

Lecture 3: Random Variable, Part I

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Outline

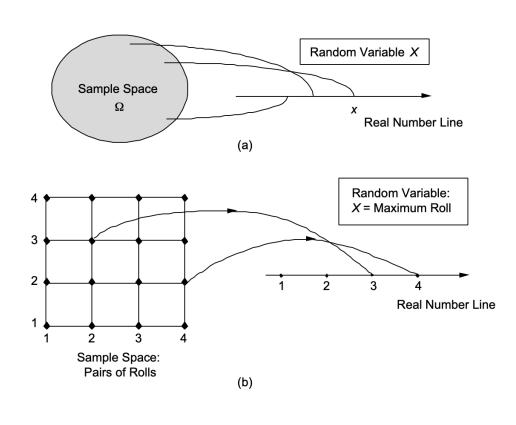


- Random Variable: Discrete
- PMF (Probability Mass Function)
- Representative Discrete Random Variables
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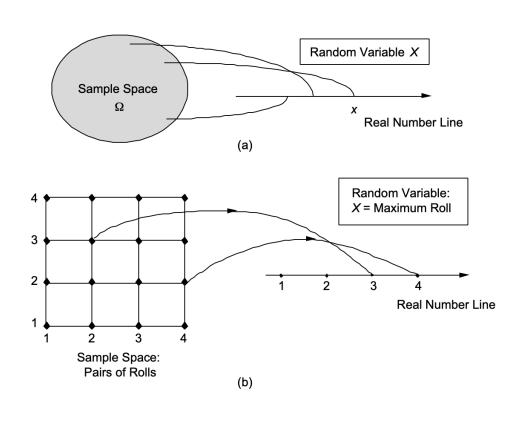
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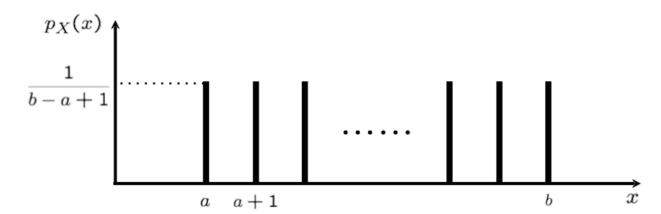
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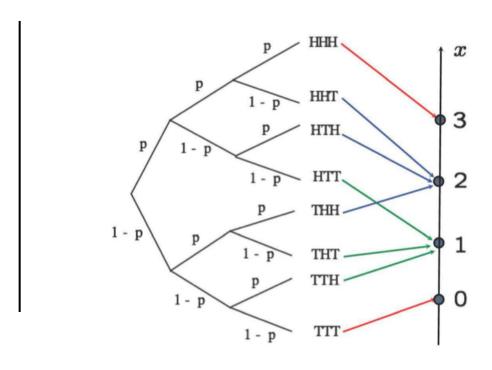
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• Models complete ignorance (I don't know anything about X)

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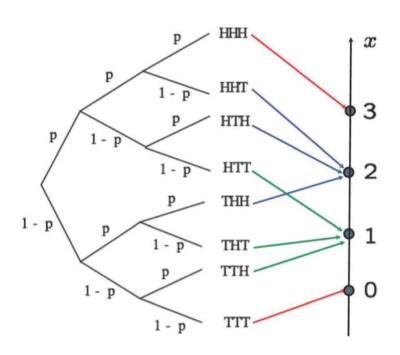




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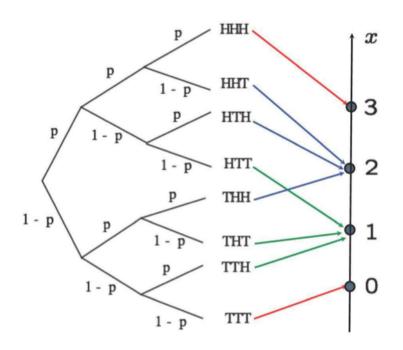


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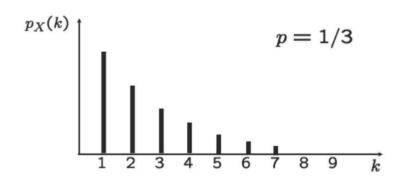
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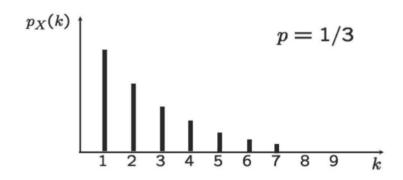
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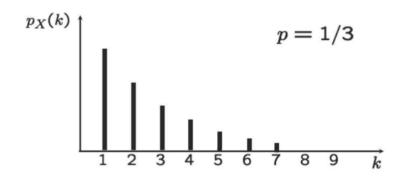


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Properties of Expectation



Not very surprising. Easy to prove using the definition.

• If
$$X \geq 0$$
, $\mathbb{E}[X] \geq 0$.

• If
$$a \le X \le b$$
, $a \le \mathbb{E}[X] \le b$.

• For a constant c, $\mathbb{E}[c] = c$.



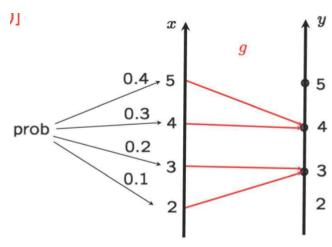
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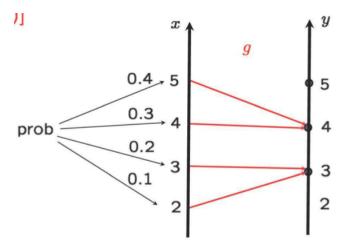


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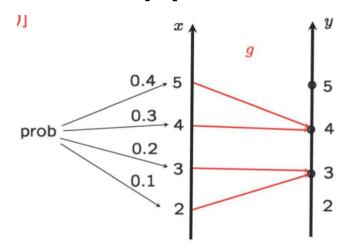


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$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{var[X]}$$



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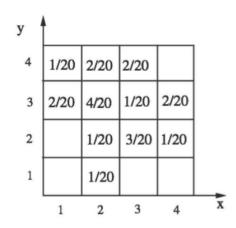
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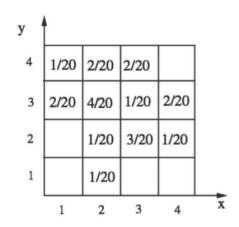
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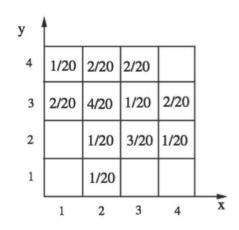
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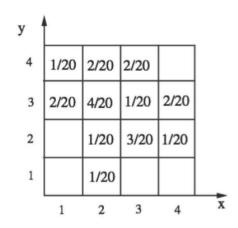
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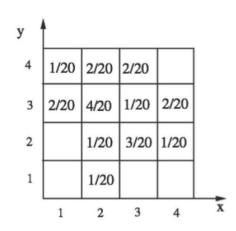
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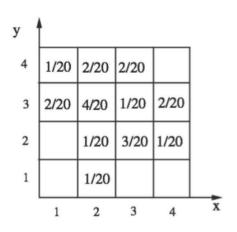


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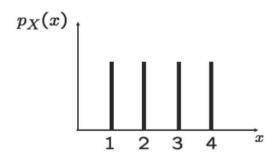
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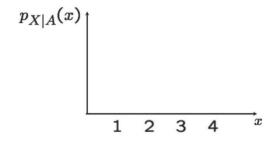


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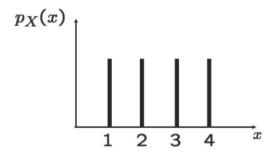


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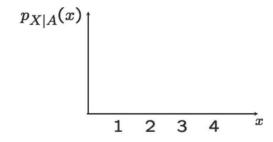


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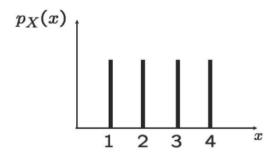


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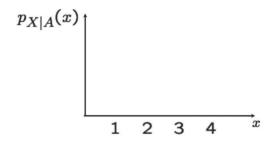


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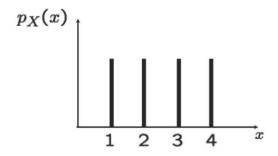


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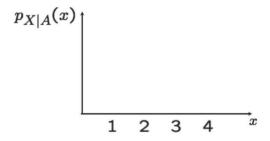


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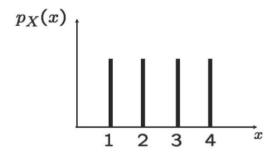
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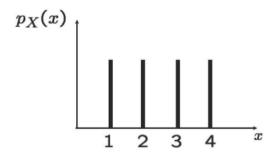
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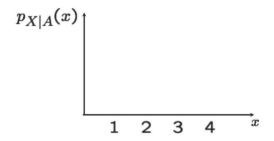


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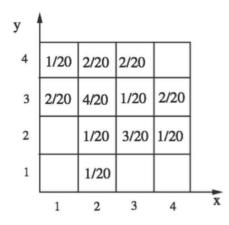
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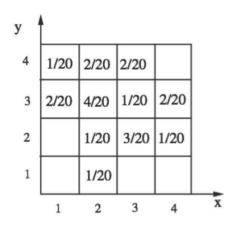
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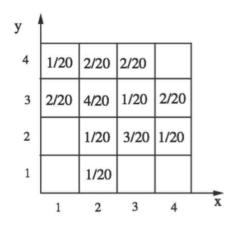
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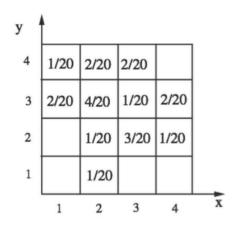
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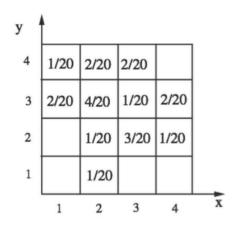
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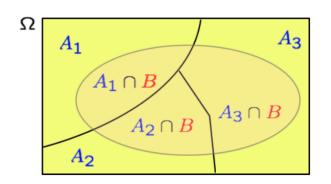
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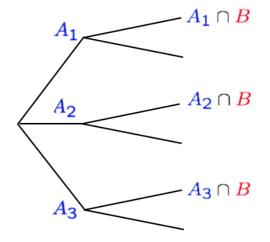


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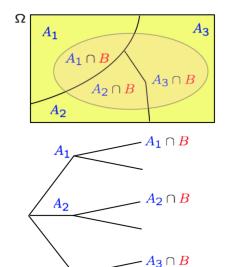
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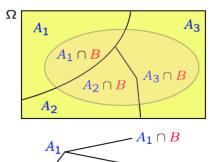
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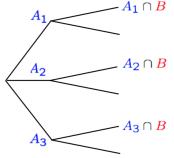
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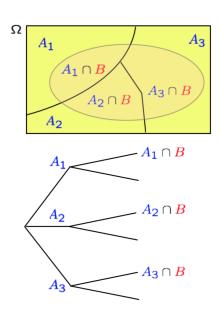
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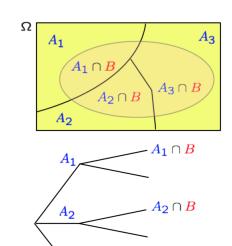
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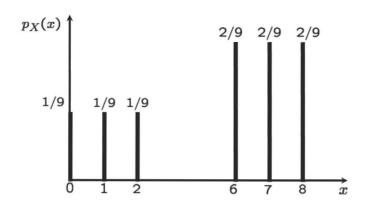
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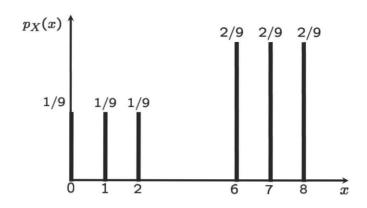


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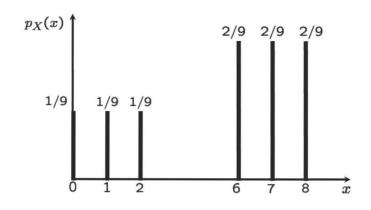


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Roadmap



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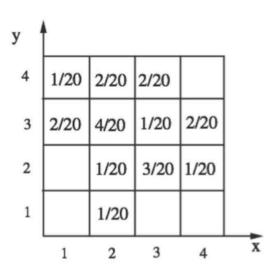
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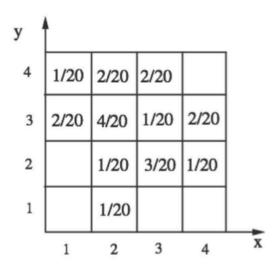


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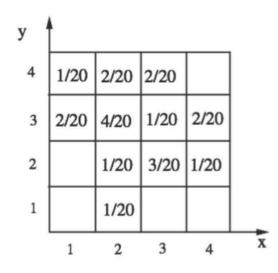
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