

ASSIGNMENT 3

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Let X and Y be independent and identically distributed random variables with probability mass function $p(n) = 2^{-n}, n = 1, 2, \dots$

Then $pr(X \geq 2Y)$ equals

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given,

$$pr(X = x) = 2^{-x}, x = 1, 2, \dots \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$pr(Y = y) = 2^{-y}, y = 1, 2, \dots \quad (2.0.2)$$

We need to find $pr(X \geq 2Y)$, which is also can be written as

$$pr(X \geq 2Y) = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} pr(X \geq 2y | Y = y) \quad (2.0.3)$$

as, X and Y are independent random variables

$$\begin{aligned} pr(X \geq 2Y) &= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} pr(X \geq 2y) pr(Y = y) \quad (2.0.4) \\ &= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (1 - pr(X < 2y)) pr(Y = y) \quad (2.0.5) \end{aligned}$$

using (2.0.1) and (2.0.2) in (2.0.5),

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (1 - \sum_{i=1}^{2y-1} 2^{-i}) (2^{-y}) \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (1 - (1 - 2^{-(2y-1)})) (2^{-y}) \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} 2^{-(3y-1)} \quad (2.0.8)$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} \quad (2.0.9)$$

Finding the probability using cumulative distri-

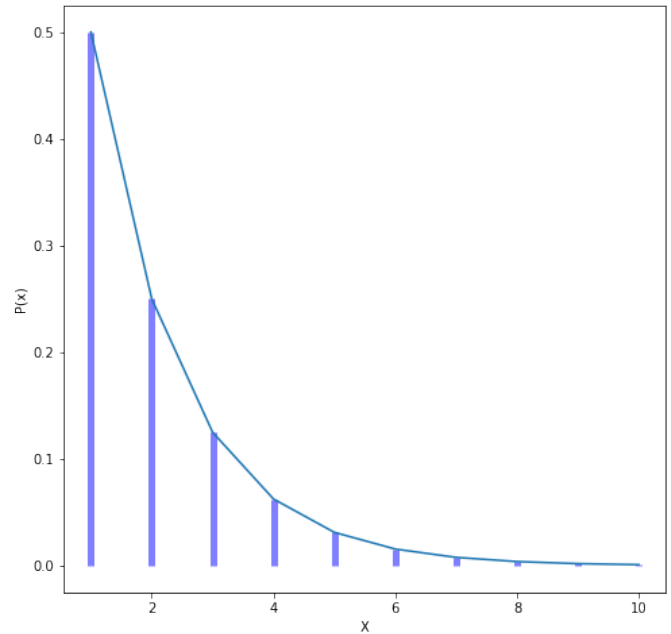


Fig. 1: Pmf of random variable X

bution, Let $F_X(x)$ be the cumulative distribution function of random variable X .

$$F_X(x) = \Pr(X < x) \quad (2.0.10)$$

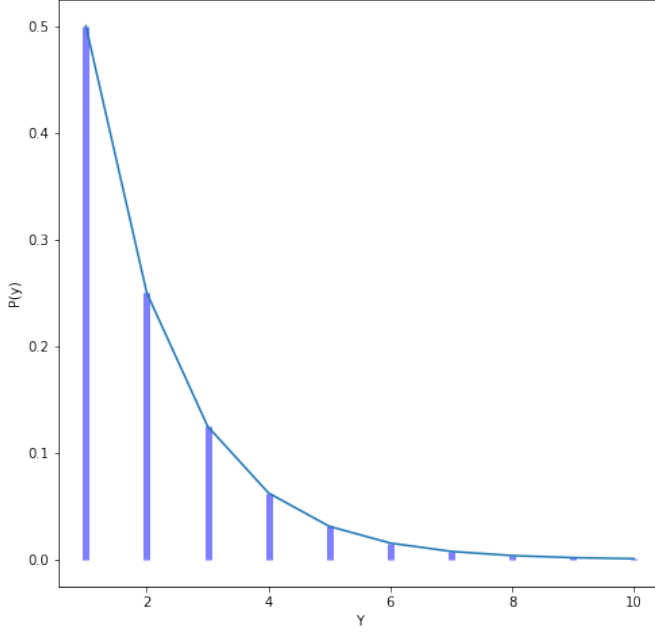


Fig. 2: Pmf of random variable Y

As it is a discrete probability distribution, $F_X(x)$ can be written as,

$$F_X(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{x-1} \Pr(X = x) \quad (2.0.11)$$

using (2.0.1) in (2)

$$F_X(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{x-1} 2^{-i} \quad (2.0.12)$$

$$= 1 - 2^{-(x-1)} \quad (2.0.13)$$

Cumulative distribution function (CDF) of random variable X is given by,

$$F_X(x) = 1 - 2^{-(x-1)}, x = 1, 2, \dots \quad (2.0.14)$$

We need to find $pr(X \geq 2Y)$, which is also can be written as

$$pr(X \geq 2Y) = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} pr(X \geq 2y|Y = y) \quad (2.0.15)$$

As, X and Y are independent random variables

$$pr(X \geq 2Y) = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} pr(X \geq 2y)pr(Y = y) \quad (2.0.16)$$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (1 - pr(X < 2y))pr(Y = y) \quad (2.0.17)$$

using (2.0.2) and (2) in (2.0.17),

$$pr(X \geq 2Y) = \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (1 - (1 - 2^{-(2y-1)}))(2^{-y}) \quad (2.0.18)$$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} 2^{-(3y-1)} \quad (2.0.19)$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} \quad (2.0.20)$$

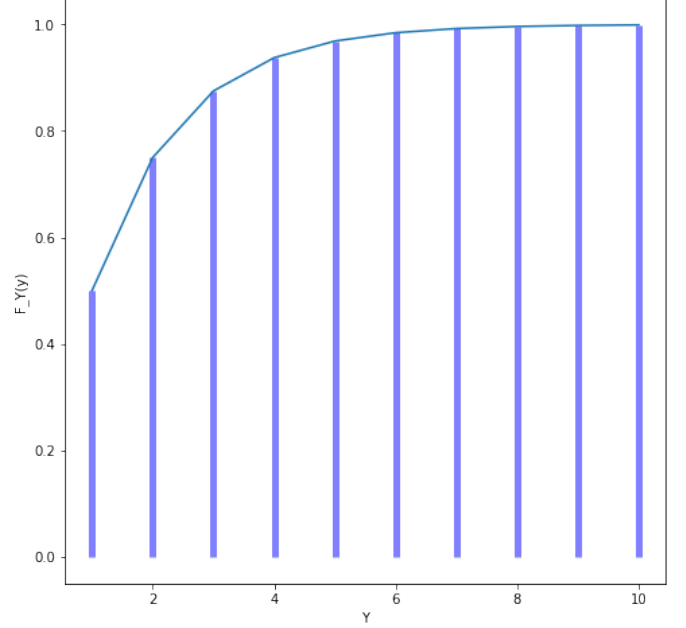


Fig. 3: cdf of random variable Y