PROBABILITY

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16.4.10 ¹ The random variable X has a probability distribution $\Pr(X)$ of the following form. Where k is some number:

$$\Pr(X) = \begin{cases} k, & \text{if } x=0\\ 2k, & \text{if } x=1\\ 3k, & \text{if } x=2\\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (16.4.10.1)

- a) Determine the value of k
- b) Find $Pr(X < 2), Pr(X \le 2), Pr(X \ge 2)$

Solution:

we know that, Sum of Probabilities = 1.

$$k + 2k + 3k = 1 \tag{16.4.10.2}$$

$$6k = 1 \tag{16.4.10.3}$$

$$k = \frac{1}{6} \tag{16.4.10.4}$$

Using CDF,

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x < 0\\ \frac{1}{6}, & \text{if } 0 \le x < 1\\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } 1 \le x < 2\\ 1, & x \ge 2 \end{cases}$$
 (16.4.10.5)

(a) $\Pr(X < 2)$

$$\Pr\left(0 < X \le 1\right) \tag{16.4.1.6}$$

$$= F(1) \tag{16.4.1.7}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}\tag{16.4.1.8}$$

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(a) $\Pr(X \le 2)$

$$\Pr\left(X \le 2\right) \tag{16.4.1.9}$$

$$= F(2) \tag{16.4.1.10}$$

$$=1$$
 (16.4.1.11)

(a) $\Pr\left(X \geq 2\right)$

$$\Pr(X \ge 2)$$
 (16.4.1.12)

$$= 1 - \Pr(X < 2) \tag{16.4.1.13}$$

$$= 1 - F(1) \tag{16.4.1.14}$$

$$=1-\frac{1}{2} \tag{16.4.1.15}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{2}$$
 (16.4.1.15)

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$
 (16.4.1.16)