

Worksheet 4: Random variables + distributions

Example 0.39. What are the outcomes of each experiment?

- Flip a coin once;
- Flip a coin 5 times;
- Toss two dice;
- Select four numbers from 1:20, without replacement;
- Toss a coin repeatedly until a head first appears.

Example 0.40. Find the range of the following random variables.

- Flip a coin once; $\rightarrow X = 1$ (H), 0 (T)
- Flip a coin 5 times; $\rightarrow X = \#heads$
- Toss two dice; $\rightarrow X = \text{sum}$, $Y = \text{absolute value of difference}$
- Select four numbers from 1:20 at random, without replacement; $\rightarrow X = \text{maximum of the 4 numbers}$
- Toss a coin repeatedly until a head first appears. $\rightarrow X = \text{total \#trials needed}$, $Y = \#tails \text{ before the first head}$

Example 0.41. Determine the following events:

- Flip a fair coin once; define $X = 1$ (H), 0 (T). $X^{-1}(1) =$
- Toss two fair dice; define $X = \text{sum}$. $X^{-1}(7) =$
- Select four numbers from 1:20 at random, without replacement; define $X = \text{maximum of the 4 numbers}$. $X^{-1}(3) =$, $X^{-1}(5) =$
- Toss a coin repeatedly until a head first appears; define $X = \text{total \#trials needed}$. $X^{-1}(3) =$

Example 0.42. Find the following probabilities:

- Flip a fair coin once; define $X = 1$ (H), 0 (T). $P(X = 1) =$
- Toss two fair dice; define $X = \text{sum}$. $P(X = 7) =$
- Select four numbers from 1:20 at random, without replacement; define $X = \text{maximum of the 4 numbers}$. $P(X = 3) =$, $P(X = 5) =$
- Toss a fair coin repeatedly until a head first appears; define $X = \text{total \#trials needed}$. $P(X = 3) =$

Example 0.43. Find the following probabilities:

- Toss two fair dice; define $X = \text{sum}$. $P(X \leq 3) =$, $P(X \geq 10) =$
- Select four numbers from 1:20 at random, without replacement; define $X = \text{maximum of the 4 numbers}$. $P(X \leq 5) =$
- Toss a fair coin repeatedly until a head first appears; define $X = \text{total \#trials needed}$. $P(X \leq 3) =$

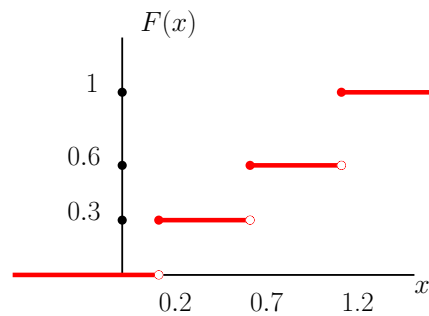
Find the pmf of X in each question below and display it in both ways.

Example 0.44 (Roll a fair die once). Let X be the number obtained.

Example 0.45 (Roll two fair dice). Let X be the sum of the two numbers obtained.

Example 0.46. Find the cdf of X in the top example (roll a fair die once).

Example 0.47. Find the pmf corresponding to the cdf given below.



Example 0.48. Let X be a random variable whose cdf is shown above, find

- $P(X < 0.2) =$, $P(X \leq 0.2) =$, $P(X > 0.2) =$, $P(X \geq 0.2) =$
- $P(X \leq 1) =$, $P(X < 1) =$
- $P(0.2 < X \leq 1.2) =$