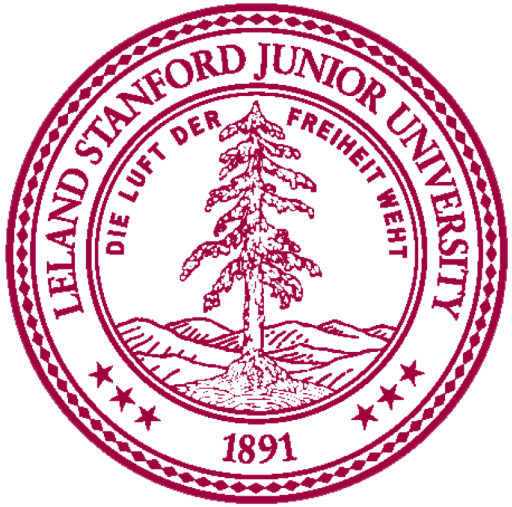

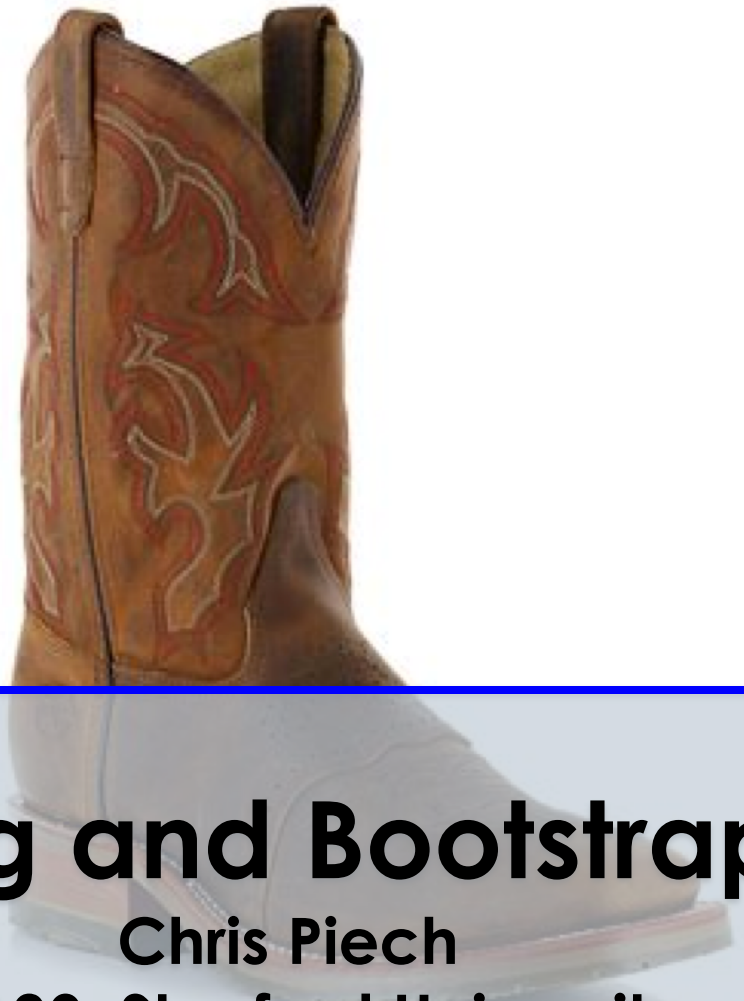

Sampling and Bootstrapping

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IID Random Variables

- Consider *n* random variables X_1, X_2, ... X_n
  - X_i are all independently and identically distributed (I.I.D.)
  - All have the same PMF (if discrete) or PDF (if continuous)
  - All have the same expectation
  - All have the same variance

IID iid

The sum of independent, identically distributed variables:

$$Y = \sum_{i=0}^{n} X_i$$

Is normally distributed:

$$Y \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

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where $\mu = E[X_i]$

$$\sigma^2 = \mathrm{Var}(X_i)$$

By the Central Limit Theorem, the sample mean of IID variables are distributed normally.

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

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Motivating Example

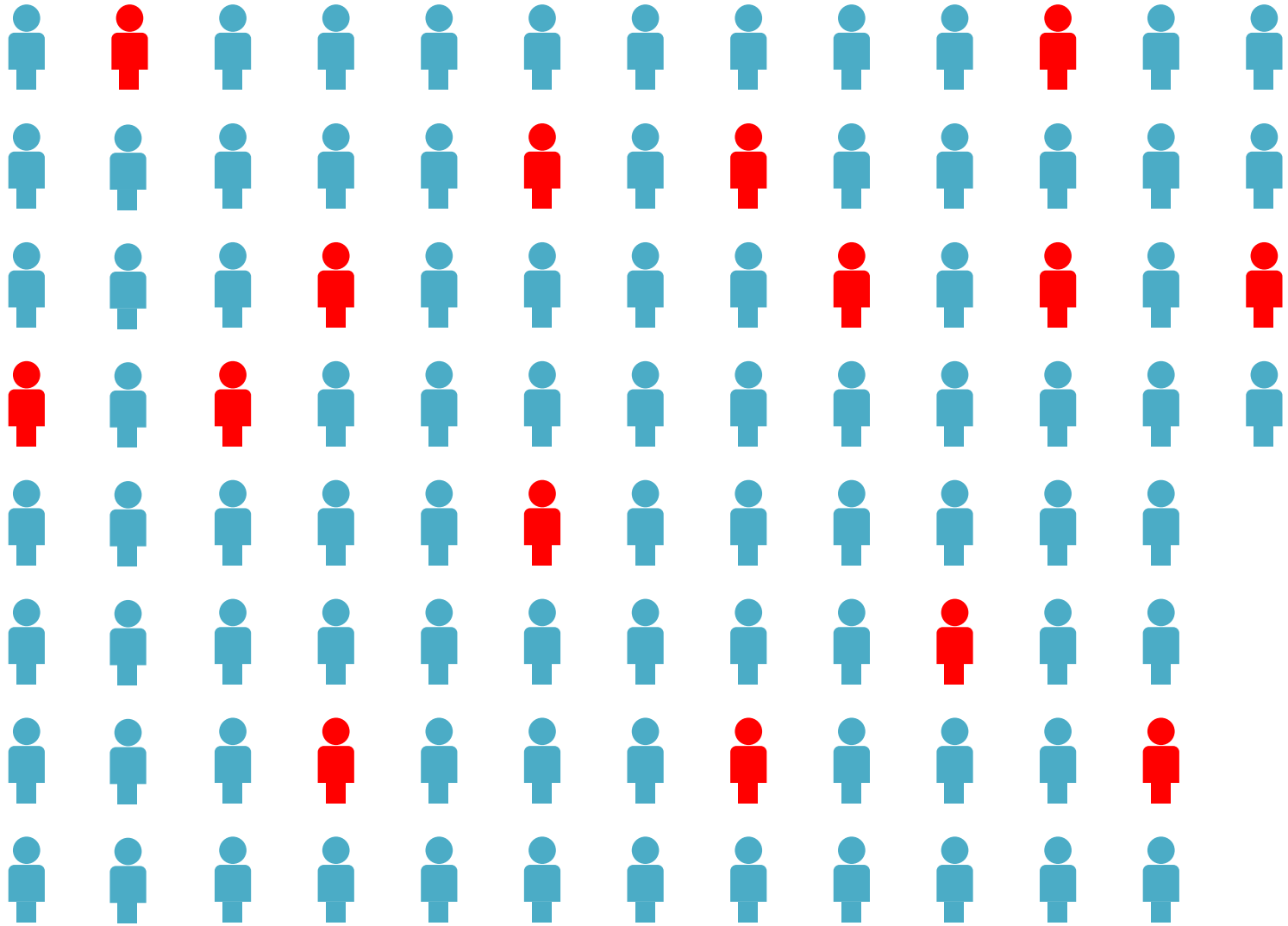
- You want to know the true mean and variance of happiness in Buthan
  - But you can't ask everyone.
  - Randomly sample 200 people.
  - Your data looks like this:

Happiness = {72, 85, 79, 91, 68, … , 71}

  - The mean of all of those numbers is 83. Is that the true average happiness of Bhutanese people?

Population

Sample



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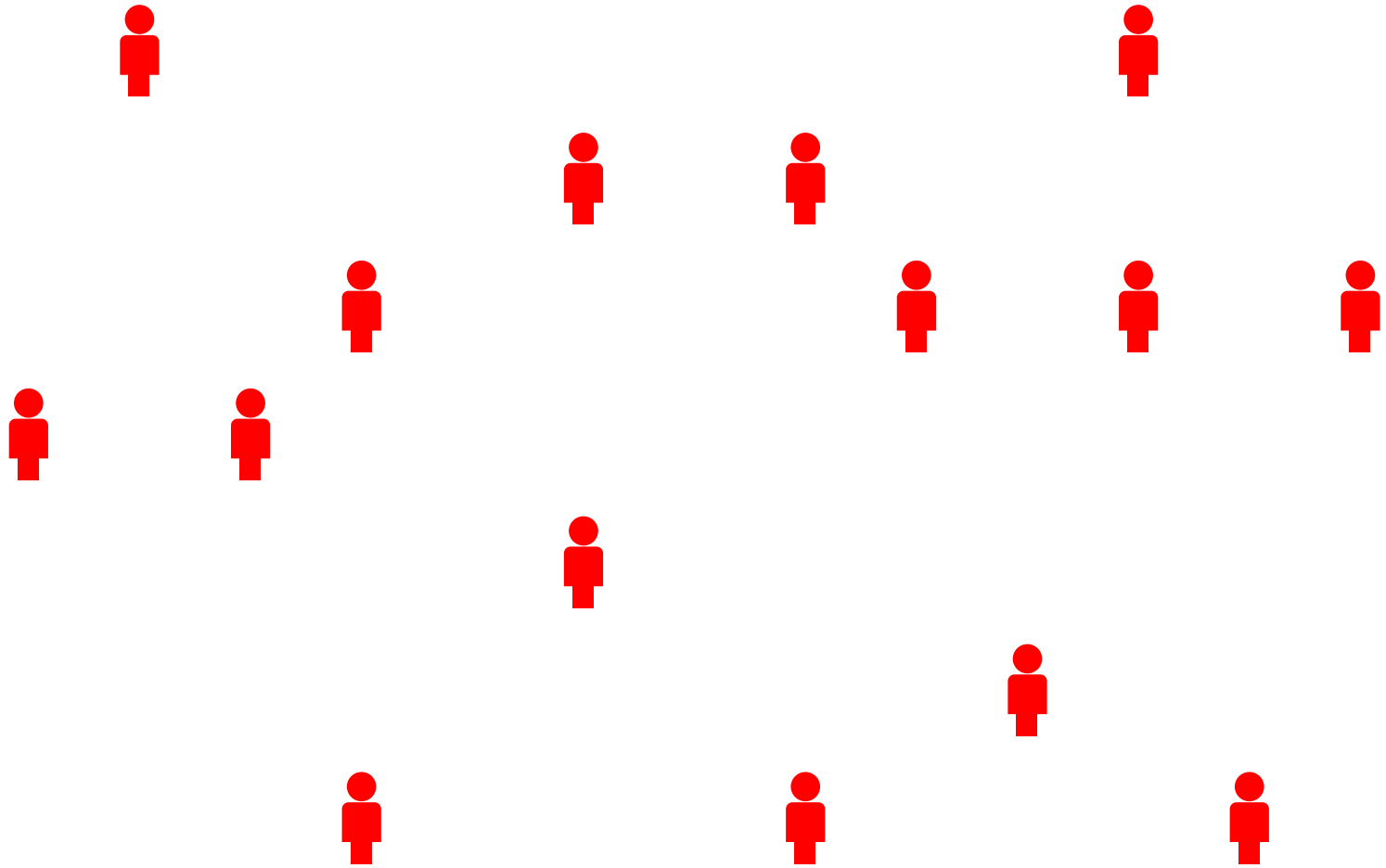


Collect one (or more) numbers from each person

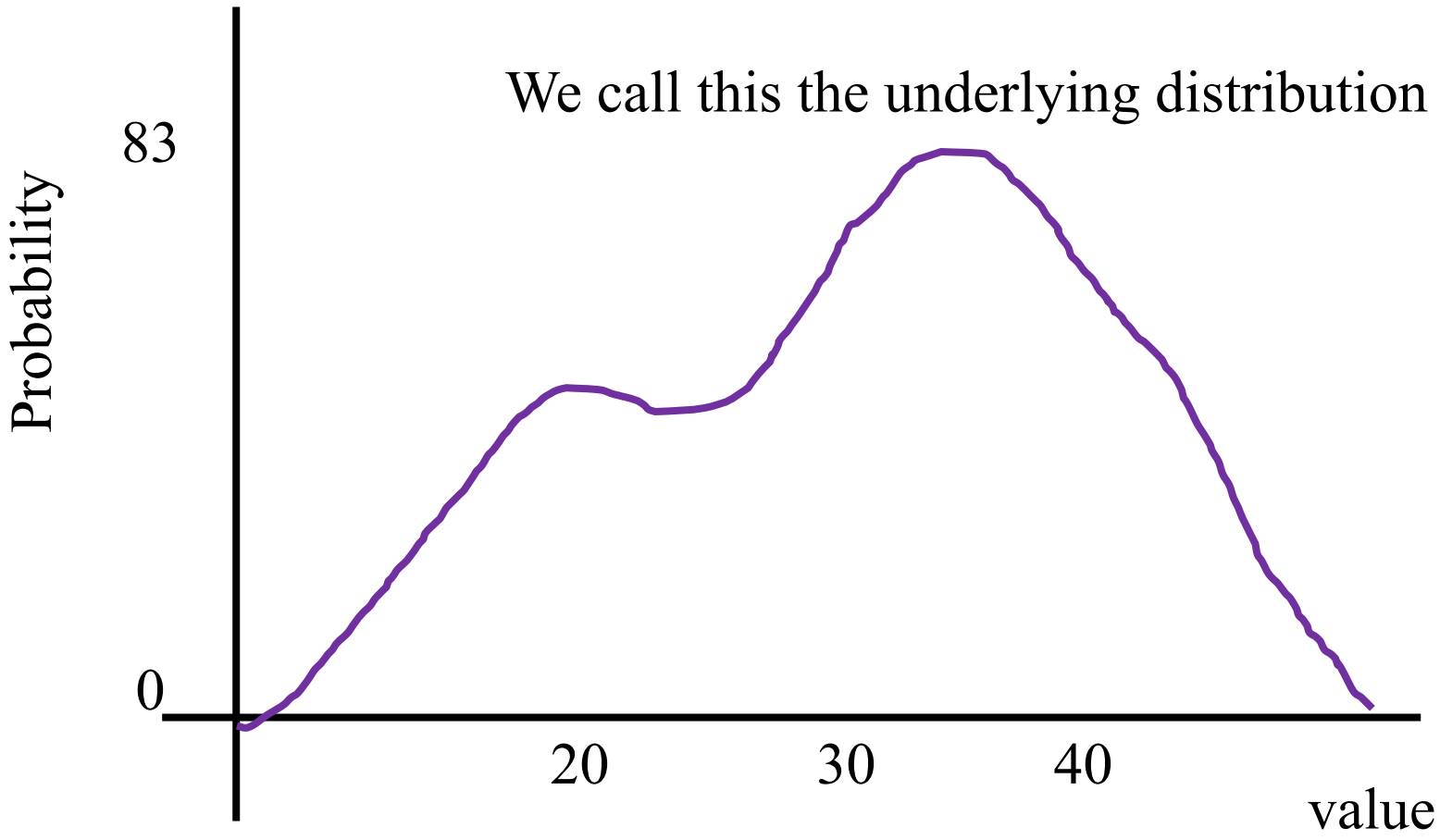
Sample

IID Samples

Consider n IID samples:

$$X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$$

IID Samples



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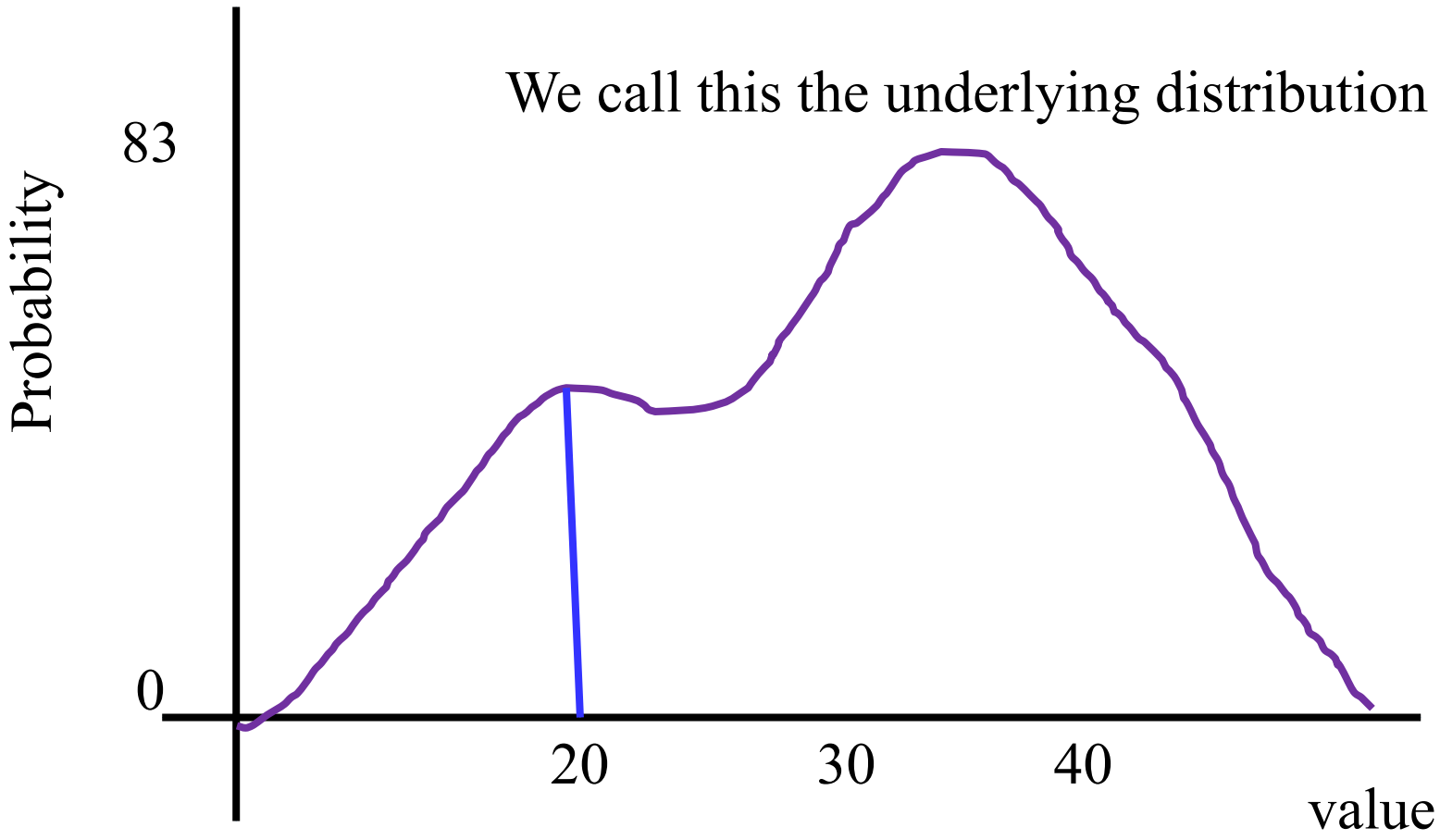

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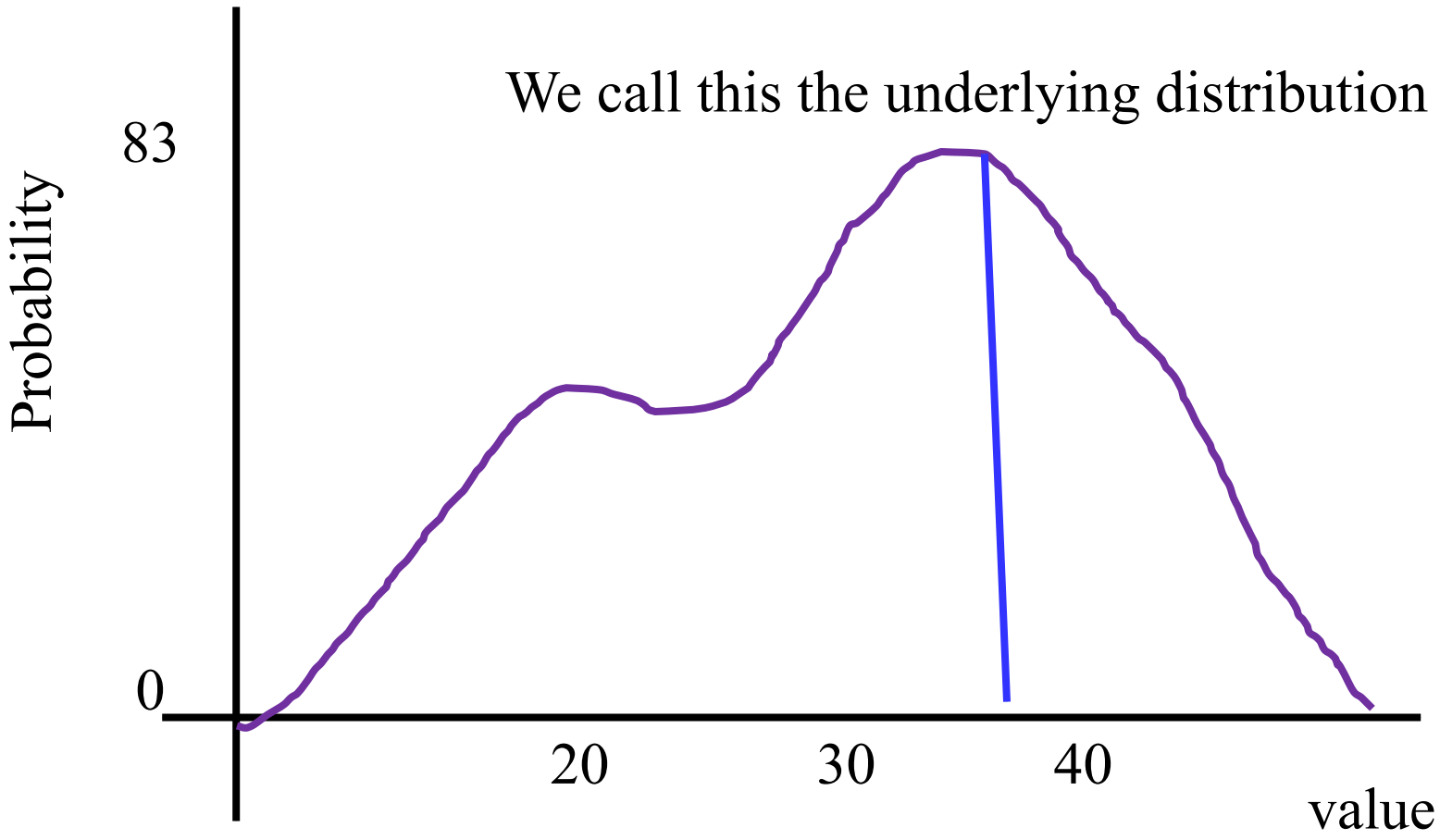
IID Samples



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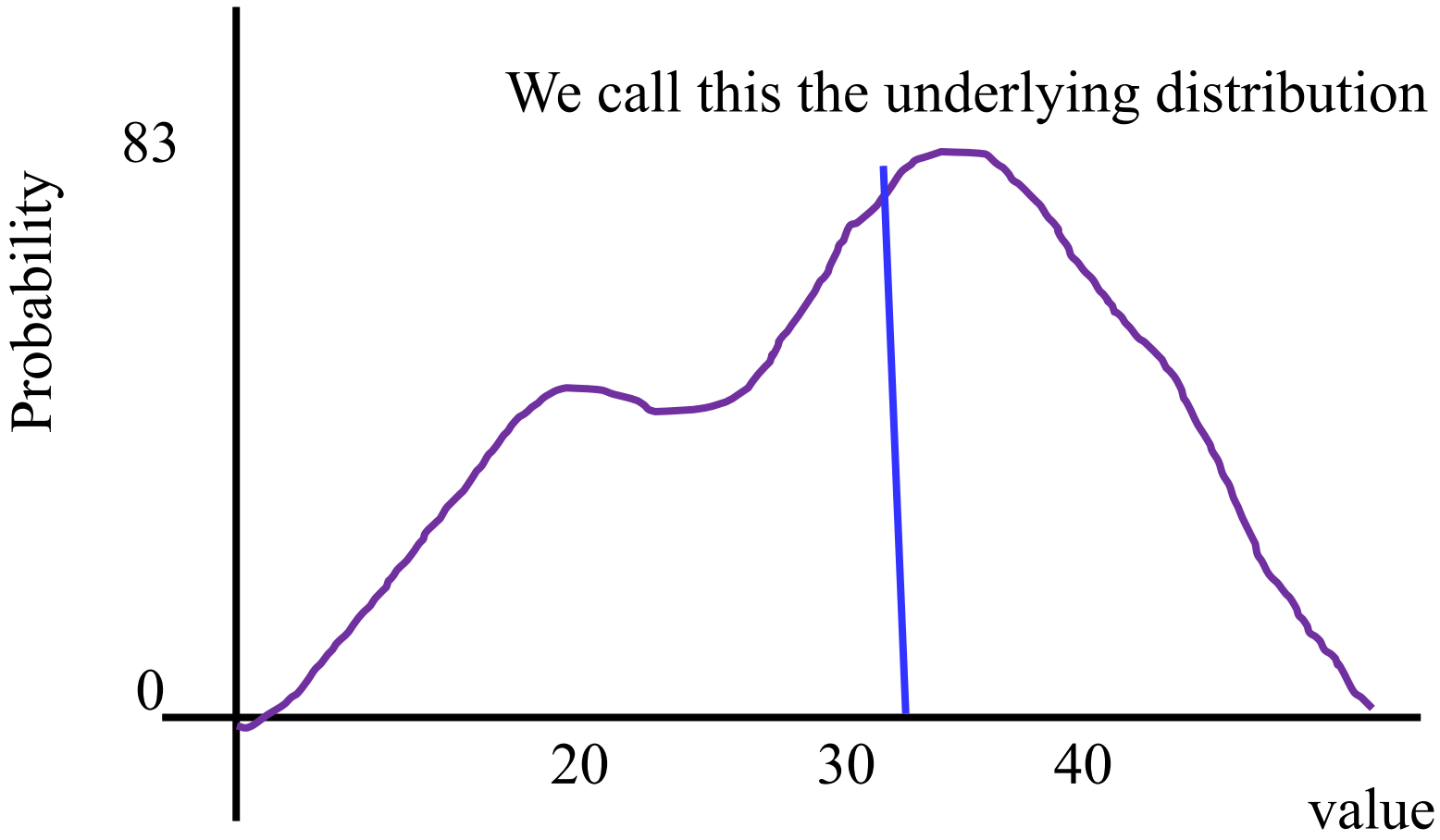

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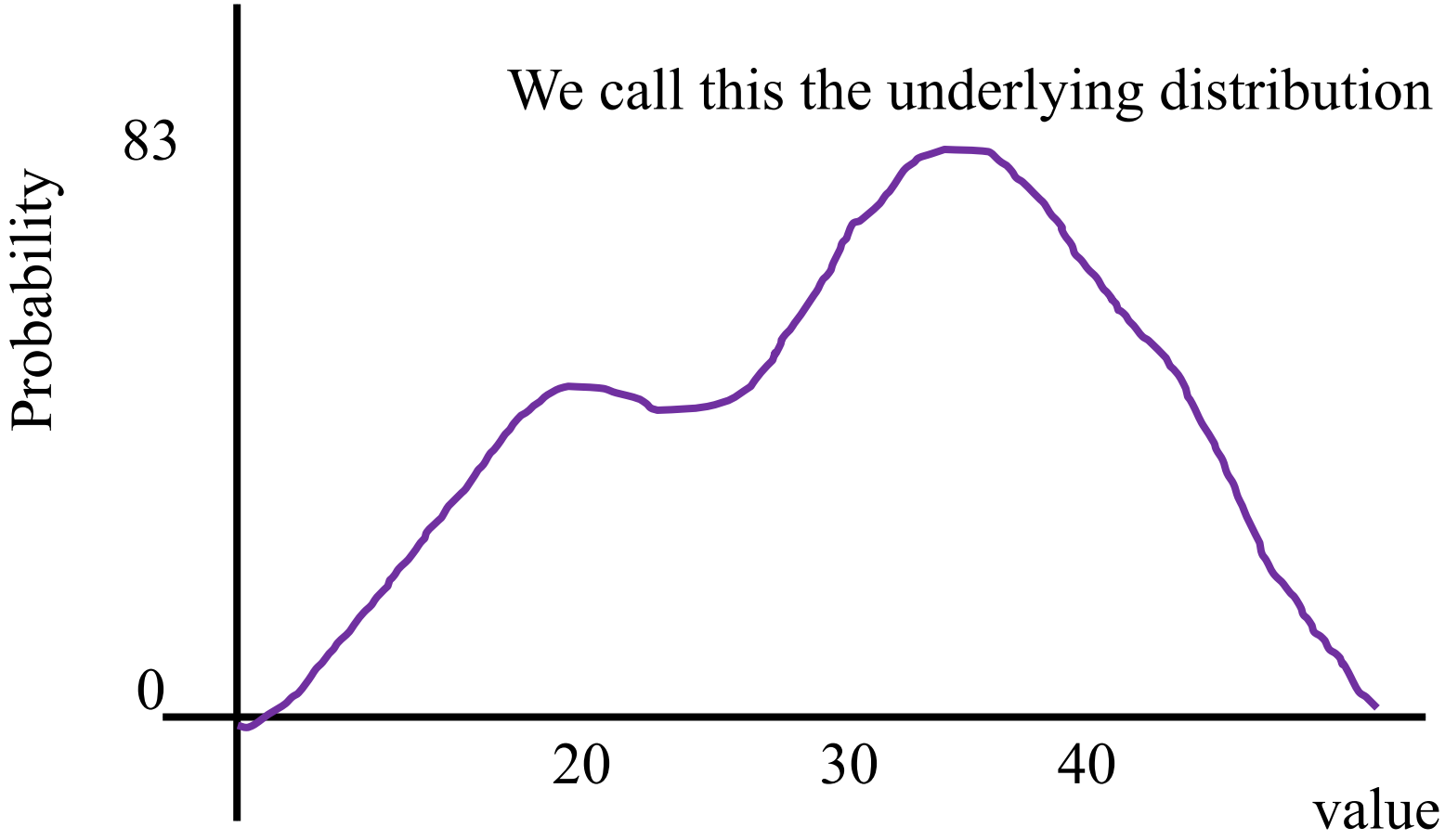

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  - Compute $E[\overline{X}]$

$$E[\overline{X}] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n}\right] = \frac{1}{n} E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E[X_i] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu = \frac{1}{n} n\mu = \mu$$

  - $\overline{X}$ is "unbiased" estimate of μ $(E[\overline{X}] = \mu)$

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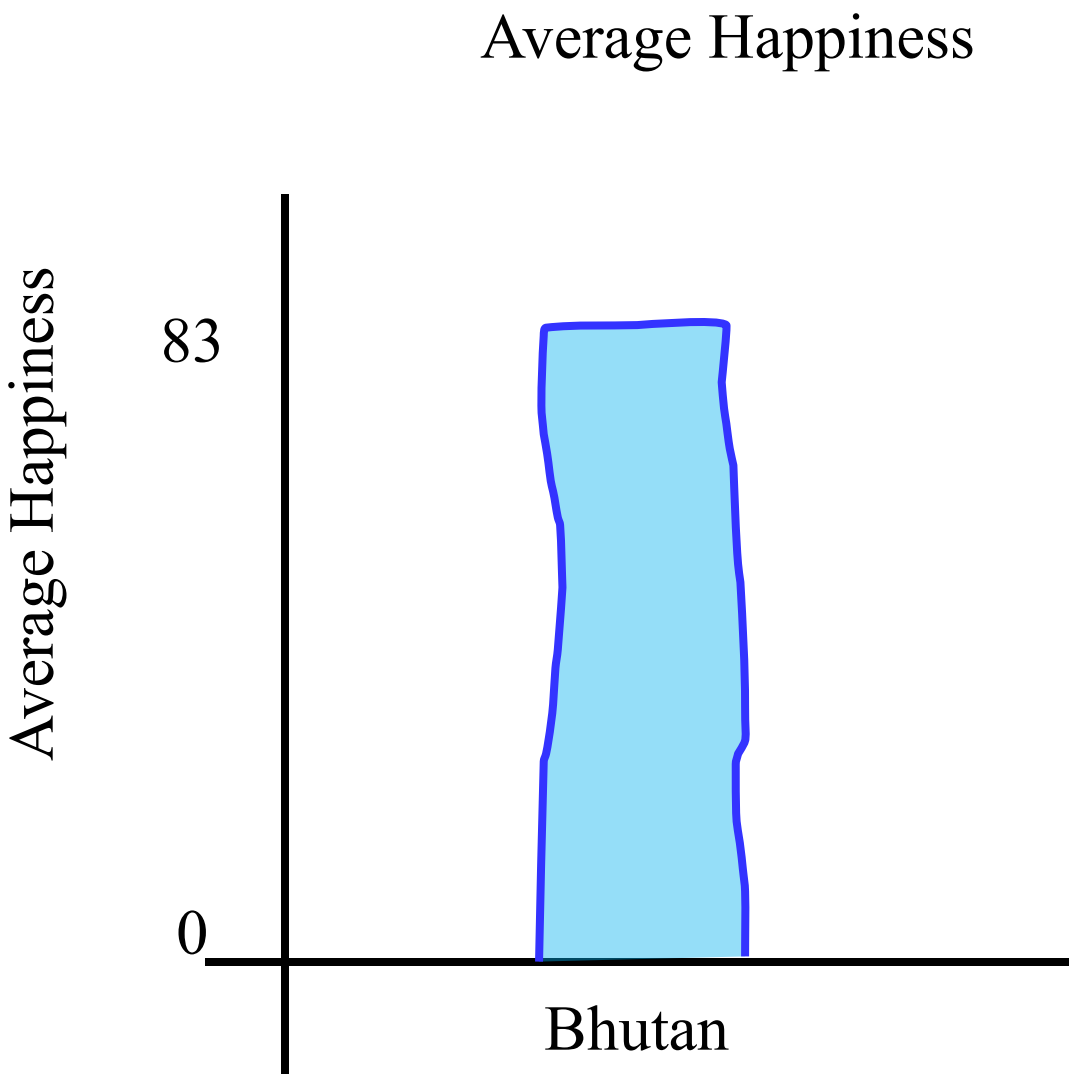

Sample Mean:

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ith sample

Size of the sample

Sample Variance

- Consider *n* I.I.D. random variables X_1, X_2, ... X_n
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  - Recall sample mean: $\overline{X} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n}$ where $E[\overline{X}] = \mu$
  - Sample deviation: $\overline{X} - X_i$ for i = 1, 2, ..., n
  - Sample variance: $S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(X_i - \overline{X})^2}{n-1}$
  - What is $E[S^2]$?
  - $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$
  - We say S^2 is "unbiased estimate" of σ^2

I Believe What I See

Intuition that $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$

Population variance

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{N}$$

This is the actual mean

Unbiased sample variance

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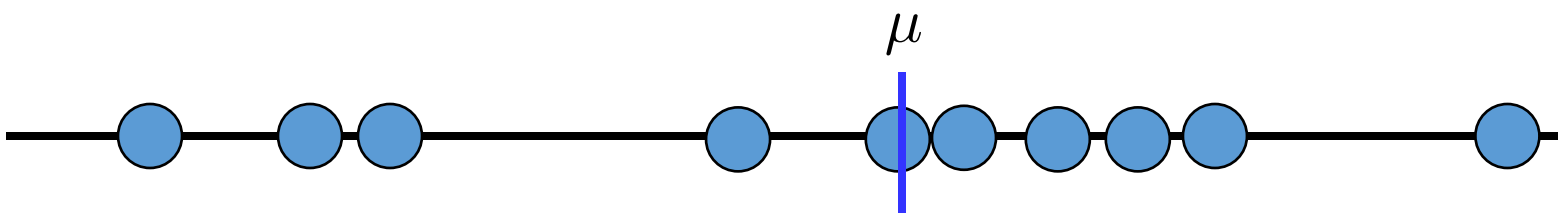

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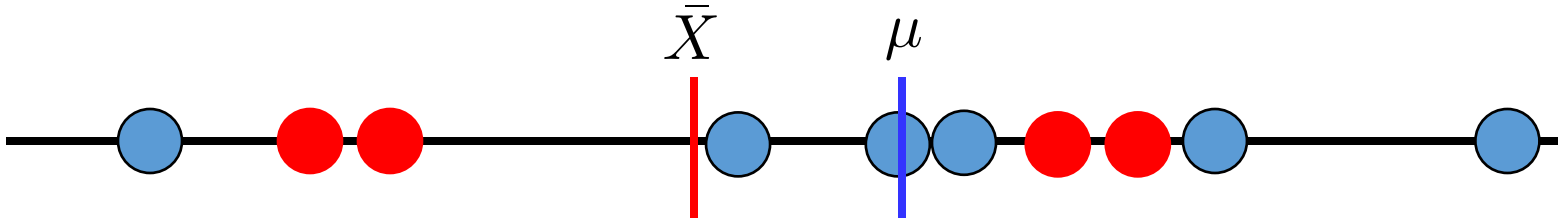
The variance of the sample mean? Related to population variance



Proof that $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$ (just for reference)

$$E[S^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}\right] \Rightarrow (n-1)E[S^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}(X_i - \bar{X})^2\right]$$

$$(n-1)E[S^2] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}(X_i - \bar{X})^2\right] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}((X_i - \mu) + (\mu - \bar{X}))^2\right]$$

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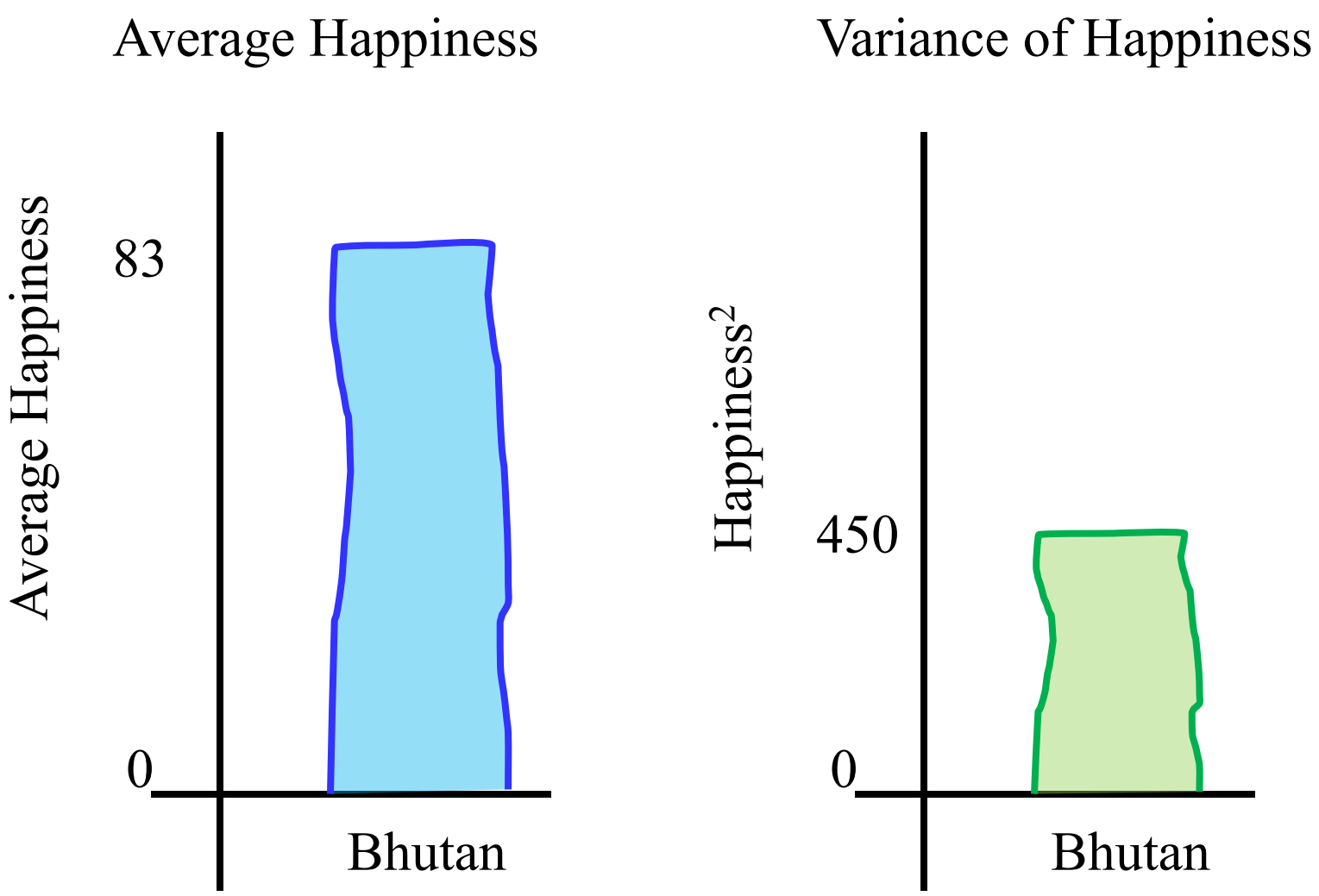
$$= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}(X_i - \mu)^2 - n(\mu - \bar{X})^2\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n}E[(X_i - \mu)^2] - nE[(\mu - \bar{X})^2]$$

$$= n\sigma^2 - n\mathrm{Var}(\bar{X}) = n\sigma^2 - n\frac{\sigma^2}{n} = n\sigma^2 - \sigma^2 = (n-1)\sigma^2$$

- So, $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$

Sample Mean


Average Happiness
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83
0
Bhutan
Variance of Happiness
Happiness^2
450
0
Bhutan

Sample Variance:

$$S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(X_i - \overline{X})^2}{n-1}$$

Sample mean

Makes it "unbiased"

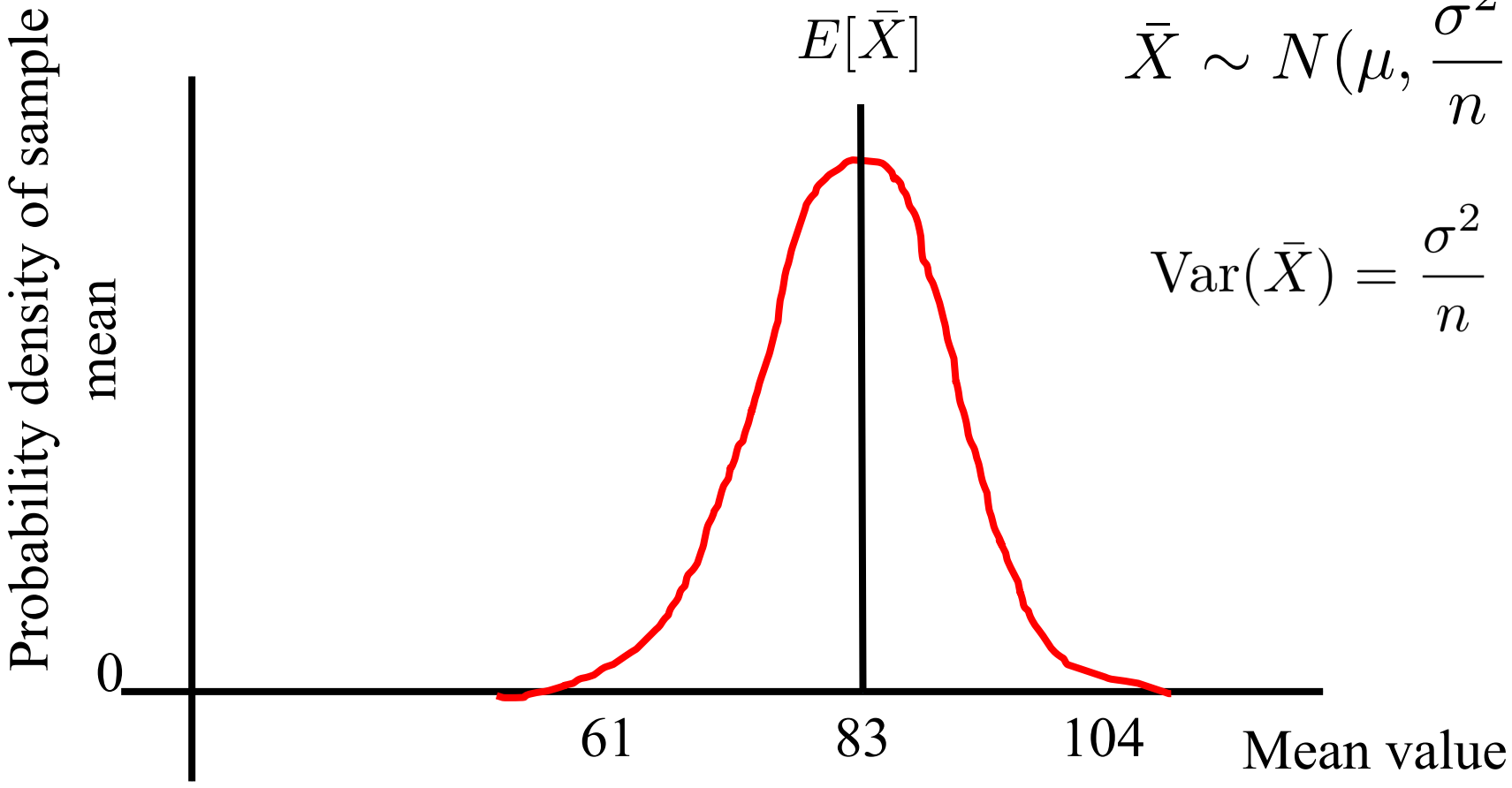
No Error Bars ☹

Variance of Sample Mean

By central limit theorem:

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

$$\mathrm{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$



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  - What is $\text{Var}(\bar{X})$?

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right)$$

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$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

Standard Error of the Mean

$$\mathrm{Var}(\bar{X}) = \mathrm{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \mathrm{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

$$\mathrm{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

$$= \frac{S^2}{n}$$

Since S_2 is an unbiased estimate

$$\mathrm{Std}(\bar{X}) = \sqrt{\frac{S^2}{n}}$$

Change variance to standard deviation

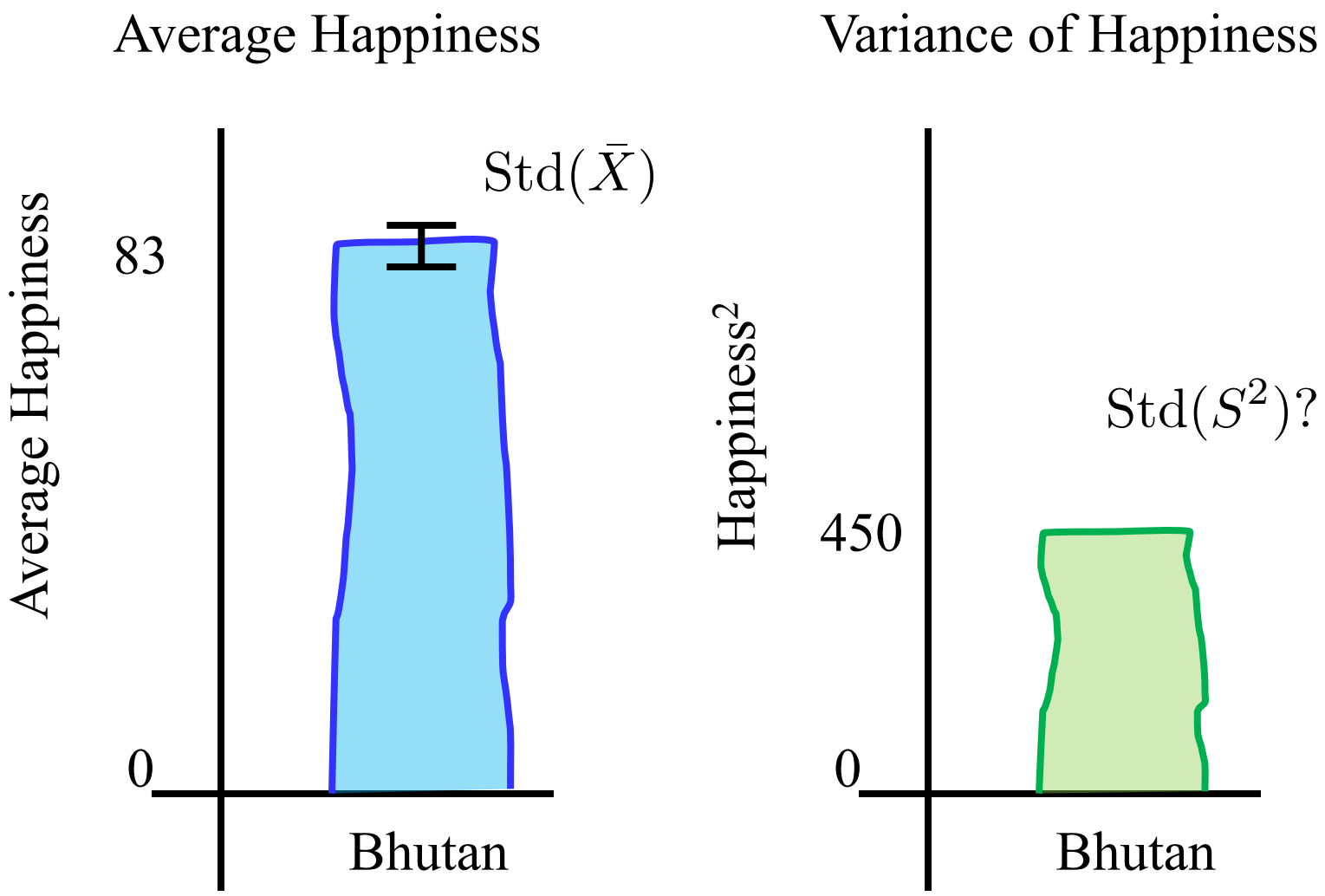
$$= \sqrt{\frac{450}{200}}$$

The numbers for our Bhutanese poll

$$= 1.5$$

Bhutanese standard error of the mean

Sample Mean



Claim: The average happiness of Bhutan is 83 ± 2

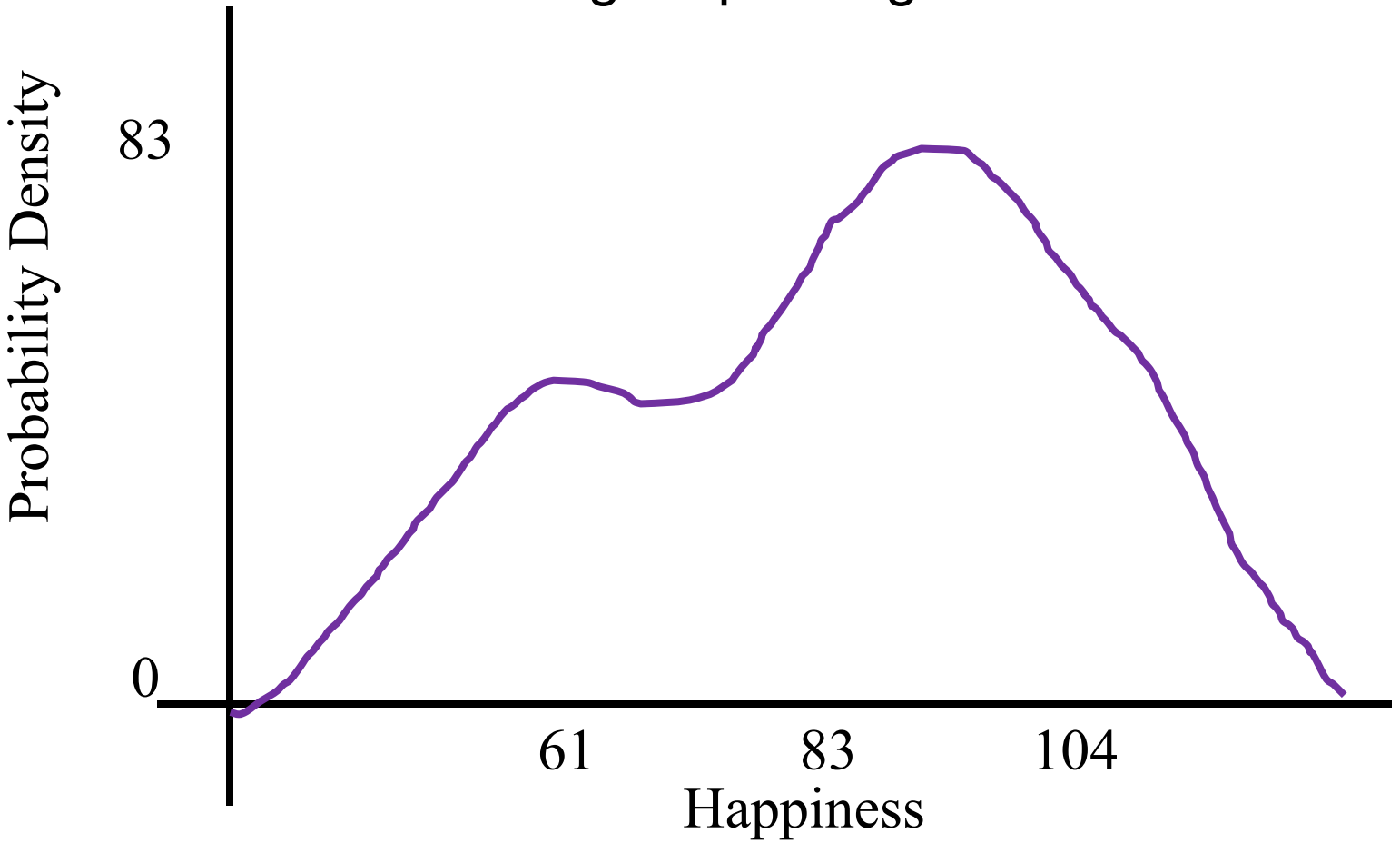
Bootstrap:
Probability for Computer Scientists

Bootstraping allows you to:

- Know the distribution of statistics
- Calculate p values

Hypothetical

What is the probability that a Bhutanese peep is just straight up loving life?



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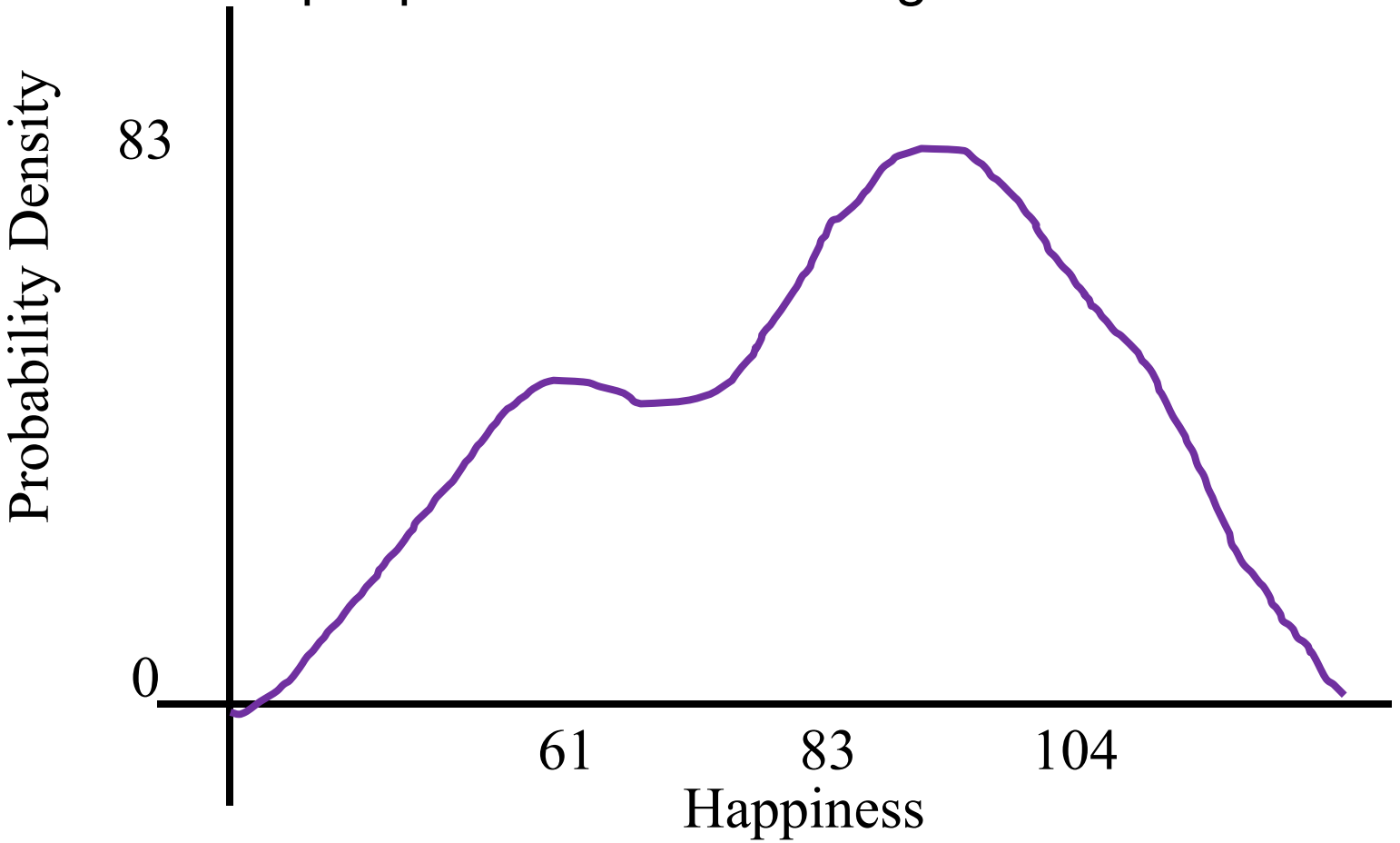
What is the probability that the mean of a sample of 200 people is within the range 81 to 85?



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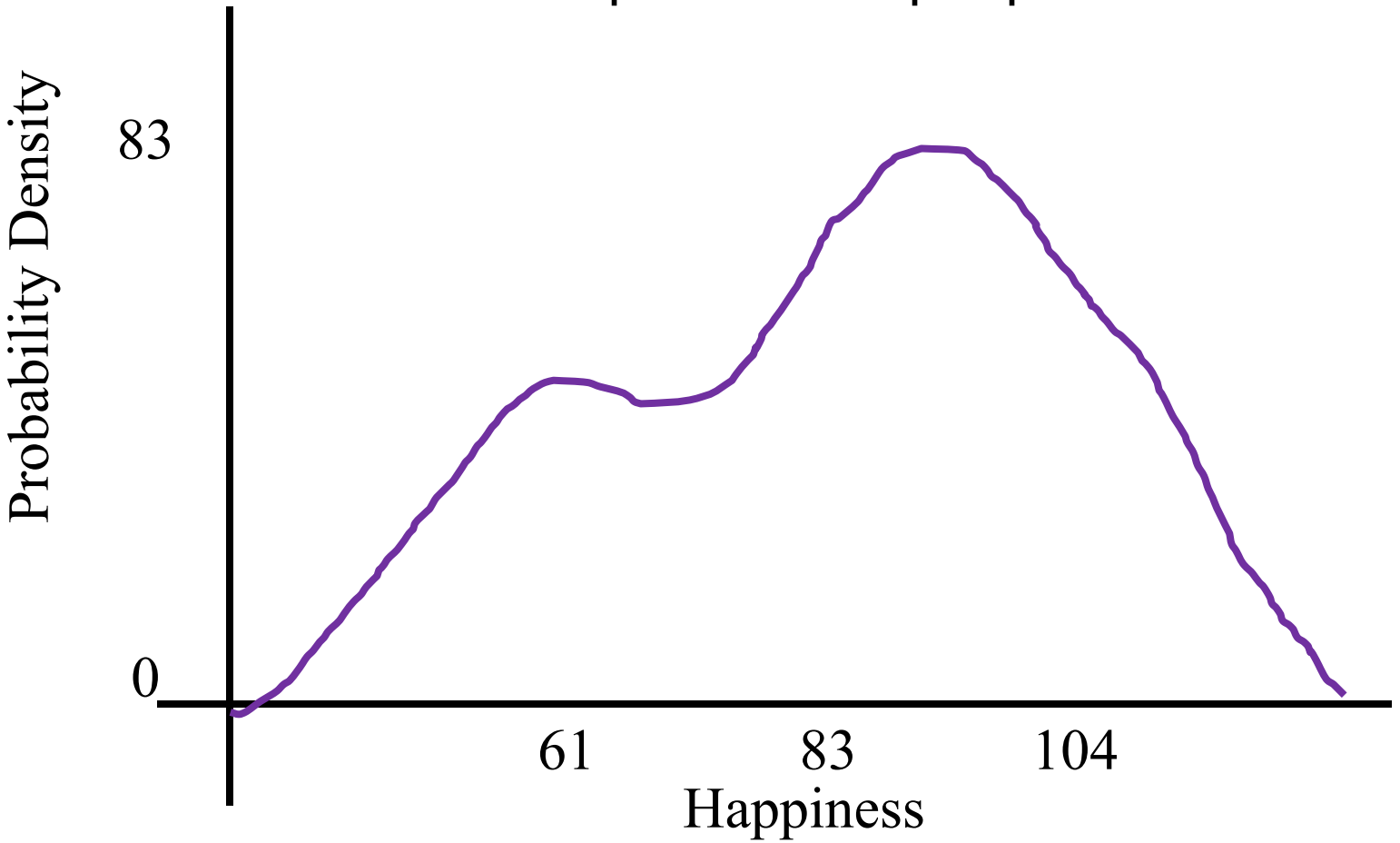
What is the variance of the sample variance of subsamples of 200 people?



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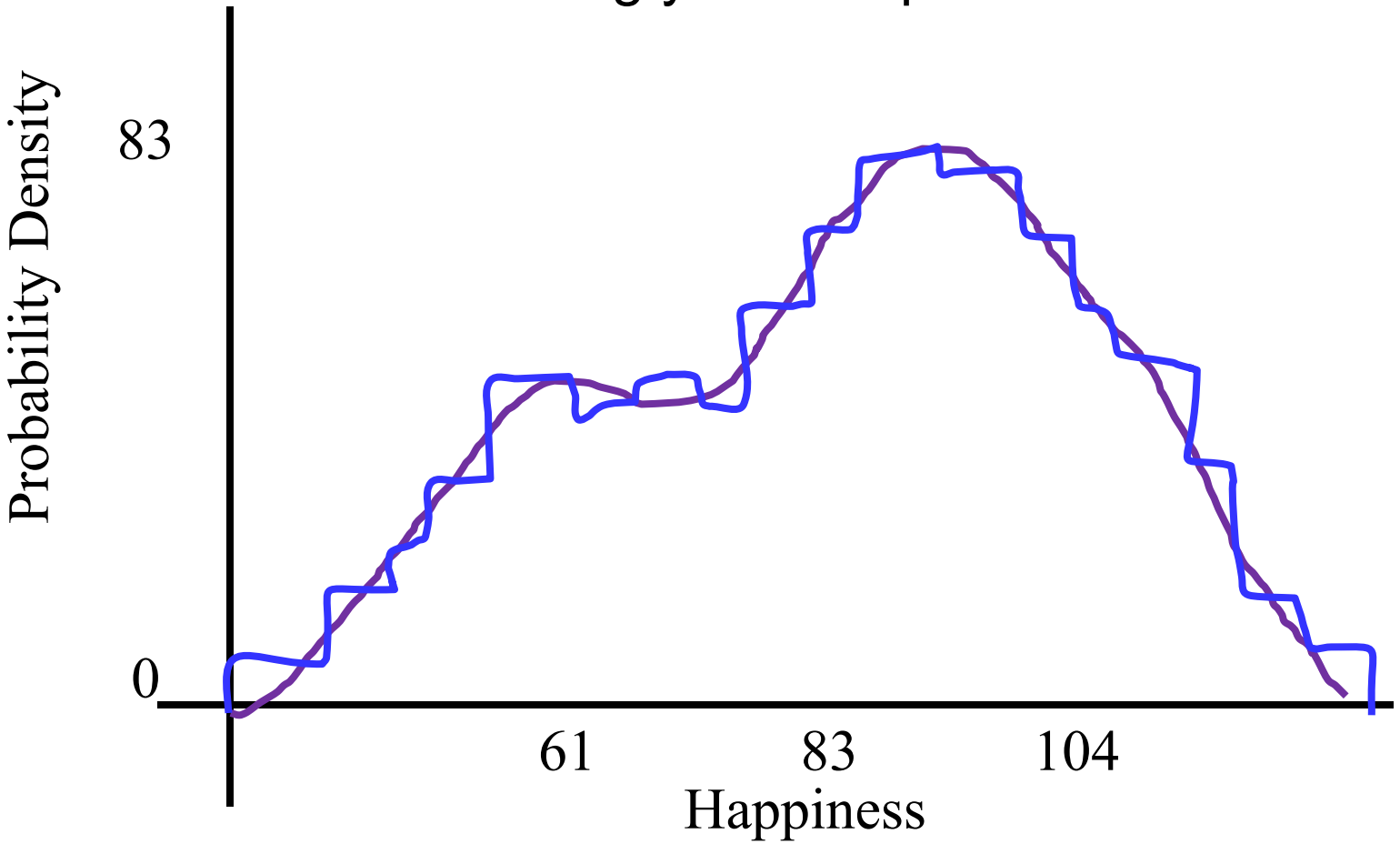
You can estimate the PMF of the underlying distribution, using your sample.*



* This is just a histogram of your data!!

Key Insight

IID Samples

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92,
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94,
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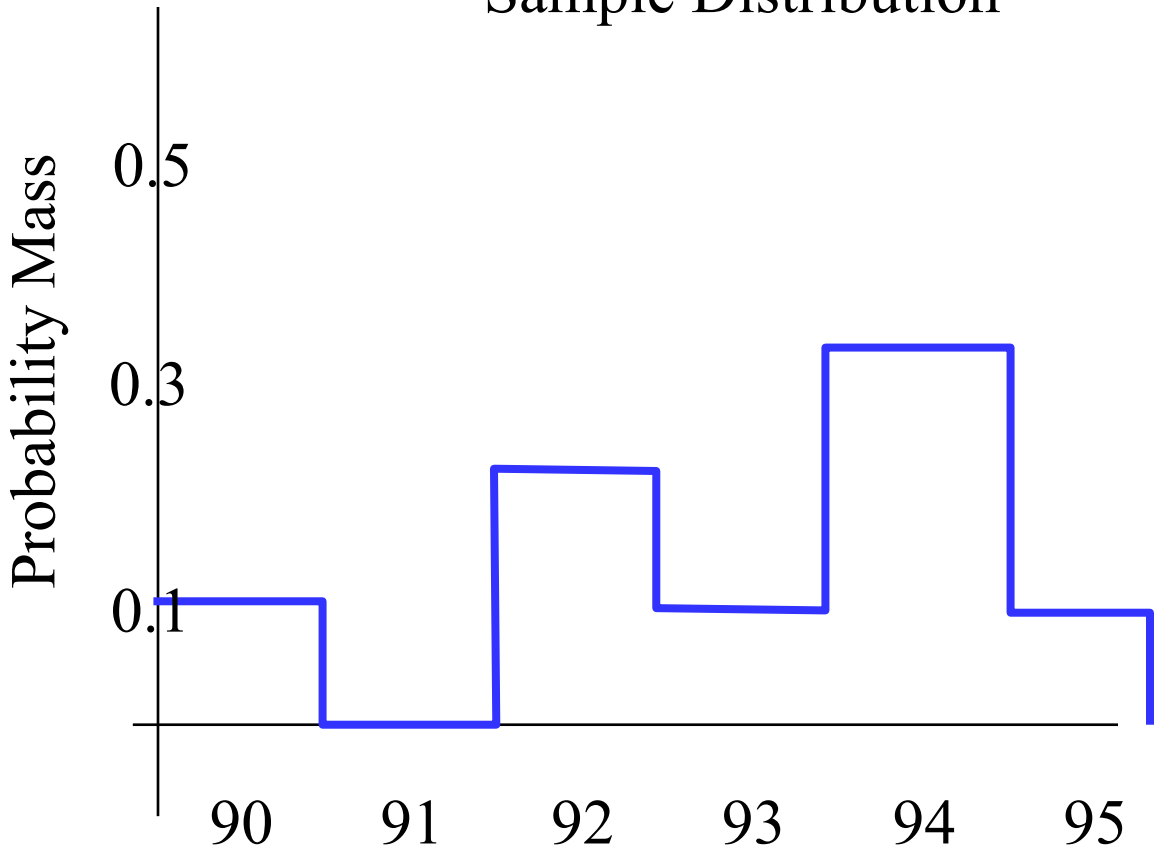
Sample Distribution



Bootstrapping Assumption

$$F \approx \hat{F}$$

The underlying distribution

The sample distribution

(aka the histogram of your data)

Algorithm

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1. Estimate the **PMF** using the sample
2. Repeat **10,000** times:
   a. Resample **sample.size()** from PMF
   b. Recalculate the stat on the resample
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Bootstrap of Means

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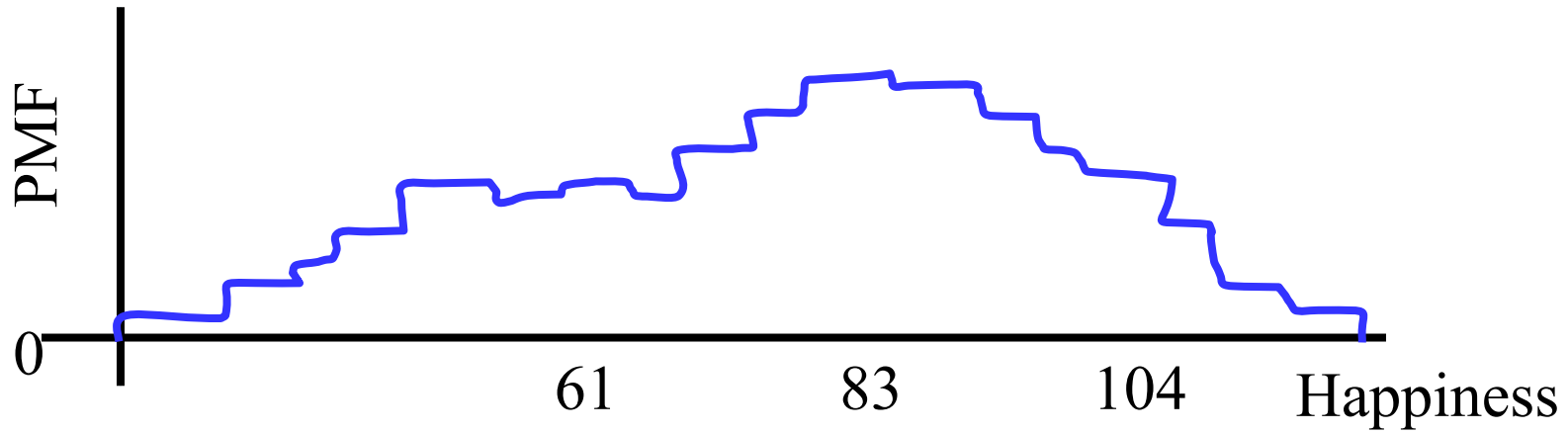

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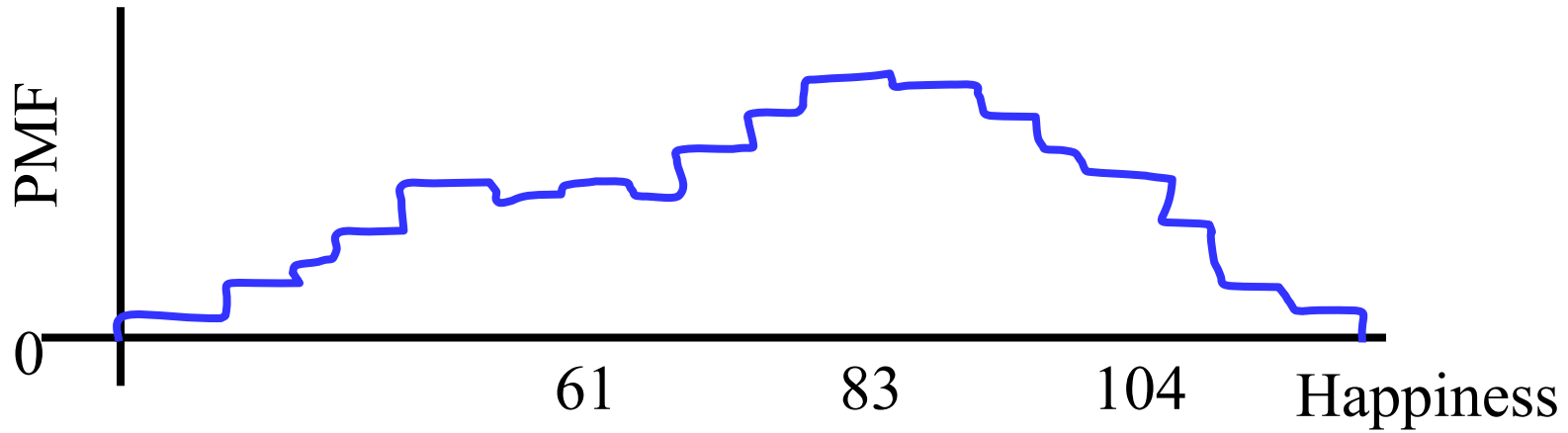

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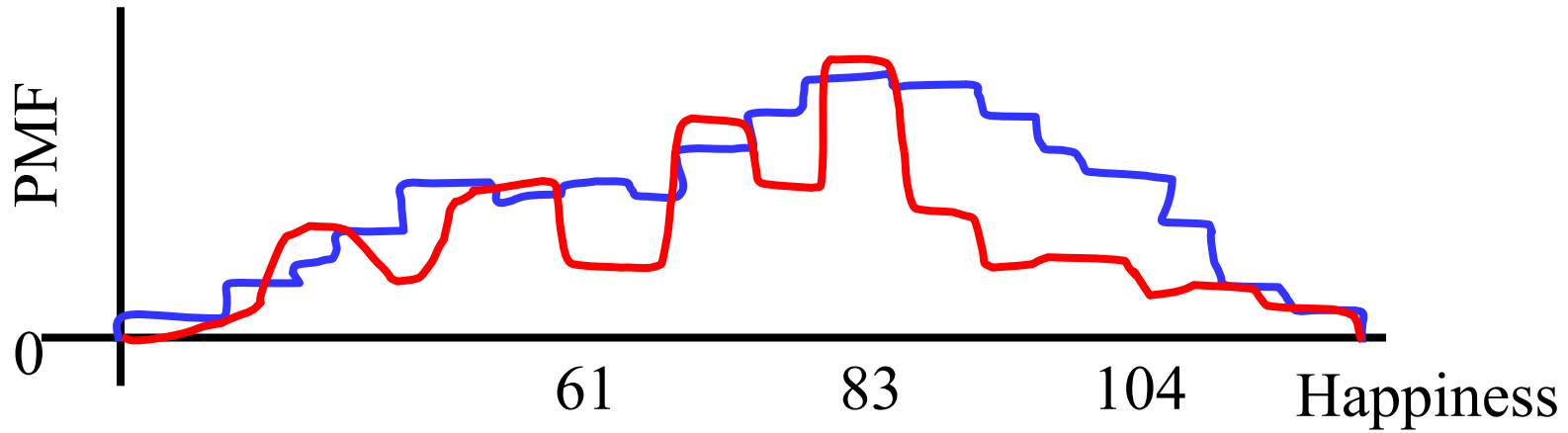

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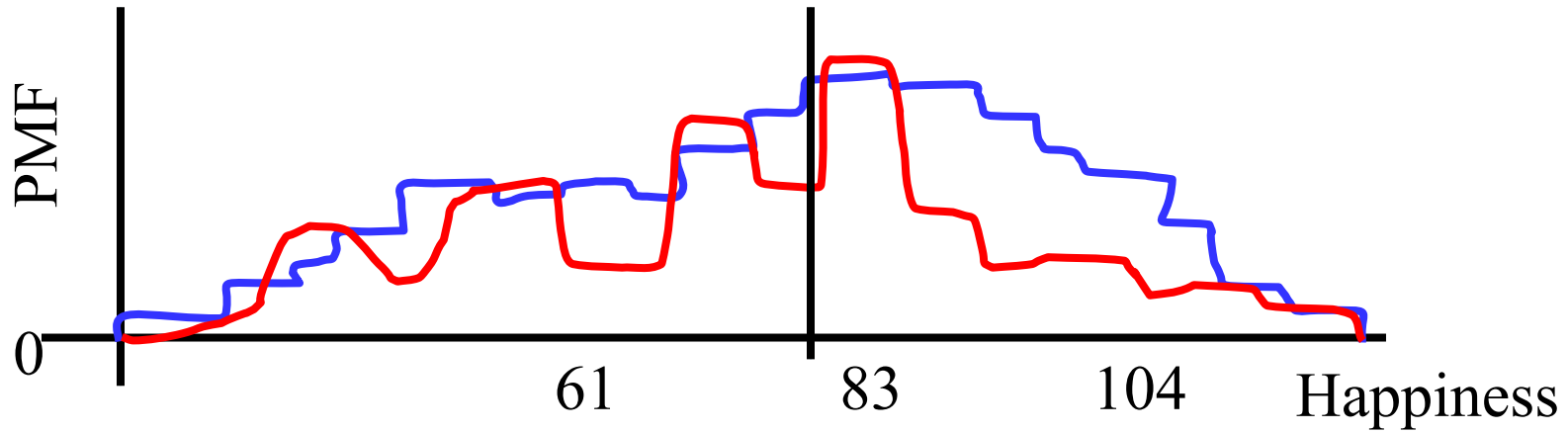

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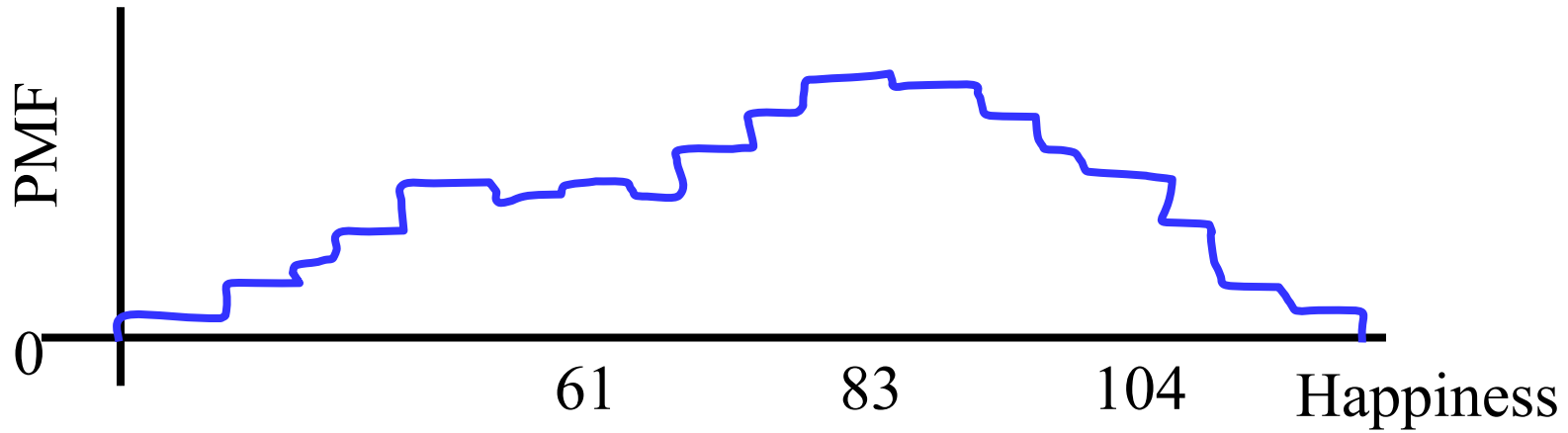

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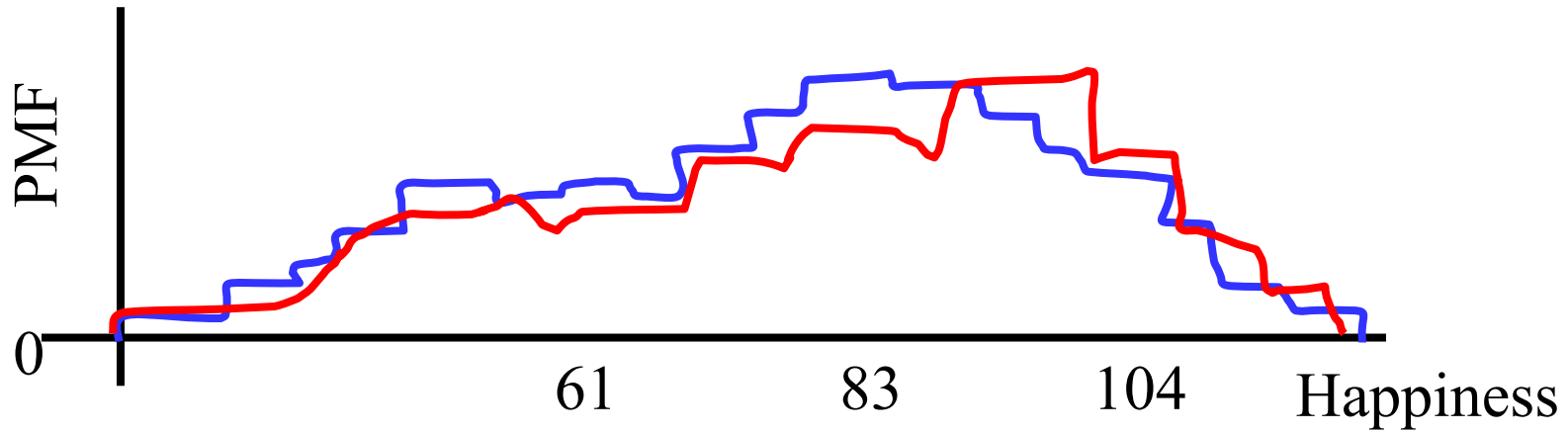

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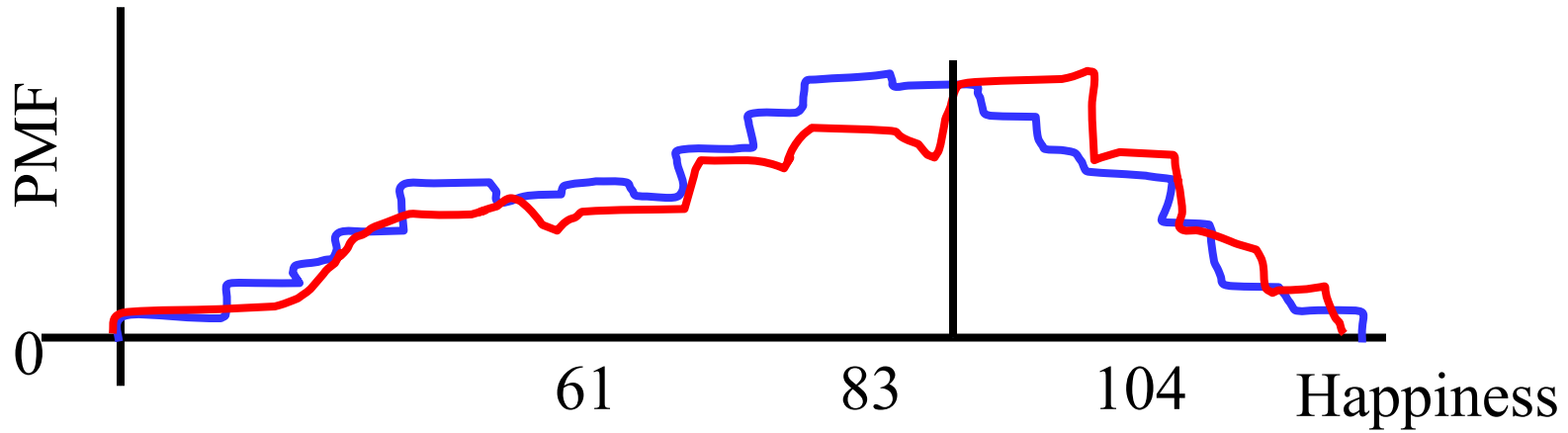

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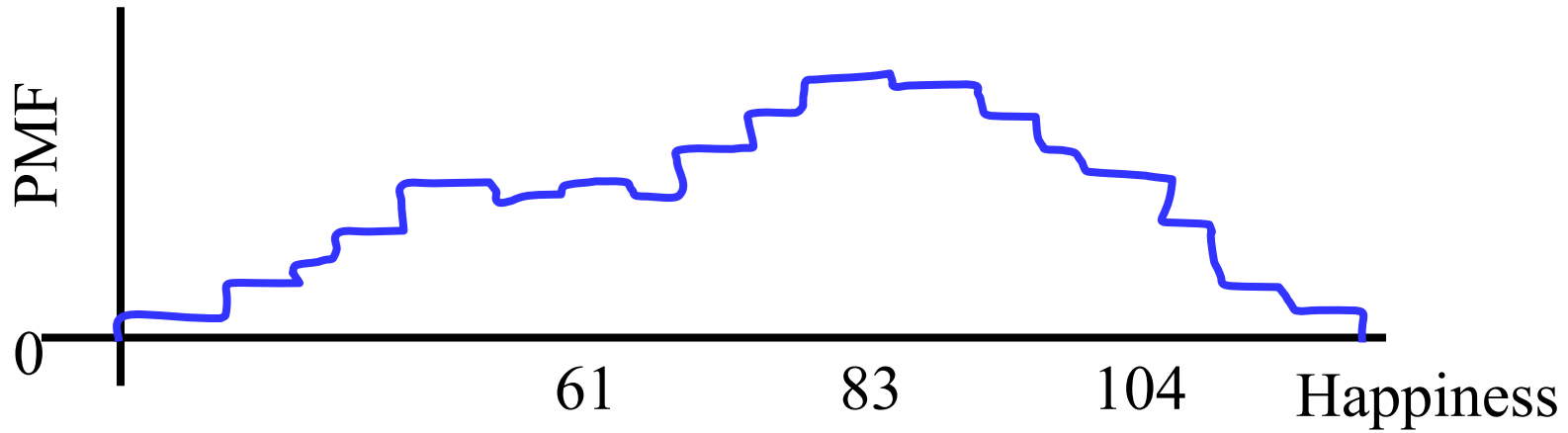

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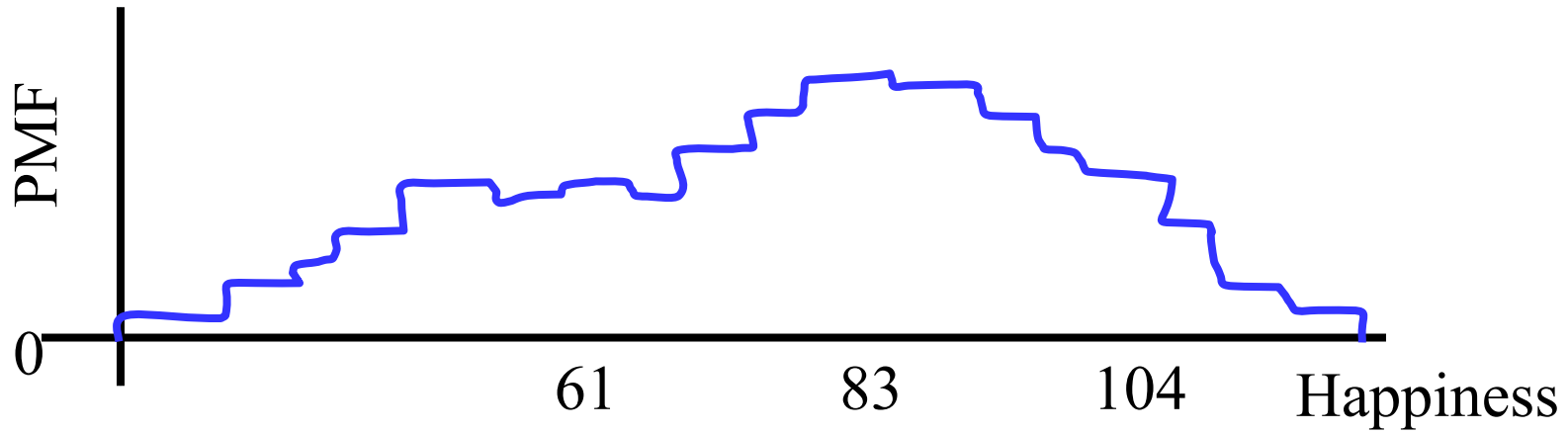

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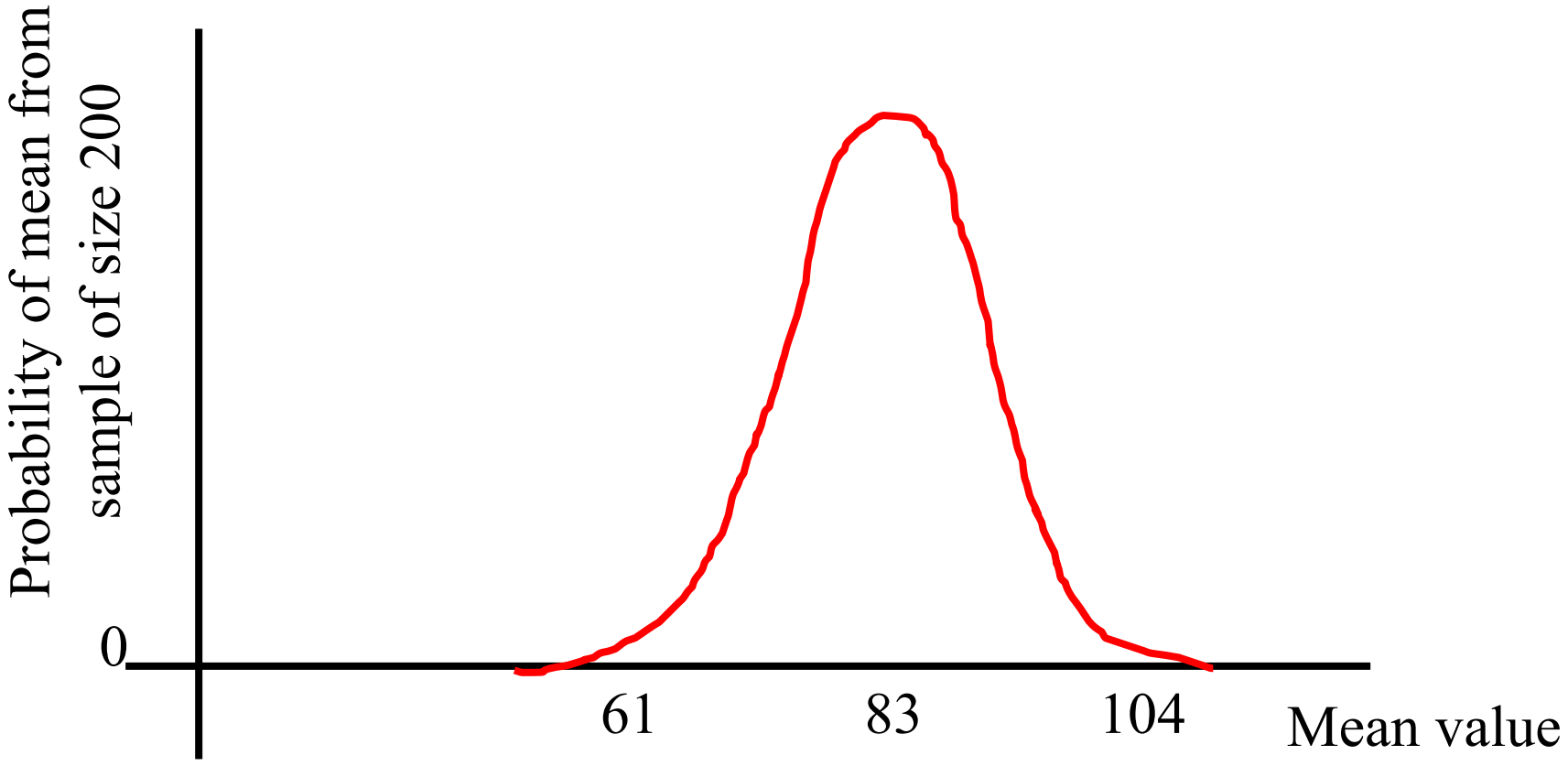

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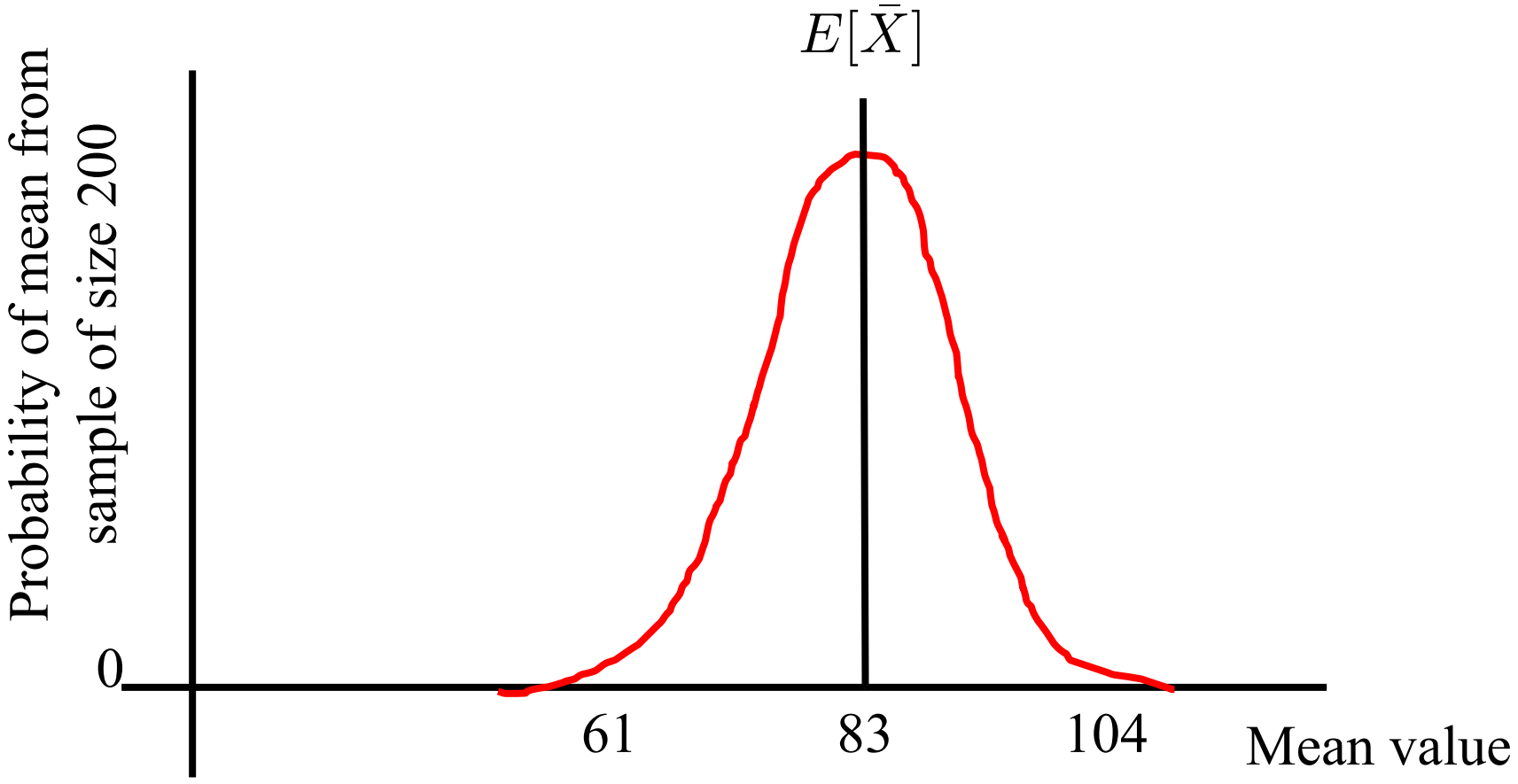

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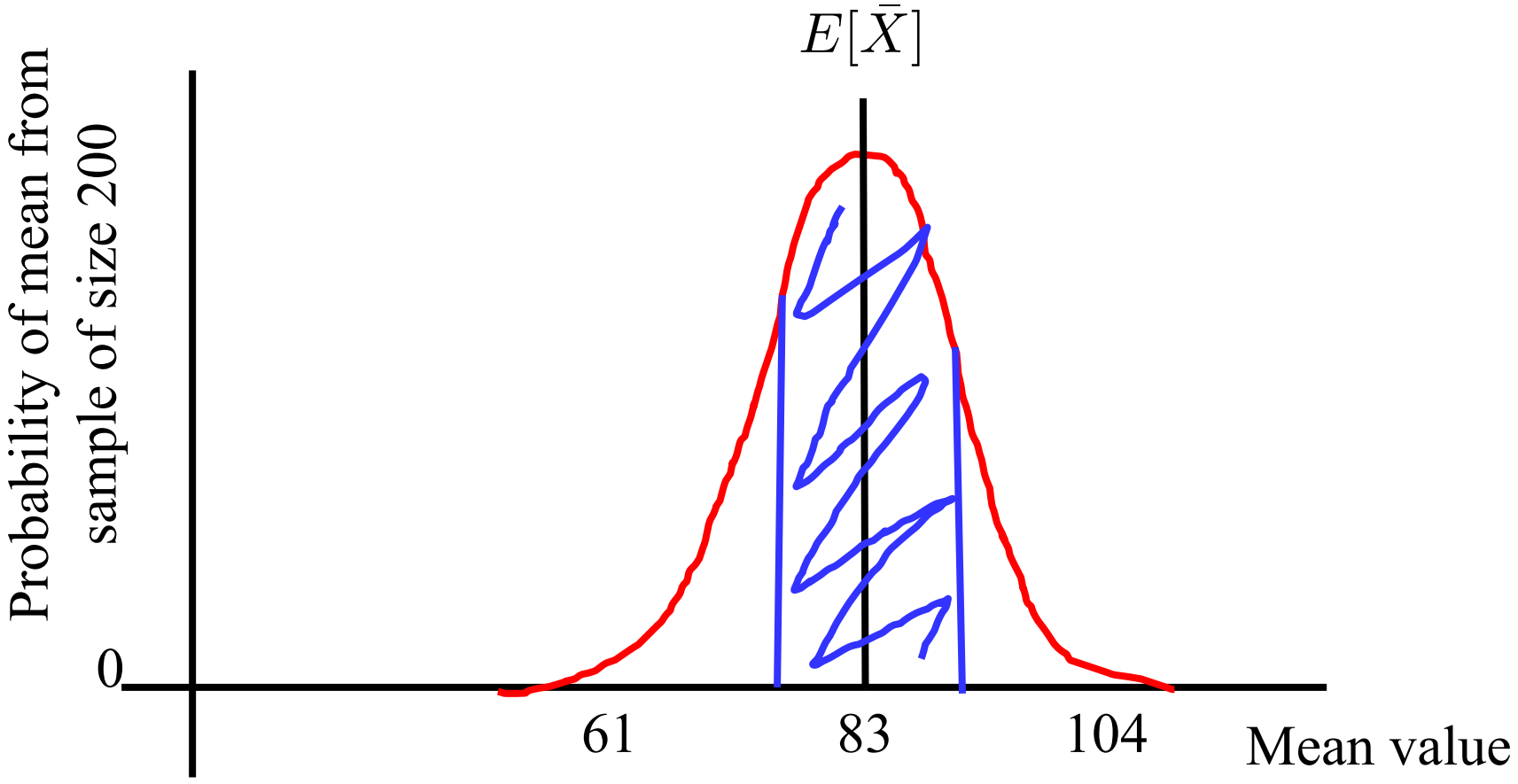

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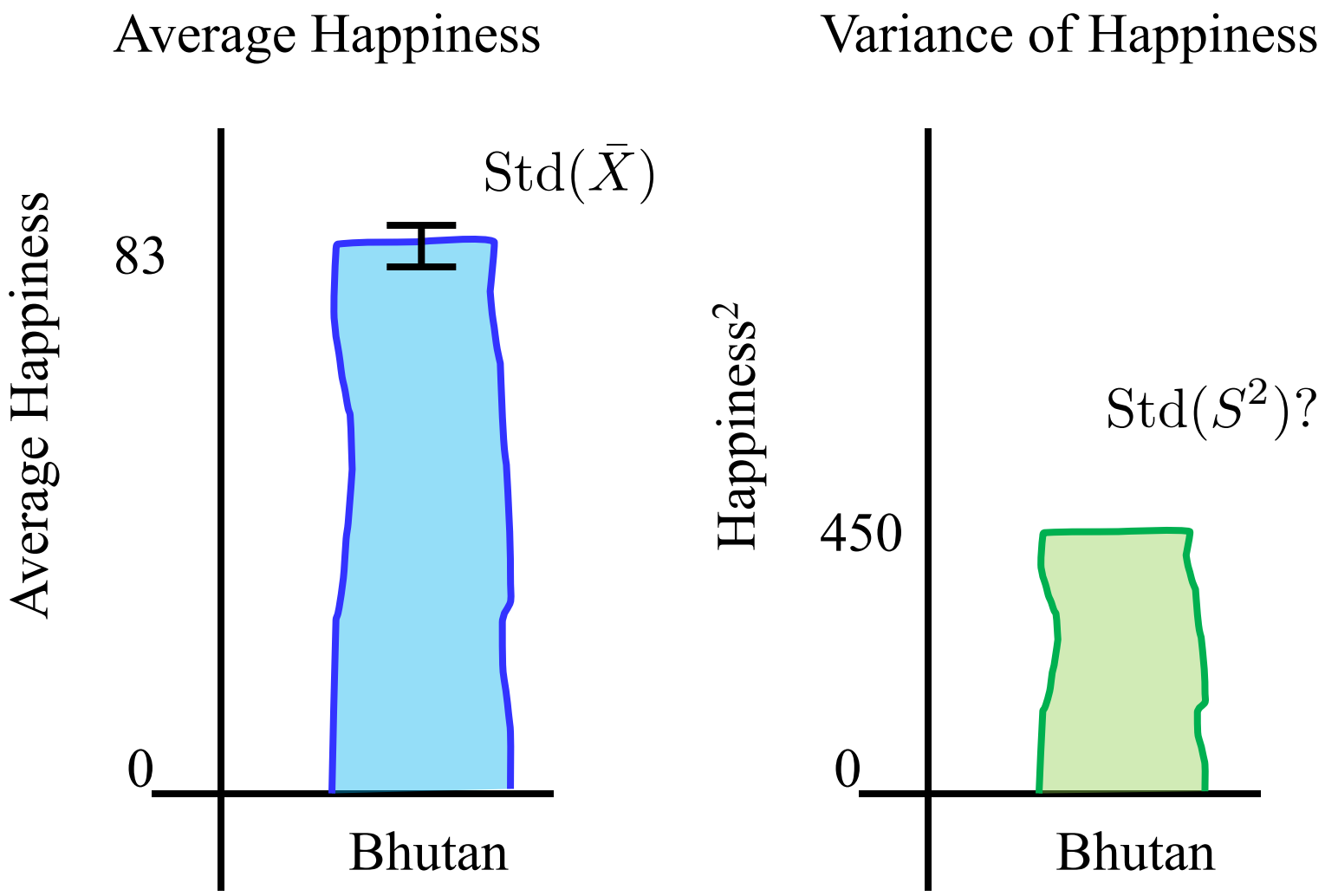

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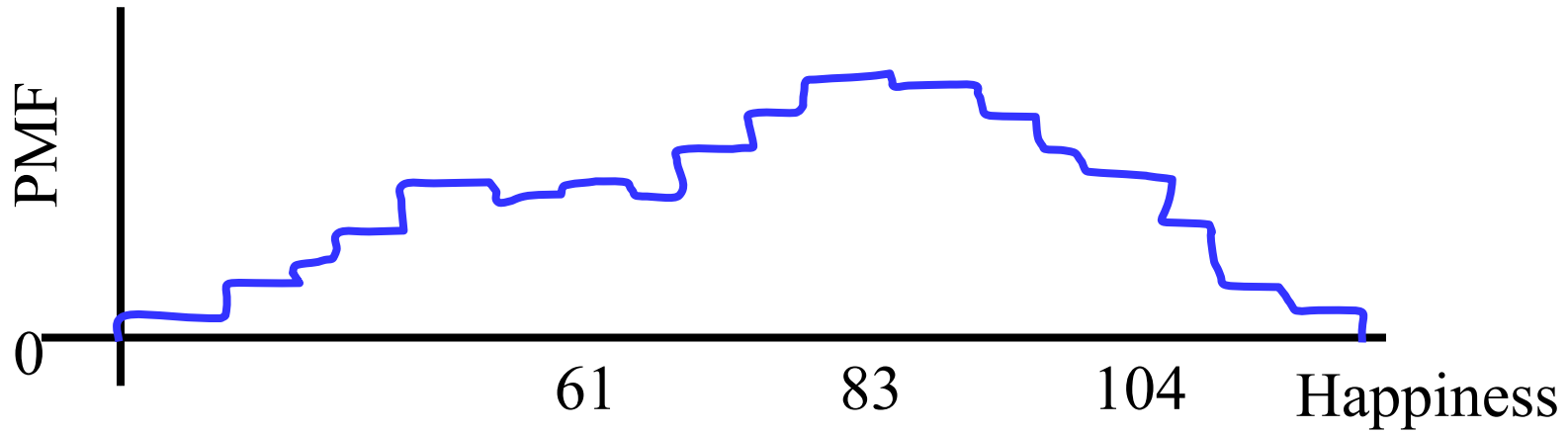

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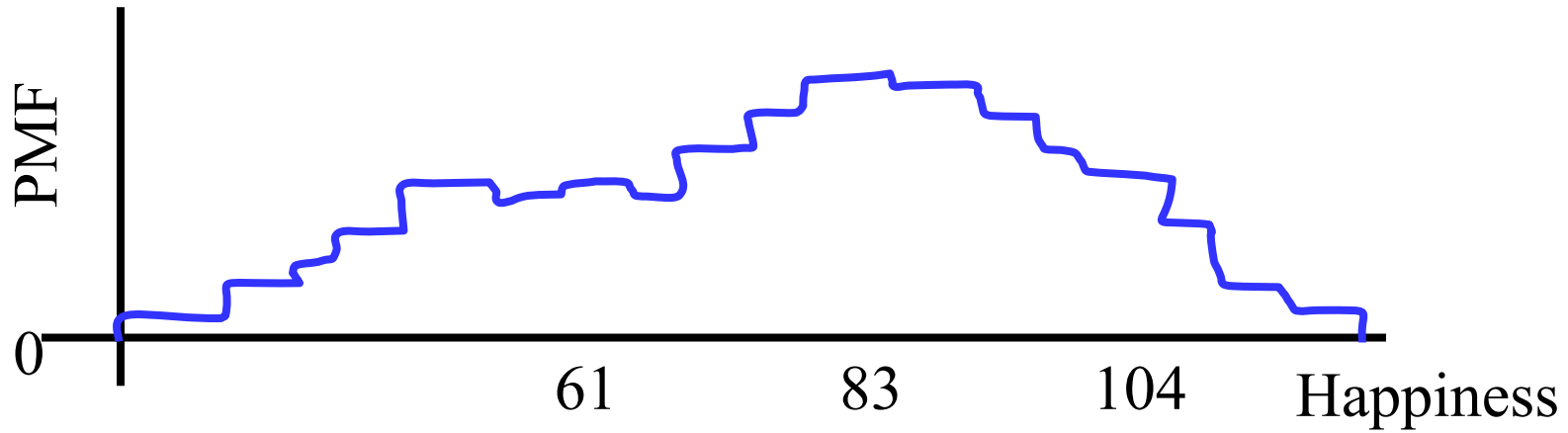

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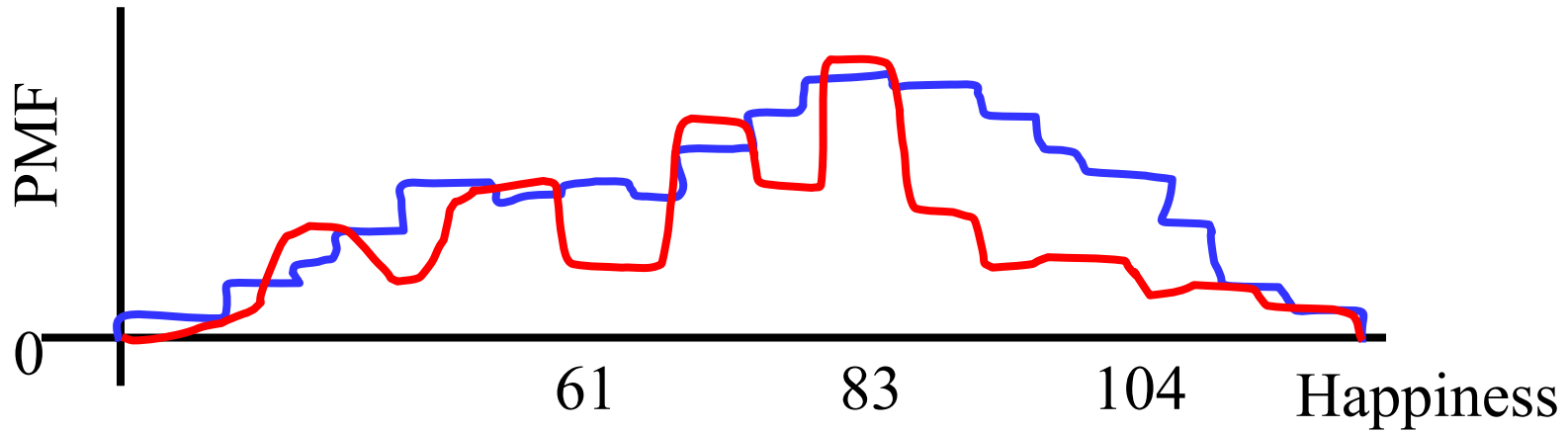

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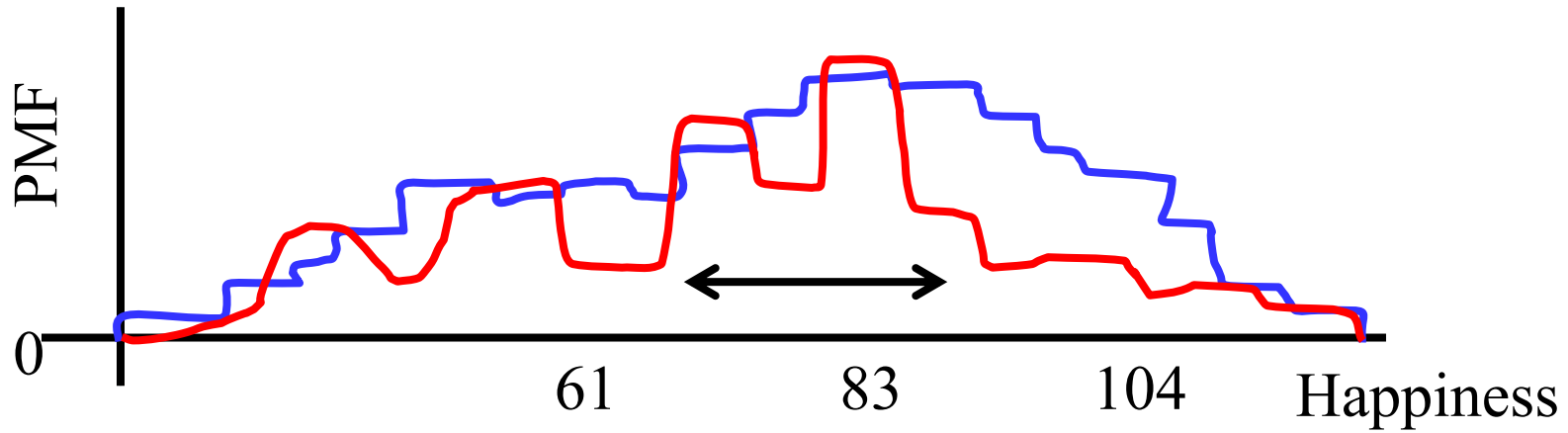

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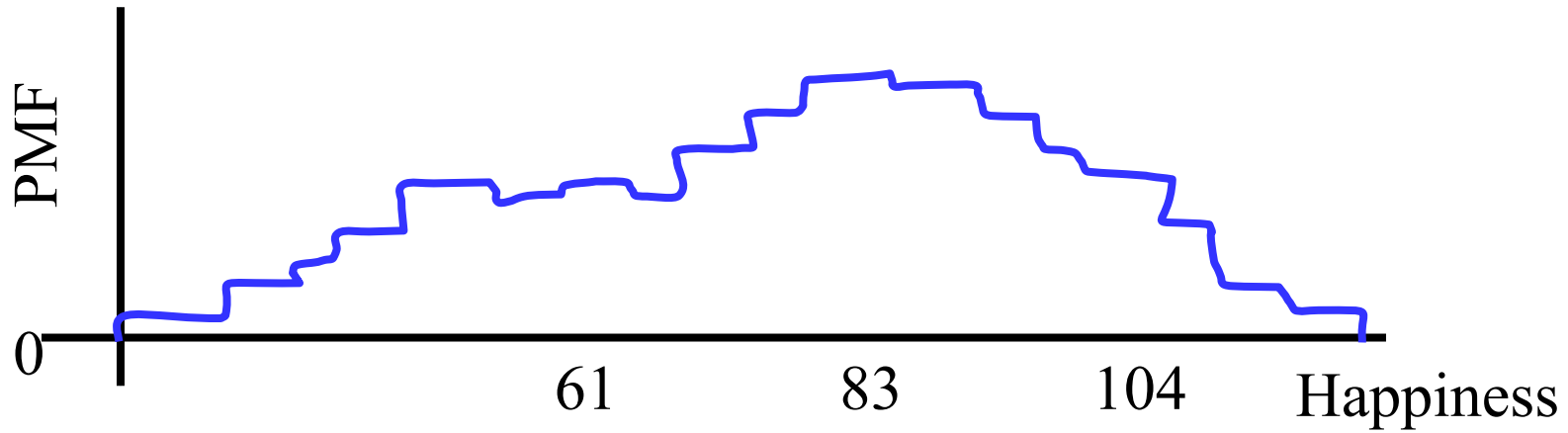

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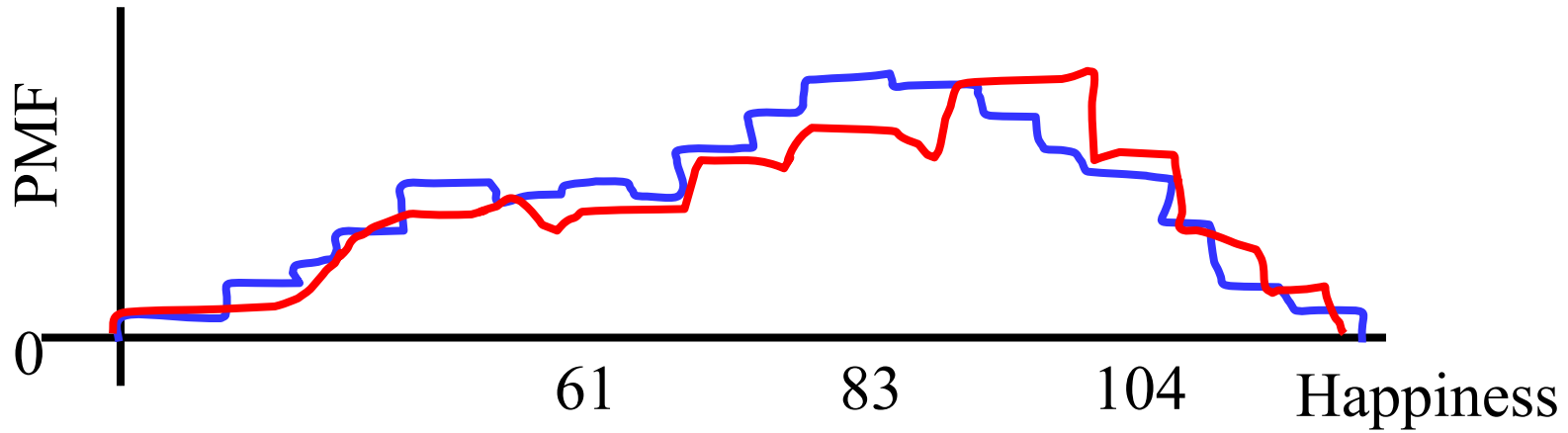

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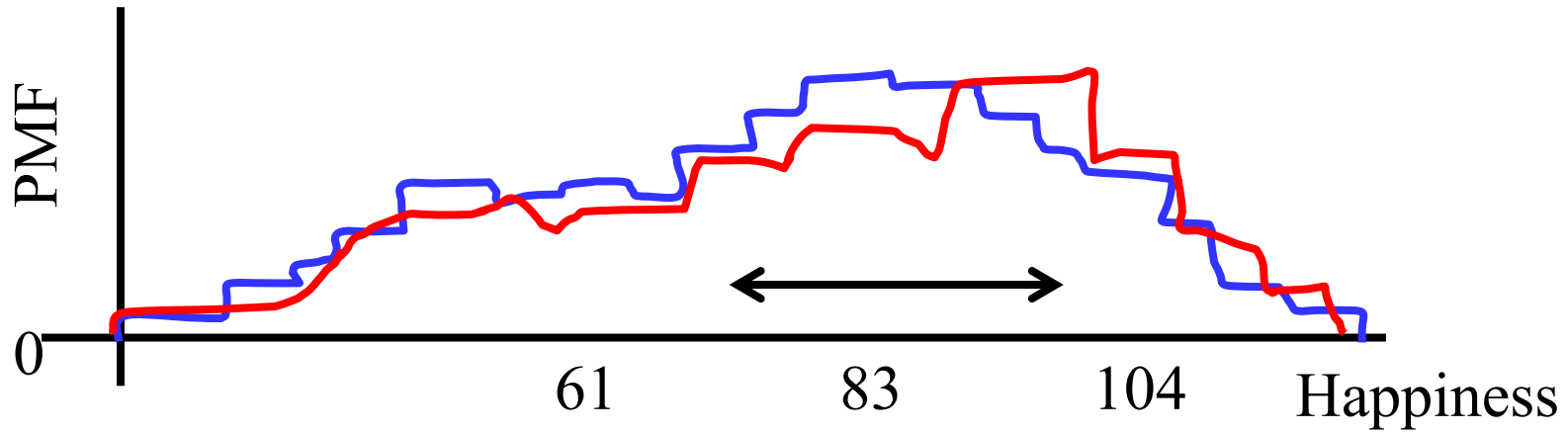

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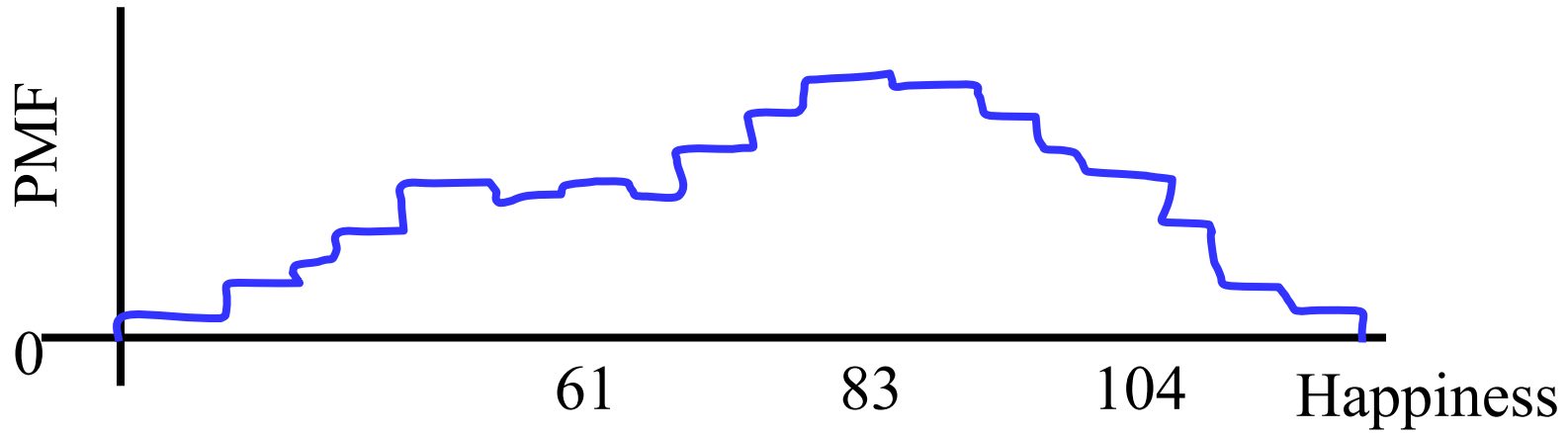

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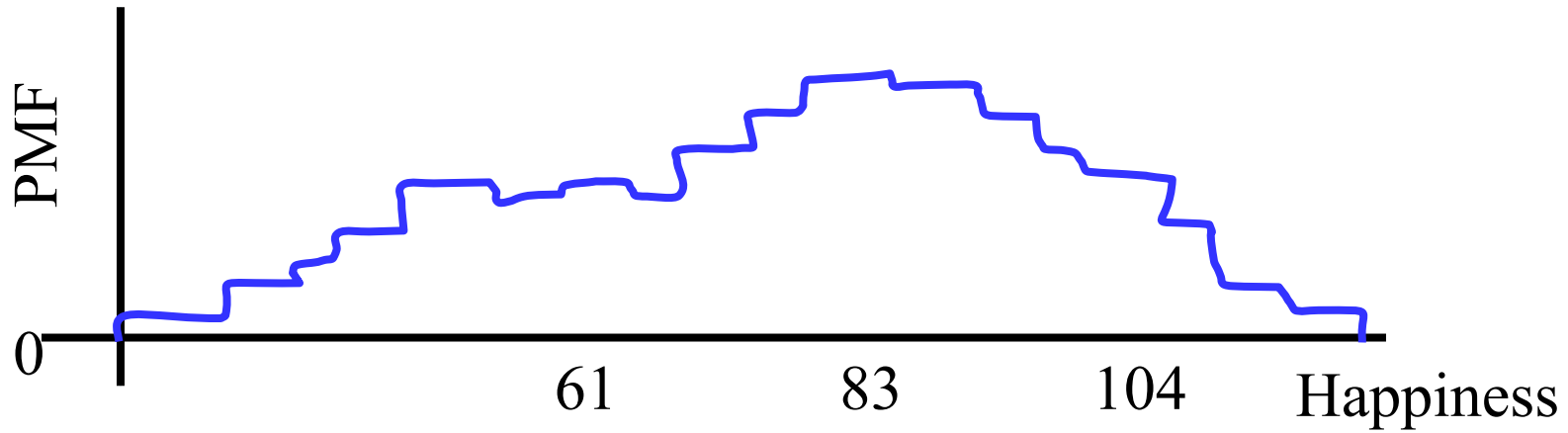

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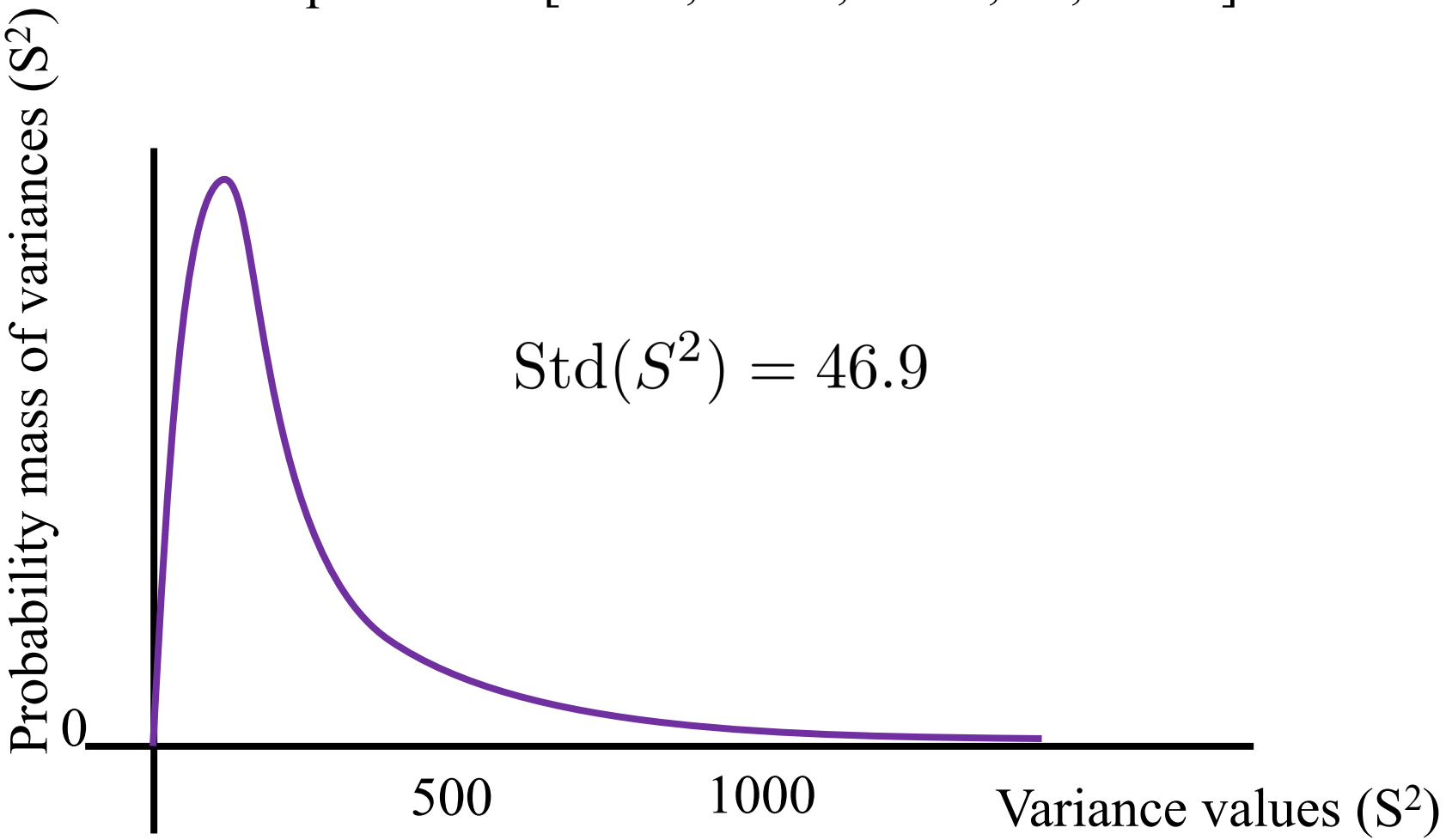

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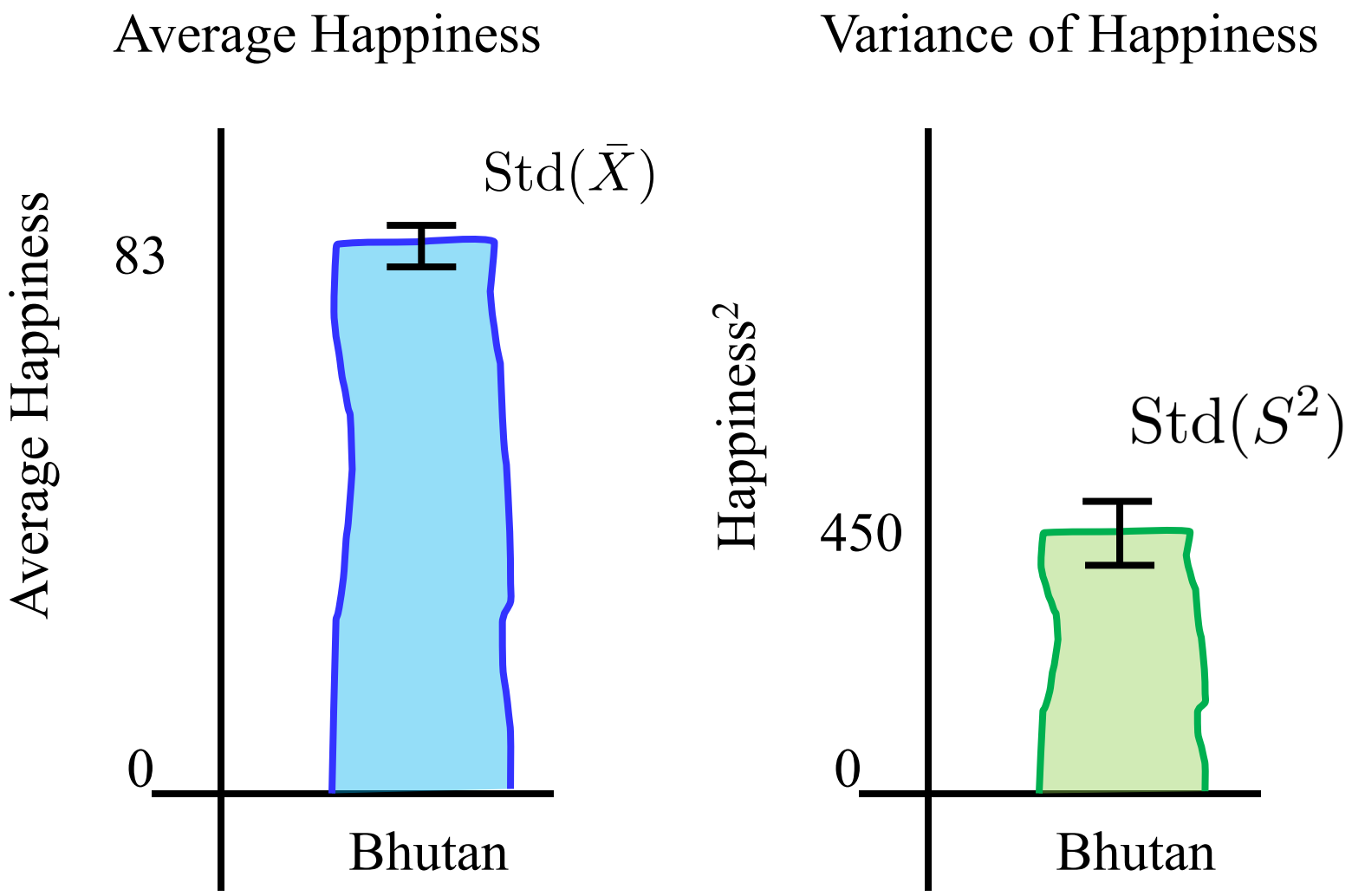

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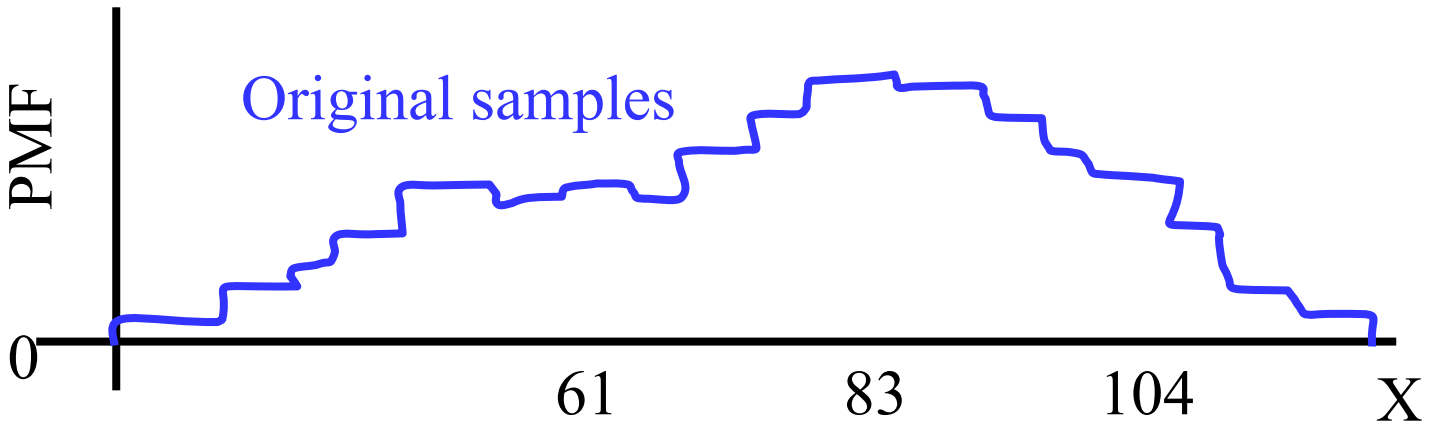

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def resample(samples):
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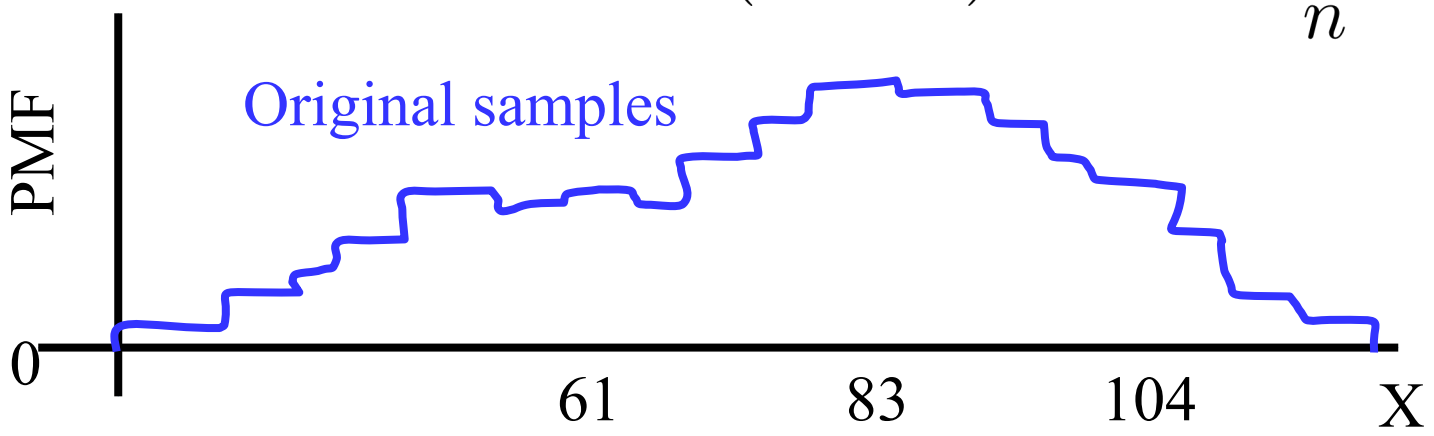
$$P(X = k) = \frac{\text{count}(X = k)}{n}$$



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To the code!

Bootstrap provides a way to calculate probabilities of statistics using code.

Bootstrap

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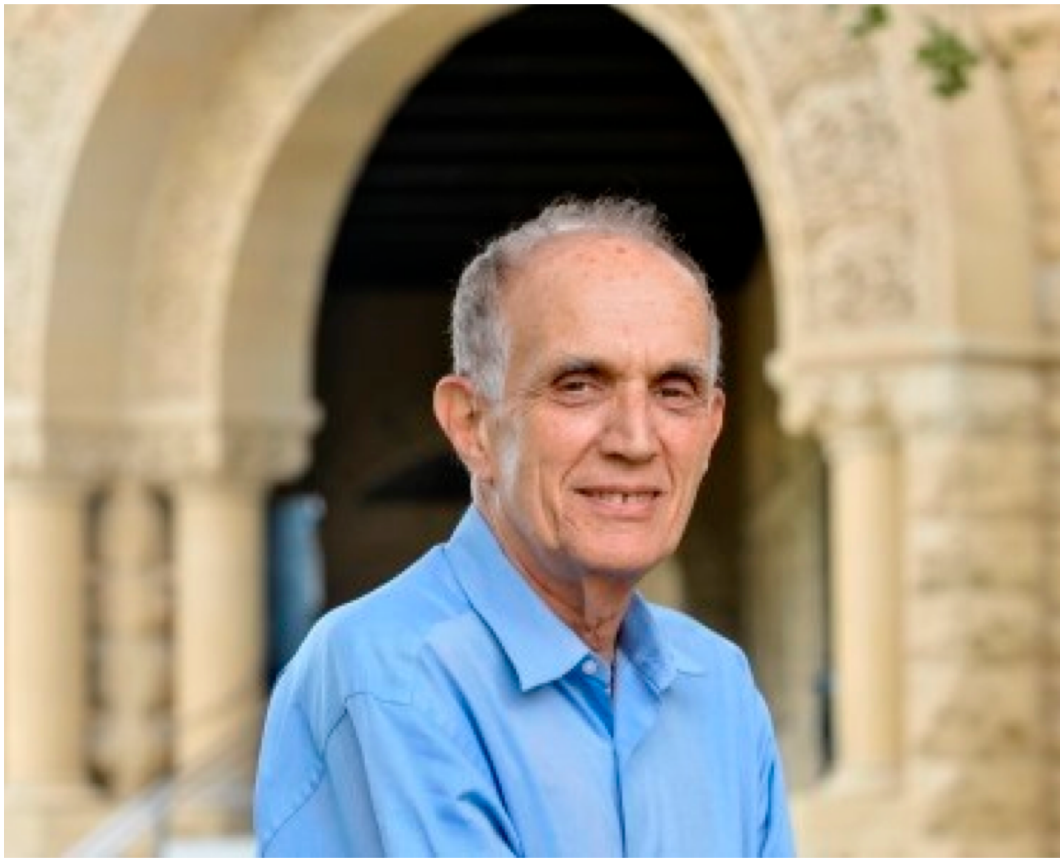

Invented bootstrapping in 1979

Still a professor at Stanford

Won a National Science Medal

Works for any statistic*

*as long as your samples are IID and the underlying distribution doesn’t have a long tail

Null Hypothesis Test

Population 1	Population 2
4.44	2.15
3.36	3.01
5.87	2.02
2.31	1.43
...	...
3.70	1.83

$\mu_1 = 3.1$

$\mu_2 = 2.4$

Claim: Population 1 and population 2 are different distributions with a 0.7 difference of means

Midterm

Midterm (part 1)

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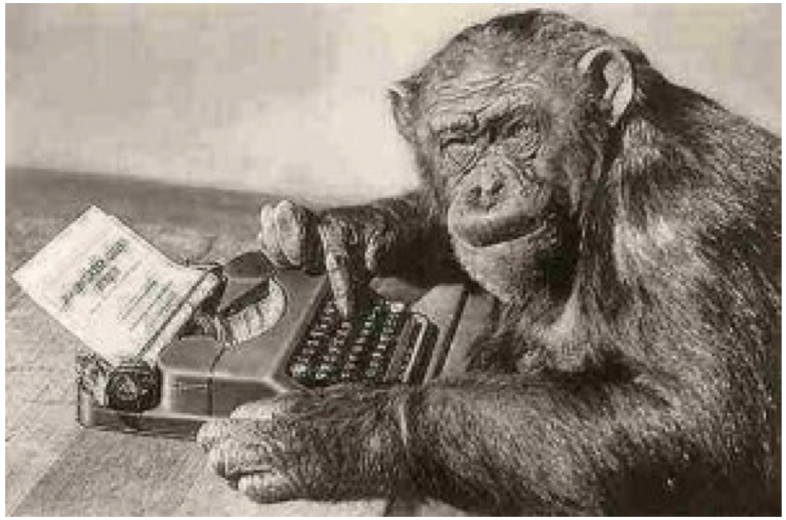

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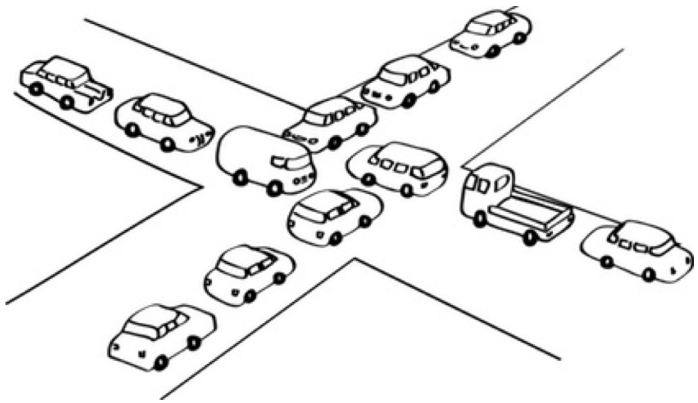

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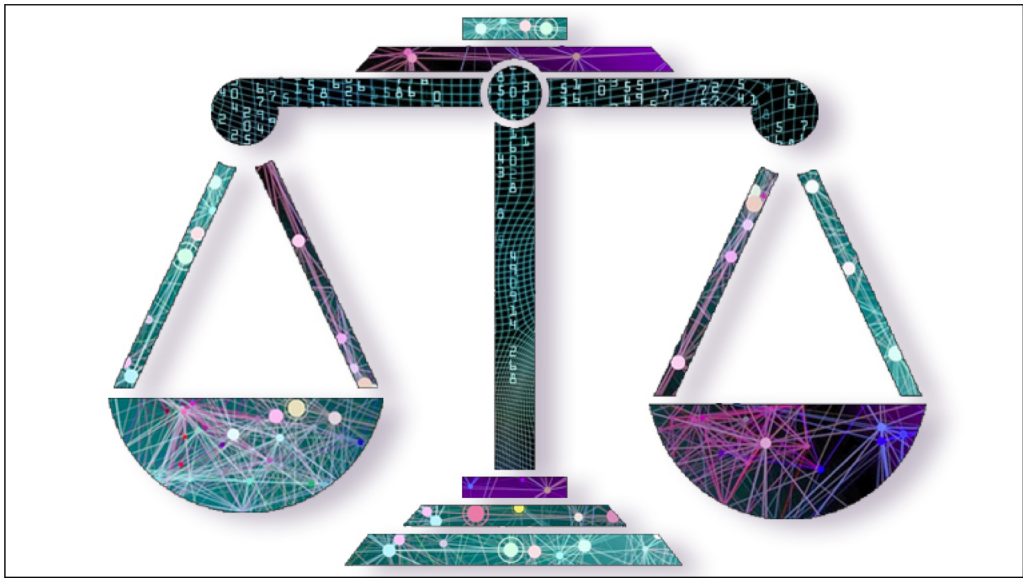

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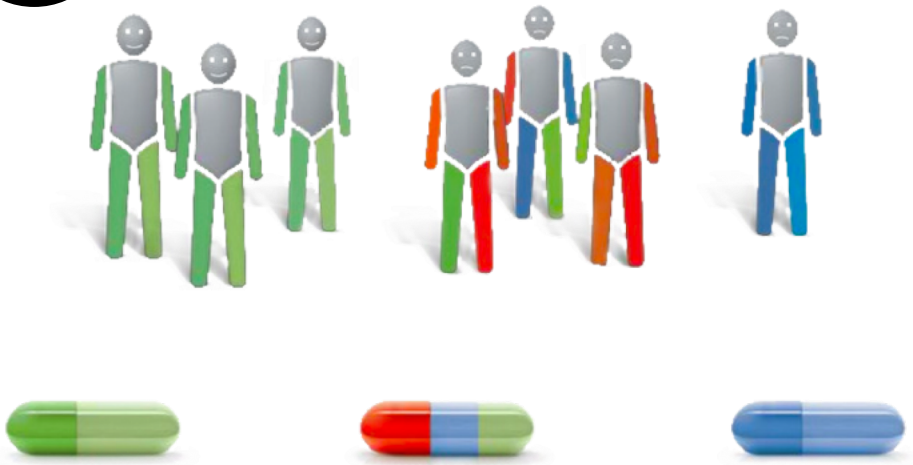

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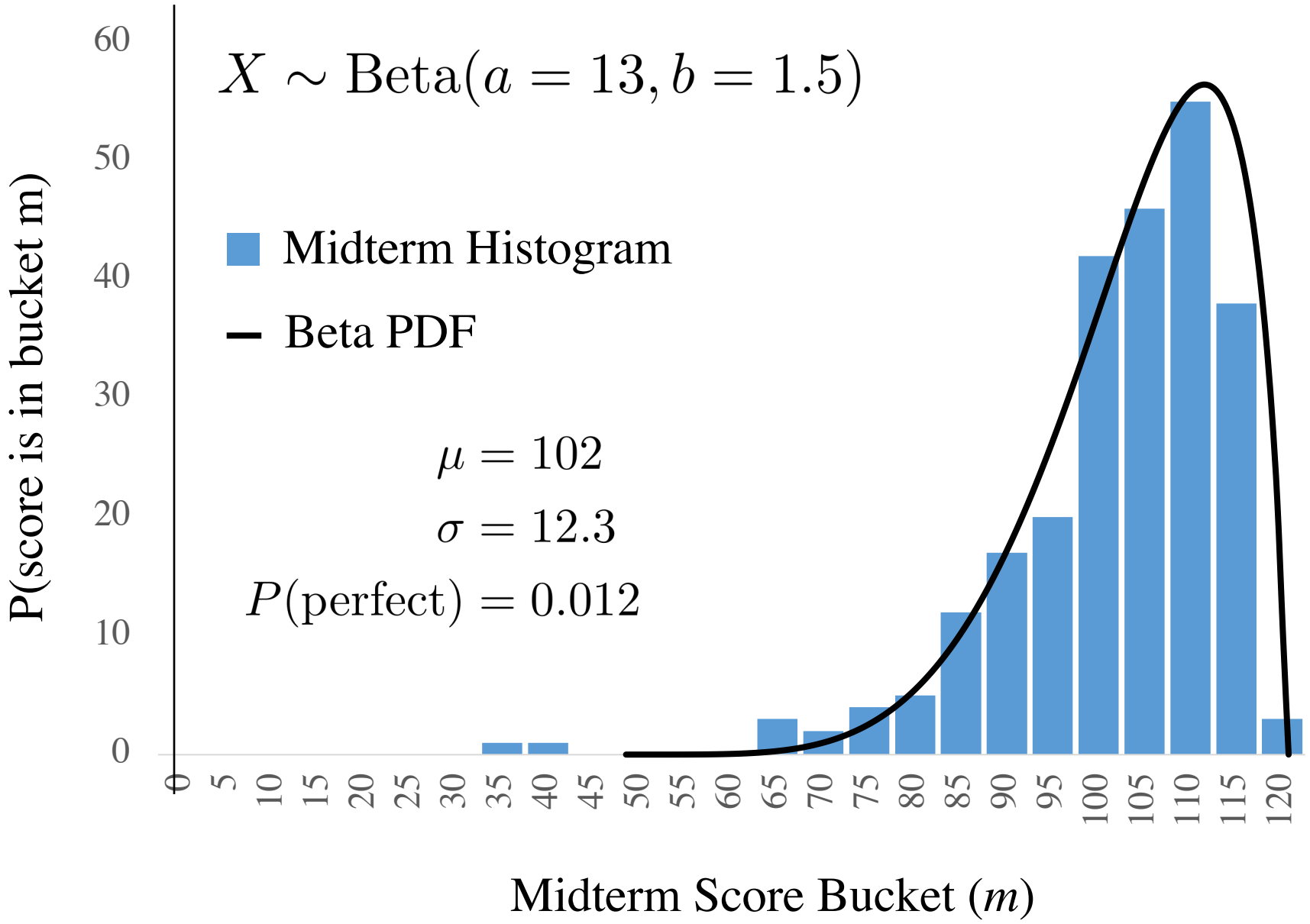

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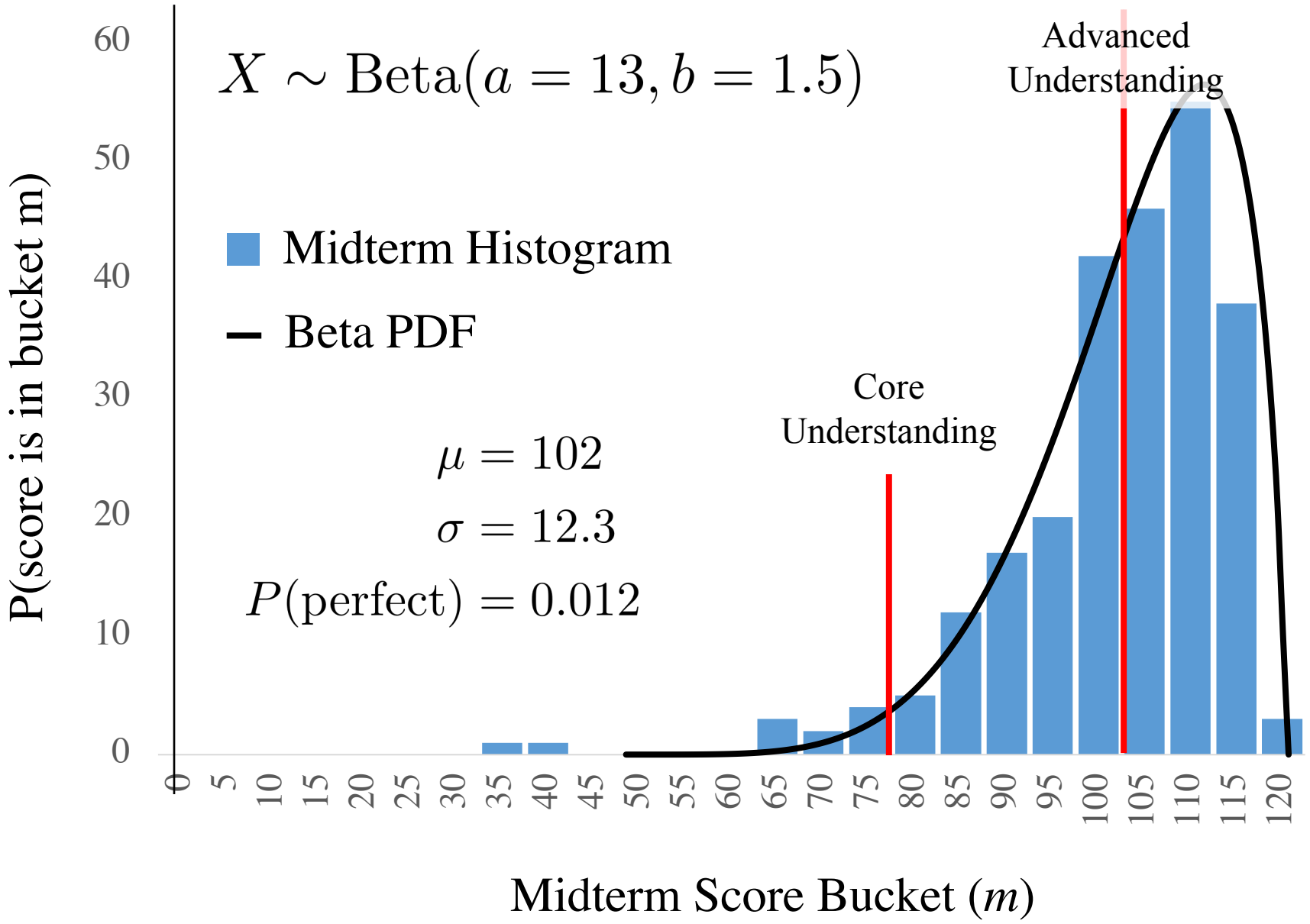

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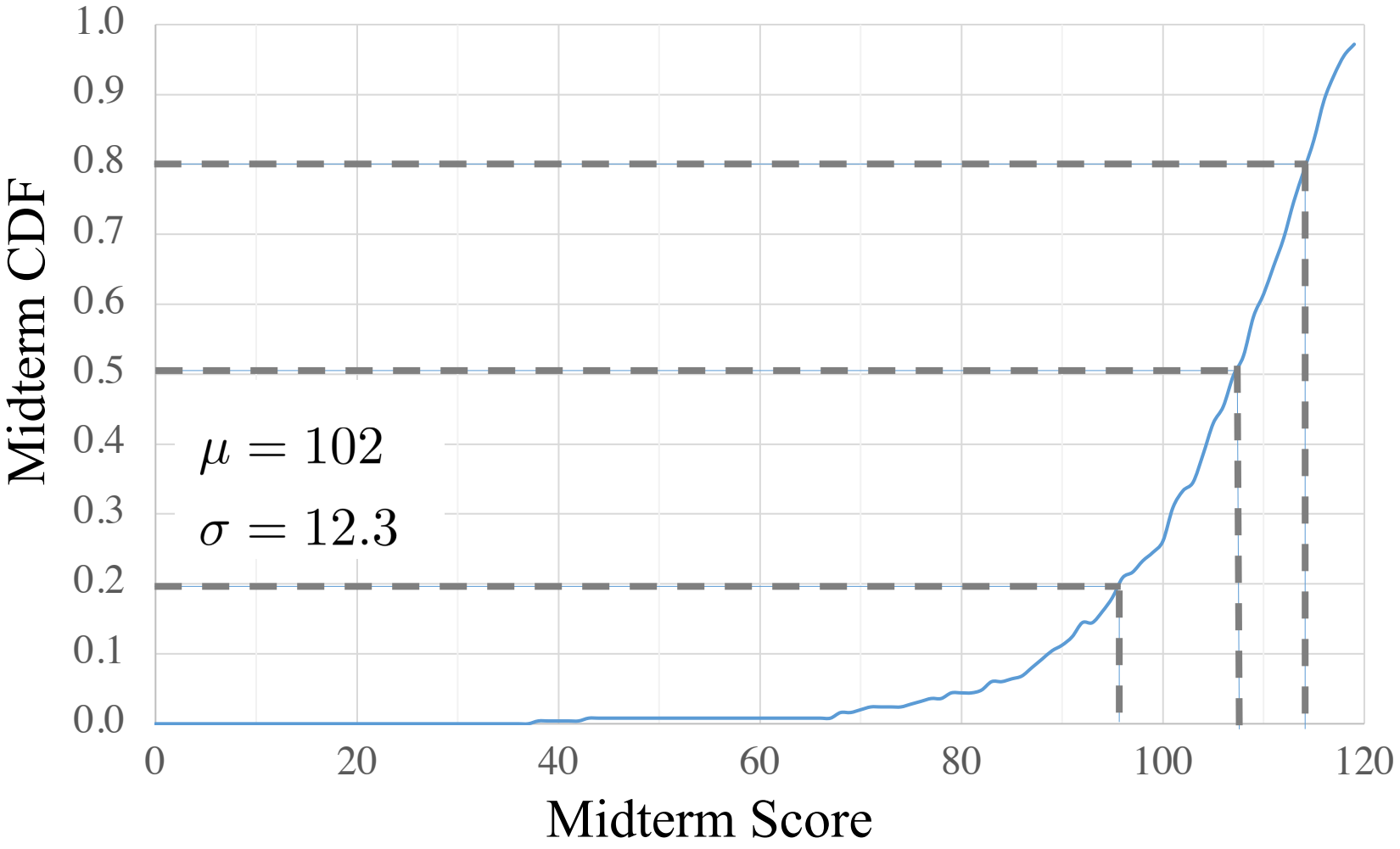

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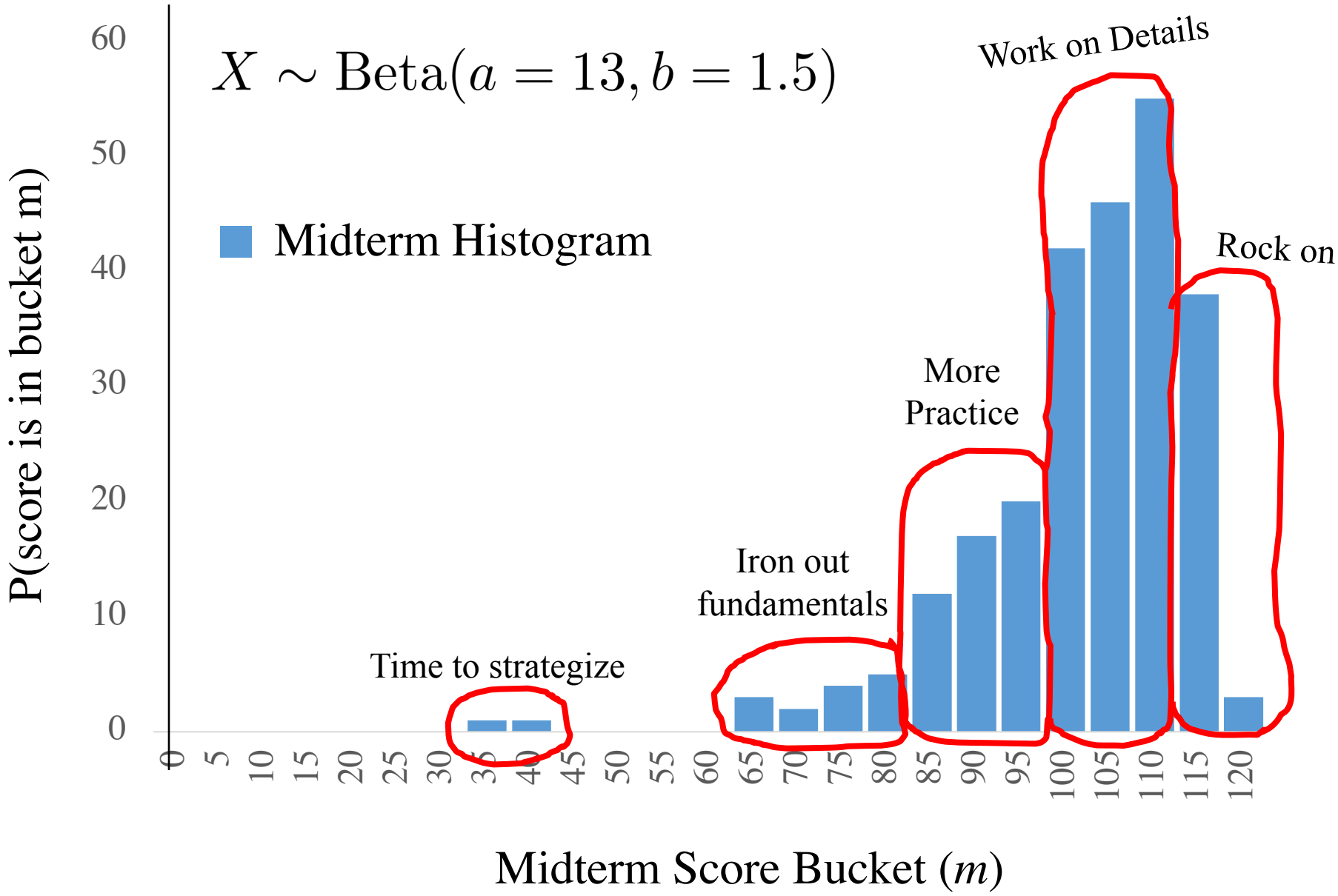

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