

Probability and Statistics (MA6.101)

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Probability

Continuous Random Variables (contd.)

Note that when finding the probability, it does not matter whether we use $<$ or \leq , *i.e.* $P(X < a) = P(X \leq a)$ for any a .

Since the PDF is the derivative of the CDF, we can also say

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(u) du$$

and

$$P(a < X \leq b) = F_X(b) - F_X(a) = \int_a^b f_X(u) du$$

The expectation of a continuous random variable is

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

The variance is defined in terms of expectation as $E[(X - \mu_X)^2]$.