



# Analysis of System Performance

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### Chapter 1 – Statistics

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- ❑ Distribution(discrete)
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## Classic definition of probability

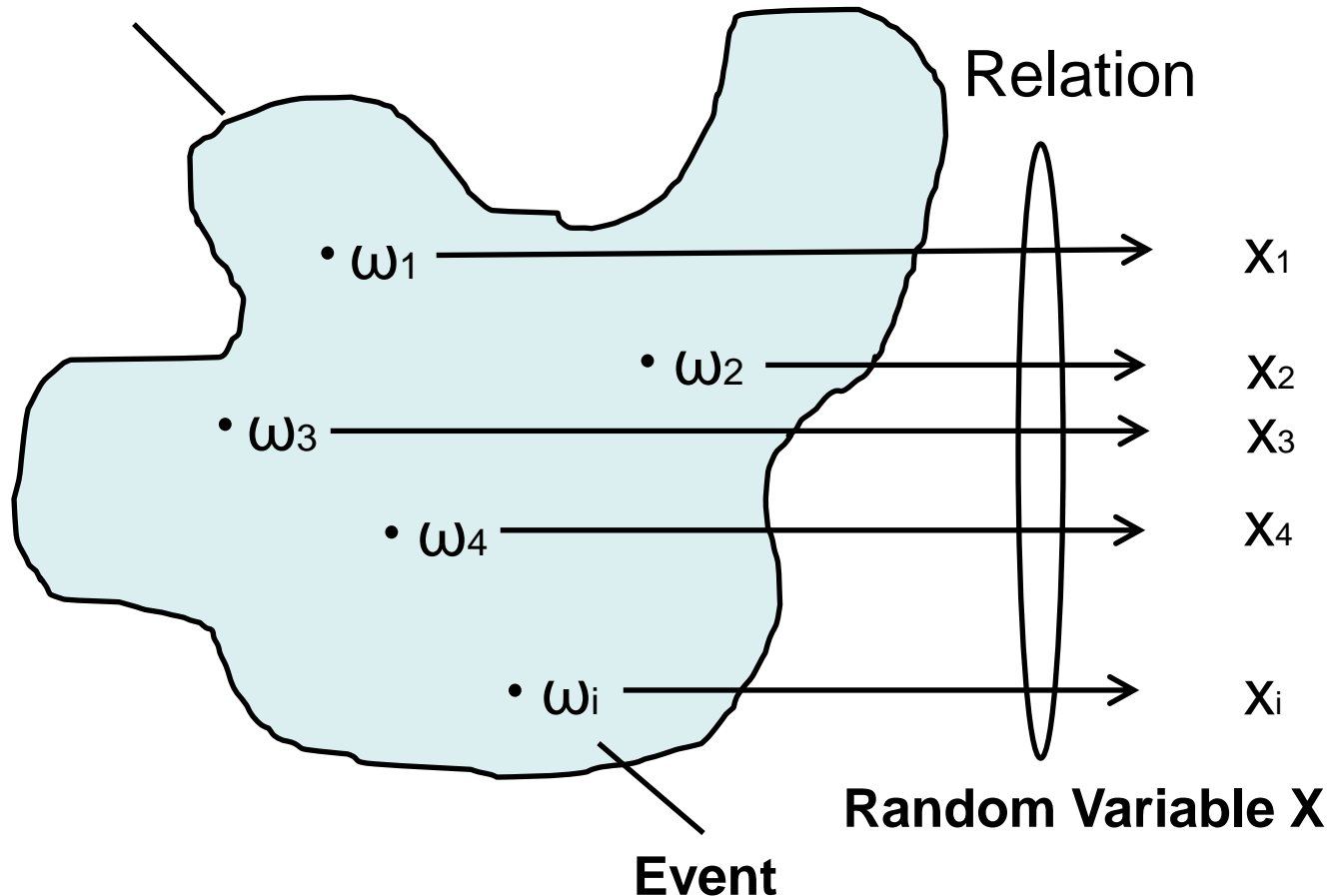
The theory of chance consists in reducing all the events of the same kind to a certain number of cases equally possible, that is to say, to such as we may be equally undecided about in regard to their existence, and in determining the number of cases favorable to the event whose probability is sought. The ratio of this number to that of all the cases possible is the measure of this probability, which is thus simply a fraction whose numerator is the number of favorable cases and whose denominator is the number of all the cases possible.

- Pierre-Simon Laplace, A Philosophical Essay on Probabilities



## □ Random Variable

**Probability Space (Ereignisraum)**  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4, \dots, \omega_i\}$





## □ Discrete Random Variable:

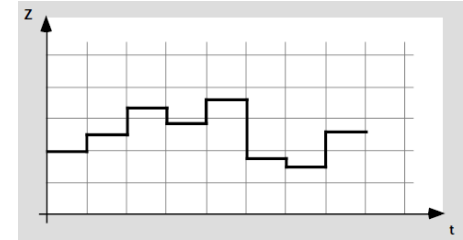
- Example: Flipping of a coin



- $\omega_1 = \{\text{head-0}\}, \omega_2 = \{\text{tail-1}\}$
- $X \in \{0, 1\}$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$$

Countable



- Example: Rolling two dice



- $\omega_1 = \{2\}, \omega_2 = \{3\}, \dots, \omega_{11} = \{12\}$
- $X \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\}$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_{11}\}$$

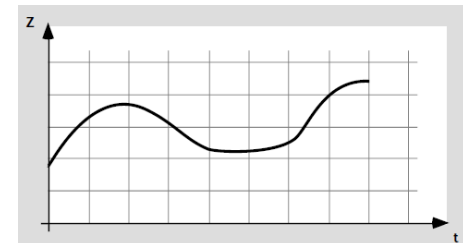
## □ Continuous Random Variable:

- Example: Round Trip Time

- $T \in \{5\text{ms}, 200\text{ms}\}$
- $\omega_1 = \{t < 10\text{ms}\}, \omega_2 = \{10\text{ms} \leq t < 20\text{ms}\},$   
 $\omega_3 = \{t \geq 20\text{ms}\} \Rightarrow \Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2\}$

- Example: Sensed Interference Level

Uncountable



Discrete or not discrete



## □ Frequency Probability / Law of large numbers (Relative Häufigkeit)

- Number of random experiments
  - $n$  total number of trials
  - $X_i$  event or characteristic of the outcome
  - $n_i$  number of trials where the event  $X_i$  occurred

$$h(X_i) = \frac{n_i}{n} \quad 0 \leq h(X_i) \leq 1 \quad \sum_i h(X_i) = 1 \quad \text{Vollständigkeitsrelation}$$

$$P(X_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n_i}{n} \quad 0 \leq P(X_i) \leq 1 \quad \sum_i P(X_i) = 1 \quad X_i \text{ disjoint}$$



## □ Vollständiges Ereignissystem

$$P(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_i)$$

## □ Verbundereignis

$$P(X \cap Y) = P(X, Y) = P(Y, X)$$

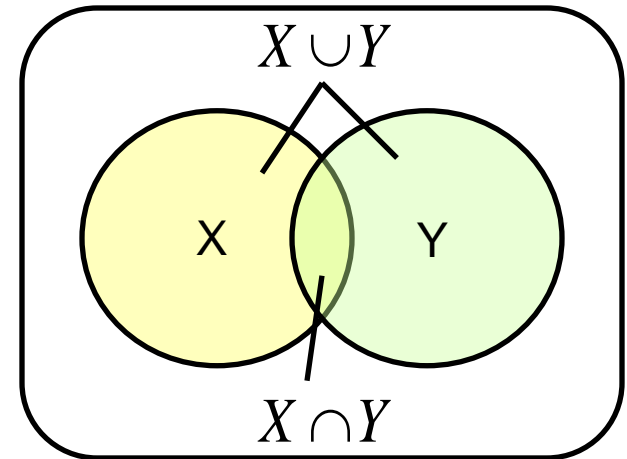
$$P(X \cup Y) = P(X) + P(Y) - P(X \cap Y)$$

## □ Bedingte Wahrscheinlichkeit

$$P(X | Y) = \frac{P(X, Y)}{P(Y)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(X | Y) \geq P(X, Y)$$

## □ Statistische Unabhängigkeit

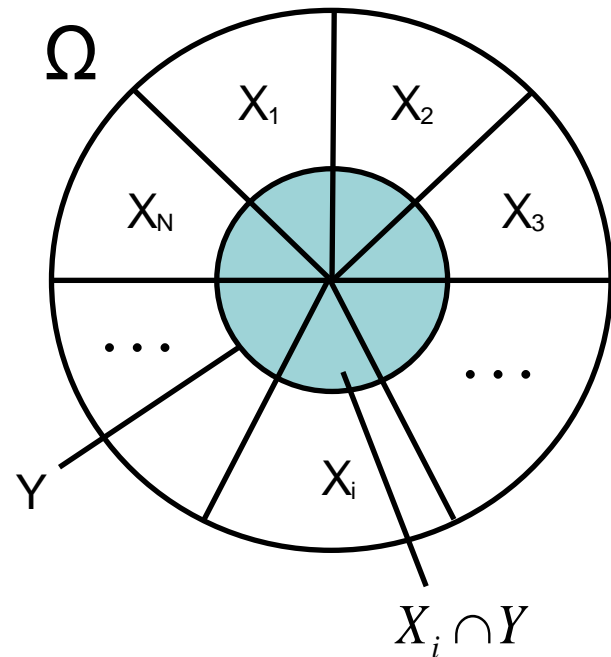
$$P(X | Y) = P(X) \quad \vee \quad P(X, Y) = P(X)P(Y)$$





## □ Vollständiges Ereignissystem

- $$P(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_i, Y)$$



## □ Bayes Function

- $$P(X_i | Y) = \frac{P(Y | X_i) \cdot P(X_i)}{P(Y)} = \frac{P(Y | X_i) \cdot P(X_i)}{\sum_{k=1}^N P(Y | X_k) \cdot P(X_k)}$$





## □ **Distribution** (Verteilung)

$X$  – discrete random variable

- Function  $x(i) = P(X = i)$  ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, X_{\max}$  (Distribution)  
–  $x(i) \in [0, 1]$

$$-\sum_{i=0}^{X_{\max}} x(i) = 1 \quad (\text{Vollständigkeitsrelation})$$

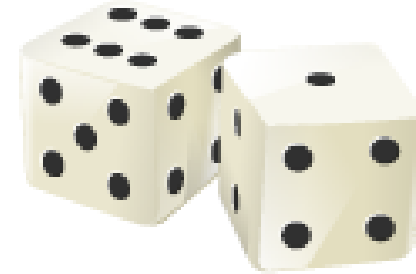
- Example:

Rolling two dice

- $\omega_1 = \{2\}, \omega_2 = \{3\}, \dots, \omega_{11} = \{12\} \Rightarrow \Omega = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_{11}\}$
- $X \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 12\}$



- Example: Throwing two dice



Sample Space (Ereignisraum)

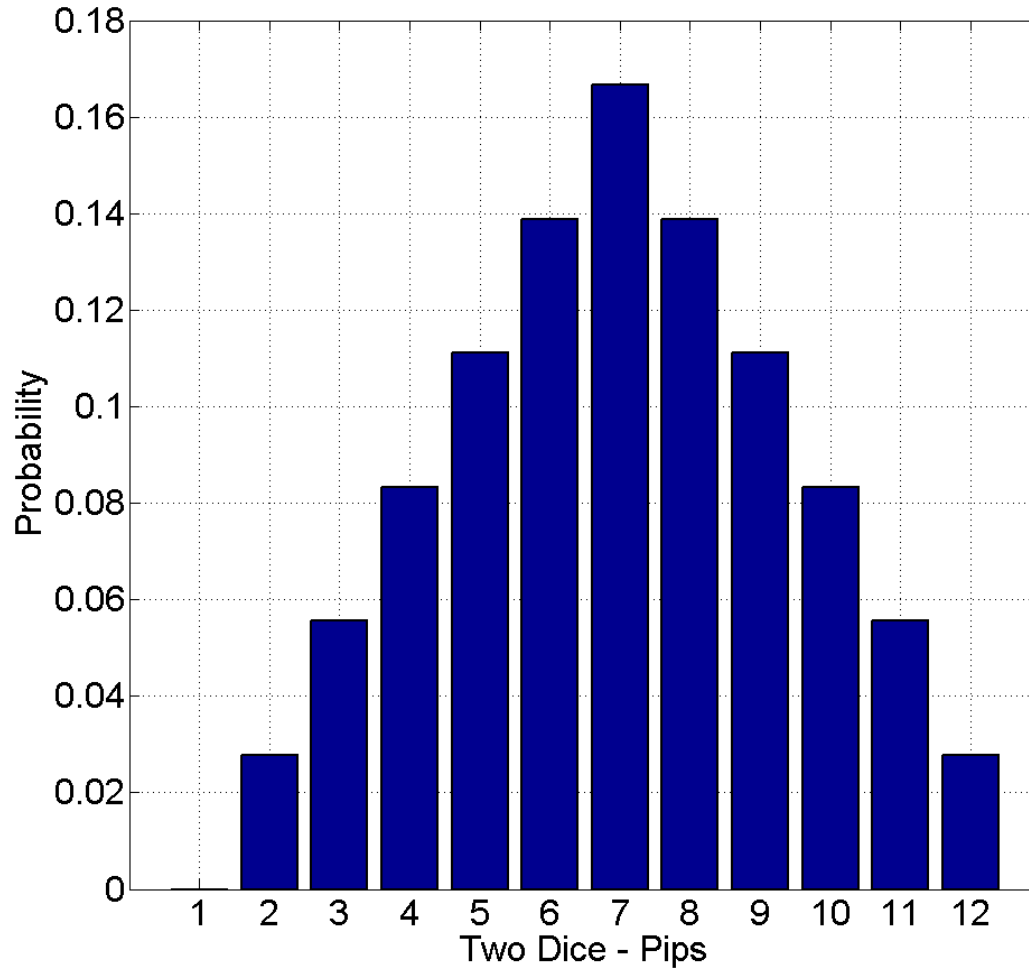
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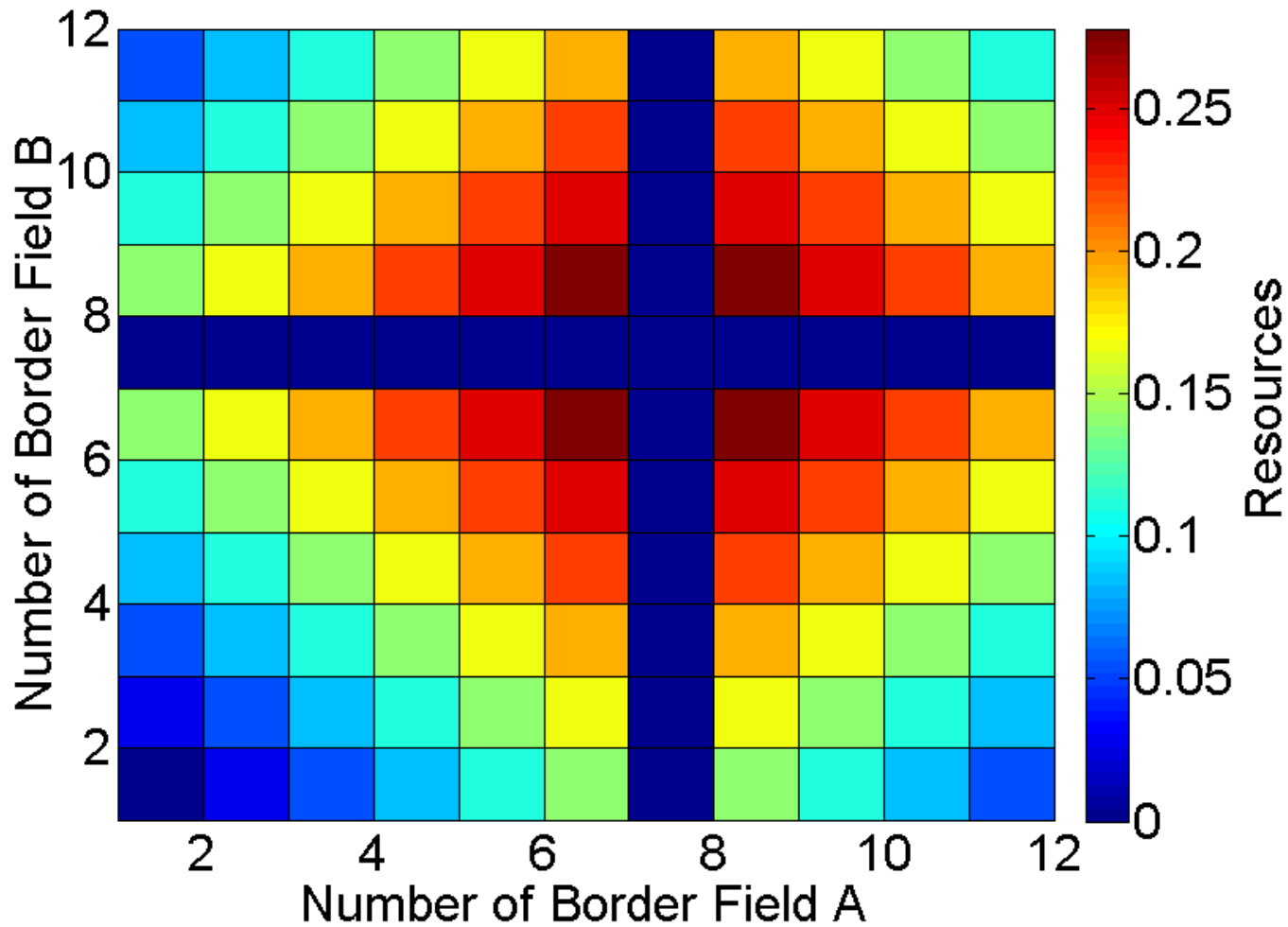
Distribution



## Palour Game: Die Siedler von Catan

- Rules:
  - Players are only allowed to build along borders of a field
  - Players roll two dice
  - If the sum of the dice corresponds to the number of the field, the player gets the resources from this field
  
- Question
  - Where is the best place for a building?





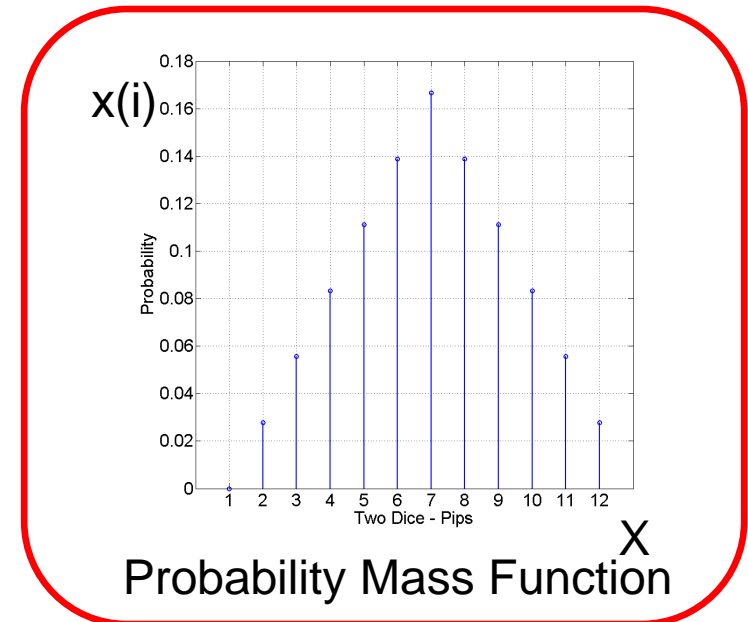




## □ Probability Mass Function (Verteilung)

- Discrete random variable  $X$
- $i$  value of the random variable  $X$
- $x(i)$  probability that the outcome of random variable  $X$  is  $i$
- $x(i) = P\{X = i\}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, X_{\max} \quad (\text{Distribution})$

- $\sum_{i=0}^{X_{\max}} x(i) = 1 \quad (\text{Vollständigkeitsrelation})$



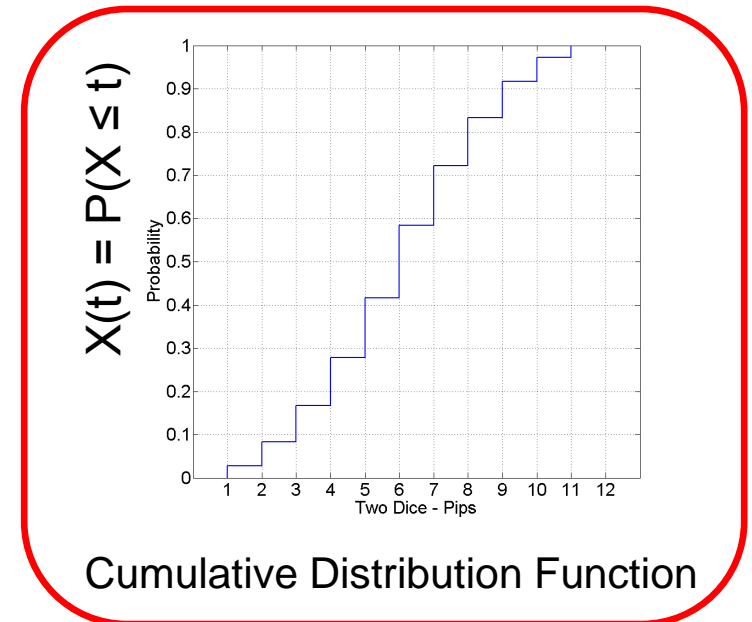




## □ Cumulative Distribution Function (Verteilungsfunktion)

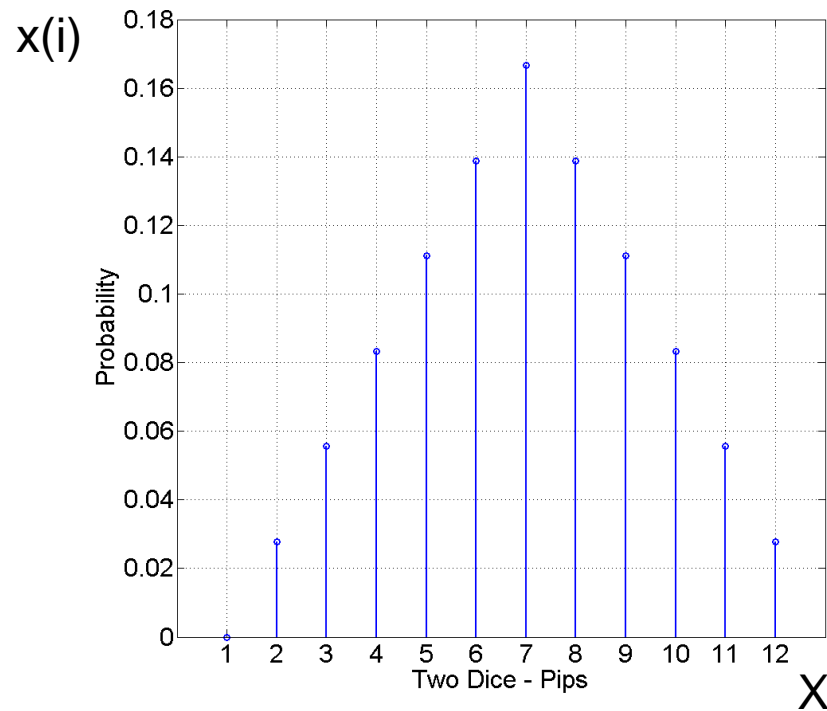
$$X(t) = P\{X \leq t\}$$

- $t_1 < t_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad X(t_1) \leq X(t_2) \quad (\text{monotony})$
- $t_1 < t_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P\{t_1 < X \leq t_2\} = X(t_2) - X(t_1)$
- $X(-\infty) = 0 \quad \wedge \quad X(\infty) = 1$
- $X^c(t) = 1 - X(t) = P\{X > t\}$

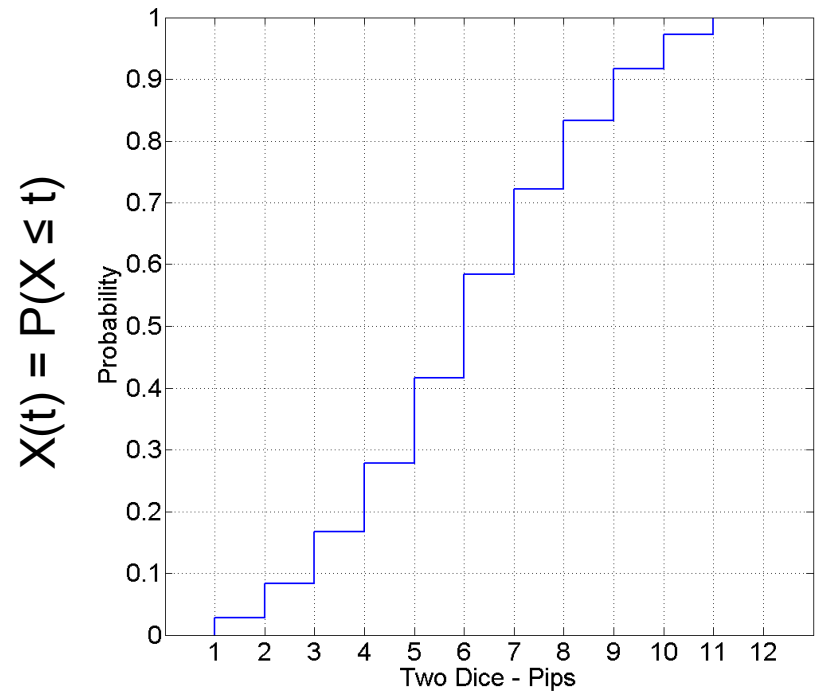




## Difference between probability mass function and cumulative distribution function



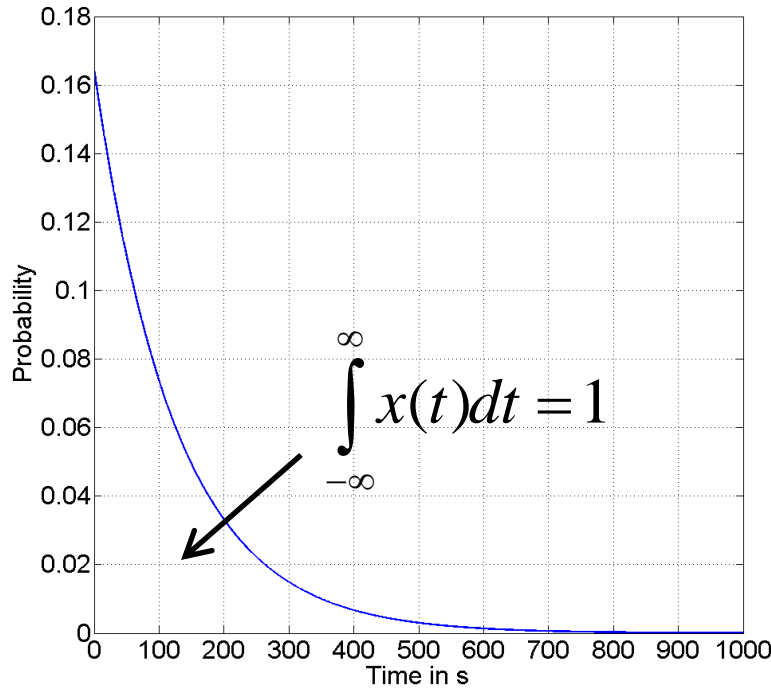
Probability Mass Function  
(Verteilung)



Cumulative Distribution Function  
(Verteilungsfunktion)

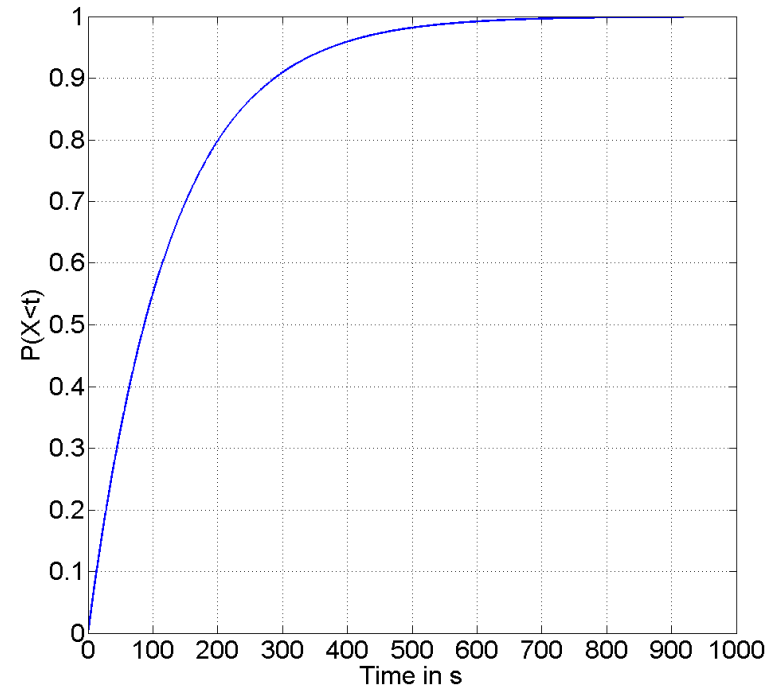


## □ Continuous random variable



Probability Density Function  
(Verteilungsdichtefunktion)

$$x(t) = \frac{d}{dt} X(t)$$



Cumulative Density Function

$$X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t x(t)dt$$



## Sum of Two Random Variables (Convolution/Faltung)

### □ Discrete

- Random variables  $X_1, X_2$
- Distribution  $Y = X_1 + X_2$

$$P(Y = i) = y(i) = (x_1 * x_2)(i) = \sum_j x_1(j) \cdot x_2(i - j)$$

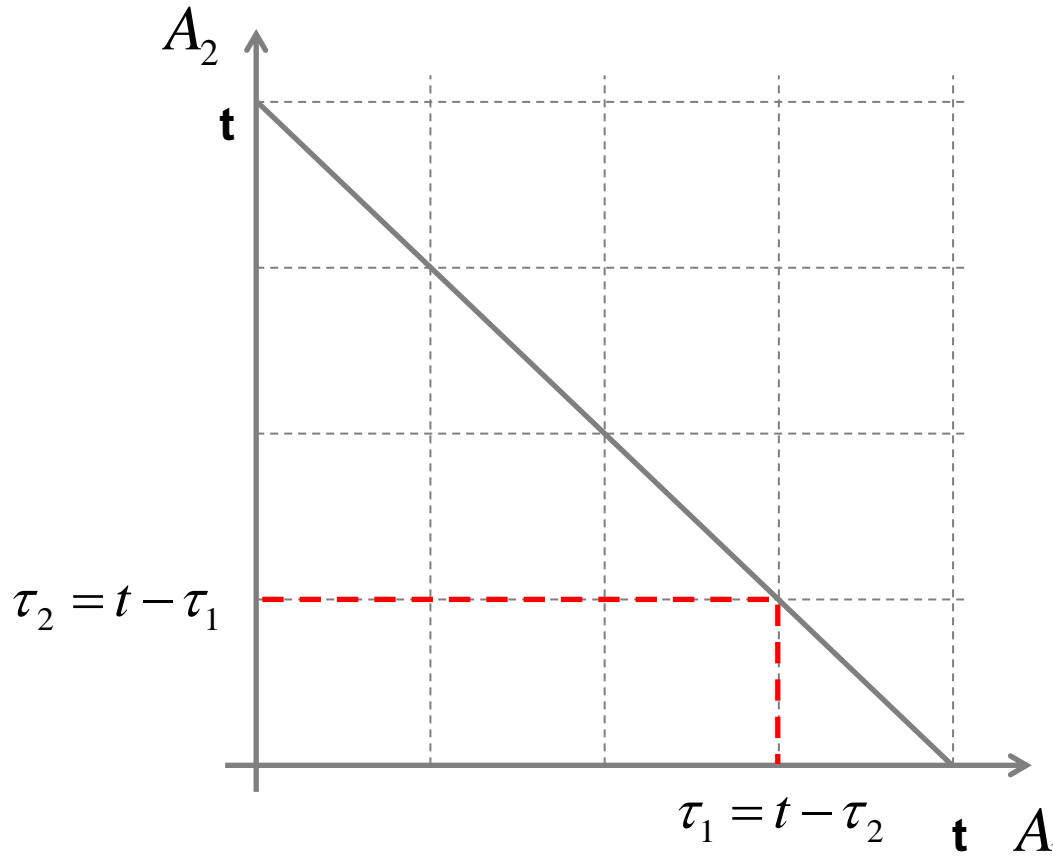
### □ Continuous

- Random variables  $A_1, A_2$
- Probability density function  $A = A_1 + A_2$

$$a(t) = (a_1 * a_2)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t a_1(\tau) \cdot a_2(t - \tau) d\tau$$



## Sum of Two Random Variables (Convolution/Faltung)



$$A(t) = \int_{\tau_1 + \tau_2 \leq t} a(\tau_1, \tau_2) d\tau_1 d\tau_2 = \int_{\tau_1=0}^t \left( \int_{\tau_2=0}^{t-\tau_1} a(\tau_1, \tau_2) d\tau_2 \right) d\tau_1$$



## Difference of Two Random Variables

### □ Discrete

- Random variables  $X_1, X_2$
- Distribution  $Y = X_1 - X_2$

$$P(Y = i) = y(i) = (x_1 * x_2)(i) = \sum_j x_1(j) \cdot x_2(i - j)$$

### □ Continuous

- Random variables  $A_1, A_2$
- Probability density function  $A = A_1 - A_2$

$$a(t) = (a_1 * a_2)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t a_1(t + \tau) \cdot a_2(\tau) d\tau$$



## Maximum of Random Variables

- Random variables  $A_i$
- Distribution  $A = \max( A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{k-1} )$
- $k = 2 : a(t) = a_1(t) \cdot A_2(t) + a_2(t) \cdot A_1(t), A(t) = A_1(t) \cdot A_2(t)$
- $A(t) = \prod_{0 \leq i < k} A_i(t)$



## Minimum of Random Variables

- Random variables  $A_i$
- Distribution  $A = \max(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{k-1})$
- $k = 2: a(t) = a_1(t) \cdot A_2^c(t) + a_2(t) \cdot A_1^c(t), A(t) = A_1^c(t) \cdot A_2^c(t)$
- $A^c(t) = \prod_{0 \leq i < k} A_i^c(t) \iff A(t) = 1 - \prod_{0 \leq i < k} (1 - A_i(t))$





## □ **Expectation** (Erwartungswert)

- $X$  : Probability density function
- $g(x)$  : Function of random variable  $X$

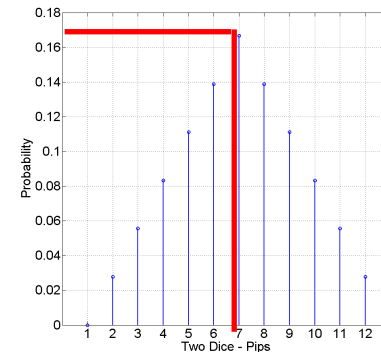
$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t) \cdot x(t) dt$$

## □ **Mean** (Mittelwert einer Zufallsvariablen)

$$m_1 = E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \cdot x(t) dt$$

## □ **Mode** (Outcome of the random variable with the highest probability)

$$c = \text{Max}(x(t))$$





- Gewöhnliche Momente einer Zufallsvariablen

- $g(X) = X^k \implies m_k = E[X^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^k \cdot x(t) dt, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

- Central moment (Zentrales Moment)

- Variation of the random variable in respect to its mean

$$g(X) = (X - m_1)^k$$

$$\implies \mu_k = E[(X - m_1)^k] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (t - m_1)^k \cdot x(t) dt, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

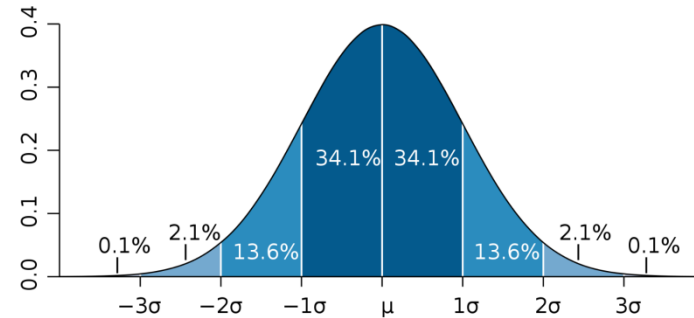
- Special Case (k=2):

$$\mu_2 = E[(X - m_1)^2] = \text{VAR}[X]$$



## □ Standard deviation (Standardabweichung)

- $\sigma_X = \sqrt{\text{VAR}[X]}$



## □ Coefficient of variation (Variationskoeffizient)

- $c_X = \frac{\sigma_X}{E[X]}, \quad E[X] > 0$

- The coefficient of variation is a normalized measure of dispersion of a probability distribution
- It is a dimensionless number which does not require knowledge of the mean of the distribution in order to describe the distribution

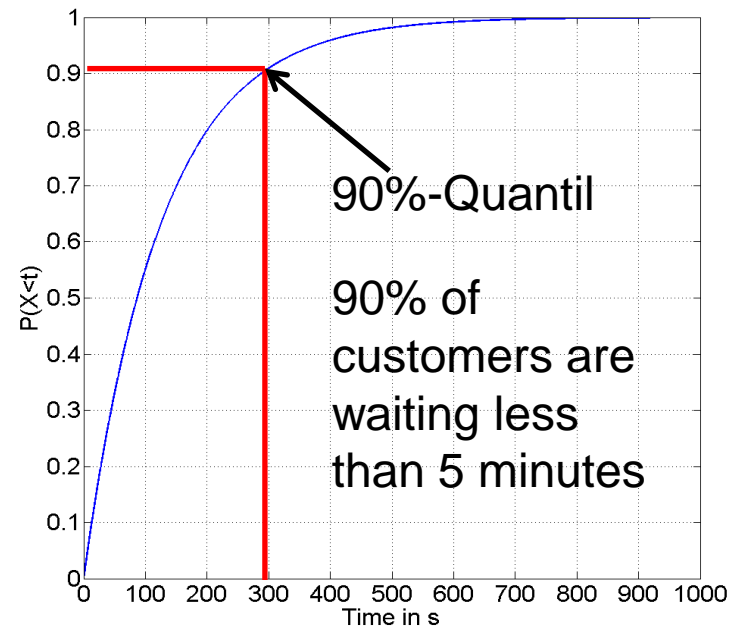
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## □ **p-percentile $t_p$** (p-Quantil)

A percentile is the value of a variable below which a certain percent of observations fall

- VDF  $F : R \rightarrow (0,1)$  (bijective)
- $F(x) = P(X < x) = p$
- $F^{-1}(p) = \inf\{x \in R : p \leq F(x)\}$
- Special Case:
  - Median 0.5-percentile
  - Upper percentile 0.75-percentile
  - Lower percentile 0.25-percentile
- Typical Use Case:
  - QoS in networks  
(e.g. 99.9%-percentile of the delay)



Cumulative Density Function

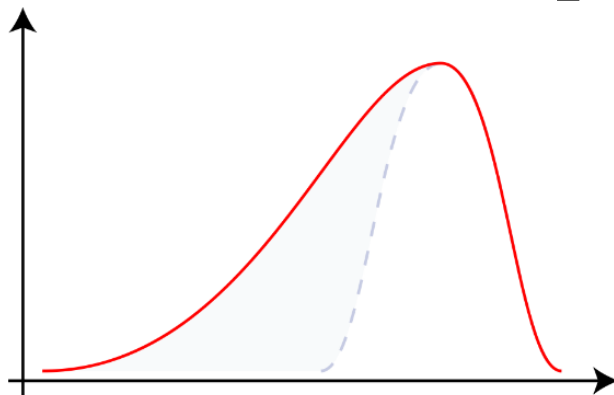


## □ Skewness (Schiefe)

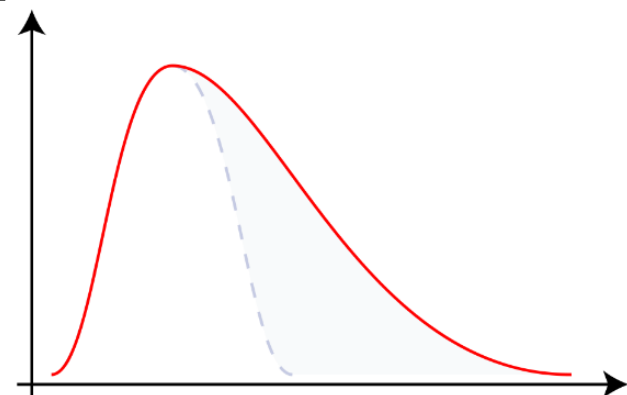
Skewness describes the asymmetry of a distribution

- $v < 0$  : The left tail of the distribution is longer (linksschief)  
=> Mass is concentrated in the right
- $v > 0$  : The right tail of the distribution is longer (rechtsschief)  
=> Mass is concentrated in the left

$$v_X = E\left[\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^3\right] = \frac{\mu_3}{\sigma^3}$$



Negative Skew



Positive Skew

Picture taken from Wikipedia



## □ Scalability Issues

- Multiplication of a random variable  $X$  with a scalar  $s$

- $Y = s \cdot X$

- $E[Y] = s \cdot E[X]$

- $VAR[Y] = s^2 \cdot VAR[X]$

- Addition of two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$

- $Z = X + Y$

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

- $VAR[Z] = VAR[X] + VAR[Y]$  (only if  $X$  and  $Y$  independent)



## □ Covariance

Covariance is a measure which describes how two variables change together

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])] = E[XY] - E[X] \cdot E[Y]$$

- Special Case:  $\text{Cov}(X, X) = \text{VAR}[X]$
- Other Characteristics:
  - $\text{Cov}(X, a) = 0$
  - $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Cov}(Y, X)$
  - $\text{Cov}(aX, bY) = ab\text{Cov}(X, Y)$
  - $\text{Cov}(X + a, Y + b) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$





## □ Correlation function

Correlation function describes how two random variable tend to deviate from their expectation

$$Cor(X, Y) = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{VAR(X) \cdot VAR(Y)}}$$

### ▪ Characteristics:

- $Y = X$    $Cor(X, Y) = 1$  (Maximum positive)
- $Y = -X$    $Cor(X, Y) = -1$  (Maximum negative)
- $Cor(X, Y) > 0$  Both random variable tend to have either high or low values (difference to their expectation)
- $Cor(X, Y) < 0$  The random variables differ from each other such that one has high values while the other has low values and vice versa (difference to their expectation)





## □ Autocorrelation (LK 4.9)

- Autocorrelation is the cross-correlation of a signal with itself. In the context of statistics it represents a metric for the similarity between observations of a stochastic process. From a mathematical point of view, autocorrelation can be regarded as a tool for finding repeating patterns of a stochastic process.

Definition:

- Correlation of two samples with distance  $k$  from a stochastic process  $X$  is given by:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Cor}(X, Y) \quad \text{with} \quad Y_i = X_{i+j}$$

Use case:

- Test of random number generators
- Evaluation of simulation results (c.f. Batch-Means)



Example:

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Random

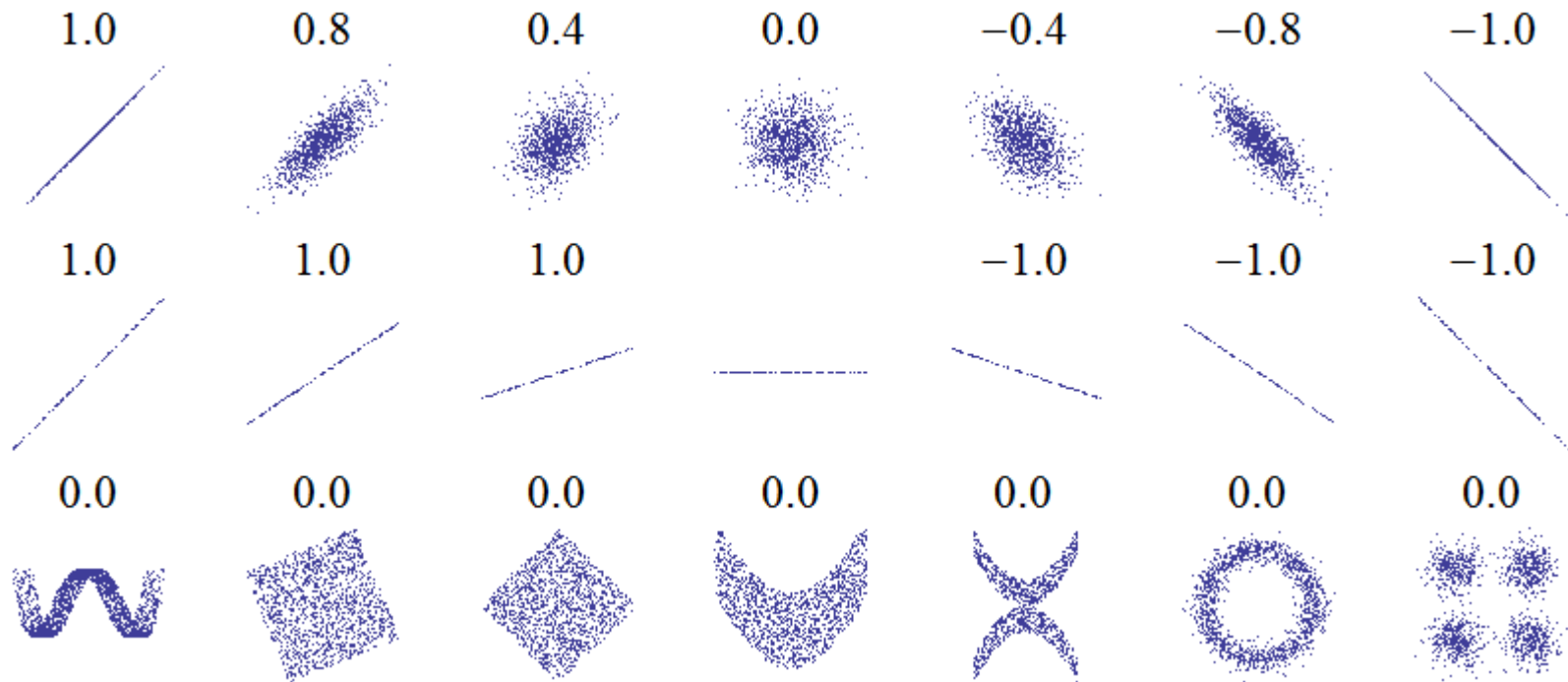


Autocorrelation Lag 4



## □ Visualization of Correlation

Example: Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are plotted against each other



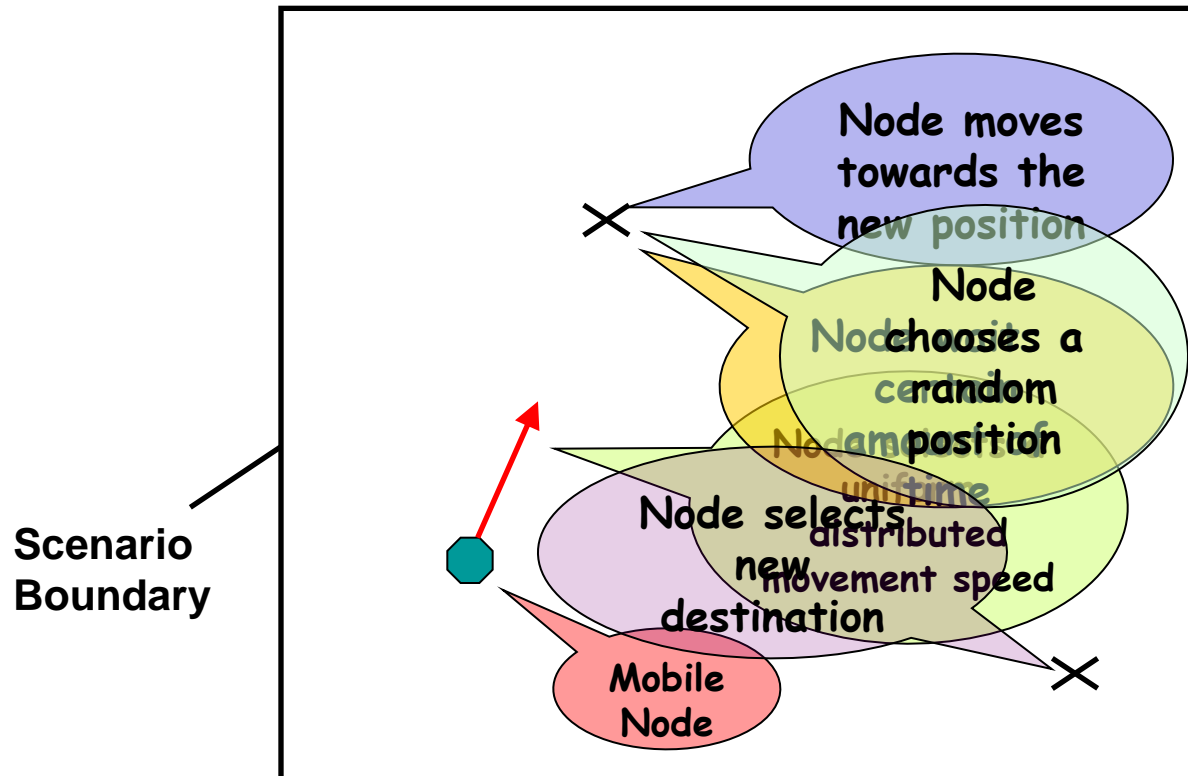
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## □ Impact of correlation (1/2)

Example: Random Waypoint mobility model

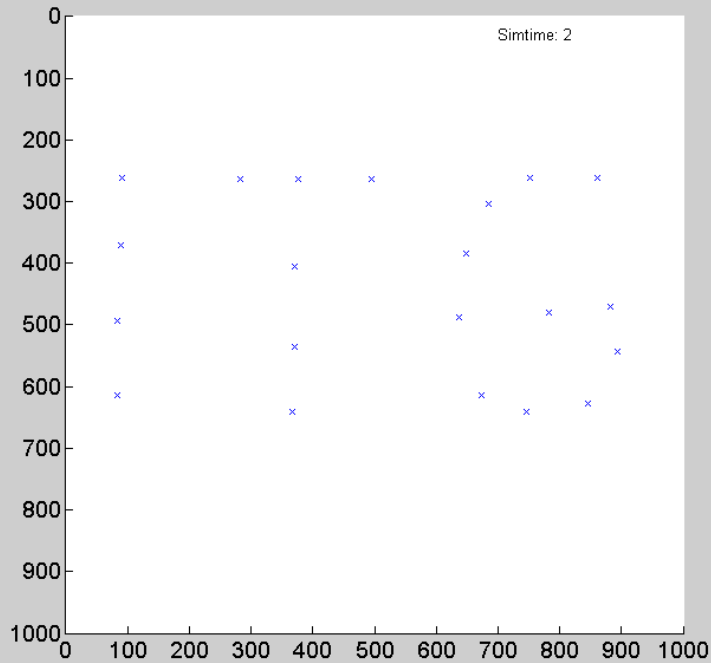
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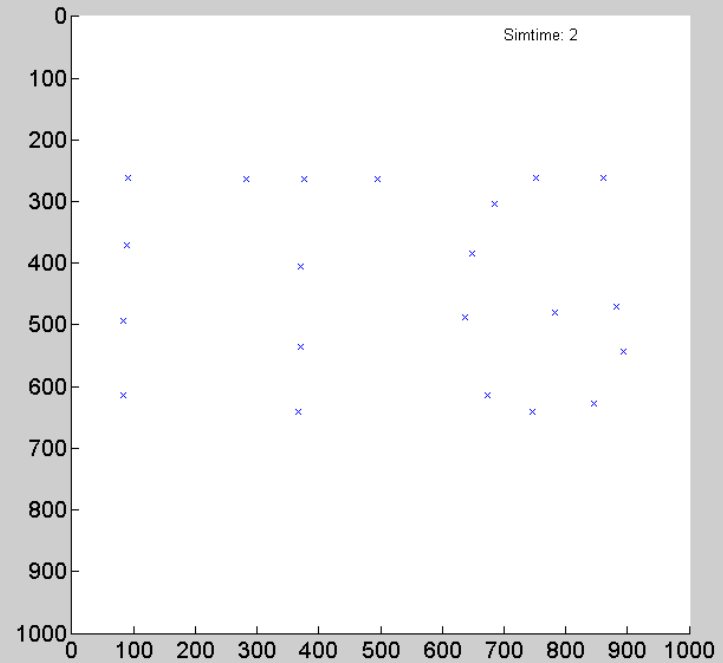


## □ Impact of correlation (2/2)

Example: Random Waypoint mobility model



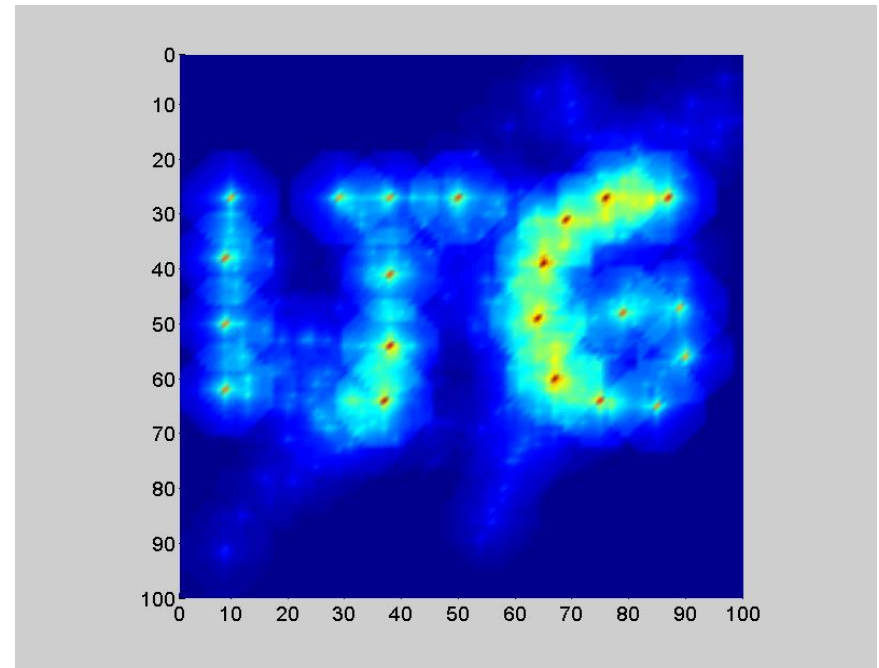
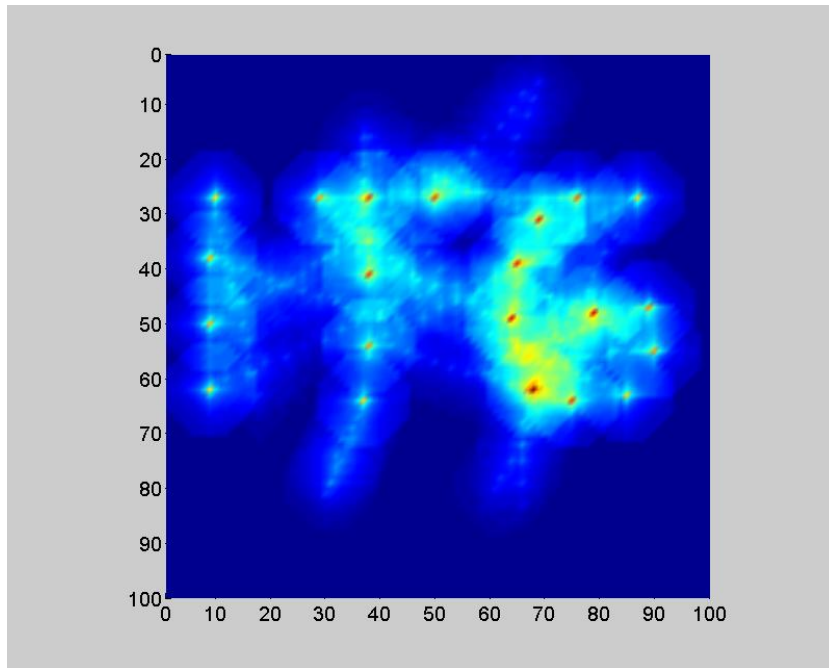
Uncorrelated next position selection



Correlated next position selection



## □ Mobility Example





- Monty Hall Problem – (also known as the goat problem)
  - American game show „Let's make a deal“ adopted in Germany „Geh auf Ganze“



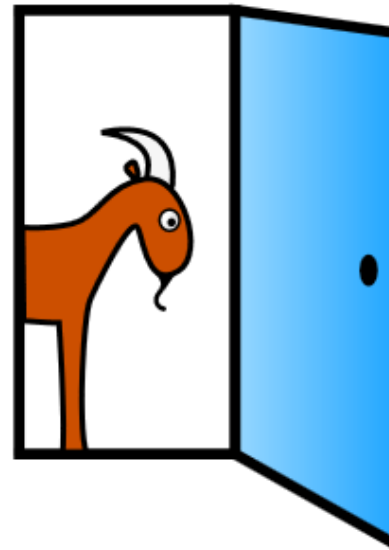
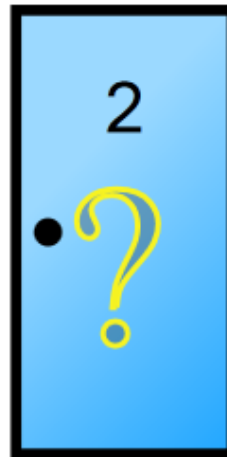


# Statistics Fundamentals

- Game rules:
  - Behind one door is a price
  - Behind the other doors is the goat / Zonk (It is assumed that the candidate is not interested in neither the goat nor the Zonk)
  - Candidate may choose one door
  - Game master will open one door after the decision of the candidate and will offer the candidate the choice to choose a different door.



Should the candidate change his/her decision?







- Definition: RV  $Z=i$ : „Zonk/Goat is behind door i“
  - $P(Z=i)=1/n$  (Laplace)
- Definition: RV  $C=i$ : „Candidate has chosen door i“
  - $P(C=i)=1/n$  (Laplace)
- $Z$  and  $C$  are independent
  - $P(Z=i \wedge C=i)=P(Z=i) \cdot P(C=i)$
- Definition: RV  $O=i$ : „Door i was opened“
  - $P(O=i|Z=i)=0$  „The winning door was not opened“
  - $P(Z=i \wedge O=i) = P(O=i|Z=i) \cdot P(Z=i) = 0$  (Bayes)
  - $P(Z=i \wedge O \neq i) = P(Z=i) - P(Z=i \wedge O=i) = P(Z=i)$  (Totale Wahrscheinlichkeit)
- $P(O=i|C=i)=0$  „The selected door will NOT be opened“
  - $P(C=i \wedge O=i) = P(O=i|C=i) \cdot P(C=i) = 0$  (Bayes)
  - $P(C=i \wedge O \neq i) = P(C=i) - P(C=i \wedge O=i) = P(C=i)$  (Totale Wahrscheinlichkeit)



- Win probability if the player does not change his selection

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z = i | C = i \wedge O \neq i) &= \frac{P(Z = i \wedge (C = i \wedge O \neq i))}{P(C = i \wedge O \neq i)} \\ &= \frac{P(Z = i \wedge C = i)}{P(Z = i)} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{1}{n} \end{aligned}$$

- Win probability if player changes his/her selection

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z = i | C \neq i \wedge O \neq i) &= \frac{1 - P(Z = i \wedge (C = i \wedge O \neq i))}{n - 2} \\ &= \frac{1 - \frac{1}{n}}{n - 2} = \frac{n - 1}{n \cdot (n - 2)} \end{aligned}$$



# Will Rogers phenomenon (1)

- Revenues per salesman of company HuiSoft for two consecutive years, in k€:

2010		2011	
Bielefeld	München	Bielefeld	München
5000	5000		
6000	10000		
7000	15000		
	20000		
$\mu=6000$	$\mu=12500$		



## Will Rogers phenomenon (2)

- Will Rogers (1879–1935), American comedian and philosopher
- Named after one of his jokes:

Frage: Wenn die 10% dümmsten Saarländer nach Rheinland-Pfalz ziehen, was passiert dann?  
Antwort: In beiden Bundesländern steigt der IQ an.



- (originally with Oklahomans and Californians...)
- Lesson:
  - Will Rogers phenomena are ubiquitous,
  - yet can be difficult to spot
  - ...even for the authors themselves!
  - **Warning – it's a sword that cuts both ways:**  
Sometimes looking at the details is better, sometimes looking at the aggregated numbers makes more sense (as in the sales example)



# Simpson Paradox (1)

- Universität Eschweilerhof discriminates against female students!
- Let's see what faculties are the most sexist ones:

Faculty	Applications				Acceptance rate	
	female	acc.	male	acc.	female	male
Engineering	10	8	80	50	80%	63%
CS	5	4	60	40	80%	67%
Philosophy	80	20	40	10	25%	25%
Law	30	15	40	10	50%	25%
Total	125	47	220	110	(←significant numbers)	
Acc. rate		37.6%		50.0%		

- None of them!? How can that be?
  - Women applied at faculties with more competition



## Simpson Paradox (2)

- So who is right? Should the university be punished?
  - The women's rights activists? After all, 37.6% vs. 50% is significant – and dividing the total number into faculties simply introduces a bias into the picture.
  - The university? After all, not a single faculty does actually discriminate against women (in fact, most discriminate against men).
- Answer: In *this* case, the university is right
  - A student applies at a specific faculty that he or she chooses herself
  - A student does not apply at university and lets the university choose the faculty
- **Lesson:**
  - Simpson Paradox is more ubiquitous than you would think, yet can be difficult to spot ...even for the authors themselves!
  - **Warning – it's a sword that cuts both ways:**  
Sometimes looking at the details makes more sense (as in this case), sometimes looking at the aggregated numbers is better.



# Simpson Paradox (3)

Ärzte in Hansistan: Jahreseinkommen vor Steuern

	Schnibbler		Tröster		Knochenflicker	
	Flachland	Bergland	Flachland	Bergland	Flachland	Bergland
Anzahl Ärzte	200	40	20	20	30	100
davon über 200 000 Piepen	60	8	16	2	24	70
Anteil Bestverdiener in %	30	20	80	10	80	70

*Wo verdienen Ärzte besser – im Flachland oder im Bergland? Im Detail deutet alles aufs Flachland hin.*

Ärzte in Hansistan: Jahreseinkommen vor Steuern

	Alle Ärzte	
	Flachland	Bergland
Anzahl	250	160
davon über 200 000 Piepen	100	80
Anteil Bestverdiener in %	40	50

*Im Gesamtüberblick scheint das Bergland jedoch vorne zu liegen.*



# Important terms German/English

Verteilung	distribution
Verteilungsfunktion	distribution function cumulative distribution function (cdf)
Verteilungsdichtefunktion	probability density function (pdf)
p-Quantil	p-percentile, p-quantile
Faltung	convolution
Erwartungswert	mean
Moment	moment
Zentrales Moment	central moment
Varianz	variance
Standardabweichung	standard deviation
Variationskoeffizient	coefficient of variation
Schiefe	skewness
Kovarianz	covariance
Korrelation	correlation
Empirisches Moment Stichprobenmoment	sample moment
Empirischer Mittelwert Stichprobenmittelwert	sample mean
Empirische Varianz Stichprobenvarianz	sample variance
Empirische Schiefe Stichprobenschiefe	sample skewness
Empirische Kovarianz Stichprobenkovarianz	sample covariance
Empirische Autokovarianz Stichprobenautokovarianz	sample autocovariance
Empirische Autokorrelation Stichprobenautokorrelation	sample autocorrelation





## Important distributions and their characteristics



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Uniform distribution:**  $RV X \sim U(a, b)$  (LK 8.3.1)

▪ Density function:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}, X \in [a; b]$

▪ Range:  $[a; b]$

▪ Distribution function:  $F(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$

▪ Expectation:  $E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$

▪ Variance:  $VAR(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$

▪ Generation:  $U \sim U(0,1), X = a + (b-a)U$



# Distribution - Continuous

- **Triangle distribution (1/4):**  $RV X \sim \text{triang}(a, b, c)$  (LK 8.3.15)

- Density function: 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2 \cdot (x - a)}{(b - a) \cdot (c - a)} & \text{if } a \leq x \leq c \\ \frac{2 \cdot (b - x)}{(b - a) \cdot (b - c)} & \text{if } c \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Distribution function: 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < a \\ \frac{(x - a)^2}{(b - a) \cdot (c - a)} & \text{if } a \leq x \leq c \\ 1 - \frac{(b - x)^2}{(b - a) \cdot (b - c)} & \text{if } c \leq x \leq b \\ 1 & \text{if } b < x \end{cases}$$



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Triangle distribution (2/4):**  $RV X \sim \text{triang}(a, b, c)$  (LK 8.3.15)

- Use case: Project management / business simulations where only the minimum, maximum and mode are known

- Mode  $c$

- Range  $[a; b]$

- Expectation:  $E(X) = \frac{a + b + c}{3}$

- Variance:  $VAR(X) = \frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - ac - bc)}{18}$

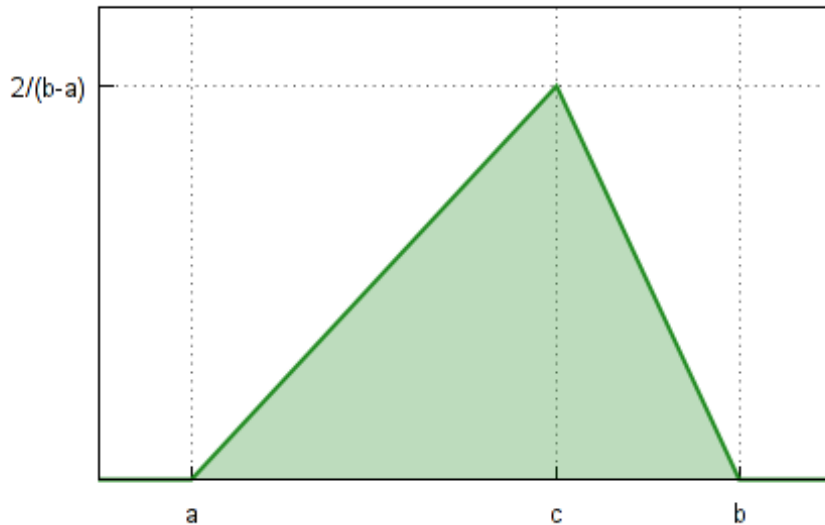


# Distribution - Continuous

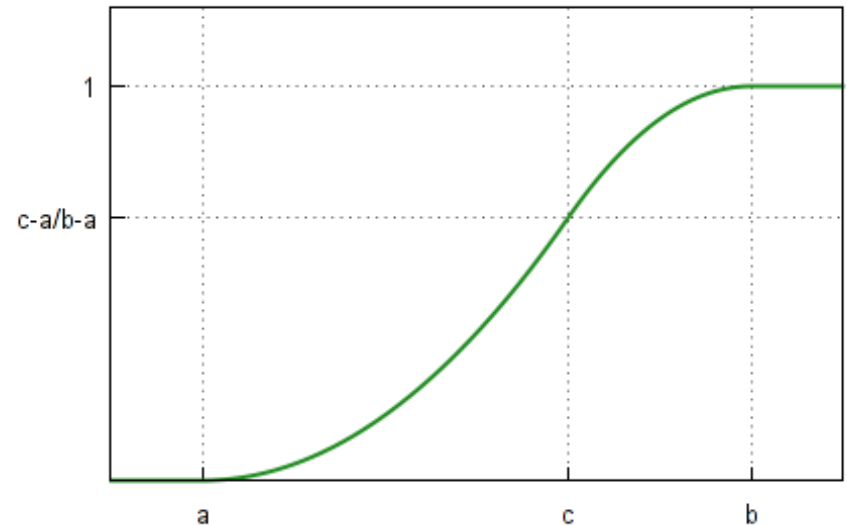
□ **Triangle distribution (3/4):**  $RV X \sim \text{triang}(a, b, c)$  (LK 8.3.15)

▪ Generation: Inversion

$$U \sim U(0,1), X = \begin{cases} a + \sqrt{U(b-a) \cdot (c-a)} & 0 < U < F(c) \\ b - \sqrt{(1-U) \cdot (b-a) \cdot (b-c)} & F(c) < U < 1 \end{cases}$$



Probability Density Function



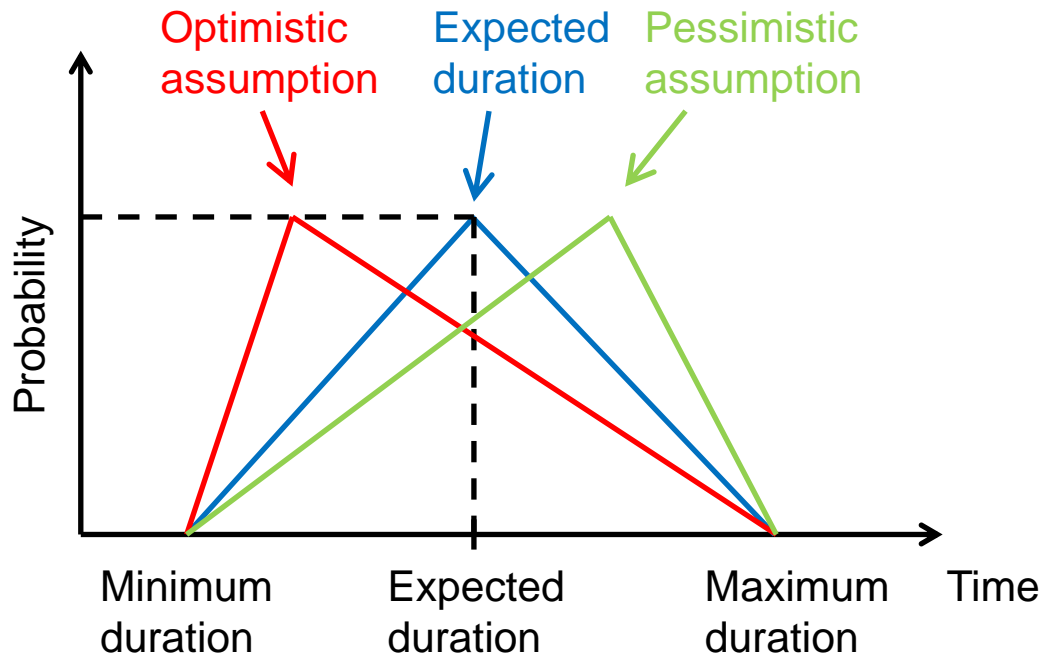
Cumulative Density Function



# Distribution - Continuous

- **Triangle distribution (4/4):**  $RV X \sim \text{triang}(a,b,c)$  (LK 8.3.15)

Use case: risk management / project management





# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Normal distribution(1/4):**  $RV X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.6)

- Density function: 
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \cdot \pi \cdot \sigma^2}} \cdot e^{-\left(\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2 \cdot \sigma^2}\right)}$$
- Distribution function: 
$$F(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{t-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} dt$$
- Range: 
$$]-\infty; \infty[$$
- Mode: 
$$\mu$$
- Expectation: 
$$E(X) = \mu$$
- Variance: 
$$VAR(X) = \sigma^2$$
- Scalability: 
$$X \sim N(0,1) \Rightarrow (\mu + \sigma X) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Normal distribution(2/4):**  $RV X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.6)

▪ Generation Accept-Reject

• Two independent random variables  $U_1, U_2 \sim U(0,1)$

•  $V_i = 2U_i - 1$

•  $W = V_1^2 + V_2^2$

• Algorithm:

Accept if  $W \leq 1$

$$Y = \sqrt{\frac{-2 \ln W}{W}}, \quad X_1 = V_1 \cdot Y, \quad X_2 = V_2 \cdot Y$$

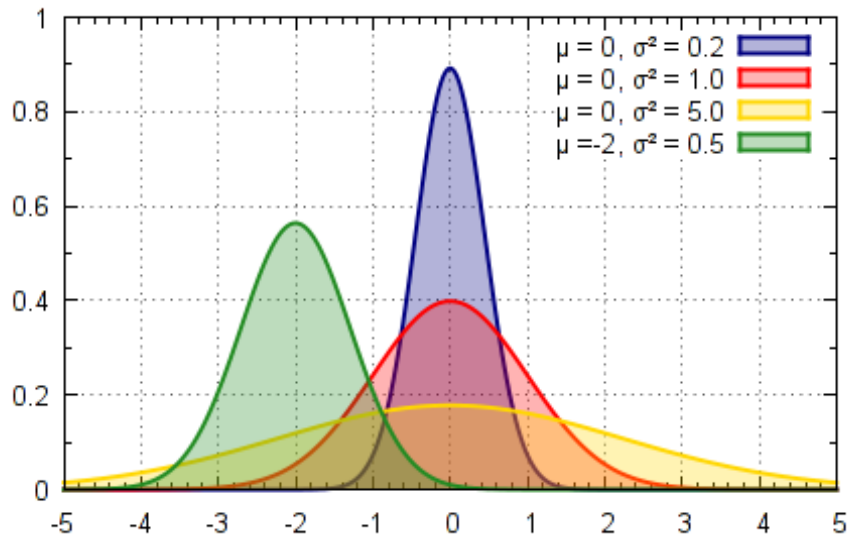
Reject otherwise



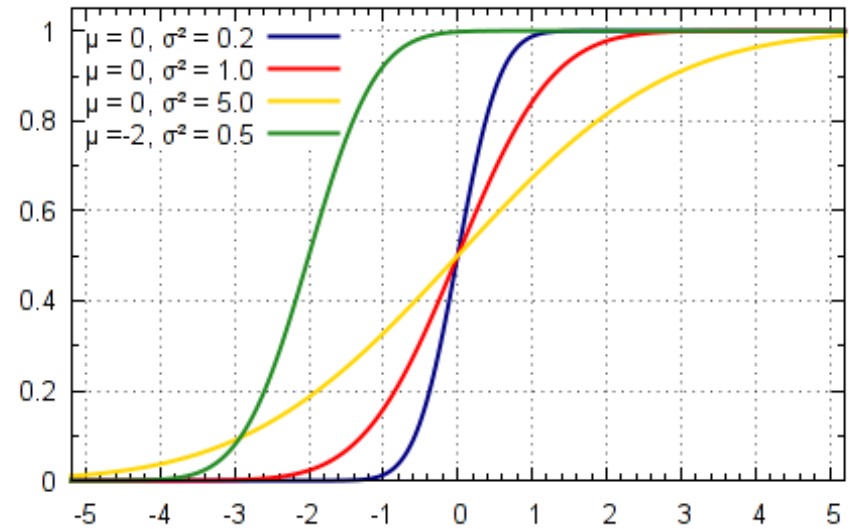


# Distribution - Continuous

- Normal distribution(3/4):  $RV X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.6)



Probability Density Function



Cumulative Density Function

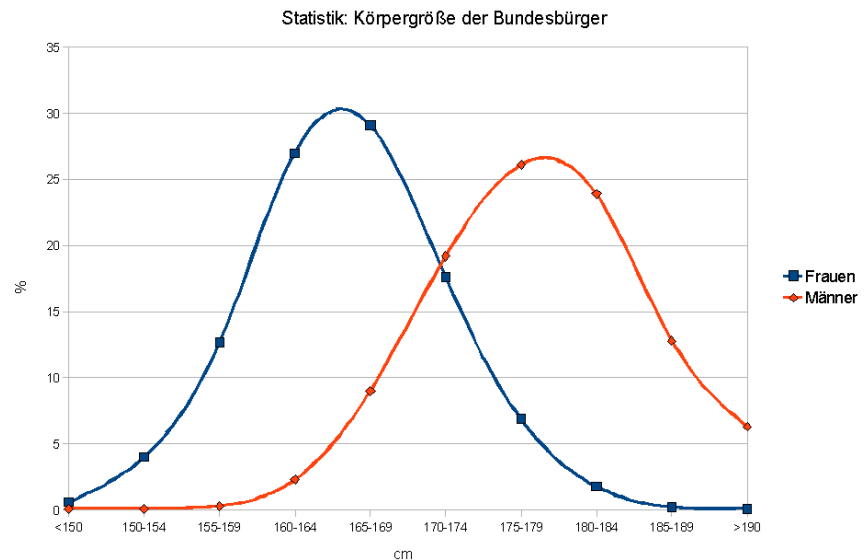


# Distribution - Continuous

- **Normal distribution(4/4):**  $RV X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.6)

Use case: distribution of errors / sizes (nature)

Körpergröße	Frauen	Männer
<150 cm	0,6 %	0,1 %
150–154 cm	4 %	0,1 %
155–159 cm	12,7 %	0,3 %
160–164 cm	27,0 %	2,3 %
165–169 cm	29,1 %	9,0 %
170–174 cm	17,6 %	19,2 %
175–179 cm	6,9 %	26,1 %
180–184 cm	1,8 %	23,9 %
185–189 cm	0,2 %	12,8 %
≥ 190 cm	<0,1 %	6,3 %



[Körpergröße der Deutschen](#) Statistik des [Sozio-oekonomischen Panels \(SOEP\)](#), aufbereitet durch [statista.org](#)



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Lognormal distribution(1/3):**  $RV X \sim LN(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.7)

- Special property of the lognormal distribution

$$\text{if } Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad e^Y \sim LN(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

- Range:  $[0, \infty)$

- Algorithm: Composition

$$- Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad X = e^Y$$

- Expectation:  $E(X) = e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}}$

- Variance:  $VAR(X) = e^{2\mu + \sigma^2} (e^{\sigma^2} - 1)$

Note that  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are NOT the mean and the variance of the lognormal distribution!



## Distribution - Continuous

□ **Lognormal distribution(2/3):**  $RV X \sim LN(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.7)

- Parameters of the normal distribution which is used to generate LN

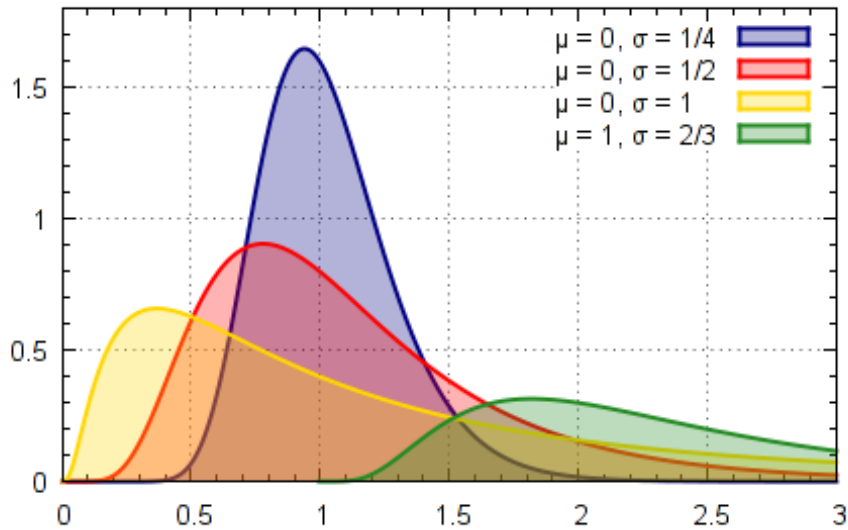
$$- \mu = E[Y] = \ln \left( \frac{E[X]^2}{\sqrt{E[X]^2 + VAR[X]}} \right)$$

$$- \sigma^2 = VAR[Y] = \ln \left( \frac{E[X]^2}{\sqrt{E[X]^2 + VAR[X]}} \right)$$

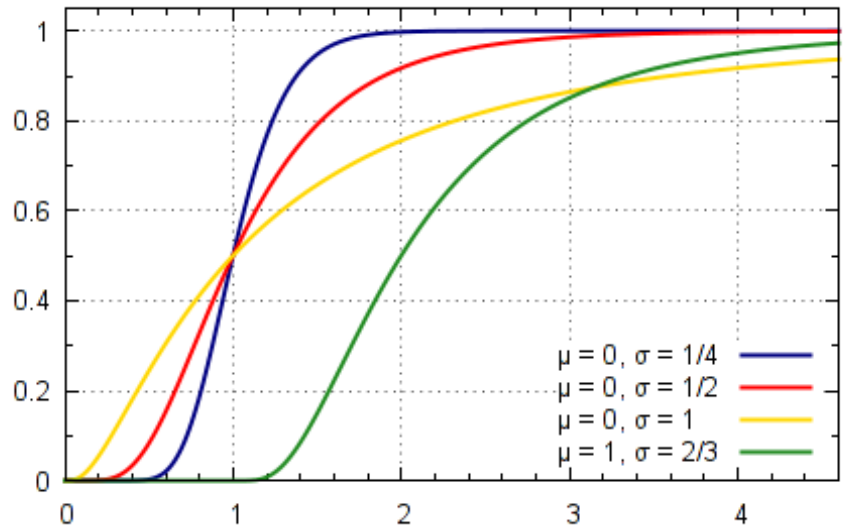


# Distribution - Continuous

- **Lognormal distribution(3/3):**  $RV X \sim LN(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (LK 8.3.7)  
Use case: risk management (insurance companies)



Probability Density Function



Cumulative Density Function



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Exponential distribution(1/2):**  $RV X \sim \exp(\lambda)$  (LK 8.3.2)

▪ Density function:  $f(x) = \lambda \cdot e^{-\lambda x}$  für  $x \geq 0$

▪ Distribution function:  $F(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$

▪ Range:  $[0, \infty[$  Mode: 0

▪ Expectation:  $E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$

▪ Variance:  $VAR(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

▪ Coefficient of variation:  $c_{Var} = 1$

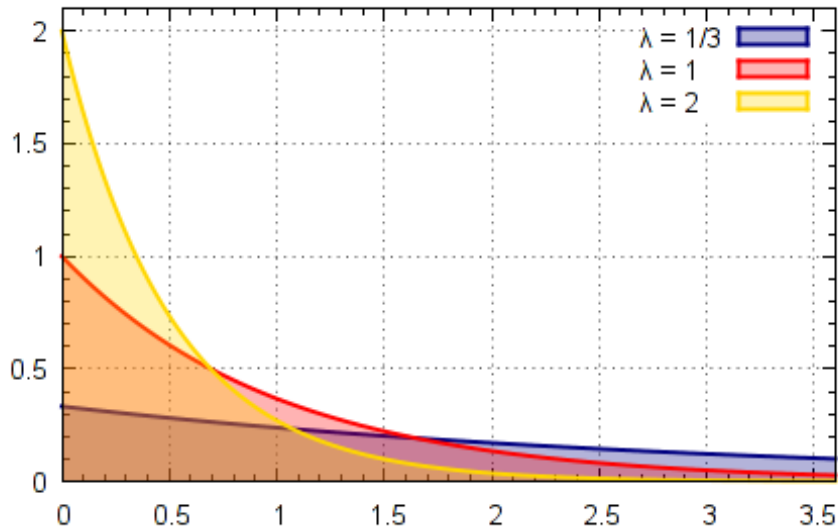
▪ Generation: Inversion  $U \sim U(0,1), X = \frac{-\ln(U)}{\lambda}$



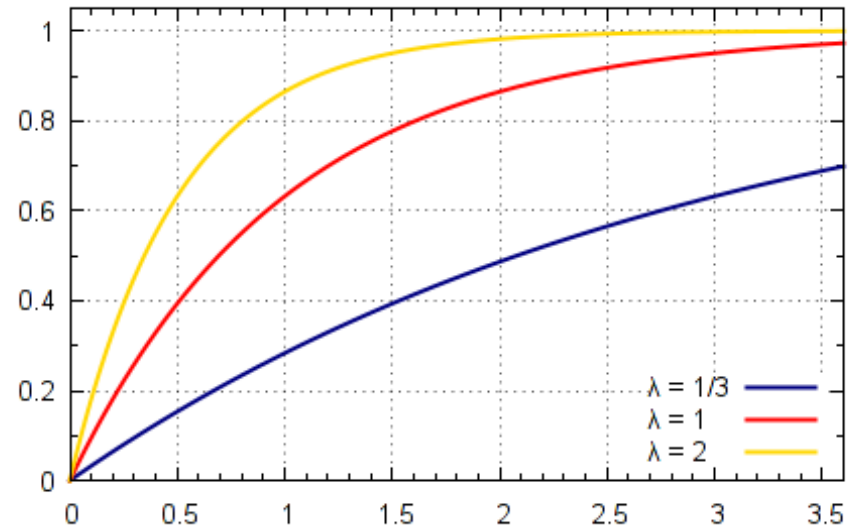
# Distribution - Continuous

- **Exponential distribution(2/2):**  $RV X \sim \exp(\lambda)$  (LK 8.3.2)

Use case: life time of structures, time between calls/requests



Probability Density Function



Cumulative Density Function

Pictures taken from Wikipedia



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Erlang-k distribution(1/3):**  $RV X \sim k - Erlang(\lambda)$  (LK 8.3.3)

- $RV X = Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 + \dots + Y_k$  where the  $Y_i$ 's are IID exponential random variables

- Density function: 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda^k x^{k-1} e^{-\lambda x}}{(k-1)!} & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Distribution function: 
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{(\lambda x)^i}{i!} & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

RV X represents the sum of k exponential random variables





# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Erlang-k distribution(2/3):**  $RV X \sim k - Erlang(\lambda)$  (LK 8.3.3)

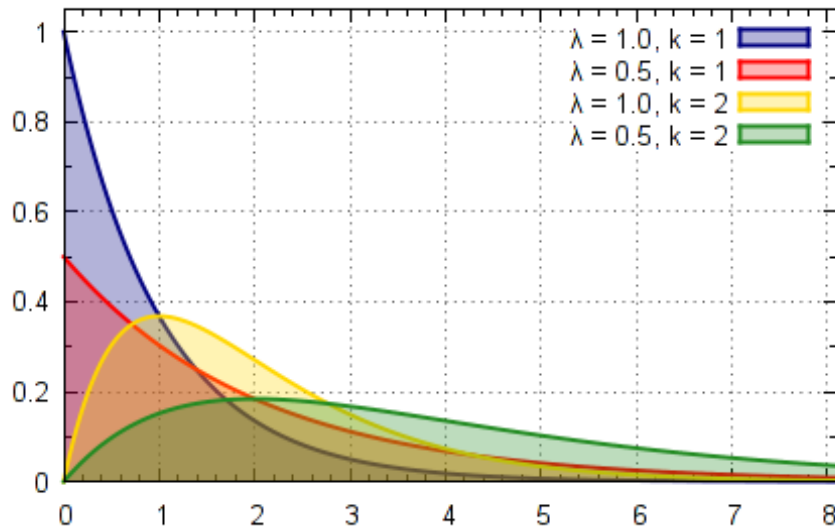
- Range:  $[0, \infty[$
- Expectation:  $E(X) = \frac{k}{\lambda}$
- Variance:  $VAR(X) = \frac{k}{\lambda^2}$
- Mode:  $\frac{k-1}{\lambda}$
- Coefficient of variation:  $c_{Var} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$
- Generation:
  - » Inversion  $U_i \sim U(0,1), X = \frac{-\ln\left(\prod_{0 \leq i < k} U_i\right)}{\lambda}$
  - » Convolution  $RV X = Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 + \dots + Y_k$



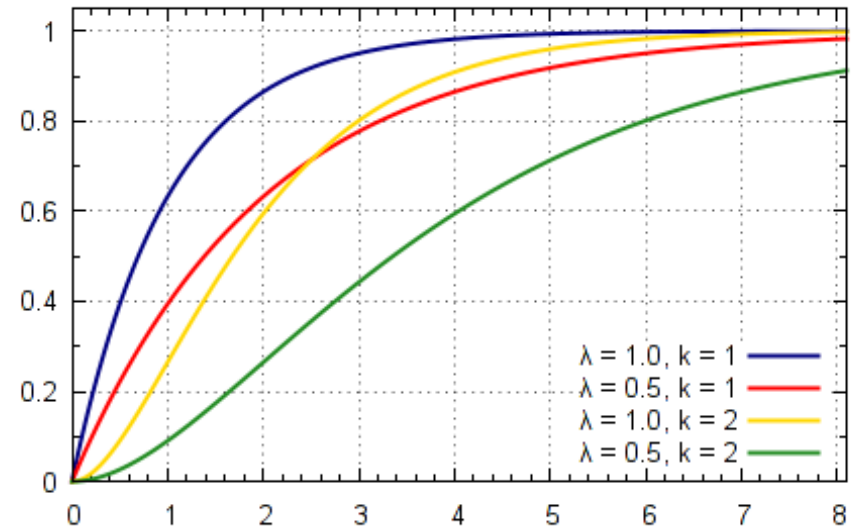
# Distribution - Continuous

- **Erlang-k distribution(3/3):**  $RV X \sim k - Erlang(\lambda)$  (LK 8.3.3)

Use case: lifetime of structures, delay in transport networks, dimensioning of systems (e.g. call center)



Probability Density Function



Cumulative Density Function



# Distribution - Continuous

□ **Gamma distribution(1/3):**  $RV X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  (LK 8.3.4)

▪ Density function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta^{-\alpha} \cdot x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

▪ Distribution function:

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}} \cdot \sum_{0 \leq i < \alpha} \frac{\left(\frac{-x}{\beta}\right)^i}{i!} & \text{for } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

▪ Parameter description:

- Location parameter  $\gamma$ : Shifting the distribution along the x-axis
- Scale parameter  $\beta$ : Linear impact on the expectation
- Shape parameter  $\alpha$ : Changes the shape of the distribution



# Distribution - Continuous

- **Gamma distribution(2/3):**  $RV X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  (LK 8.3.4)

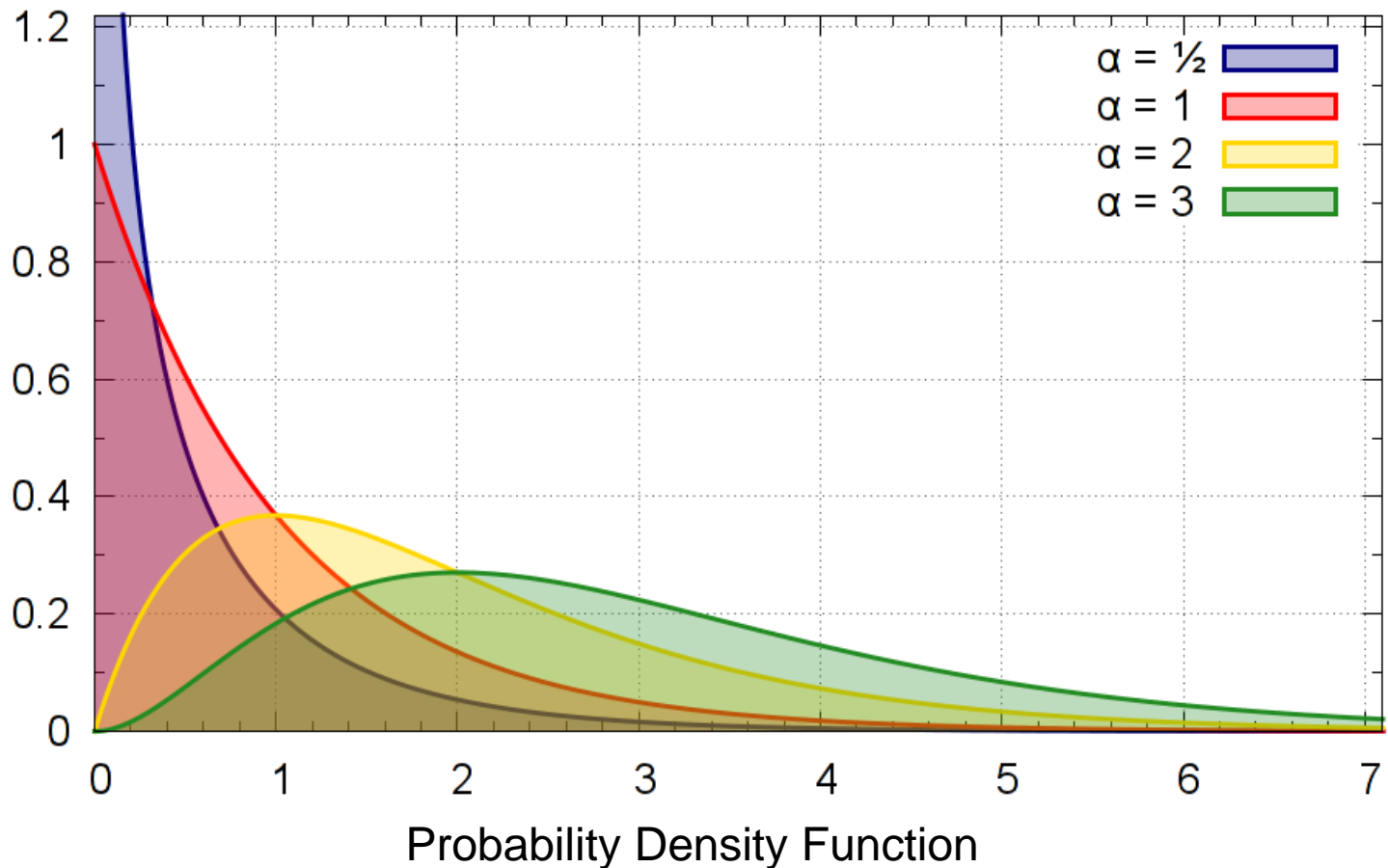
- Gamma function: 
$$\Gamma(z) = \begin{cases} \int_0^{\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$
- Expectation:  $E(X) = \alpha \cdot \beta$
- Coefficient of variation:  $c_{Var} = 1$
- Mode: 
$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \alpha < 1 \\ \beta \cdot (\alpha - 1) & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1 \end{cases}$$
- Generation:
  - Step 1  $X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow X = \beta \cdot Y \quad Y \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, 1)$
  - Step 2 Generation of  $X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, 1)$  with Accept-Reject



# Distribution - Continuous

- **Gamma distribution(3/3):**  $RV X \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  (LK 8.3.4)

Use cases: risk management (insurance companies), service time, down time





# Distribution - Discrete

- **Uniform (discrete) (1/2)**  $RV X \sim DU(i, j)$  (LK 8.4.2)

- Distribution: 
$$p(k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{j-i+1} & \text{if } k \in \{i, i+1, i+2, \dots, j\} \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Range: 
$$i \leq k \leq j$$

- Expectation: 
$$E(X) = \frac{(i+j)}{2}$$

- Variance: 
$$VAR(X) = \frac{(j-i+1)^2 - 1}{12}$$

- Generation: Inversion

$$U \sim U(0,1) \quad X = i + \lfloor (j-i+1) \cdot U \rfloor$$

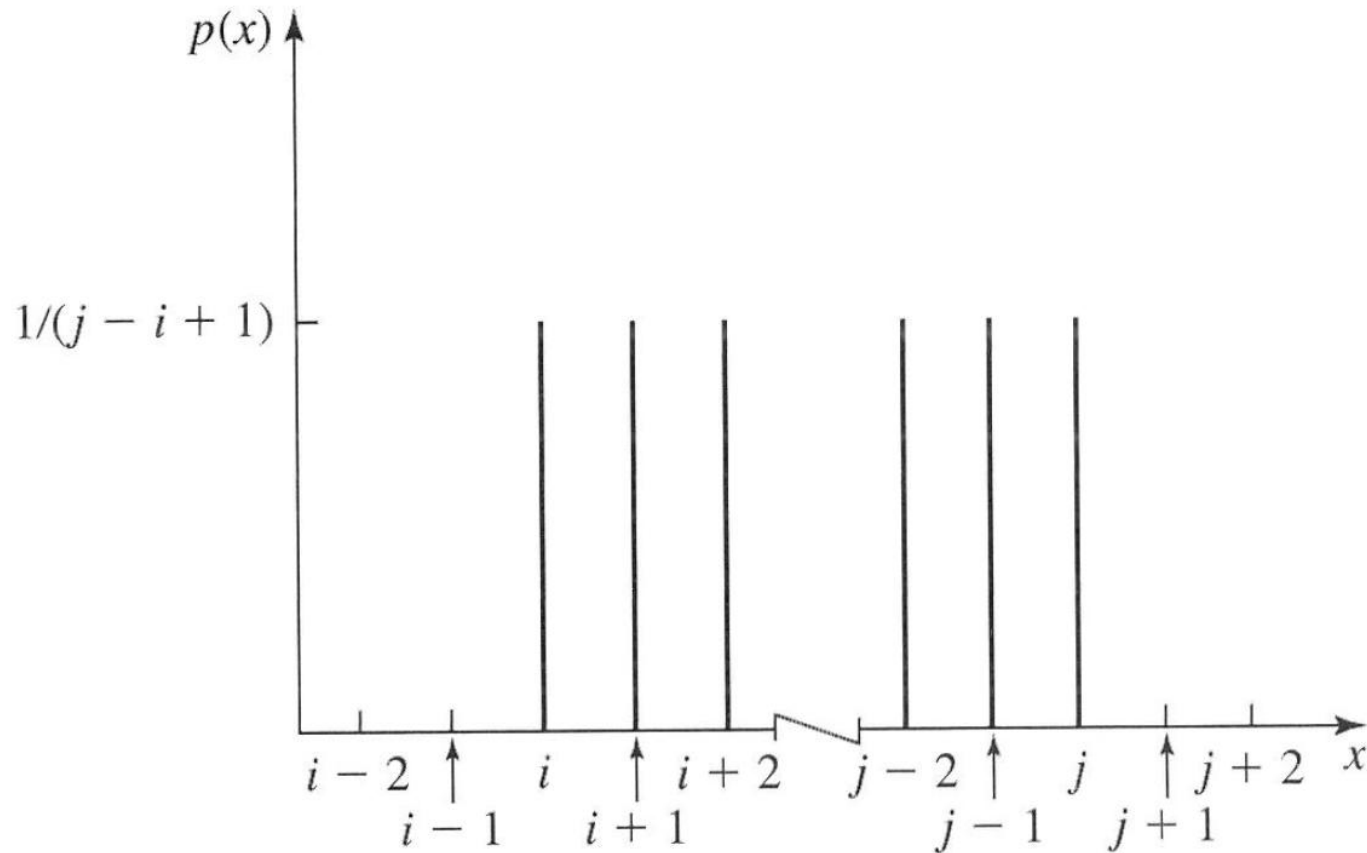
DU(0,1) and Bernoulli(0.5) distributions are the same



# Distribution - Discrete

- **Uniform (discrete) (2/2)**  $RV X \sim DU(i, j)$  (LK 8.4.2)

Use case: backoff distribution, simulation (dice, roulette, ...)



Distribution



# Distribution - Discrete

## □ Bernoulli (1/2) $RV X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ (LK 8.4.1)

- Example: Flipping a coin



- Distribution:

$$p(k) = \begin{cases} 1-p & \text{if } k=0 \\ p & \text{if } k=1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Range:

$$i \leq k \leq j$$

- Expectation:

$$E(X) = p$$

- Variance:

$$\text{VAR}(X) = p \cdot (1-p)$$

- Coefficient of variation:

$$c_{\text{Var}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-p}{n \cdot p}}$$





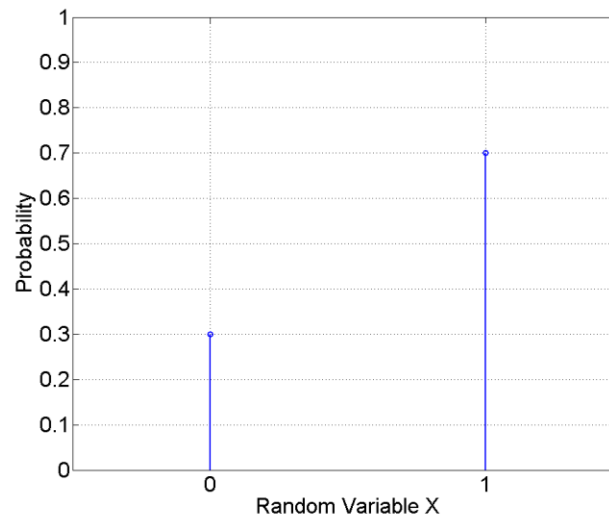
# Distribution - Discrete

## □ Bernoulli (2/2) $RV X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ (LK 8.4.1)

- Mode: 0 or 1 (depends on the definition of the outcome)
- Generation: Inversion  $U \sim U(0,1)$

$$X = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } U < p \\ 1 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Distribution  
 $\text{Bernoulli}(0.3)$





# Distribution - Discrete

## □ N-Bernoulli (1/2) $RV X \sim Bernoulli (n, p)$ (LK 8.4.4)

- Example: Flipping a coin  
n times



- Distribution: 
$$p(k) = \binom{n}{k} \cdot p^k \cdot (1-p)^{n-k} \quad 0 \leq k \leq n$$

- Range: 
$$0 \leq k \leq n$$

- Expectation: 
$$E(X) = np$$

- Variance: 
$$VAR(X) = n \cdot p \cdot (1-p)$$

- Coefficient of variation: 
$$c_{Var} = \sqrt{\frac{1-p}{n \cdot p}}$$

- Use case: quality management, wrong/right decisions



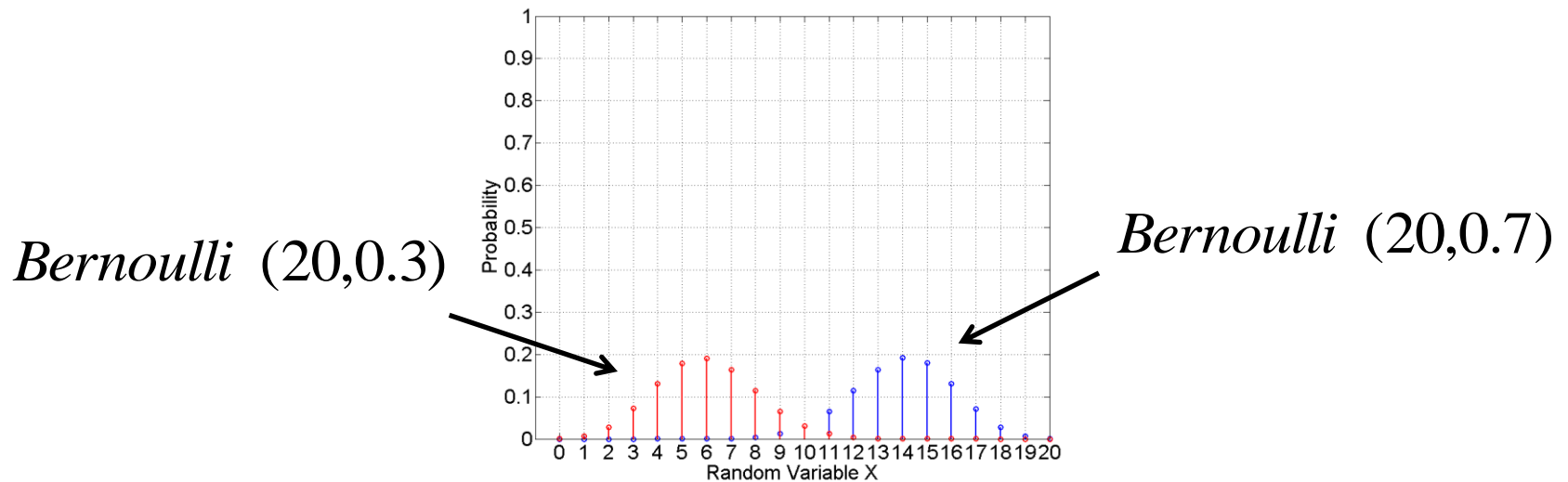
# Distribution - Discrete

## □ N-Bernoulli (2/2) $RV X \sim Bernoulli (n, p)$ (LK 8.4.4)

- Mode: 0 or 1 (depends on the definition of the outcome)
- Generation: Composition

$$Bernoulli (n, p) \approx \sum_{0 \leq i < n} Bernoulli (p)$$

- Distribution





## Distribution - Discrete

□ **Geom (1/2)** *RV*  $X \sim \text{Geom}(p)$  (LK 8.4.5)

- Example: Number of unsuccessful Bernoulli – Experiments **until** a successful outcome (e.g. number of retransmissions)

- Distribution: 
$$p(x) = p \cdot (1-p)^x$$

- Distribution function: 
$$F(x) = 1 - (1-p)^{\lfloor x \rfloor + 1}$$

- Expectation: 
$$E(X) = \frac{1-p}{p}$$

- Variance: 
$$\text{VAR}(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

- Coefficient of variation: 
$$c_{Var} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-p}}$$



# Distribution - Discrete

□ **Geom (2/2)** *RV*  $X \sim Geom(p)$  (LK 8.4.5)

▪ Mode: 0

▪ Generation: Inversion  $U \sim U(0,1)$

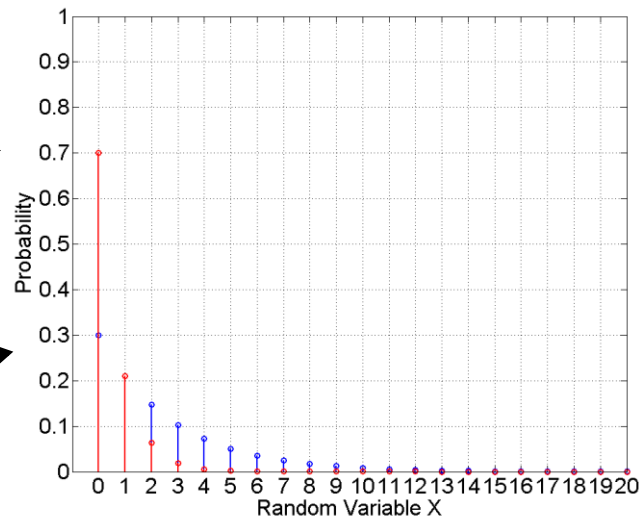
$$X = \left\lfloor \frac{\ln(U)}{\ln(1-p)} \right\rfloor$$

▪ Use case: delivery ratio in computer networks, risk management

▪ Distribution

*Geom* (0.7) →

*Geom* (0.3) →



$$p(0) = p$$



# Distribution - Discrete

## □ Poisson(1/3) $RV X \sim Poisson(\lambda)$ (LK 6.2.4)

- Example: Number of events that occur in an interval of time when the events are occurring at a constant rate (number of items in a batch of random size)

- Distribution: 
$$p(x) = \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \cdot e^{-\lambda} \quad \text{if } x \in \{0,1,2,\dots\}$$


- Distribution function: 
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor x \rfloor} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- Parameter:  $\lambda > 0$



# Distribution - Discrete

□ **Poisson(2/3)**  $RV X \sim Poisson(\lambda)$  (LK 6.2.4)

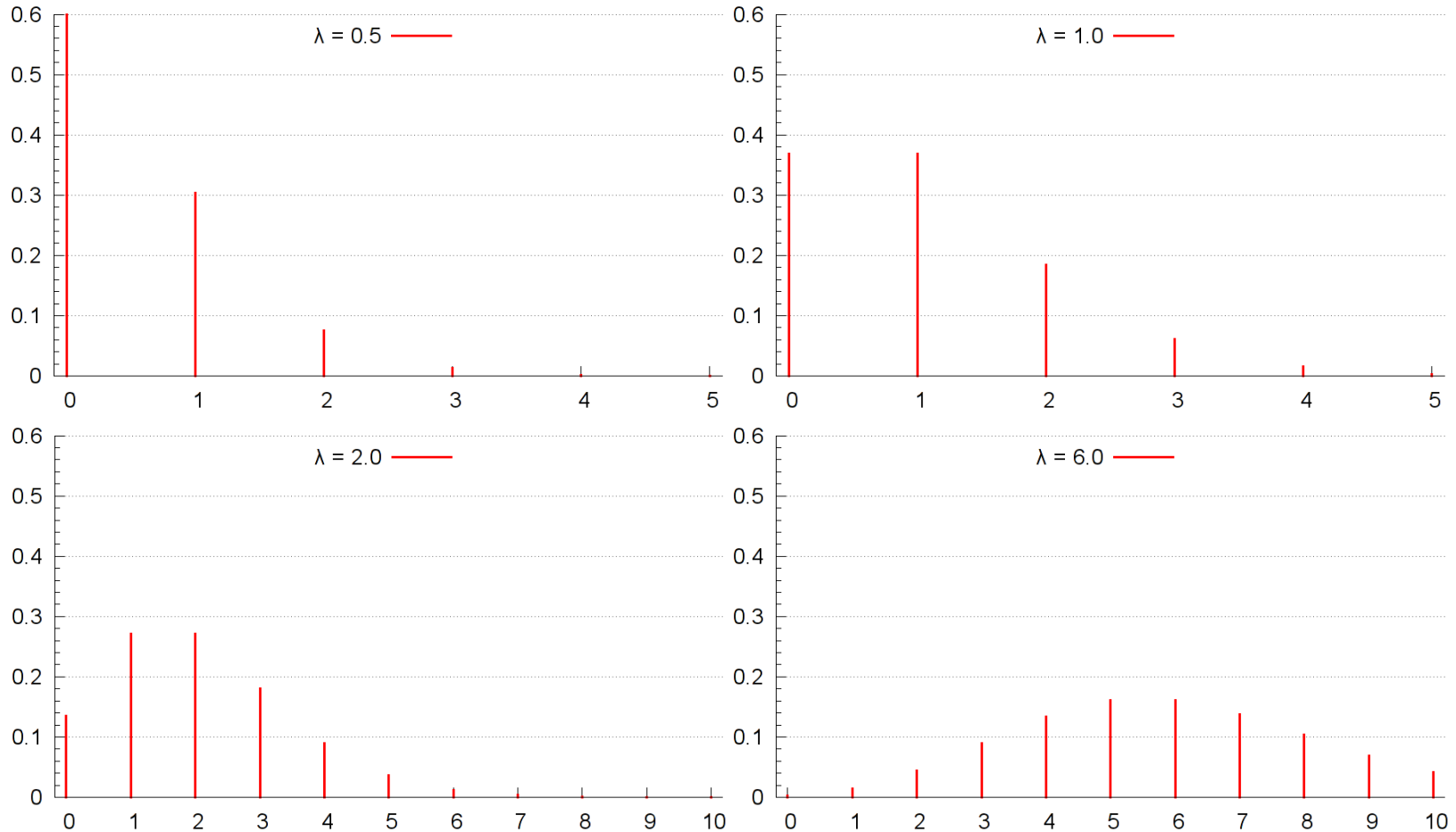
- Range:  $\{0,1,2,3,\dots\}$
- Expectation:  $E(X) = \lambda$
- Variance:  $VAR(X) = \lambda$
- Coefficient of variation:  $c_{Var} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$
- Mode  $\begin{cases} \lambda \cap \lambda - 1 & \lambda \text{ is an integer} \\ \lfloor \lambda \rfloor & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- **Special characteristics:**
  - $x = 0$   exponential distribution  
(time interval between two consecutive events)
  - Number of events until a certain point in time is Poisson distributed
  - Period of time until n events have occurred is Erlang distributed



# Distribution - Discrete

□ **Poisson(3/3)**  $RV X \sim Poisson(\lambda)$  (LK 6.2.4)

Use case: number of (independent) arrivals in a certain time interval







## □ General Discrete(1/1)

$RV X \sim GD$  (LK 8.4.3)

▪ Distribution: 
$$p(x) = \begin{cases} p_k & \text{if } x = x_k, 0 \leq k < n \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

▪ Generation: Inversion  $U \sim U(0,1)$

$$X = x_k, \text{ falls } \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} p_j \leq U < \sum_{j=0}^k p_j$$