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The PMF of the random variable Y satisfies $p_Y\left(-1\right)=1/6$, $p_Y\left(2\right)=2/6$, $p_Y\left(5\right)=3/6$, and $p_Y\left(y\right)=0$ for all other values y. The expected value of Y is:

$$\mathbf{E}\left[Y
ight]= \boxed{3}$$
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Solution:

$$\mathbf{E}[Y] = (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{6} + 5 \cdot \frac{3}{6} = \frac{18}{6} = 3.$$

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<u>absolute value of negative values during summation</u>
<u>should we take the absolute value of the number when calculating the expectation or retain negative value</u>

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