

The CDF is defined by

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(y) dy$$

C.D.F. of the random variable  $X$ .

Now, it follows from the fundamental theorem of integral calculus that

$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) .$$

~~$F_X(x)$~~   $f_X(x)$

$$\left[ = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{F_X(x+h) - F_X(x)}{h} \right] .$$

Try to do it by yourself.

Further, note that

$$\begin{aligned} P[a \leq X \leq b] &= \int_a^b f_X(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^b f_X(x) dx - \int_{-\infty}^a f_X(x) dx \\ &= F_X(b) - F_X(a). \end{aligned}$$

//  $\int_{-\infty}^a f_X(x) dx = 0$ .

A few more examples of CDF:-

(Discrete,  $\Sigma$  is finite).

$$1. \quad \Sigma = \left\{ (i, j) ; i=1, 2, 3, j=1, 2 \right\}.$$

$$P(\{(i, j)\}) = \frac{1}{6} \quad \forall \quad i=1, 2, 3, j=1, 2$$

$$\text{Define } X(i, j) = i + j$$

$$\text{Range for } X = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}.$$

$$F_X(x) = P[X \leq x] = P[(i,j) : i+j \leq x]$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if } x < 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \quad \text{if } 2 \leq x < 3$$

$$= \frac{3}{6}$$

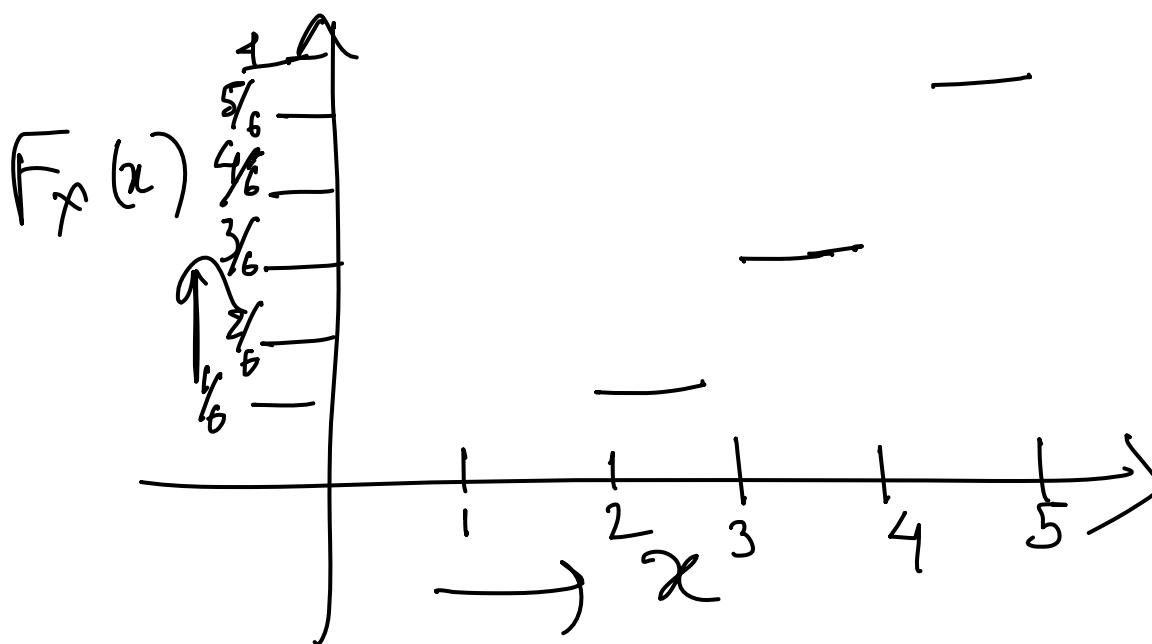
$\rightarrow (1,1)$

$$= \frac{5}{6}$$

$\rightarrow (1,1), (1,2), (2,1)$

$$= 1$$

$\rightarrow (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,1)$



i)  $F_X(x)$  is non-decreasing

ii)  $F_X(x)$  is right cont.

iii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1$  &  $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0$ .

## 2. Random experiment :-

Toss an unbiased until head appears.

$$\mathcal{S} = \{ H, TH, TTH, TTTH, \dots \}$$

$X$ : No. of tosses required.

Hence,  $X$  can take the values  $1, 2, 3, \dots$

$\xrightarrow{\text{Range}} X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$

$$P[X = i] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{i-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2^i}$$

$$F_X(x) = P[X \leq x] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 & \text{if } 2 \leq x < 3 \\ \vdots & \end{cases}$$

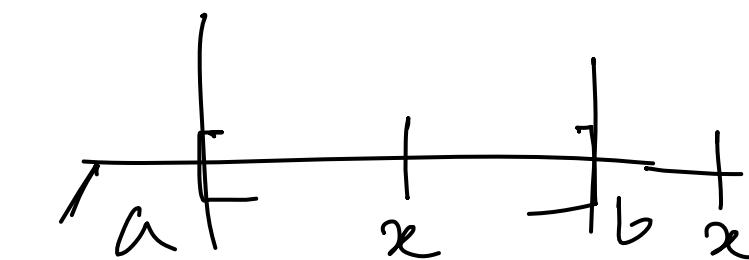
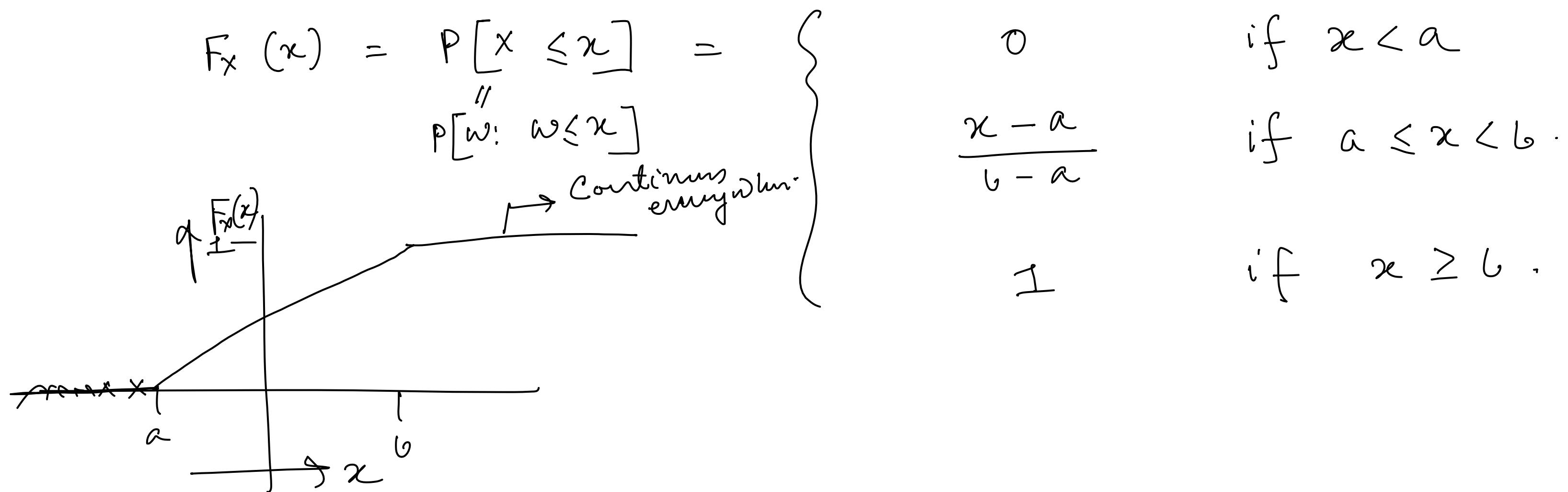
In this case also,  
we observe the  
same characteristics  
of  $F_X(x)$  -

$$3. \quad \Omega = [a, b]. \quad I \subset \Omega.$$

$$P[I] = \frac{\text{length of the interval of } I}{(b-a)}$$

$$X(\omega) = \omega, \quad \underline{x} = [a, b].$$

Range space.

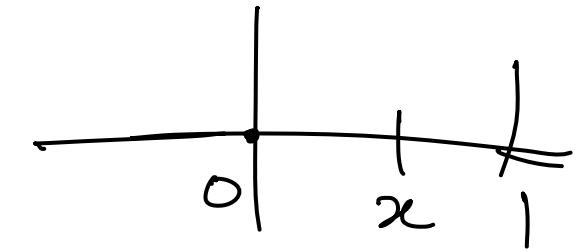
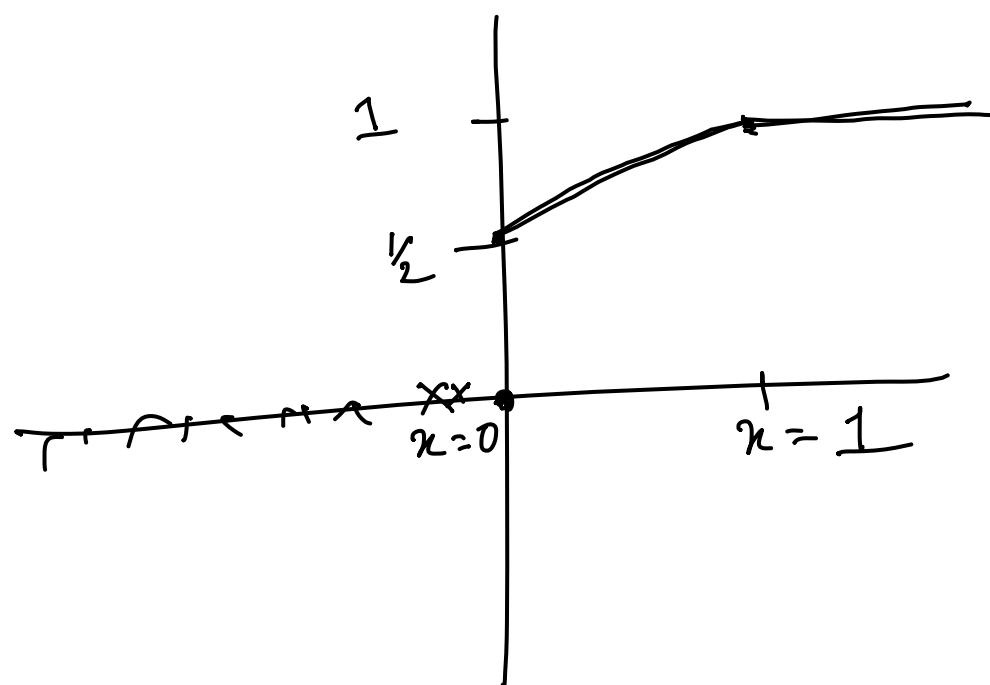


$$4. \quad \mathcal{S} = [0, 1]$$

$P[\{0\}] = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $I \subset [0, 1]$ , and  $P[I] = \frac{\text{length of } I}{2}$ .

$$x(\omega) = \omega$$

$$F_x(x) = P[x \leq x] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{2} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



Fact :-

Suppose, a function  $F_x$  satisfying

- i)  $F_x$  is non-decreasing.
- ii)  $F_x$  is right continuous.
- iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_x(x) = 1$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} F_x(x) = 0$ .

Then  $F_x(x)$  will be the CDF of a some random variable  $X$ .

The significance :- If you have one CDF, there must be one random variable associated with that CDF.

A few more remarks! -

i) If  $X$  is an r.v. with CDF  $F$ . Then

$$P[a < X \leq b] = F_X(b) - F_X(a).$$

(Reason:  $\{-\infty < X \leq b\} = \{-\infty < X \leq a\} \cup \{a < X \leq b\}$ )

disjoint

$$\Rightarrow P[-\infty < X \leq b] = P[-\infty < X \leq a] + P[a < X \leq b]$$

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$$\Rightarrow F_X(b) = F_X(a) + P[a < X \leq b]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P[a < X \leq b] = F_X(b) - F_X(a).$$

2. Suppose,  $X \sim F$   
 $\downarrow$   
 r.v. C.D.F

Then  $P[X = x] = F_x(x) - F_x(x^-)$ , where

$$F_x(x^-) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} F_x(x-h).$$

If  $X$  is cont<sup>n</sup> r.v., then  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} F_x(x-h) - F_x(x)$ ,

and hence,  $P[X = x] = F_x(x) - \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} F_x(x-h)$   
 $= F_x(x) - F_x(x) = 0.$

3. Number of points of discontinuity of CDF  $F_x$  is at most countable. (Try to prove yourself).

One example :- Finding density  $f_x^n$  from CDF.

Recall

$$\Omega = [a, b], \quad I \subset \Omega, \quad P(I) = \frac{\text{length of } I}{(b-a)}$$

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & \text{if } a \leq x < b \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq b \end{cases}$$

p.d.f.



$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \quad \text{if } a \leq x \leq b$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$