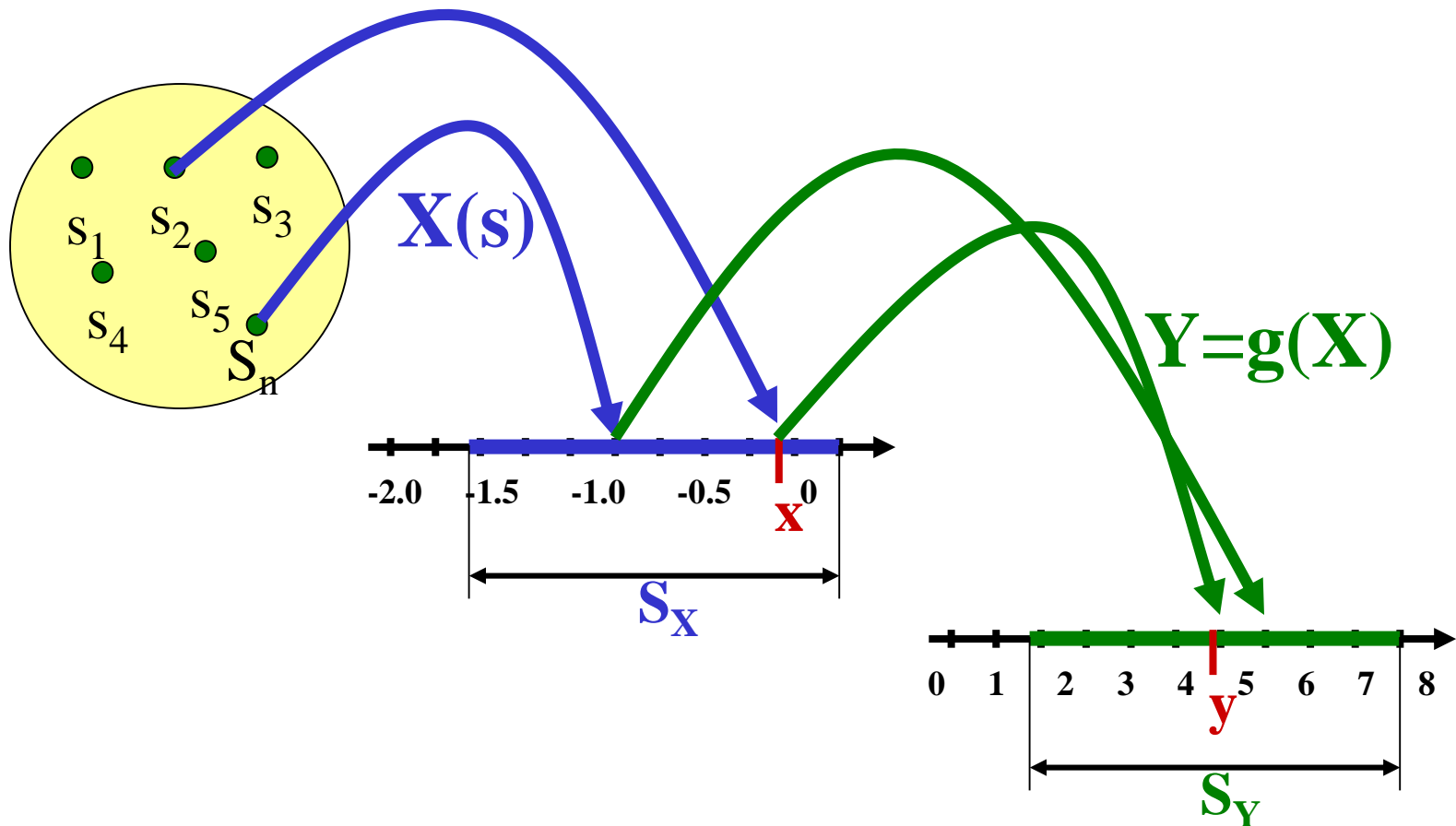
$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{\text{Var}[X]}$$

Sigma X

- $\sigma_X$  can compare to  $\mu_x$
- Ex.  $\sigma_X = 15$ , Score +6 from mean  
→ OK. Middle of class
- Ex.  $\sigma_X = 3$ , Score +6 from mean  
→ V.Good In Top class group

# Derived Random Variable

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# Why do we need a Derived Random Variable?

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- From sample values of the random variable, use these values to compute other quantities.
- Example:
  - Find a decibel value form signal-to-noise ratio
- $Y = g(X)$

# Example-1

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- Random Variable  $X = \#$  pages in one fax
- $P_X(x)$  = number of pages in each fax
- Charging plan
  - 1<sup>st</sup> page = 10 Baht
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> page = 9 Baht
  - ...
  - 5<sup>th</sup> page = 6 Baht
  - 6 – 10 pages = 50 Baht
- Find the charge in Baht for sending one fax

# Example-1

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- Random Variable  $Y$  = the charge in Baht for sending one fax

$$Y = g(X) = \begin{cases} 10.5X - 0.5X^2 & 1 \leq X \leq 5 \\ 50 & 6 \leq X \leq 10 \end{cases}$$

# PMF of Y

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Theorem:

$$P_Y(y) = \sum_{x:g(x)=y} P_X(x)$$

$P[Y=y]$  =  $\Sigma$  of all outcomes  $X = x$  for which  $Y = y$

# Conditional PMF

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$$P[A|B] = P[X = x|B]$$

**Definition:** Given event  $B$ ,  $P[B] > 0$

$$P_{X|B}(x) = P[X=x|B]$$

Theorem: 
$$P[A] = \sum_{i=1}^n P[A|B_i]P[B_i]$$

Theorem: 
$$P_X(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n P_{X|B_i}(x)P[B_i]$$

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# MULTIPLE DISCRETE RVS



# What is Multiple Discrete RV?

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- Each observation  $\rightarrow$  Random Variable
- 2 observations  $\rightarrow$  2 Random Variables
- $\geq 2$  observations  $\rightarrow$  Multiple RVs



# Joint PMF

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- For an experiment, Observe one thing
  - Model with one Random Variable
  - Describe the prob. model by using PMF
- For the same experiment, Observe 2 things
  - 2 Random Variables  $\rightarrow X$  and  $Y$
  - Joint PMF
- $P_{X,Y}(x,y)$

# Joint PMF

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**Definition:**

$$P_{X,Y}(x,y) = P[X=x, Y=y]$$

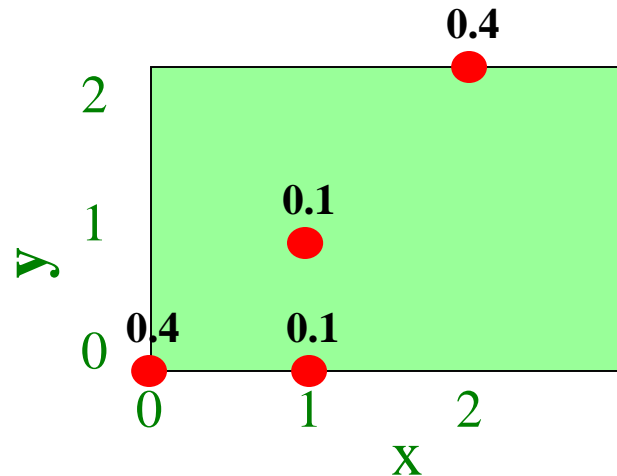
$$S_{X,Y} = \{ (x,y) \mid P_{X,Y}(x,y) > 0 \}$$

# 3 forms of Joint PMF

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$$P_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 0.4 & x=2, y=2 \\ 0.1 & x=1, y=1 \\ 0.1 & x=1, y=0 \\ 0.4 & x=0, y=0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$P_{X,Y}(x,y)$	$y=0$	$y=1$	$y=2$
$x=0$	0.4	0	0
$x=1$	0.1	0.1	0
$x=2$	0	0	0.4



# Marginal PMF

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- In an experiment with 2 RVs,  $X$  and  $Y$ 
  - Possible to consider only one ( $X$ ) and ignore  $Y$
  - $P_X(x)$

**Theorem:** For random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with joint PMF  $P_{X,Y}(x,y)$ :

$$P_X(x) = \sum_y P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$
$$P_Y(y) = \sum_x P_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

# Marginal PMF

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Margin

$P_{X,Y}(x,y)$	$y=0$	$y=1$	$y=2$	$P_X(x)$
$x=0$	0.4	0	0	0.4
$x=1$	0.1	0.1	0	0.2
$x=2$	0	0	0.4	0.4

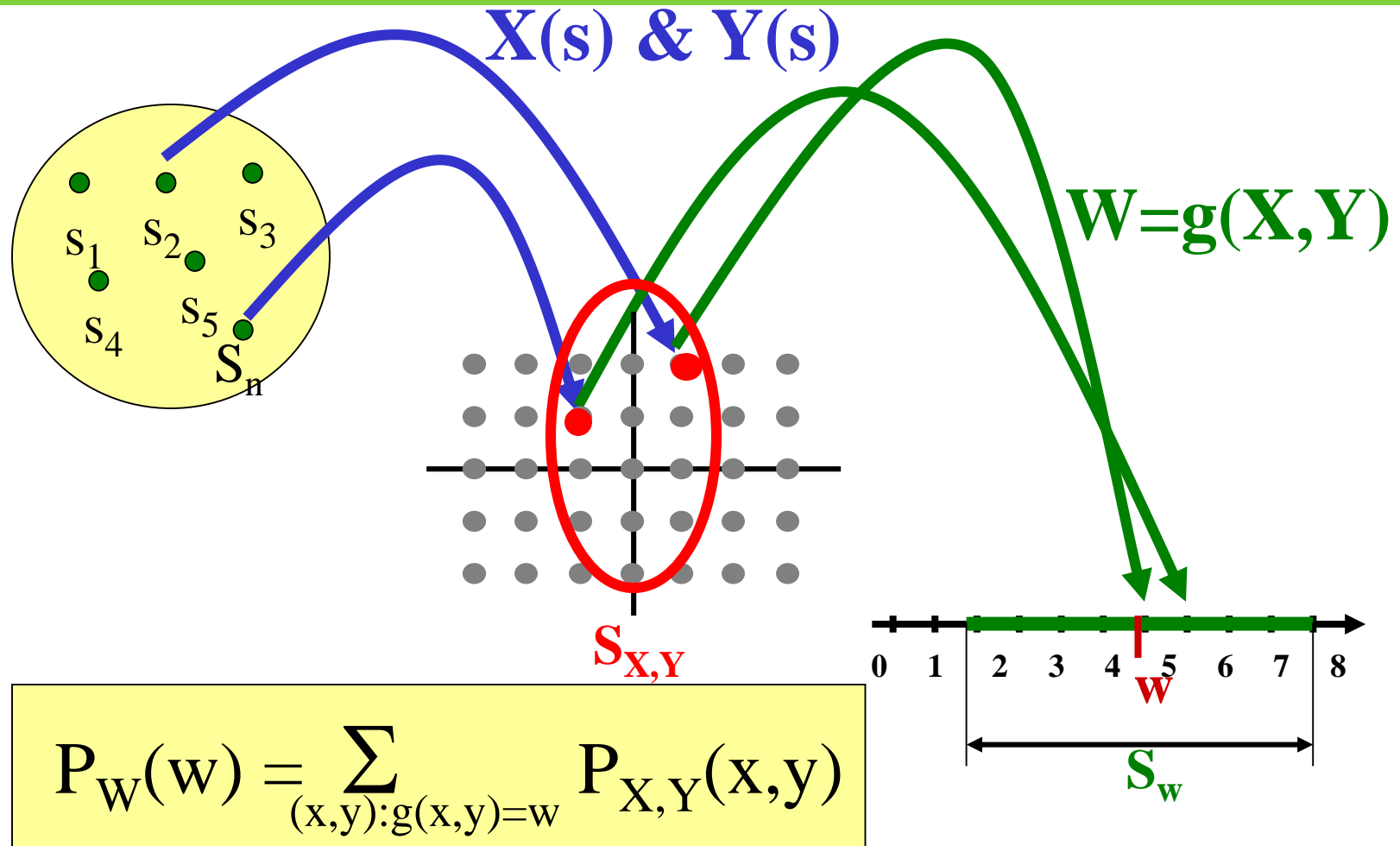
  

$P_Y(y)$	0.5	0.1	0.4	<b>1</b>
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Margin

# Derived Random Variable Functions of 2 RVs

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# Expected Value of $g(X, Y)$

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Theorem: for  $W = g(X, Y)$

$$E[W] = \sum_{x \in S_X} \sum_{y \in S_Y} g(X, Y) P_{X, Y}(x, y)$$

# For any 2 RVs

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Theorem:

$$E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$$

- Find  $E[X]$  and  $E[Y]$   
→ Marginal PMF



# Var[X+Y]

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**Definition:**  $\text{Var}[X] = E[(X - \mu_x)^2]$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[X+Y] &= E[((X+Y) - \mu_{x+Y})^2] \\ &= E[((X+Y) - (\mu_x + \mu_y))^2] \\ &= E[((X-\mu_x) + (Y-\mu_y))^2] \\ &= E[(X-\mu_x)^2 + 2(X-\mu_x)(Y-\mu_y) + (Y-\mu_y)^2] \\ &= E[(X-\mu_x)^2] + 2E[(X-\mu_x)(Y-\mu_y)] + E[(Y-\mu_y)^2]\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem:**

$$\text{Var}[X+Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y] + 2 E[(X-\mu_x)(Y-\mu_y)]$$

**Covariance**

# Covariance of X and Y

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**Definition:**  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = E[(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)]$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}[X, Y] &= E[XY - \mu_x Y - \mu_y X + \mu_x \mu_y] \\ &= E[XY] - \mu_x E[Y] - \mu_y E[X] + \mu_x \mu_y \\ &= E[XY] - \mu_x \mu_y - \mu_x \mu_y + \mu_x \mu_y\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem:**  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = E[XY] - \mu_x \mu_y$

# Covariance of X and Y

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**Theorem:**  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = E[XY] - \mu_x \mu_y$

**Correlation**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{If } X = Y \rightarrow \text{Cov}[X, X] &= E[XX] - \mu_x \mu_x \\ &= E[X^2] - \mu_x^2 \\ &= E[X^2 - 2\mu_x^2 + \mu_x^2] \\ &= E[X^2 - 2\mu_x X + \mu_x^2] \\ &= E[(X - \mu_x)^2] \\ &= \text{Var}[X] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } \mu_x \text{ or } \mu_y = 0 \rightarrow \text{Cov}[X, Y] = E[XY]$$

# Correlation

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**Definition:** The correlation of  $X$  and  $Y$  is  $r_{X,Y}$

$$r_{X,Y} = E[XY]$$

**Theorem:**  $\text{Cov}[X, Y] = r_{X,Y} - \mu_x \mu_y$

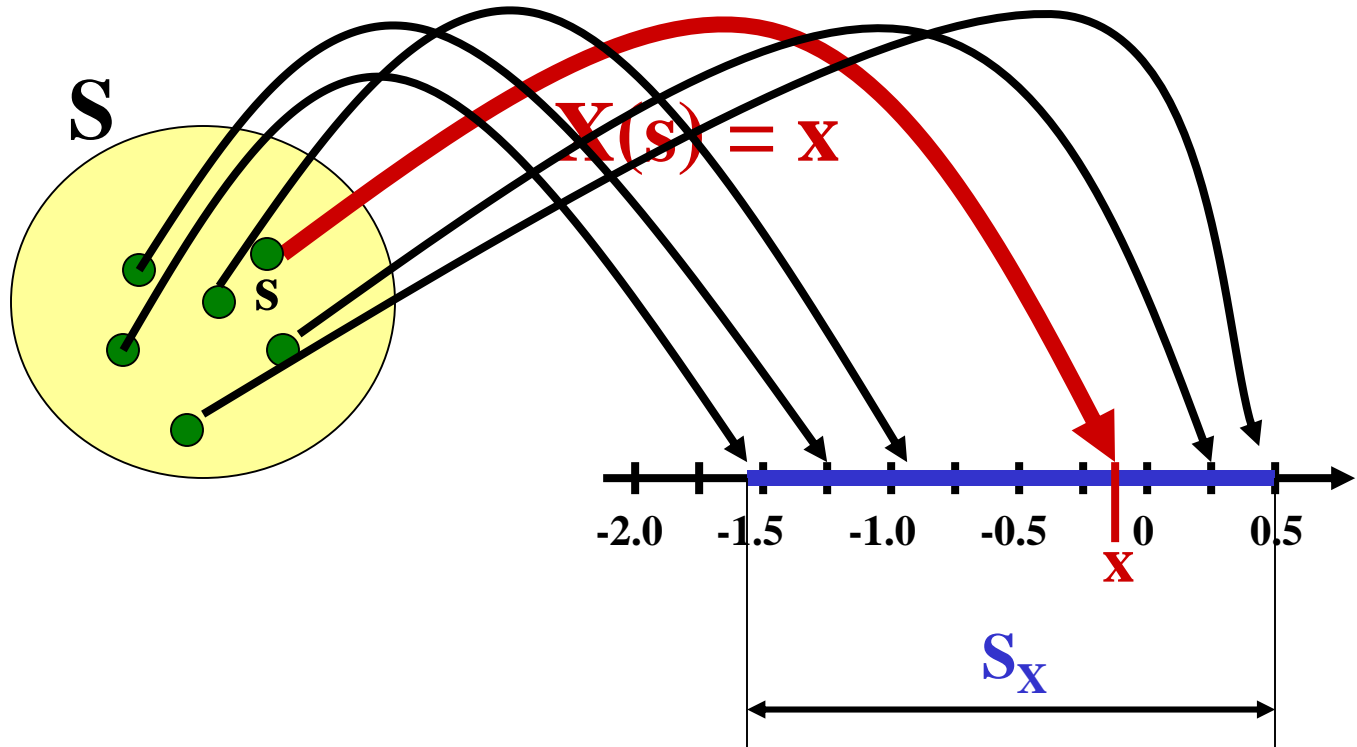
# CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLE



# Random Variable

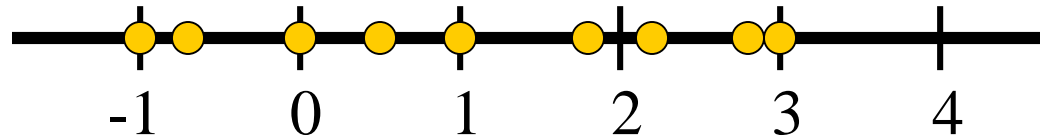
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$X$  is a function that maps each outcome,  $s$ , in  $S$  to a real number  $X(s)$ ,  $x$



# Continuous Sample Space

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In **Discrete**: countable set of numbers

$$S_X = \{-1, 0, 1, 3, 4\}$$

$$S_Y = \{-1, -0.9, 0, 0.5, 1, 1.8, 2.25, 2.9, 3\}$$

In **Continuous**: uncountable set of numbers

$S_X =$  **Interval** between 2 limits

$$S_X = (x_1, x_2) = (-1, 3)$$

# Probability of a continuous RV

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- Measuring  $T$ , the download time

$$S_T = \{t \mid 0 < t < 12\}$$

- Guess the download time is  $(0, 10]$  minutes
- Guess the download time is  $[5, 8]$  minutes
- Guess the download time is  $[5, 5.5]$  minutes

**Chance that our guess is correct is decreasing**

- Guess the download time is exactly 5.25 min.

**Probability of each individual outcome is zero.  
The interesting probability is an interval.**



# CDF

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- In discrete:
  - Probability Mass Function (PMF),  $P_X(x)$
- In continuous:
  - Impossible to define PMF
  - Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

Definition:  $F_X(x) = P[X \leq x]$

- PMF  CDF

# CDF Theorem

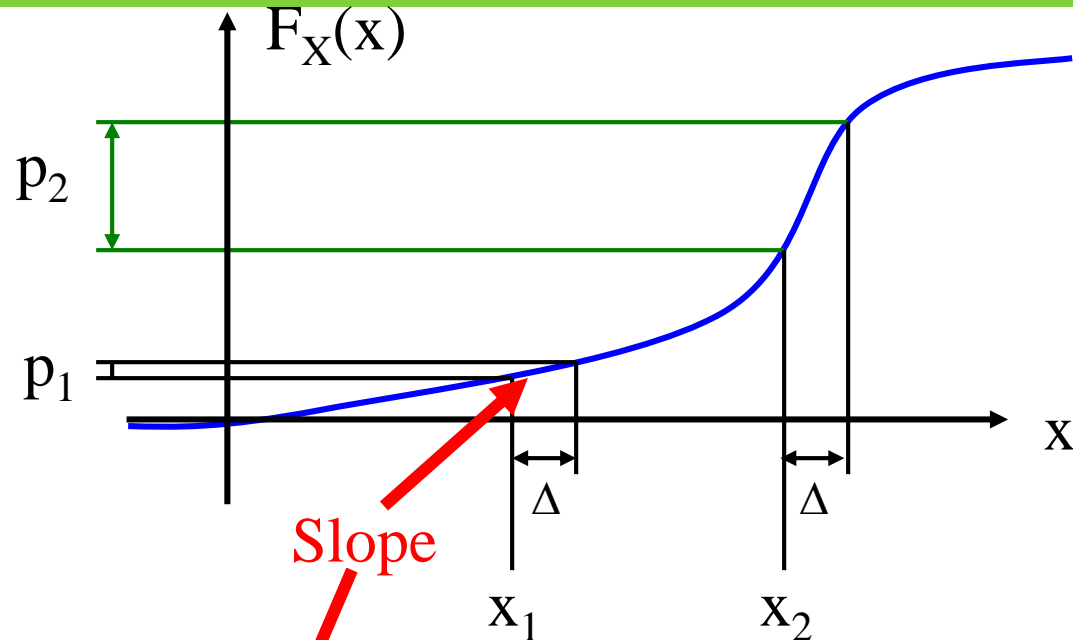
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## Theorem:

- $F_X(-\infty) = 0$
- $F_X(\infty) = 1$
- $P[x_1 < X \leq x_2] = F_X(x_2) - F_X(x_1)$

# Probability Density Function

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$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= P[x_1 < X \leq x_1 + \Delta] \\ &= F_X(x_1 + \Delta) - F_X(x_1) \\ &= \frac{F_X(x_1 + \Delta) - F_X(x_1)}{\Delta} \Delta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_2 &= P[x_2 < X \leq x_2 + \Delta] \\ &= F_X(x_2 + \Delta) - F_X(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

For  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ ,  
Slope  $\rightarrow dF_X(x)/dx$  at  $x_1$

# Probability Density Function

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- The slope of CDF in a region near  $x$ 
  - Probability of random variable  $X$  near  $x$
  - The prob. in a small region( $\Delta$ ) = slope \*  $\Delta$
- Slope of CDF → PDF

## Definition:

Probability Density Function (PDF) is

$$f_X(x) = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx}$$

# PDF Theorem

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## Theorem:

- $f_X(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$
- $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(u) du$
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$

# Expected Values

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For Discrete Random Variable:

$$E[X] = \sum_{x \in S_X} x P_X(x)$$

For Continuous Random Variable:

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

# Expected Value & Variance

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- Find  $E[X]$

$$E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

- Find  $E[X^2]$

$$E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx$$

- Find  $\text{Var}[X]$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu_X)^2 f_X(x) dx$$

# Some Useful Continuous RVs

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- Uniform
- Exponential
- Gaussian



# Uniform Continuous RV

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**Definition:**

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1/(b - a) & a \leq x < b \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $b > a$

# Uniform Continuous RV

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## Theorem:

- $$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq a \\ (x - a)/(b - a) & a < x \leq b \\ 1 & x > b \end{cases}$$
- $E[X] = (b + a)/2$
- $\text{Var}[X] = (b - a)^2/12$

# Exponential Continuous RV

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**Definition:**

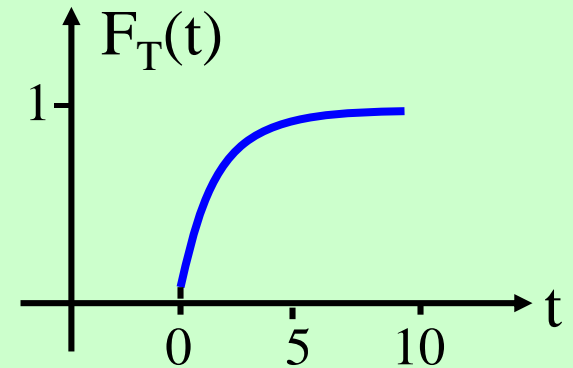
$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} a e^{-ax} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $a > 0$

# Exponential Example

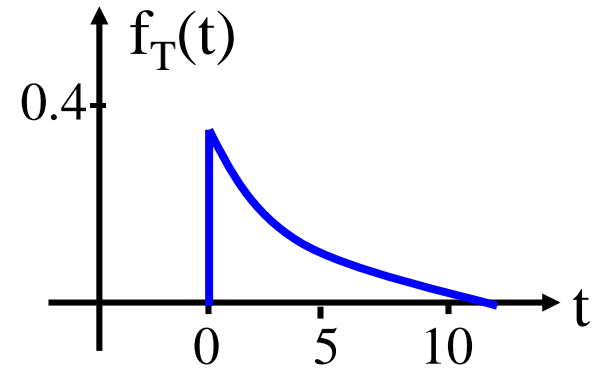
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$$F_T(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-t/3} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$



**Find PDF**

$$\begin{aligned} f_T(t) &= \frac{dF_T(t)}{dt} \\ &= \begin{cases} (1/3) e^{-t/3} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



# Exponential Continuous RV

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## Theorem:

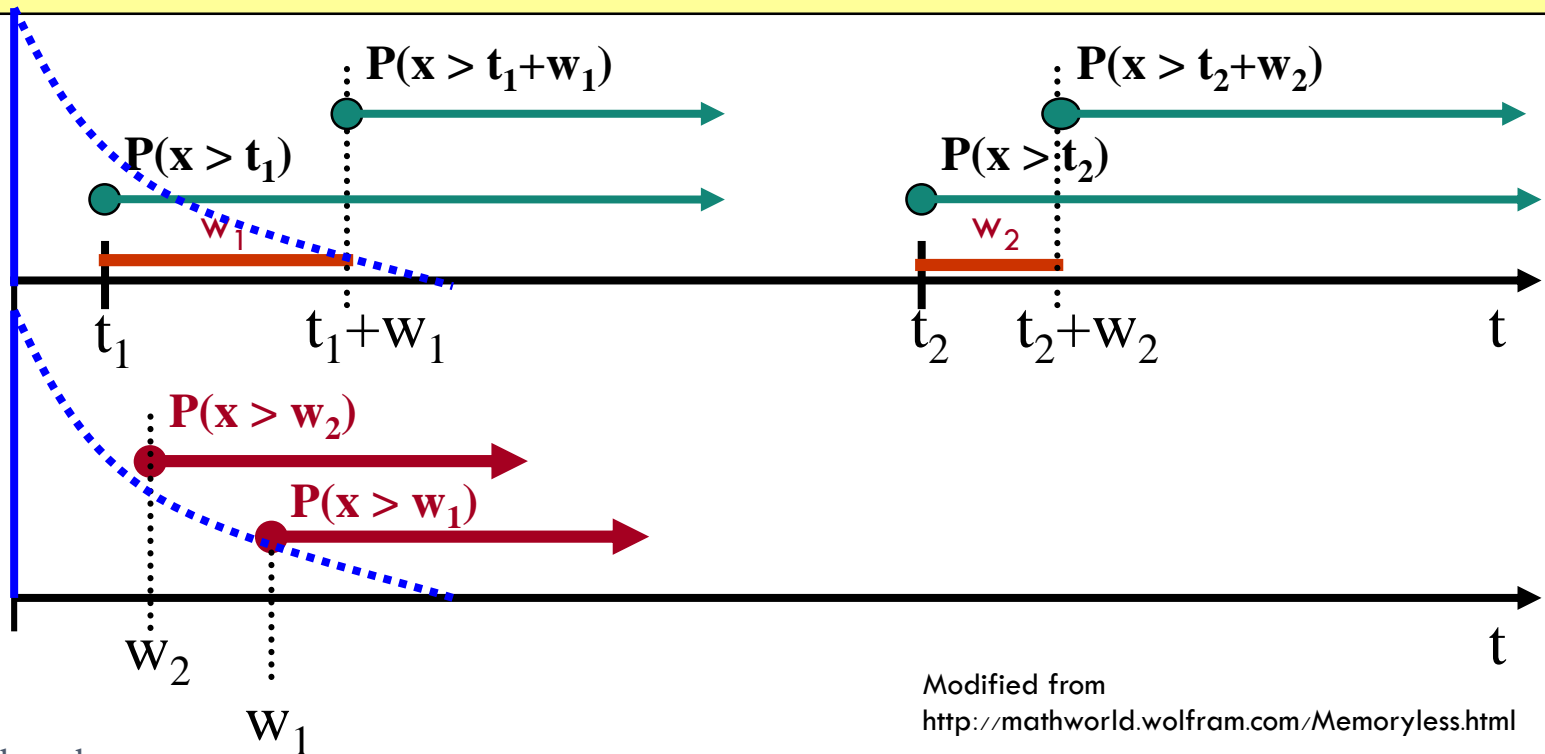
- $F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-ax} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$
- $E[X] = 1/a$
- $\text{Var}[X] = 1/a^2$

# Memoryless Property

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A variable  $x$  is memoryless with respect to  $t$  if,

$$P(x > t+w \mid x > t) = P(x > w) \quad \forall w \text{ with } t \neq 0$$



# Memoryless Property

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$$P(x > t+w \mid x > t) = P(x > w)$$

$$\frac{P(x > t+w, x > t)}{P(x > t)} = P(x > w)$$

$$P(x > t+w, x > t) = P(x > w) P(x > t)$$

$$P(x > t+w) = P(x > w) P(x > t)$$

# Memoryless Property (Exponential Distribution)

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- For Exponential Distribution

$$P(x > t) = e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$P(x > t+w) = e^{-\lambda(t+w)}$$

**Exponential distribution**  
is the only **Memoryless**  
random distribution

- Therefore,

$$P(x > t+w) = P(x > w) P(x > t)$$

$$= e^{-\lambda w} e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$= e^{-\lambda(t+w)}$$

If  $t$  and  $w$  are integers, then the **Geometric distribution** is **Memoryless**



# Gaussian Random Variables

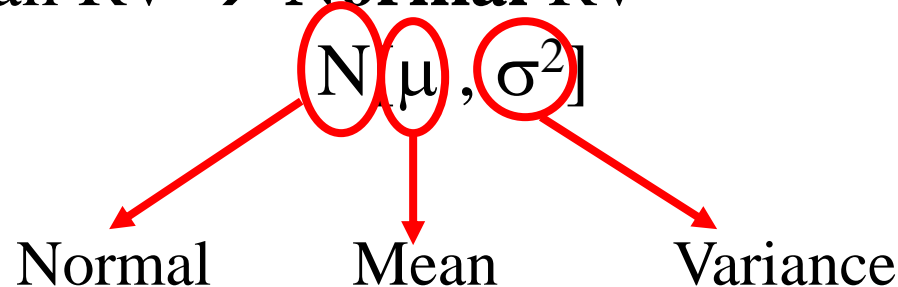
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## Definition:

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\frac{-(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

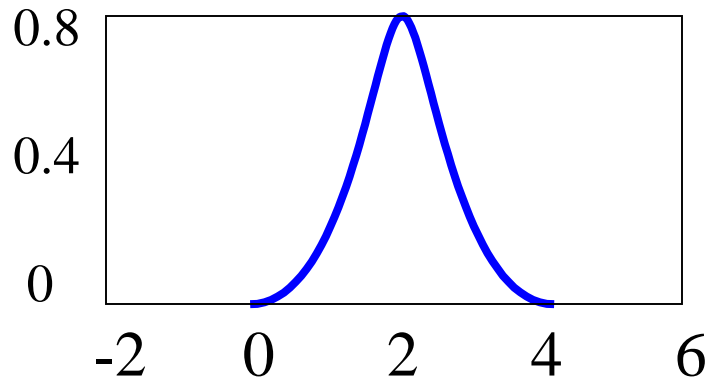
where  $\mu \in \text{Real}$ , and  $\sigma > 0$

- Gaussian RV  $\rightarrow$  Normal RV

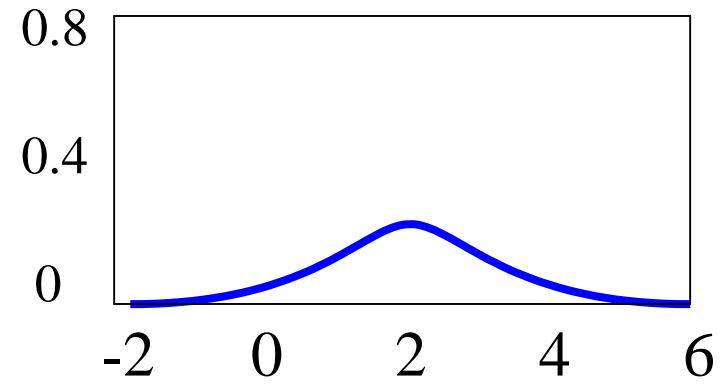


# Gaussian Random Variables

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$$\mu = 2, \sigma = 1/2$$



$$\mu = 2, \sigma = 2$$

$f_X(x) \rightarrow$  Bell Shape with 2 parameters:  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$$

$$E[X] = \mu \quad \text{Var}[X] = \sigma^2$$

# Mixed Random Variable

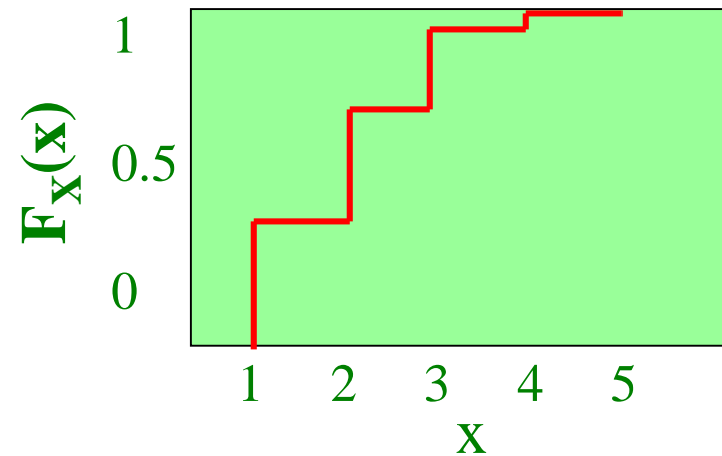
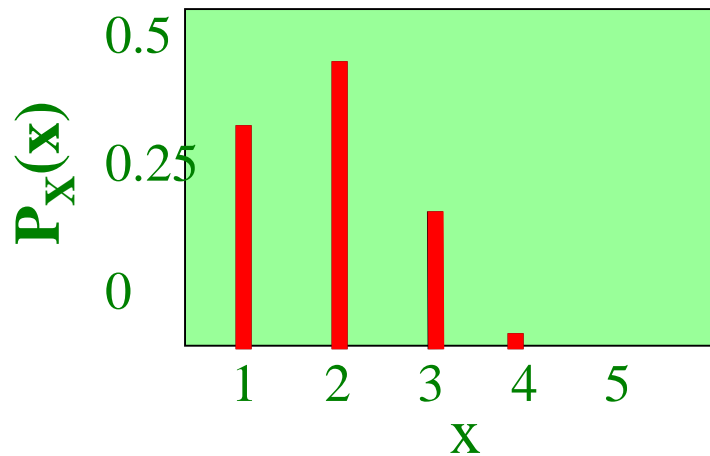
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- Discrete RV  $\rightarrow$  PMF & Summation
- Continuous RV  $\rightarrow$  PDF & Integral
- Combination of Discrete and Continuous RV
  - $\rightarrow$  **Unit impulse function**
  - $\rightarrow$  **Can use same formulas to describe both RVs**

# PMF $\rightarrow$ PDF

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$$F_X(x) = \sum_{x_i \in S_X} P_X(x_i) u(x-x_i)$$

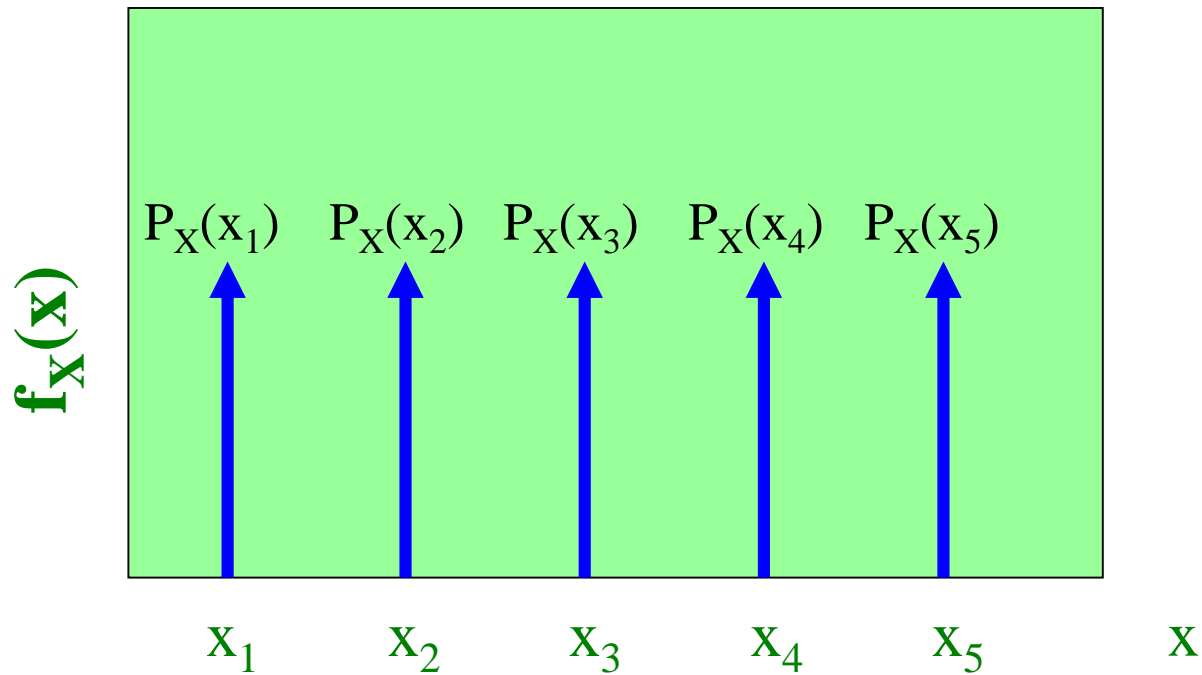


$u(x-x_i) \rightarrow u(x)$  shift to  $x_i$

# PMF $\rightarrow$ PDF

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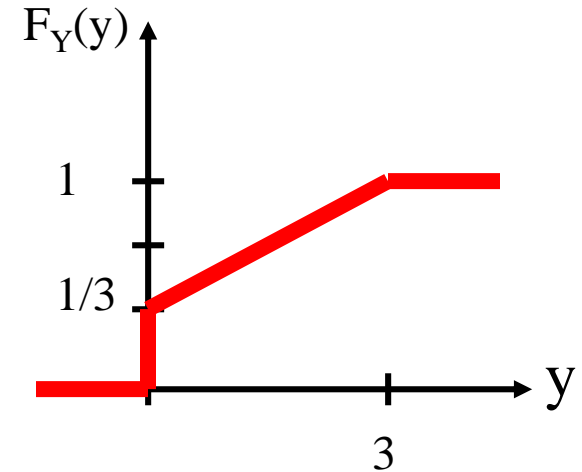
$$f_X(x) = \sum_{x_i \in S_X} P_X(x_i) \delta(x-x_i)$$



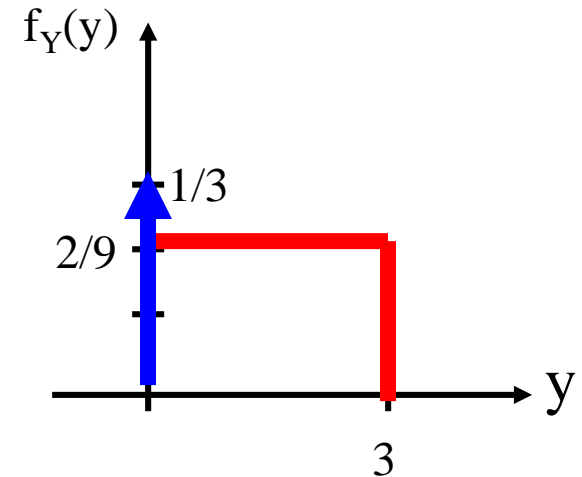
# Example

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$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ 1/3 + 2y/9 & 0 \leq y \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \delta(y)/3 + 2/9 & 0 \leq y \leq 3 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Summary

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- Probability and Random Variable
  - Discrete Random Variable
    - Uniform/Bernoulli/Geometric/...
    - PMF & CDF
    - Expected Value
    - Variance & Standard Deviation
  - Continuous Random Variable
    - PDF
    - Uniform/Exponential/Gaussian
- Multiple Random Variables
- Stochastic Process

# HW

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- Summarize the “Memoryless Property” with your own word
- Give an clear example (with detail explanation) of the memoryless property
- Not more than 2 pages (A4)