CS 107, Probability, Spring 2019 Lecture 22

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Content

• Examples of Important Discrete R.V.s

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$$1 + \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

And we cancel $\int \frac{1}{x} dx$ from the LHS and RHS.



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Important Discrete R.V.

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- Can you give some more?

R Code

```
#Discrete Uniform on data
data <- c(-1,2,4)
sample(data, size = 10, replace = T)

#Generating a sample of size 100
s <- sample(data, size = 100, replace = T)
#Calculating the number of -1 in the sample s
length(s[s == -1])</pre>
```