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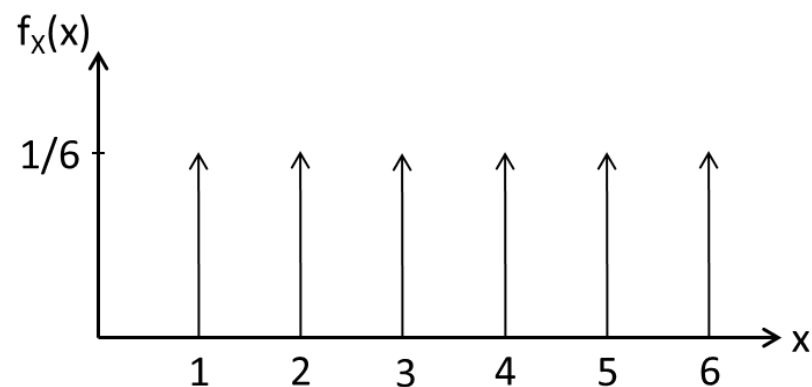
# Agenda for Today

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- Repetition:
  - One Random Variable
- Two Simultaneous Random Variables
- Joint pmf/pdf/cdf
- Correlation and Covariance
- Data sampling for test and simulation
- Transformation of random variables
- Sum of two random variables

# One Stochastic Variable – Discrete

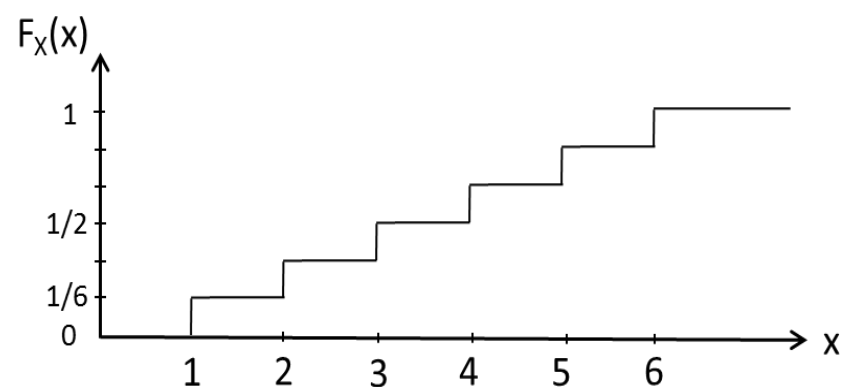
- Probability mass function (pmf):  $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \Pr(X = x_i) & \text{for } X = x_i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$



$$0 \leq f_X(x) \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f_X(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \Pr(X = x_i) = 1$$

- Cumulative distribution function (cdf):  $F_X(x) = \Pr(X \leq x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_x} f_X(x_i)$



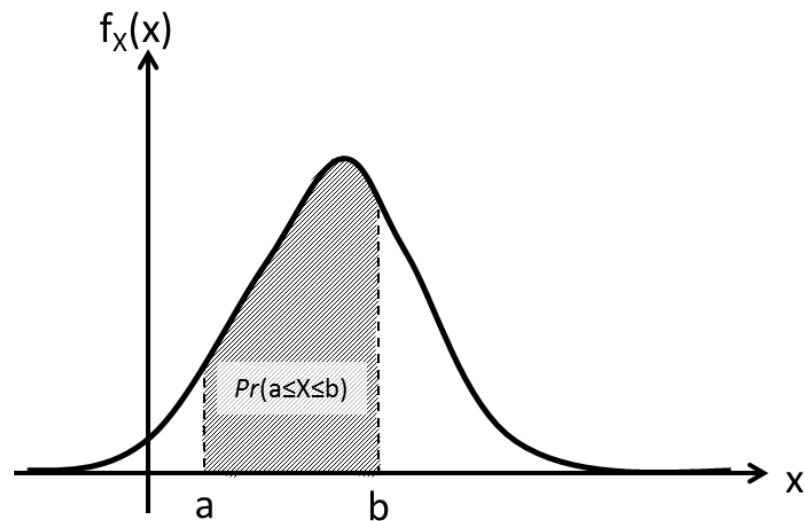
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# One Stochastic Variable – Continuous

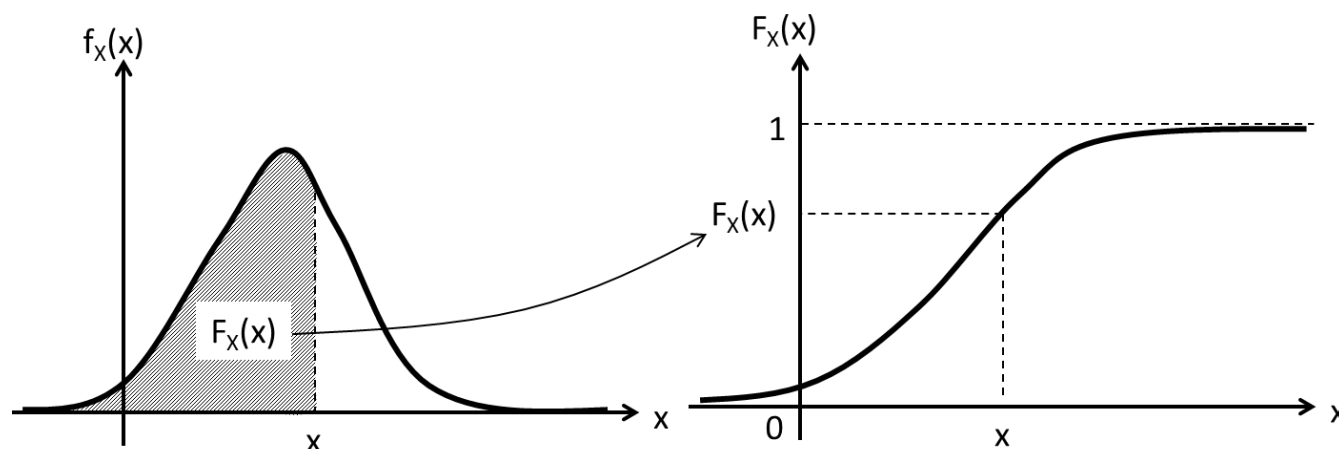
- Probability density function (pdf):  $Pr(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$



$$f_X(x) \geq 0$$

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

- Cumulative distribution function (cdf):  $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(u) du = Pr(X \leq x)$



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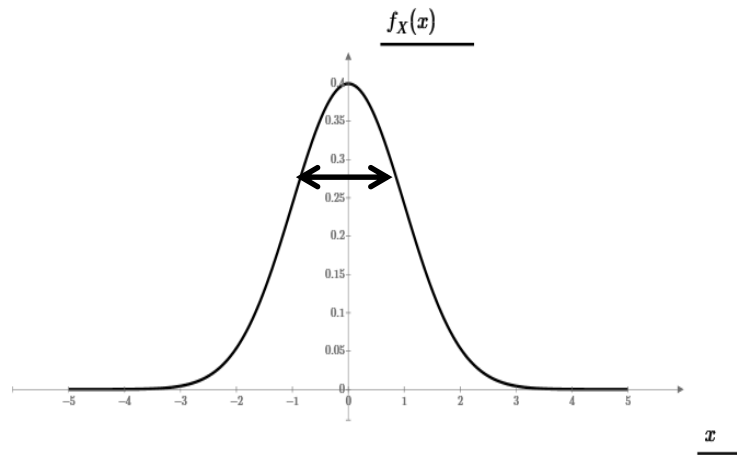
# Expectation, Variance and Standard Deviation

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- Mean value:  $EX = E[X] = \bar{X} = \mu_X = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f_X(x) dx \quad (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i f_X(x_i))$

- Variance:  $Var(X) = \sigma_X^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \bar{x})^2 \cdot f_X(x) dx = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$

- Standard deviation:  $\sigma_X = \sqrt{Var(X)}$



- A function:  $E[g(X)] = \overline{g(X)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \cdot f_X(x) dx \quad (\sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) f_X(x_i))$   
 $Var(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (g(x) - \overline{g(x)})^2 \cdot f_X(x) dx = E[g(X)^2] - E[g(X)]^2$

- Linear function:  $E[aX + b] = a \cdot E[X] + b$

$$Var[aX + b] = a^2(E[X^2] - E[X]^2) = a^2 \cdot Var(X)$$



# Two Simultaneous Discrete Random Variables



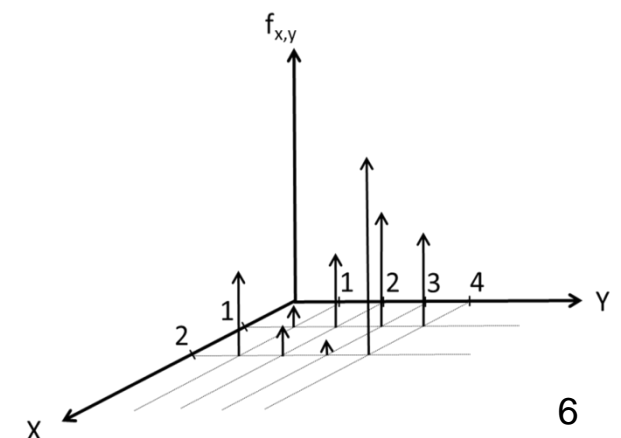
- Two (or more) discrete random variables  $X$  and  $Y$
- We can describe the two probabilities as a simultaneous pmf:

## Joint (Simultaneous) pmfs:

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \Pr((X = x_i) \cap (Y = y_j)) & \text{for } X = x_i \wedge Y = y_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\triangleright 0 \leq f_{X,Y}(x, y) \leq 1 \quad \triangleright \sum_x \sum_y f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 1$$

Fx.:  $X$  = The number of bicycles in front of IHA  
 $Y$  = The number of people inside IHA

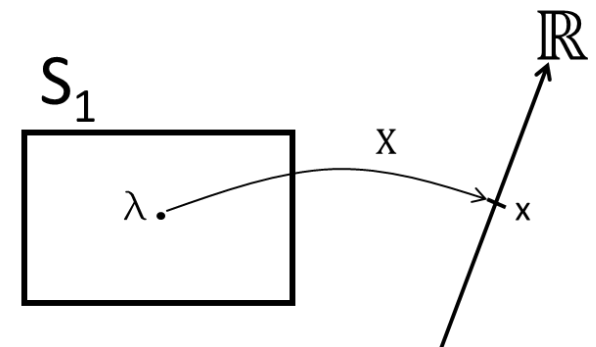


# Two Simultaneous Discrete Random Variables

## Cumulative Distribution Function cdf:

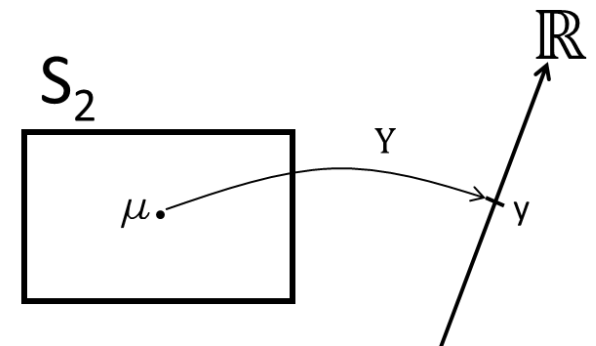
$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = Pr(X \leq x \wedge Y \leq y) = \sum_{x_i \leq x} \sum_{y_i \leq y} f_{X,Y}(x_i, y_i)$$

$$\triangleright F_{X,Y}(-\infty, y) = F_{X,Y}(x, -\infty) = 0 \quad \triangleright F_{X,Y}(\infty, \infty) = 1$$



## Marginal pmfs:

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X,Y}(x, y) \quad f_Y(y) = \sum_x f_{X,Y}(x, y)$$

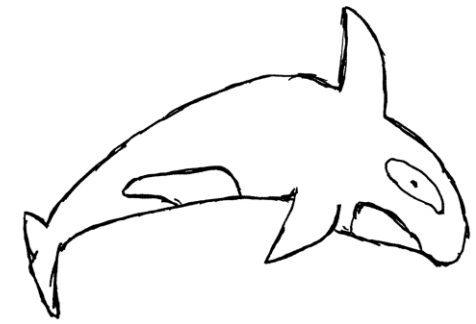


## Conditional pmfs / Bayes Rule:

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = Pr(X = x | Y = y)$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} = Pr(Y = y | X = x)$$

# Orca Example



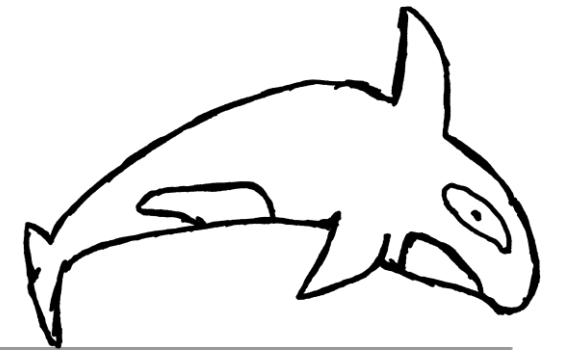
- In a conversation effort, we look for dead orcas when we are visiting an ocean.
- Stochastic variables:
  - $X = \text{Gender}: R_X = \{1,2\}$
  - $Y = \text{Location}: R_Y = \{1,2,3,4\}$

Gender (X) \ Location (Y)	Atlantic (1)	Antartica (2)	Pacific (3)	Seaworld (4)
Female (1)	2	7	11	9
Male (2)	8	3	1	19

- Total number of observed dead orcas = 60.



# Orca Example – joint and marginal pmf



- The discrete simultaneous mass function (pmf) for observing a orca at a specific ocean and its gender is

Gender (X) \ Location (Y)	Atlantic (1)	Antartica (2)	Pacific (3)	Seaworld (4)	Total
Female (1)	2/60	7/60	11/60	9/60	29/60
Male (2)	8/60	3/60	1/60	19/60	31/60
Total	10/60	10/60	12/60	28/60	1

$f_{X,Y}(x,y)$  points to the joint pmf cells.  
 $f_X(x)$  points to the marginal pmf for Gender (X).  
 $f_Y(y)$  points to the marginal pmf for Location (Y).

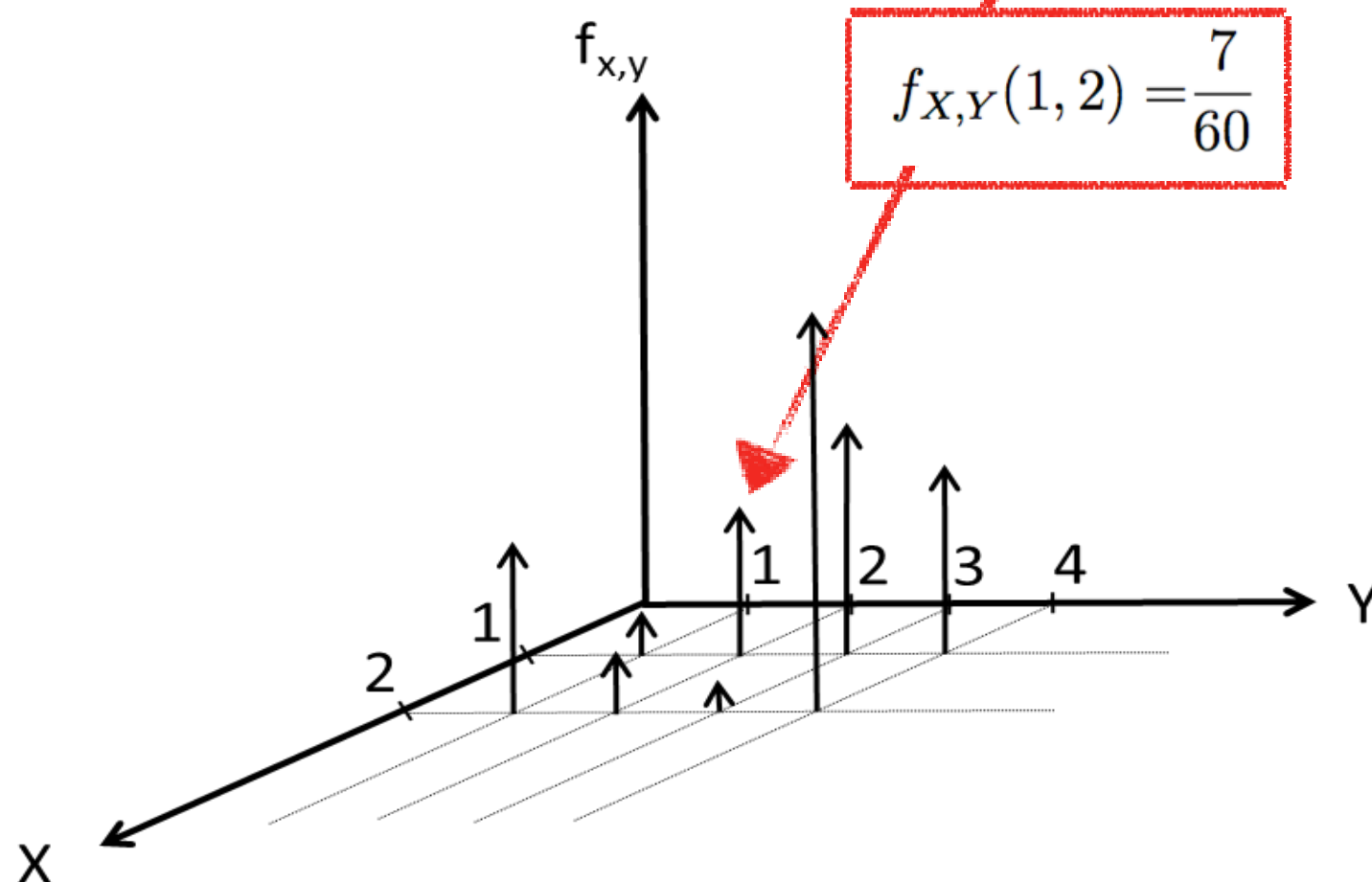
$$f_X(1) = f_{X,Y}(1,1) + f_{X,Y}(1,2) + f_{X,Y}(1,3) + f_{X,Y}(1,4) = \frac{2}{60} + \frac{7}{60} + \frac{11}{60} + \frac{9}{60} = \frac{29}{60}$$

$$f_X(2) = f_{X,Y}(2,1) + f_{X,Y}(2,2) + f_{X,Y}(2,3) + f_{X,Y}(2,4) = \frac{8}{60} + \frac{3}{60} + \frac{1}{60} + \frac{19}{60} = \frac{31}{60}$$

# Orca Example - Joint pmf



Gender (X) \ Location (Y)	Atlantic (1)	Antartica (2)	Pacific (3)	Seaworld (4)	Total $f_X$
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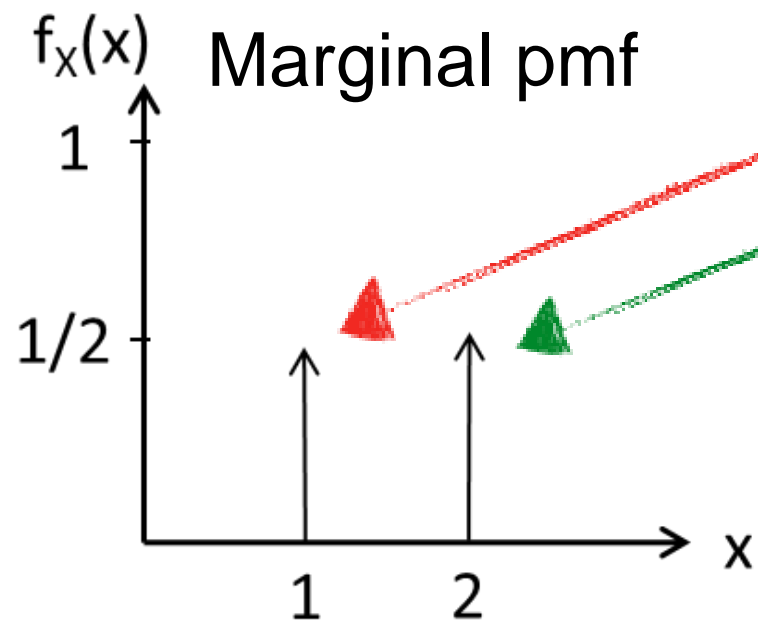
Ex.:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &Pr(\text{Female}|\text{Antartica}) \\
 &= f_{X|Y}(1|2) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,2)}{f_Y(2)} \\
 &= \frac{7/60}{10/60} = \frac{7}{10} = 0,7
 \end{aligned}$$

# Orca Example – Marginal pmf and cdf

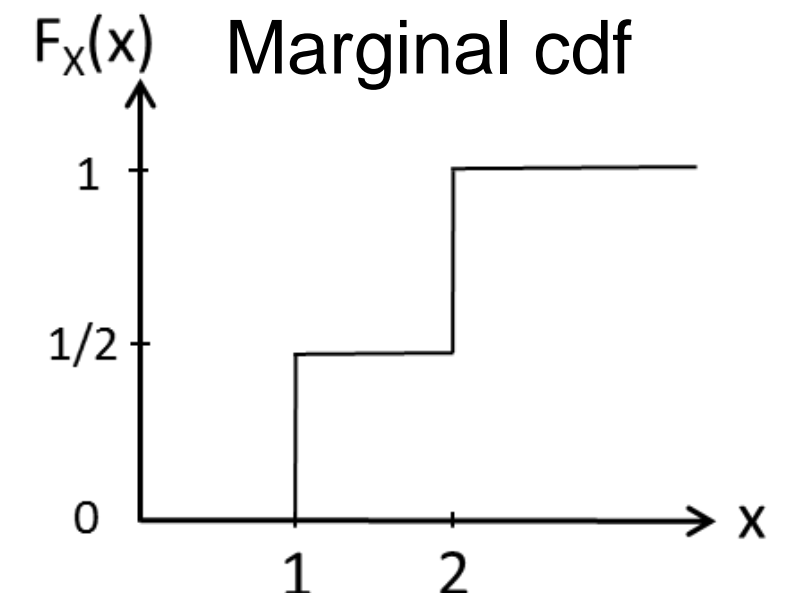


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$$f_X(1) = \frac{29}{60}$$

$$f_X(2) = \frac{31}{60}$$



$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x < 1 \\ \frac{29}{60} & \text{for } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 1 & \text{for } 2 \leq x \end{cases}$$

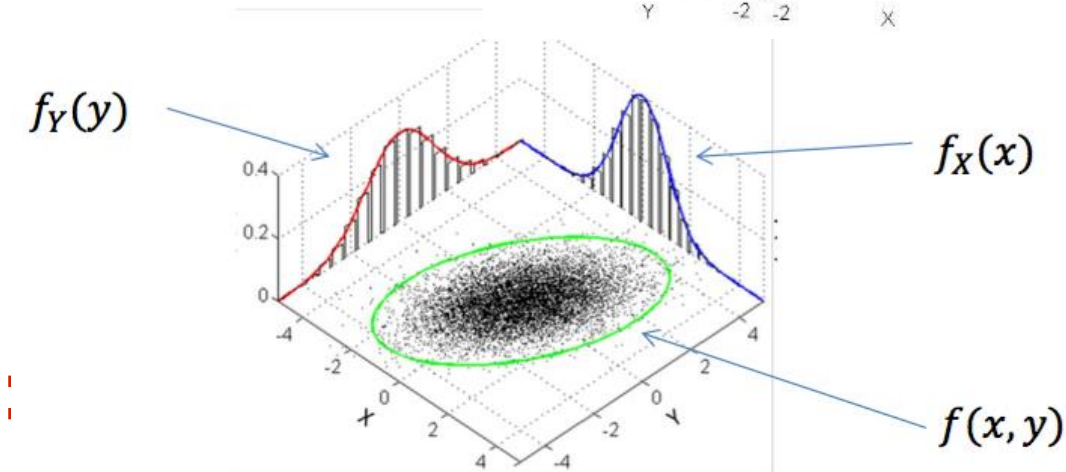
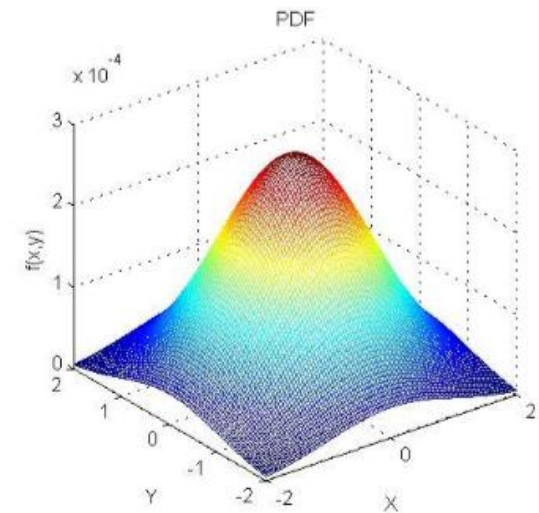
# Two Simultaneous Continuous Random Variables

**Joint (Simultaneous) pdf:**  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) \geq 0$   $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = 1$

$$Pr((a \leq X \leq b) \cap (c \leq Y \leq d)) = \int_c^d \int_a^b f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$$

**Marginals:**  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx$$



**Cumulative Distribution Function cdf:**

*cdf*  $F_{X,Y}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = Pr(X \leq x \wedge Y \leq y)$

*pdf*  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2 F_{X,Y}(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y}$

# Bivariate (2D) Normal Distribution

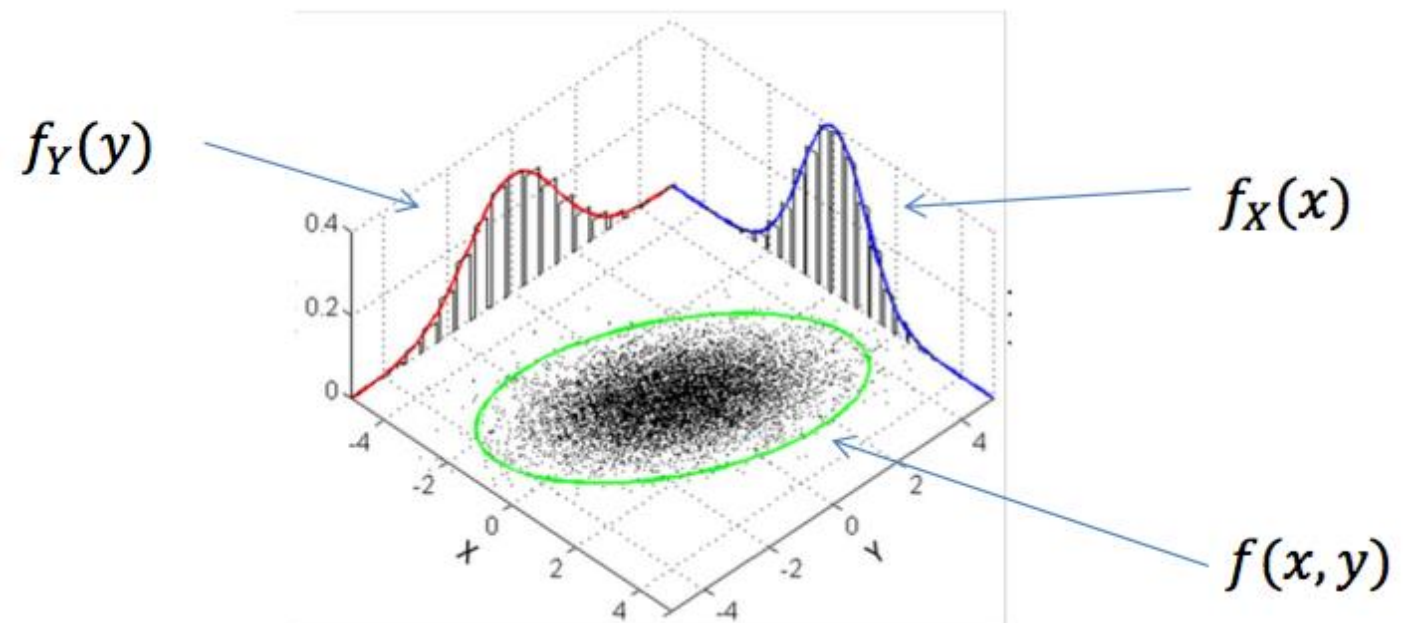
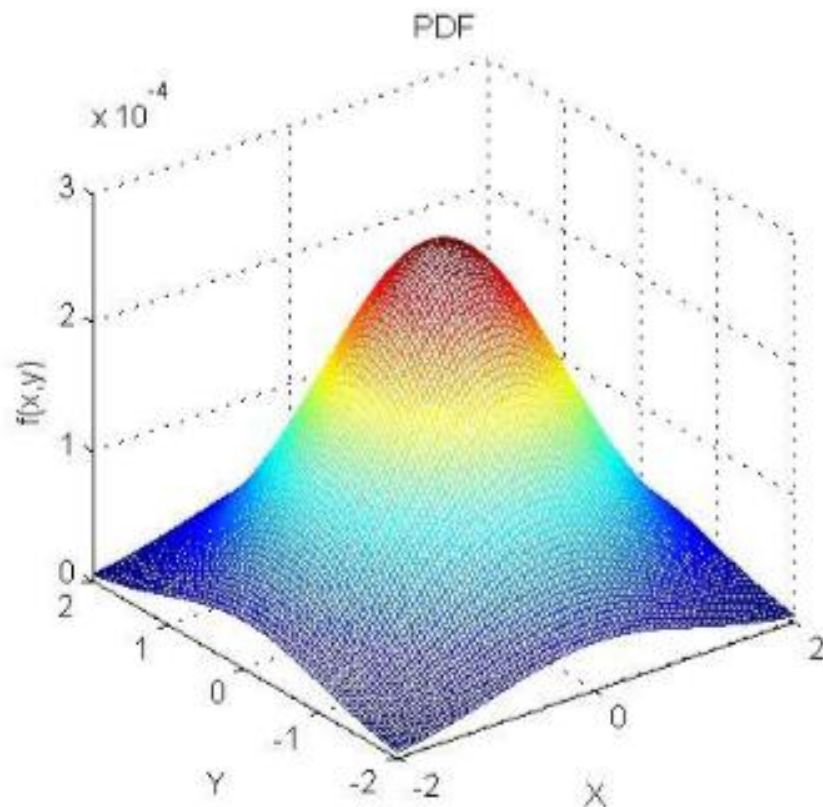
*Two dimensional Gaussian*

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{z}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right)$$

$$z = \frac{(x - \mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(y - \mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} - \frac{2\rho(x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y)}{\sigma_x\sigma_y}$$

$$\rho = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X\sigma_Y}$$

*Correlation coefficient*



# Independence

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- We have independence between  $X$  and  $Y$  if and only if:

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \quad \text{for all } x \text{ and } y$$

## **Example of independent random variables:**

- A persons height and the current exact distance from the earth to the moon.

## **Example of dependent random variables:**

- The time of day and the amount of bicycles parked the at the engineering college.
- The energy of a mobile signal and the length in meters to a basestation.



# Bayes Rule and Independence

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**Independence:**  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$  for all  $x$  and  $y$

- Bayes Rule:  $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$

gives that if  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, then:

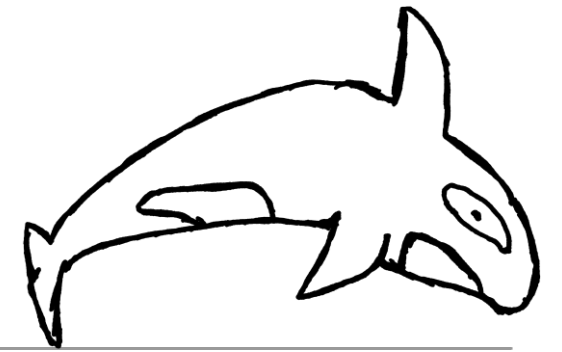
$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_X(x)$$

- Also:

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \Rightarrow E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$$

➤ but the opposite is not always true!

# Orca Example – Independence



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Fx:  $f_X(1) = \frac{29}{60}, \quad f_Y(3) = \frac{12}{60}$

$$f_{XY}(1,3) = \frac{11}{60} \neq \frac{29}{60} \cdot \frac{12}{60} = f_X(1) \cdot f_Y(3)$$

→ Gender (X) and Location (Y) are not independent!

# Expectations of Simultaneous Random Variables

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Expectation (mean) of Simultaneous Random Variables:

- $E[X|Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = h(Y) \quad (\sum x_i x_i f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_i))$

- $E[g(X)|Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = h_g(Y) \quad \leftarrow \text{LOTUS}$

Law of Total (Iterated) Expectation:

- $$\begin{aligned} EX &= E[E[X|Y]] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X|Y] \cdot f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y) dy dx \end{aligned}$$

$$(\sum y_i \sum x_i x_i f_{X|Y}(x_i|y_i) \cdot f_Y(y_i))$$

# Orca Example – Expectation



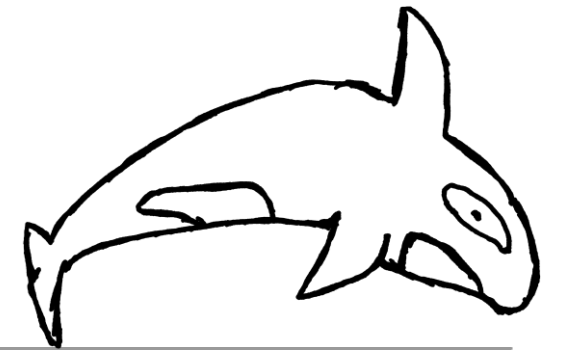
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$$E[Y|X] = \sum_{y=1}^4 y \cdot f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \sum_{y=1}^4 y \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sum_{y=1}^4 y \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,y)}{f_X(1)} = 1 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,1)}{f_X(1)} + 2 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,2)}{f_X(1)} + 3 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,3)}{f_X(1)} + 4 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(1,4)}{f_X(1)} & \text{for } x = 1 \\ \sum_{y=1}^4 y \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,y)}{f_X(2)} = 1 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,1)}{f_X(2)} + 2 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,2)}{f_X(2)} + 3 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,3)}{f_X(2)} + 3 \cdot \frac{f_{X,Y}(2,4)}{f_X(2)} & \text{for } x = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 \cdot \frac{2/60}{29/60} + 2 \cdot \frac{7/60}{29/60} + 3 \cdot \frac{11/60}{29/60} + 4 \cdot \frac{9/60}{29/60} = \frac{85}{29} = 2,93 & \text{for } x = 1 \\ 1 \cdot \frac{8/60}{31/60} + 2 \cdot \frac{3/60}{31/60} + 3 \cdot \frac{1/60}{31/60} + 4 \cdot \frac{19/60}{31/60} = \frac{93}{31} = 3,00 & \text{for } x = 2 \end{cases} = h(x)$$

# Orca Example – Total Expectation



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Total $f_Y$	10/60	10/60	12/60	28/60	1

$$EY = E[E[Y|X]] = \sum_{x=1}^2 E[Y|X] \cdot f_X(x) = 2,93 \cdot \frac{29}{60} + 3,00 \cdot \frac{31}{60} = \frac{91}{60} = 2,97$$

$$EY = \sum_{y=1}^4 y \cdot f_Y(y) = 1 \cdot \frac{10}{60} + 2 \cdot \frac{10}{60} + 3 \cdot \frac{12}{60} + 4 \cdot \frac{28}{60} = \frac{178}{60} = 2,97$$

$$EX = E[E[X|Y]] = \sum_{y=1}^4 E[X|Y] \cdot f_Y(y) = \sum_{x=1}^2 x \cdot f_X(x) = 1 \cdot \frac{29}{60} + 2 \cdot \frac{31}{60} = \frac{91}{60} = 1,52$$

*Tells of the coupling between variables*

# Correlation and Covariance

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*Correlation tells of the (biased) coupling between variables*

- Correlation:  $\text{corr}(X, Y) = E[XY] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot y \cdot f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$

*Covariance is without bias from the mean*

- Covariance:  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})] = E[XY] - E[X] \cdot E[Y]$

*Correlation Coefficient is the normalized Covariance*

- Correlation coefficient:  $\rho = E\left[\frac{X - \bar{X}}{\sigma_X} \cdot \frac{Y - \bar{Y}}{\sigma_Y}\right] = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y}$   
 $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$



*Correlation tells of the coupling between variables*

# Correlation Coefficient

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- The correlation coefficient, is an indicator on how much two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are correlated.

$$\rho = E \left[ \frac{X - \bar{X}}{\sigma_X} \cdot \frac{Y - \bar{Y}}{\sigma_Y} \right] = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

- We have that:  $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$



- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent:

$$E[XY] = E[X] \cdot E[Y] \quad \text{and} \quad \text{cov}(X, Y) = \rho = 0$$

*Uncorrelated*



➤ but the opposite is not always true!

- If  $\rho = 1$ :  $Y = aX + b$ ;  $a > 0$   *(Max) positively correlated*
- If  $\rho = -1$ :  $Y = aX + b$ ;  $a < 0$   *(Max) negatively correlated*

# Orca Example – Correlation



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$$EX = \frac{91}{60} = 1,52; \quad E[X^2] = \sum_{x=1}^2 x^2 \cdot f_X(x) = \frac{153}{60} = 2,55; \quad \sigma_X^2 = E[X^2] - EX^2 = \frac{899}{3600} = 0,25;$$

$$EY = \frac{178}{60} = 2,97; \quad E[Y^2] = \sum_{y=1}^4 y^2 \cdot f_Y(y) = \frac{606}{60} = 10,1; \quad \sigma_Y^2 = E[Y^2] - EY^2 = \frac{4676}{3600} = 1,30;$$

$$E[XY] = \sum_{x=1}^2 \sum_{y=1}^4 x \cdot y \cdot f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{2}{60} + 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{7}{60} + \dots + 2 \cdot 4 \cdot \frac{19}{60} = \frac{271}{60} = 4,52$$

$$\text{➤ } \text{corr}(X, Y) = E[XY] = 4,52$$

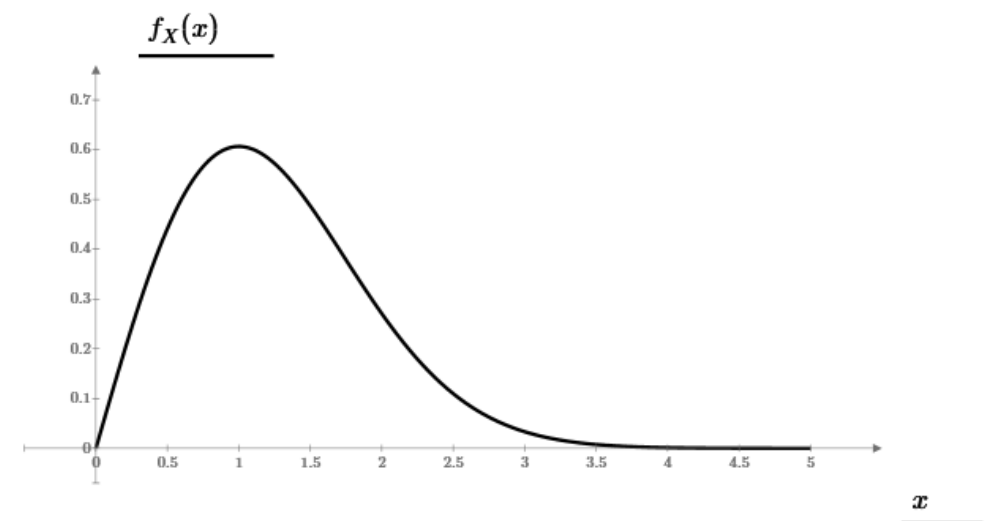
$$\text{➤ } \text{cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - EX \cdot EY = \frac{271}{60} - \frac{91}{60} \cdot \frac{178}{60} = \frac{62}{3600} = 0,0172$$

$$\text{➤ } \rho = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y} = \frac{0,0172}{\sqrt{0,25} \cdot \sqrt{1,30}} = 0,030 \neq 0 \rightarrow X \text{ and } Y \text{ are not independent}$$

# Sampling Random Testdata

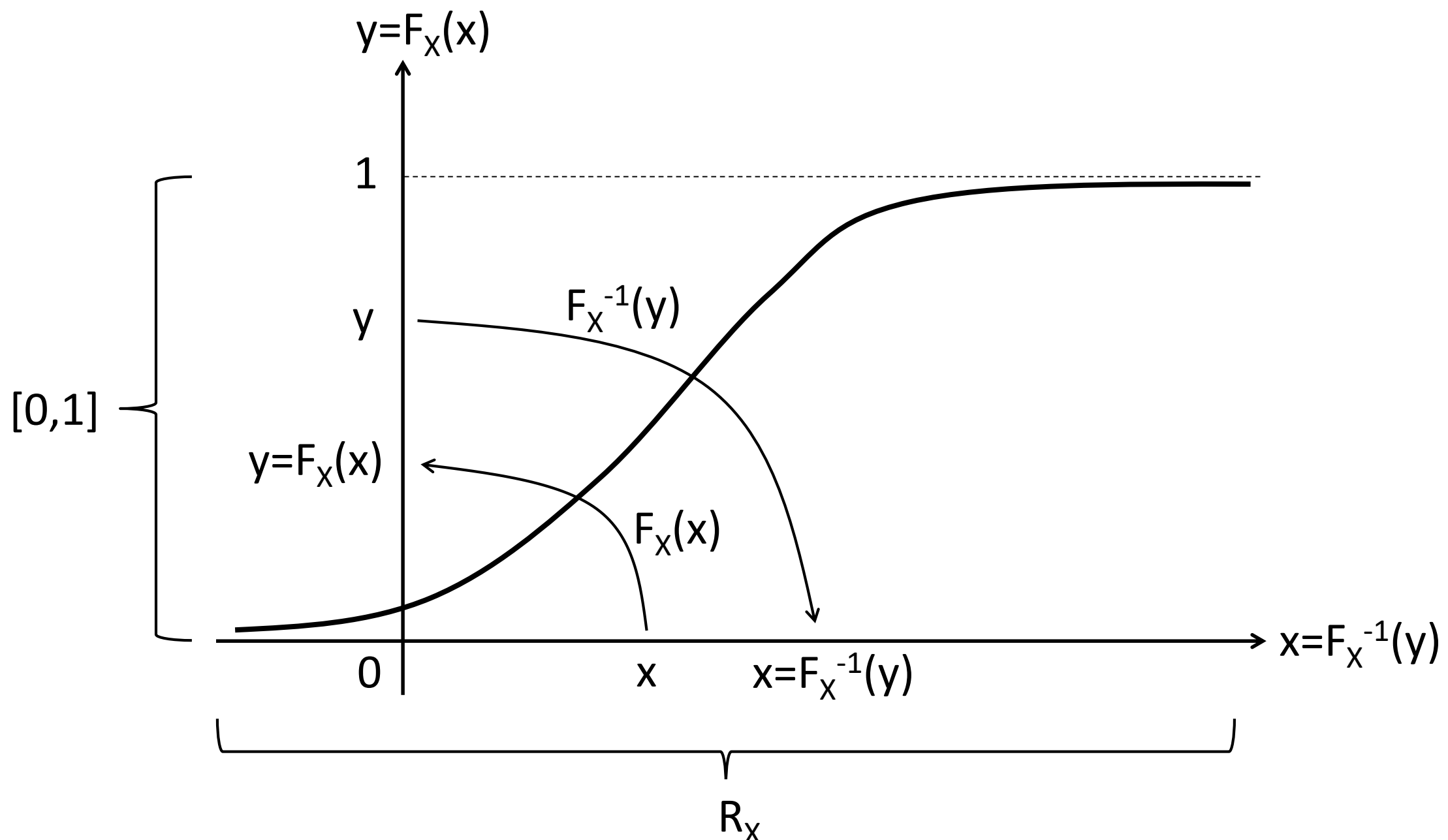
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- In a flight simulator, the altitude of the plane is simulated to be Rayleigh distributed.
- For a given initial height, draw a Rayleigh distributed sample.



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For test or simulation you need testdata ("measurements") randomly sampled from a given distribution:



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- Standard distributions:  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow randn()$   
 $X \sim \mathcal{U}(a, b) \rightarrow rand()$
- Other distributions:
  - Find the cdf of the distribution:  $F_X(x)$
  - Find the inverse of the cdf:  $y = F_X(x) \Rightarrow x = F_X^{-1}(y)$
  - Draw a random sample:  $y \sim \mathcal{U}[0; 1]$
  - Insert into the inverse cdf:  $x = F_X^{-1}(y)$
  - The samples  $X = x$  is distributed according to:  $F_X(x)$

# Transformation of Stochastic Variable X to Y

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- Given:
  - pdf/pmf:  $f_X(x)$
  - Function/Transformation:  $Y = g(X)$  (Ex:  $Y = X^2$ )
- Find new pmf:  $f_Y(y)$ :
  - Discrete:  $f_Y(y) = Pr(Y = y) = Pr(g(X) = y) = \sum_{x:g(x)=y} f_X(x)$
  - Continuous:  $f_Y(y) = \sum \left| \frac{dx(y)}{dy} \right| f_X(g^{-1}(y)) = \sum_{x:g(x)=y} \left( \frac{f_X(x)}{|g'(x)|} \right)$



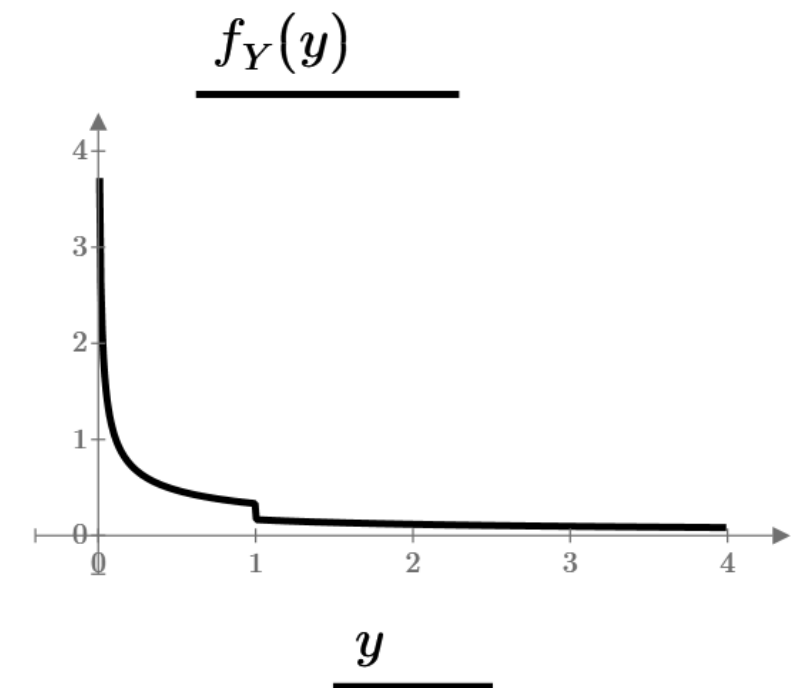
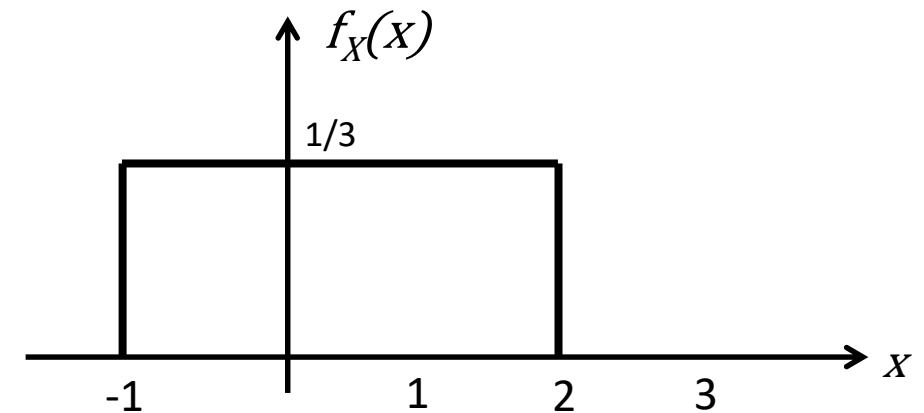
# Example:

## Transformation of Continuous Random Variable

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- $X \sim \mathcal{U}(-1; 2)$
- $Y = X^2 = g(X)$

- $$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3 \cdot \sqrt{y}}; & 0 < y < 1 \\ \frac{1}{6 \cdot \sqrt{y}}; & 1 < y < 4 \end{cases}$$



# Distribution of the Sum of Two Random Variables

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- Let:  $Z = X + Y$

where  $X$  and  $Y$  are two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with density functions  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$

- Then:  $f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, z - x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(z - y, y)dy$
- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent:
- $$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(z - x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(z - y) \cdot f_Y(y)dy$$
$$= f_X(z) * f_Y(z)$$



*Convolution of Two functions*

# Mean and Variance of the Sum of Two Random Variables

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For a random variable:  $Z = X + Y$

- $EZ = EX + EY$

*X and Y can both be  
dependent and independent*

- $Var(Z) = Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2cov(X, Y)$

where:  $cov(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$

- **OBS:** If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent:  $cov(X, Y) = 0$  and so:

$$Var(Z) = Var(X) + Var(Y)$$

# Two Random Variables

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Two random variables:  $X$  and  $Y$

- Simultaneous pdf:  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$
- Marginal pdf:  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$
- Conditional pdf:  $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$  and  $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$
- Simultaneous cdf:  $F_{X,Y}(x, y)$
- Correlation:  $\text{corr}(X, Y) = E[XY]$
- Covariance:  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$
- Correlation coefficient:  $\rho = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y}$
- Sum:  $Z = X + Y$
- Expectation:  $EZ = EX + EY$
- Variance:  $\text{Var}(Z) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$  if independent  
 $\text{Var}(Z) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y)$  if dependent

# Words and Concepts to Know

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Simultaneous Random Variables

Marginal

Joint pmf

Convolution

Correlation

Transformation of stochastic variables

Rayleigh Distribution

Correlation coefficient

Joint pdf

Simultaneous pmf

Randomly Sampled Data

Covariance

Bivariate Normal Distribution

Simultaneous pdf