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Probability Theory & Stats

Week 4

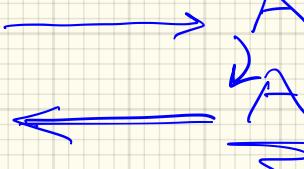
Gü.

Recap: Conditional Probability  $\Rightarrow$  revise my beliefs / prob.  
given some event  $B$  occurred.

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

Bayes Theorem: make inferences based on <sup>now available</sup> partial information (effect)  $\rightarrow$  likelihood :  $P(A|B)$

$B$  (cause)



(effect)

$P(B|A)$

Given  
this effect

posterior

~~inference:~~

→ how likely was the cause  $B$ ?

Ex :  $B = \{ \text{person is sick} \}$

(ex 4.26  
[Skay])

$A = \{ \text{test is positive} \}$

{ Given 0.001% of the general population has the disease.

$P(B) = 10^{-5}$

$$P(A|B) = 0.99 \text{ (TP)}$$

$$P(A|B^c) = 0.2 \text{ (FP)}$$

$$P(B|A) = \text{posterior prob.}$$

$P(A|B)$  . likelihood

$P(B)$   $\Rightarrow$  prior

$$\Rightarrow P(B|A) = ?$$

$$\text{Use Bayes Thm: } P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B) P(B)}{P(A)}$$

} using Total Prob. Law.

$$= \frac{P(A|B) P(B) + P(A|B^c) P(B^c)}{(0.99)(10^{-5})}{\color{red}\cancel{+ 0.2(1-10^{-5})}} = 4.95 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

$\approx 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$   
 $\approx 0.005\%$

$\therefore$  we can reject the hypothesis.

For instance, set prior prob.  $P(B) = 0.5$

Recalculate :  $P(B|A) = \frac{0.95(0.5)}{0.99(0.5) + 0.2(0.5)} = 0.83$  !

Note / Think about the point of this example

Note the subtlety in prior probability assumption.

(side Note:

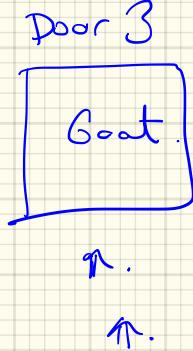
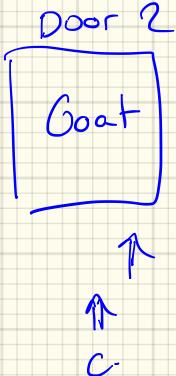
$$\frac{1 - P(A|B)}{1 - P(A|B)} = \frac{P(A|B^c)}{P(A^c|B)}$$

Don't make this mistake!

Valid ✓

Ex 1.12 Bertsekas  
4.4 (S.Kay)

"Monty Hall" ; Host of the show.



— If the contestant sticks to his/her initial choice:

$$P(\text{winning}) = \frac{1}{3}$$

— If the contestant switches his/her initial choice

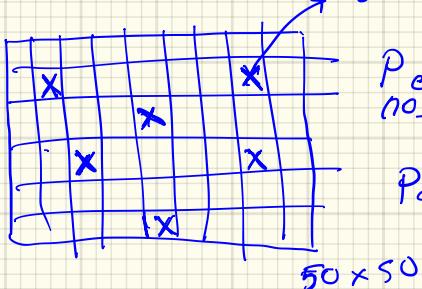
$$P(\text{winning}) = \frac{2}{3}$$

exercise : Study this ex.

increased  
after  
Monty revealed  
one other door.

Chapter 4 (last section) : Cluster Recognition : Real world example.

(Skay Book) Crime Analysis : Gang is present



$$P_{\text{cluster no-gang}} = 0.01 = P_{nc}$$

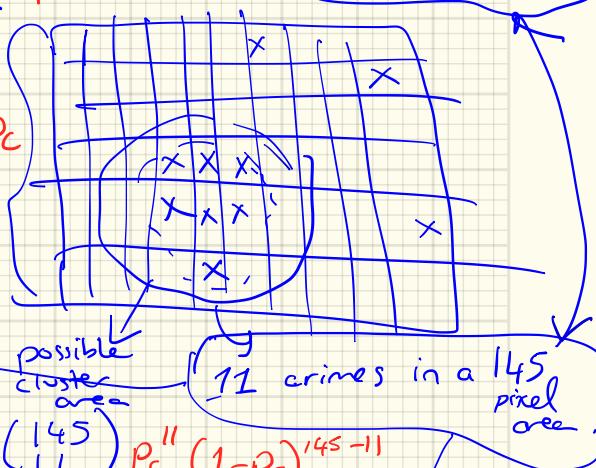
$$P_{\text{cluster}} = 0.1 = P_c$$

No cluster region

$$P(B|A) = ?$$

$$P(A|B) = P(k=11 \mid \text{crime cluster exists})$$

$$P(A|B^c) = P(k=11 \mid \text{no cluster exists})$$



$$P(B) = 10^{-6}$$

You need prior assumption

11 crimes in 145 cells

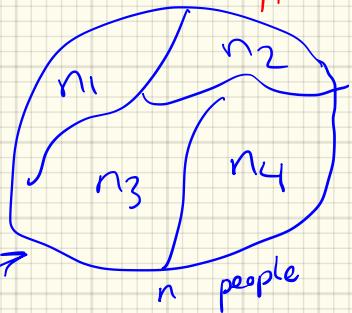
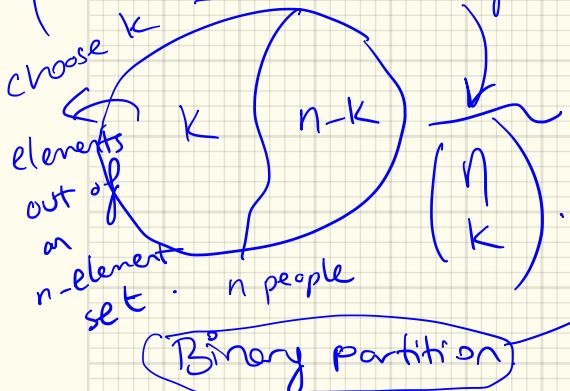
$$\text{Odds Ratio against the hypothesis} = \frac{P(B^c|IA)}{P(B|IA)}$$

$$= \frac{P(A|B^c)P(B^c)}{P(A|B)P(B)} = \frac{(0.01)^{11}(0.99)^{134}(10^{-6})}{(0.1)^{11}(0.5)^{134}(10^{-6})} \approx 3.52$$

Reject the hypothesis!

? Not strong odds! //

(Recall Binomial coeff : Multinomial coefficient)



Q. In how many ways  
can we do this  
partition?  
# partitions  
 $\sum_{i=1}^4 n_i = n$

$$\binom{n}{n_1 \ n_2 \ n_3 \ n_4} = \frac{n!}{n_1! \ n_2! \ n_3! \ n_4!} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{people} \\ \downarrow \\ n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + n_4 = n \end{matrix} ; \begin{matrix} \text{total of} \\ \downarrow \\ n \text{ people} \end{matrix}$$

Multinomial  
coefficient

$$\binom{n}{n_1 \ n_2 \ n_3 \ n_4} = \frac{n!}{n_1! \ n_2! \ n_3! \ n_4!}$$

52 card deck  $\rightarrow$  deal to 4 players  
P(each gets an ace) = ?

see  
Ex 1.33  
(Bertsekas)

Also count in how many ways remaining 48 cards  
are distributed to 4 people ;  $\frac{48!}{12! \ 12! \ 12! \ 12!}$

$$P(A) = \frac{4! (48!) (12!)^4}{52!} \Rightarrow = \frac{4! (48!) (12!)^4}{(13!) (13!) (13!) (13!)} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{(13 cards/player)} \\ \text{how many} \\ \text{4 aces are} \\ \text{distributed to 4} \\ \text{people} \end{matrix}$$

$$= \frac{4!}{1! 1! 1! 1!}$$

multiple (Independent) Random Experiment :

When sub-experiments are independent:

$A_1, \dots, A_n$   
are independent.

Not general

most general

$$P(A) = P(A_1) P(A_2) P(A_3) \dots P(A_n)$$

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_n)$$

$A = \cap A_i$  ✓ : A joint event.

When we don't have independence: (No independence assumption)

$$P(A) = P(A_1) P(A_2 | A_1) P(A_3 | A_1 \cap A_2) \dots P(A_n | \cap_{i=1}^{n-1} A_i)$$

$$P(\bar{A}_1 | A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_{n-1})$$

Special Dependence Case:

Ex: Dependent Bernoulli Trial: Say 2 coins :

1 fair coin ( $p=0.5$ ) ; 1 unfair coin ( $p=0.25$ )

Rule of the experiment : Choose at random 1 coin :

Get a Tail  $\rightarrow$  Switch to unfair coin

Get a Head  $\rightarrow$  Switch to fair coin.

Event: Getting 10. Tails in succession :

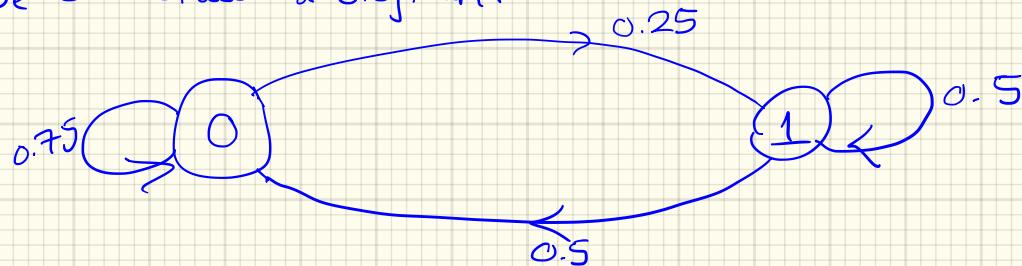
the joint event

$$A = \{0, 0, \dots, 0\}_{\text{Tail, Tail}, \dots, \text{Tail}}$$

Tail = 0

$$\rightarrow P(\text{Tail on the } \frac{i}{\text{st}} \text{ toss} \mid \text{Tail on the } \frac{(i-1)}{\text{st}} \text{ toss}) = \underbrace{P(O|O)}$$

We can draw a diagram



Markov State Probability diagram.

$$P(1|0)$$

P(11)

P(olí)

Def: This type of Bernoulli sequence, where the probability for trial  $i$  (in the sequence) depends only on the outcome of the previous trial, is called a **Markov Sequence**. ↳ due. to Markov

$$P(A_i | A_{i-1}, A_{i-2}, \dots, A_2, A_1) = P(A_i | A_{i-1})$$

due to Markov sequence property

$$\textcircled{3} \quad P(A) = P(A_1)P(A_2|A_1)P(A_3|A_2)P(A_4|A_3)\dots P(A_n|A_{n-1})$$

$$P(A_1) = P(\text{Tail} | \text{Fair}) \underbrace{P(\text{Fair})}_{\text{Recall}} + P(\text{Tail} | \text{Unfair}) \underbrace{P(\text{Unfair})}_{\text{Recall}}$$

This is Total Prob. Law. (Recall)

$$= (0.5)(0.5) + (0.75)(0.5) = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A) = P(A_i) \prod_{i=2}^{10} p(A_i | A_{i-1}) = \frac{5}{8} (0.75)^9 = 0.0469$$

Compare this probability to the case

we have independent K fair coins:

$$P(A) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{10} \approx 0.00097$$

$$A = \underbrace{S T T \dots T}_3$$

$\uparrow$   
 $\underbrace{1 \dots 1}_2 \dots \dots$

$\approx 5\%$   
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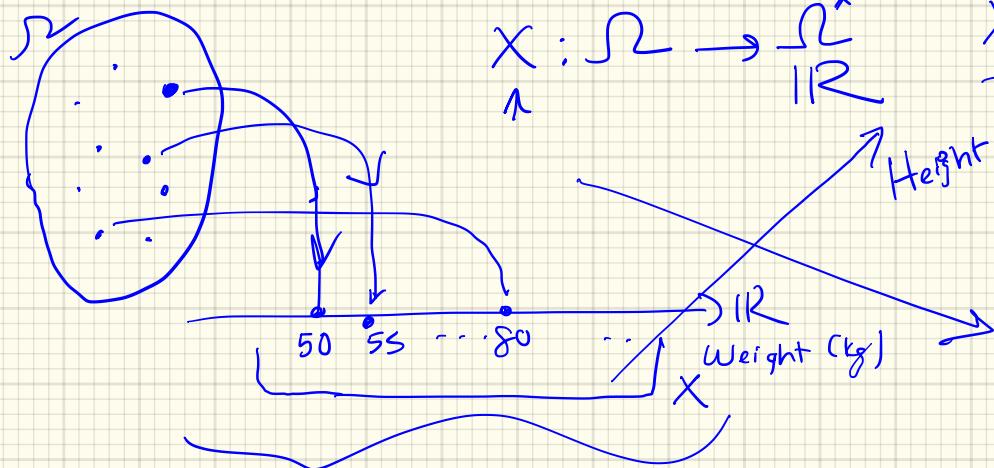
much larger  
probability

→ This example is a simple case of a Markov chain

# Random Variables (r.v.)

AoP ✓

R.v.'s derived quantities.



$X$  is a function.

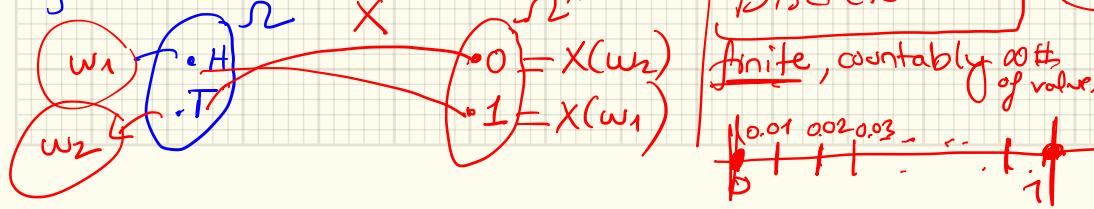
$\overbrace{S}^X \rightarrow \overbrace{\mathbb{R}}^X$

Continuous r.v.  
 $\Omega^X = [0, 1]$   
 $\mathbb{R}^X = \mathbb{R}$

Def: An r.v. is a mapping (function) from the sample space  $\Omega$  to a subset of the real line  $\mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbb{R} = \{x : x \in (-\infty, \infty)\}$$

e.g. Flip a coin



Discrete R.V.

Finite, countably # of values

$$0, 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, \dots$$

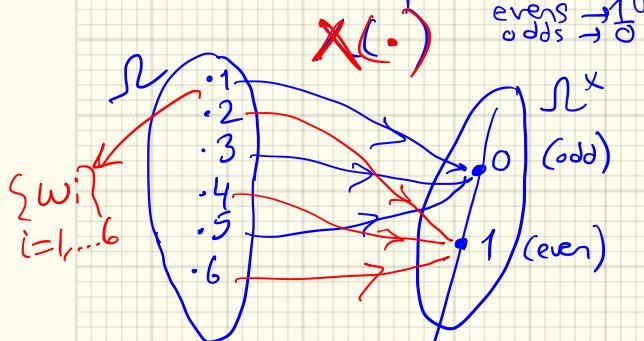
$$\Omega^X = \{0, 0.01, 1\}$$

Continuous r.v.

$$\Omega^X = \mathbb{R}$$

$$|\Omega^X| = 10^1$$

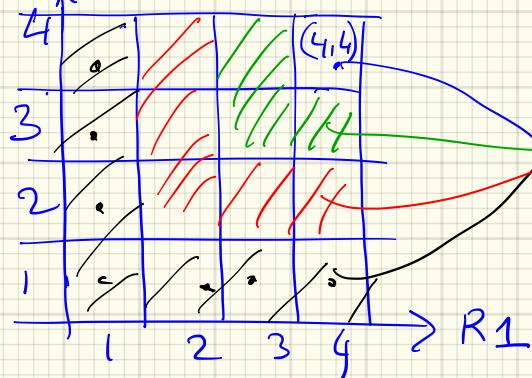
Ex: Random experiment : fair dice roll.



$$X(w_i) = \begin{cases} 0, & i=1, 3, 5 \\ 1, & i=2, 4, 6 \end{cases}$$

Ex: Two independent rolls of a fair tetrahedral die (die w/4 faces)

Sample Space  $S_{R_2}$



$$X \triangleq \min(R_1, R_2)$$

r.v. maps outcomes to numerical values.

calculate

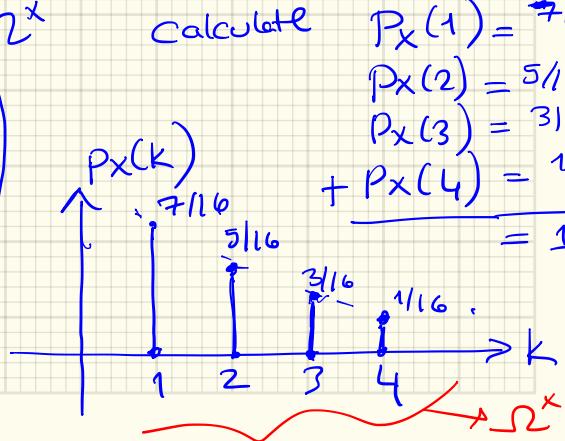
$$P_X(1) = ?/16$$

$$P_X(2) = 5/16$$

$$P_X(3) = 3/16$$

$$+ P_X(4) = 1/16$$

$$= 1.$$



# Probability Mass Function: (pmf)

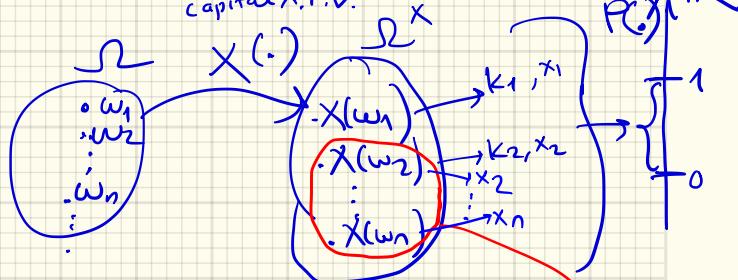
$$P_X[\cdot] : \mathcal{L}^X \rightarrow [0,1]$$

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$$p_X[x] = P_X[x \in \omega]$$

little p  
pmf

capital X: r.v.



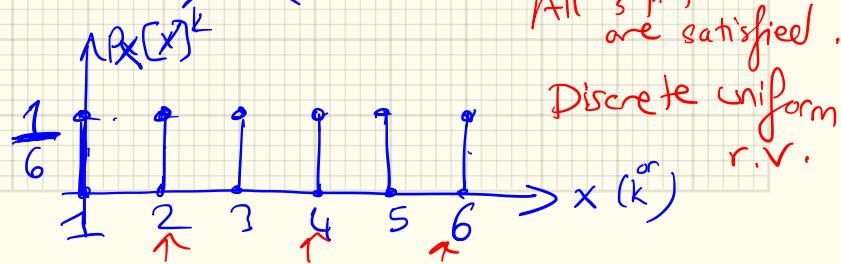
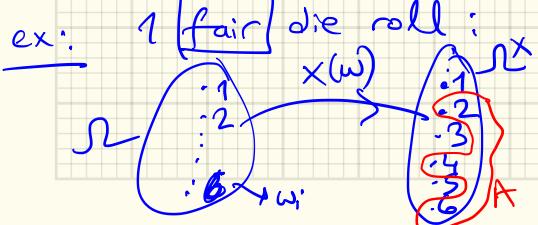
Properties of the pmf:

$$(1) 0 \leq p_X[k] \leq 1$$

$$(2) \sum_{i=1}^M p_X[i] = 1 ; \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_X[i] = 1 \quad (\text{Normalization property})$$

$$(3) p_X(x \in A) = \sum_{\{i : x_i \in A\}} p_X[x_i]$$

event A defined in  $\mathcal{L}^X$



All 3 properties are satisfied.

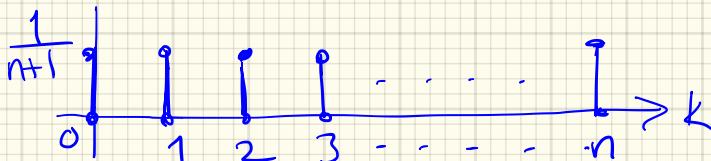
Discrete uniform r.v.

## Important pmfs :

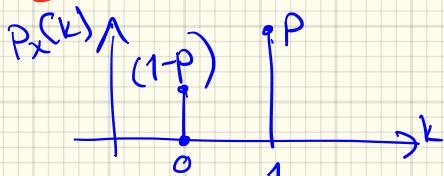
1) Discrete Uniform r.v.

$$X(\cdot) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$$

$$P_X[k] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n+1}, & k=0, 1, \dots, n \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$



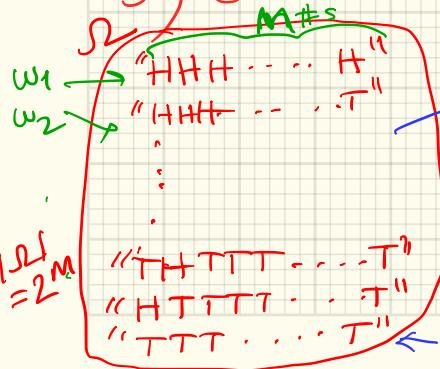
2) Bernoulli r.v.



$$P_X[k] = \begin{cases} (1-p), & k=0 \\ p, & k=1 \end{cases}$$

✓ (3 properties of pmf)

3) Binomial r.v.



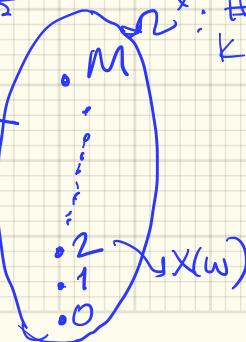
$$X(\cdot)$$

Binomial r.v.

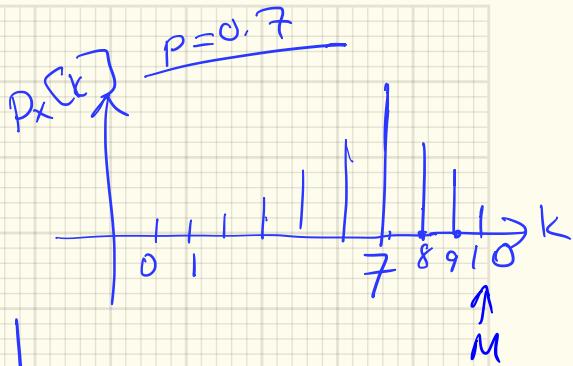
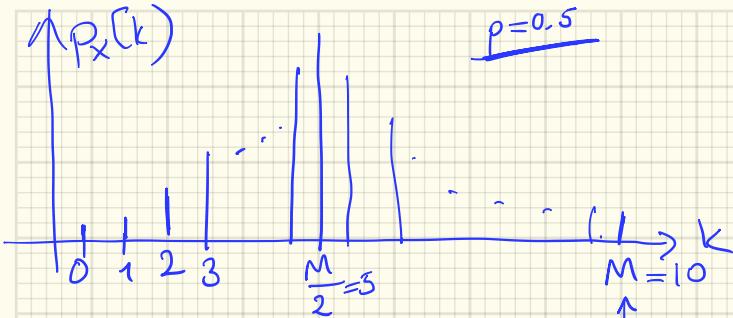
$\underset{k}{\underbrace{\dots}}$  successes in  $M$  trials  $\therefore P_X[k]$

x: # heads(successes) in  $M$  (Bernoulli) trials  
 $k=0, 1, \dots, M$ ;

$$P_X[k] = \binom{M}{k} p^k (1-p)^{M-k}$$



Binomial( $M, p$ ) :  $M$  &  $p$  are the parameters of the pmf.



Location of the max of the pmf:  $\lfloor (M+1)p \rfloor$

$\lfloor x \rfloor$  : largest integer  $\leq x$

Real World problem: [Sec 3.10 Slkey]. Quality Control Engineer

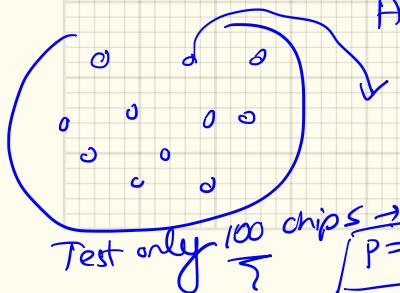
Test only a proportion of the chips to be shipped.

Criterion for acceptance of a Batch (to be shipped)

At least 95% of the tested chips are "good" (non-defective)

95 or more are good: Success event.

$$P_x[k \geq 95] = P_x[k=95] + P_x[k=96] + \dots + P_x[k=100]$$



Test only 100 chips

$P=0.94$  if proportion  
of good chips  
in a batch

$$= \sum_{k=95}^{100} \binom{100}{k} p^k (1-p)^{100-k} P_x[k]$$

$\approx 0.45$ !

To reduce this probability : Quality control engineer changes the strategy to :

Ship a batch only if 98 or more of the chips are good.

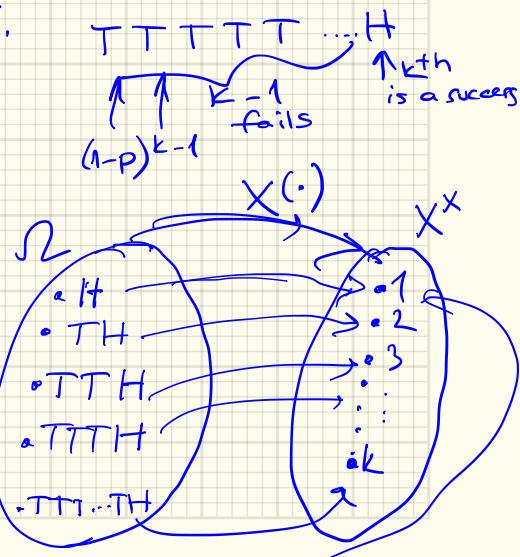
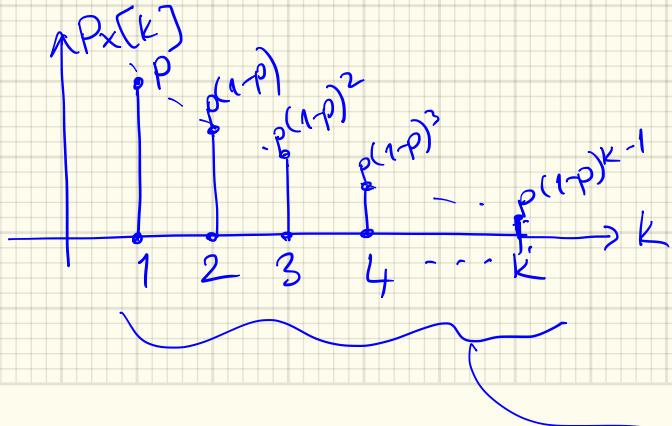
$$P_x[k \geq 98] = \sum_{k=98}^{100} \binom{100}{k} p^k (1-p)^{100-k}$$

$$\approx 0.05 \quad w/ p=0.94$$

✓ an acceptable proportion of defective batches to be shipped.

4) Geometric pmf: Prob. of success at the  $k^{\text{th}}$  trial.

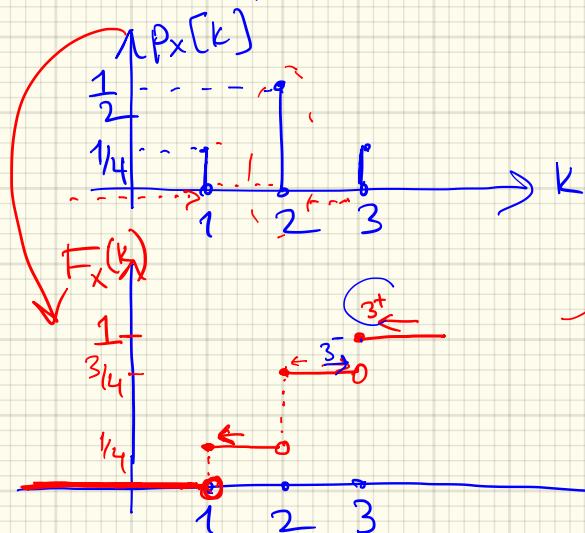
$$P_x[k] = (1-p)^{k-1} \cdot p$$



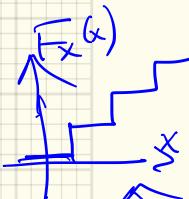
# Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

Alternative means of summarizing the probabilities of an r.v.

Def:  $F_X(x) = P[X \leq x]$



The CDF is a running sum that adds up probabilities of the pmf, starting at  $-\infty$ , ending at  $+\infty$ .



★ For a discrete pmf, the cdf  $F_X(k)$  are always staircase-like.

→ pmf from cdf :  $p_x[k] = F_X(k^+) - F_X(k^-)$  } size of the jumps.  
 $p_x[3] = 1 - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$