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# **ECE 528 – Introduction to Random Processes in ECE**

## **Lecture 9 Annex: Random Number Generators**

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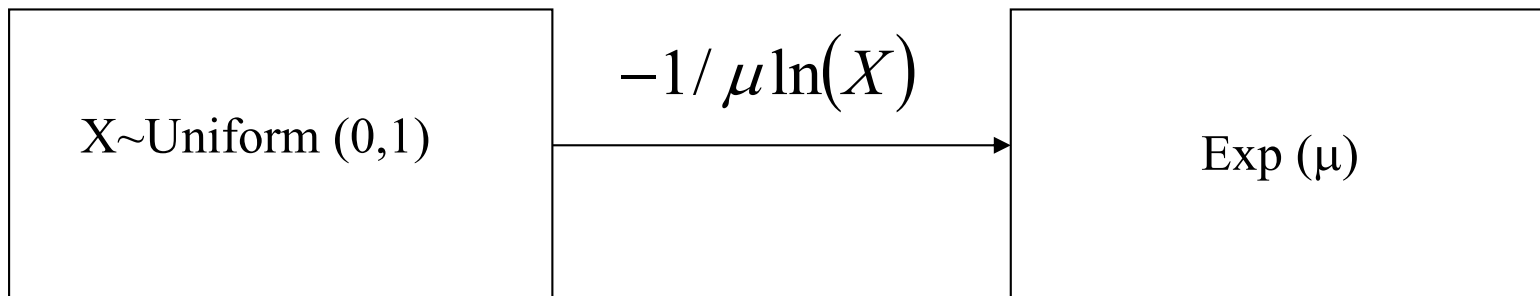
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# Exponential Generator

$X \sim EXP(\mu)$  pdf:  $f(x | \mu) = \mu e^{-\mu x}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq \infty$ ,  $\mu > 0$

mean:  $E[X] = 1/\mu$

Variance:  $Var(X) = 1/\mu^2$



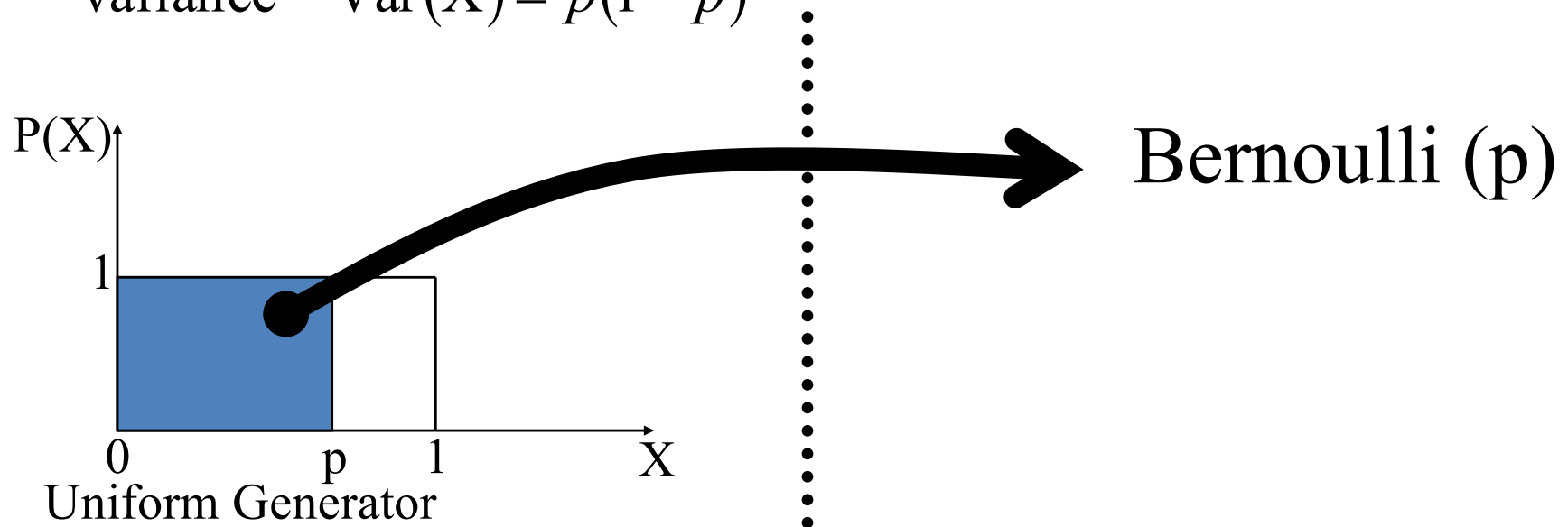
# Bernoulli Generator

## ■ Bernoulli(p)

pmf  $P(X = x | p) = p^x (1 - p)^{1-x}; \quad x = 0, 1; \quad 0 \leq p \leq 1$

mean  $E(X) = p$

variance  $\text{Var}(X) = p(1 - p)$



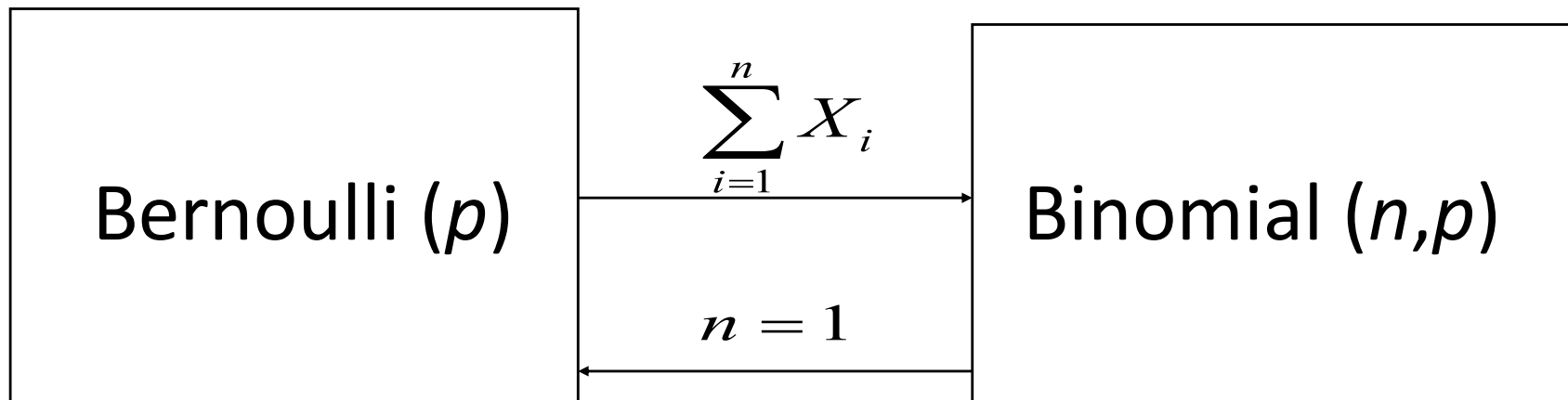
# Binomial Generator

- Binomial( $n, p$ )

pmf  $P(X = x | n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}; \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n; \quad 0 \leq p \leq 1$

mean  $E(X) = np$

variance  $\text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$



# Normal Distribution

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$$N(\mu, \sigma^2) \xrightarrow{\text{def}} f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

- Approach: For  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  uniform random variables in the range (0,1)

$$Z_1 \xrightarrow{\text{def}} (-2 \ln U_1)^{1/2} \cos(2\pi \cdot U_2)$$

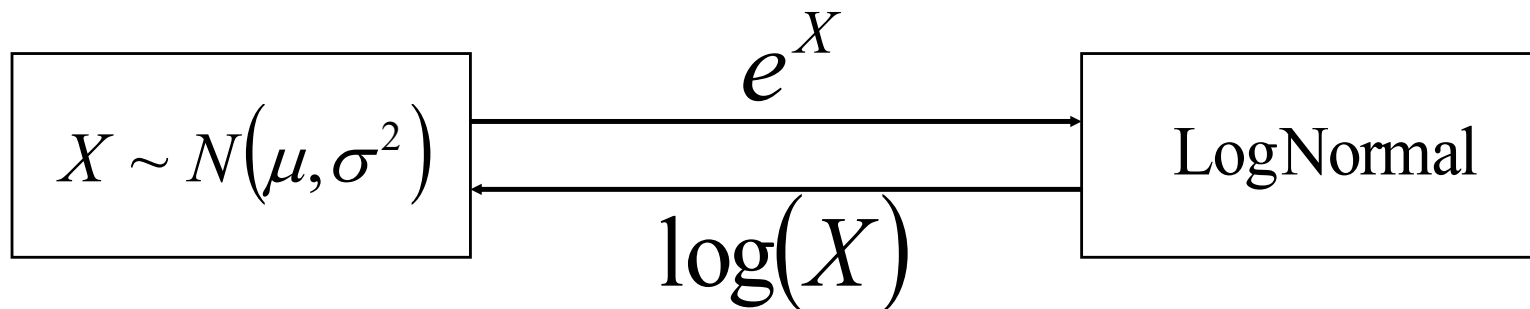
$$Z_2 \xrightarrow{\text{def}} (-2 \ln U_2)^{1/2} \sin(2\pi \cdot U_1)$$

- The two numbers  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  follow a normal random distribution with zero mean and variance 1 (i.e.,  $N(0,1)$ )

# LogNormal Distribution

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- The following illustrates the method that can be used to generate LogNormal random variables:



# Log-Normal Distribution

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log-normal distribution

$$f_L(x) = \frac{1/\ln 2}{x\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\log_2(x) - \mu)^2\right], \quad x > 0$$

Cumulative distribution of a lognormal random variable

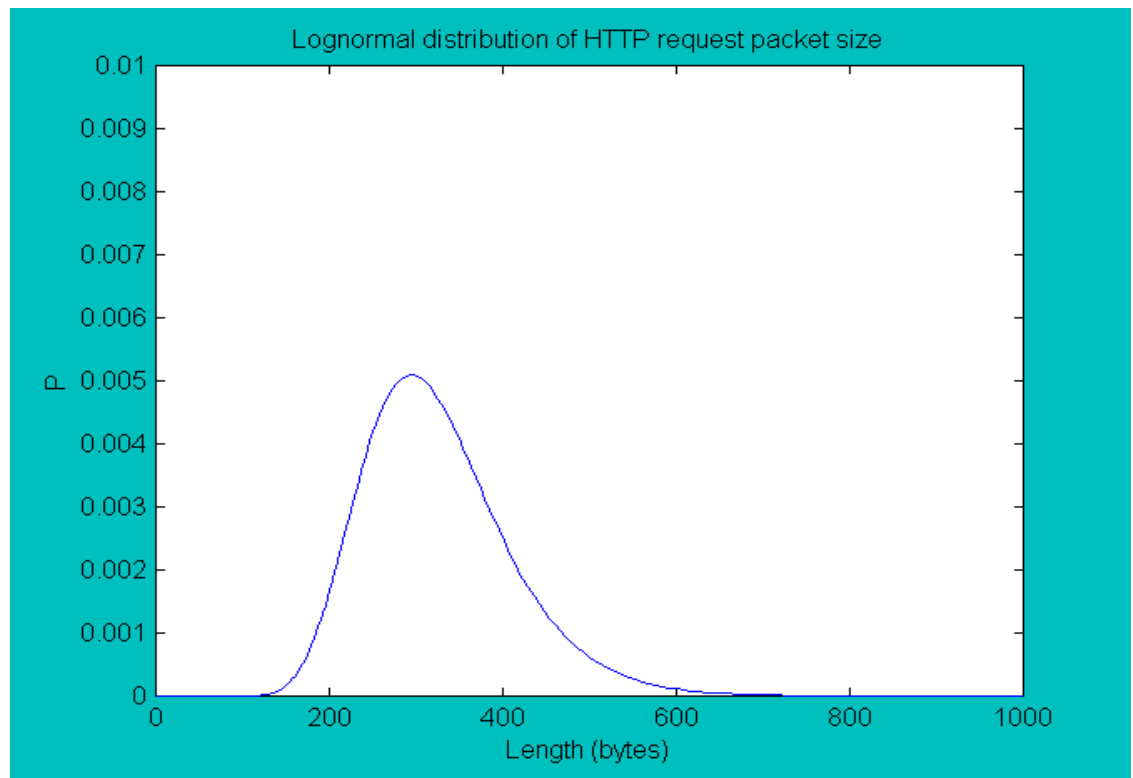
$$P(x < \tau) = 1 - Q\left(\frac{\ln \tau - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$



# Lognormal Distribution Relation to Normal Distribution

- The parameters  $(\mu, \sigma)$  of lognormal ( $\ln$ ) distribution can be obtained as

$$\mu = \ln \frac{m}{\sqrt{1 + s^2 / m^2}}$$
$$\sigma^2 = \ln \left( 1 + \frac{s^2}{m^2} \right)$$



# Normal and Log-normal Random Variables

- PDF of Log-normal RV:

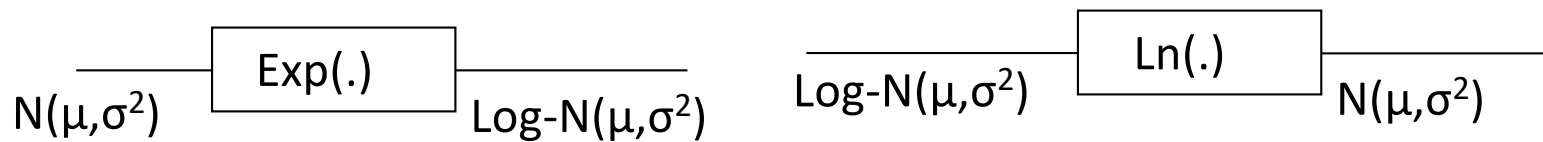
$$f_X(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma x}} e^{-\frac{(\ln(x)-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}} \quad \text{Log-N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$m = E\{X\}$$

$$s^2 = \text{var}(X)$$

- Few points:

- If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $\exp(X) \sim \text{Log-N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .
- Equivalently, if  $X \sim \text{Log-N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $\ln(X) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$



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- The PDF of a Log-normal RV is completely characterized either by  $(\mu, \sigma^2)$  (The parameters of the corresponding Normal RV) or by its mean and variance  $(m, s^2)$ .
- $(m, s^2)$  and  $(\mu, \sigma^2)$  are related as following:

$$\begin{cases} m = e^{\mu + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}} \\ s^2 = e^{2\mu} (e^{2\sigma^2} - e^{\sigma^2}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \mu = \ln \left( \sqrt{\frac{m^4}{s^2 + m^2}} \right) \\ \sigma^2 = 2 \ln \left( \sqrt{1 + \frac{s^2}{m^2}} \right) \end{cases}$$