

Exercise 1 :

Suppose three coins are tossed. Let X be the random variable representing the number of tails that occur.

Required:

1. Find the sample space S ?
2. Find the cardinality of S ?
3. Identify the set of possible values for the random variable X ?
4. Find the probabilities corresponding to the values of the random variable X ?
5. Find the probability mass function of X ? and represent it graphically?
6. Find the cumulative distribution function? and represent it graphically?

Exercise 2 :

Consider the following cumulative distribution function of a random variable X :(**The first derivative of the CDF yields the PDF, $F'(x) = f(x)$**)

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0; & \text{if } x < 2 \\ \frac{1}{4}x^2 + 2x - 3; & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 1; & \text{if } x > 4 \end{cases}$$

Required:

1. What is the PDF of X ?
2. Determine $E(X)$ and $\text{Var}(X)$.

1 - The number of ways in which they can be seated so that two men refuse to sit together is:

- The number of ways in which 3 men and 3 women can be seated at a table with 6 chairs is:

$$C_7^3 \cdot C_8^3 = 35 \cdot 56 = 1960$$

- We consider these two men sitting together, so the number of approaches becomes:

$$C_8^3 \cdot C_5^1 = 280 = 5 \cdot 56$$

- So the number of ways these two men don't come together at this table is:

$$1960 - 280 = 1680 \quad C_7^3 \cdot C_8^3 - C_5^1 \cdot C_8^3 =$$

2 - The number of ways in which they can be seated so that two women refuse to sit together is:

- The number of ways in which these two women meet is: $C_7^3 \cdot C_6^1 = 35 \cdot 6 = 210$

- So the number of ways these two women don't come together at this table is:

$$C_7^3 \cdot C_8^3 - C_7^3 \cdot C_6^1 = 1960 - 210 = 1750$$

3 - The number of ways in which they can be seated so that a man and a woman refuse to sit together is:

- The number of ways in which they can be seated so that a man and a woman meet together is:

$$C_{7=315}^2 \cdot C_6^2$$

- So the number of ways in which a man and a woman do not get together is:

$$C_7^3 \cdot C_8^3 - C_6^2 \cdot C_7^2 = 1960 - 315 = 1645$$

1.

$$S = \{FFF, FFP, FPF, PFF, PPP, PPF, PFP, FPP\}$$

2.

$$|S| = 8.$$

3.

4.

$$P(x=0) = \frac{1}{8}$$

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$$P(x=1) = \frac{3}{8}$$

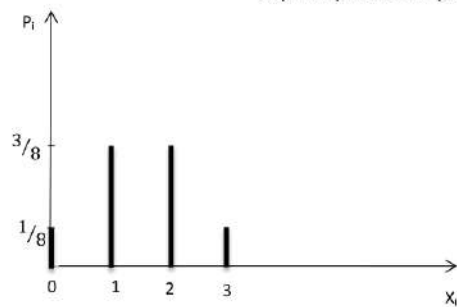
$$P(x=2) = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(x=3) = \frac{1}{8}$$

5.

x_i	0	1	2	3	Σ
P_i	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	1

Graphical representation of probability distribution:



6.

$$\forall x \in]-\infty, 0[\Rightarrow F(x) = 0$$

$$\forall x \in [0, 1[\Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\forall x \in [1, 2[\Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{4}{8}$$

$$\forall x \in [2, 3[\Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\forall x \in [3, +\infty[\Rightarrow F(x) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = 1$$

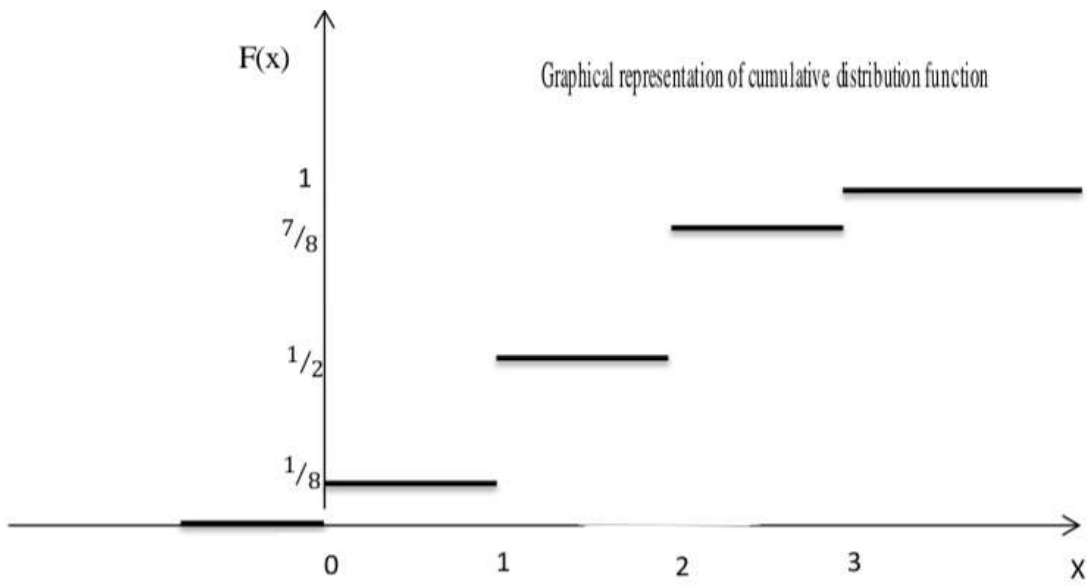
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$$P(X \leq 2) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{3}{8}$$

$$= \frac{7}{8}$$

Graphical representation of cumulative distribution function



^ _ The first derivative of the CDF yields the PDF, $F'(x) = f(x)$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 2 \\ \frac{1}{2}x + 2 & \text{if } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{if } x > 4. \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_E(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^2 x \cdot 0 dx + \int_2^4 x \left(\frac{1}{2}x + 2 \right) dx + \int_4^{\infty} x \cdot 0 dx \\ &= 0 + \int_2^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2x \right) dx + 0 \end{aligned}$$

Given that we have already calculated $E(X)$, we can use Theorem 2 to calculate the variance as $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$. The expectation of X^2 is

$$E(X^2) = \int_2^4 x^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}x + 2 \right) dx = \int_2^4 \left(\frac{1}{2}x^3 + 2x^2 \right) dx$$