



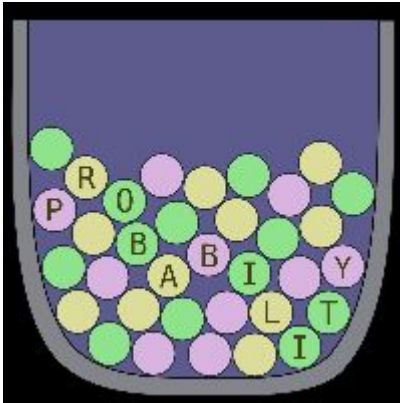
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# Module 1: Introduction to Digital Communication System and Probability Theory

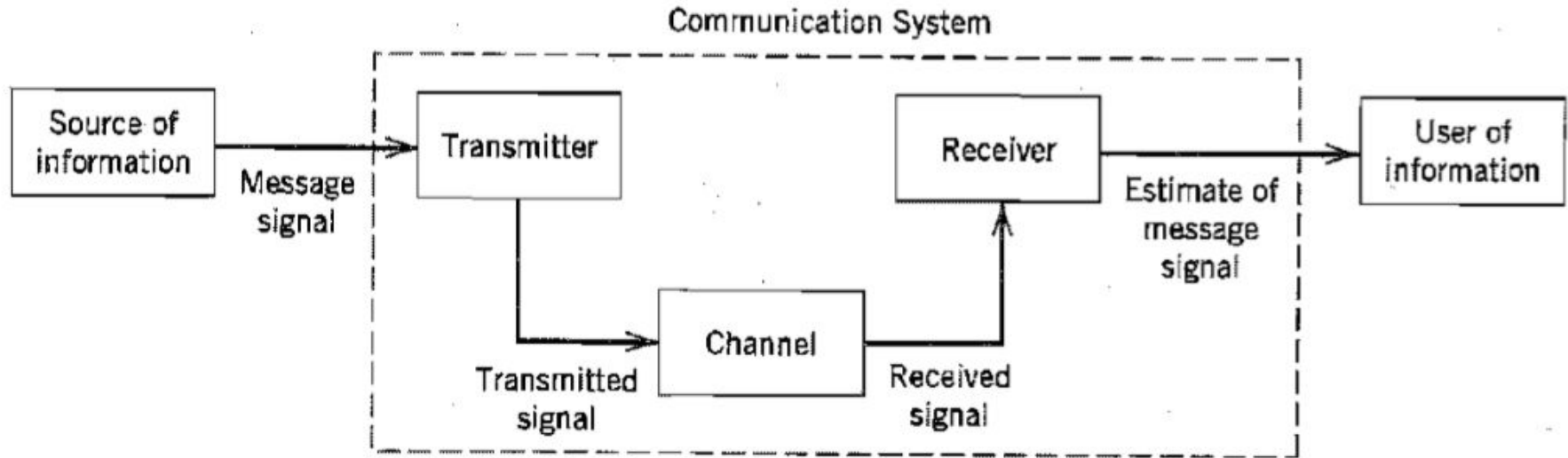
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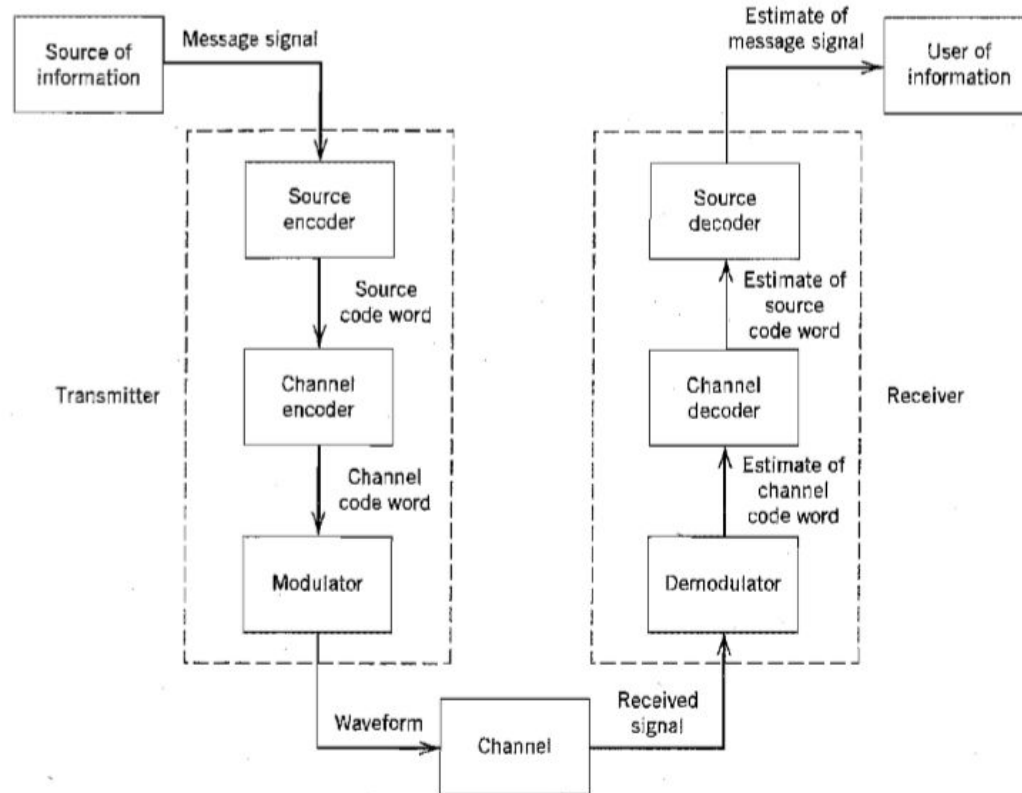


# A typical Communication System



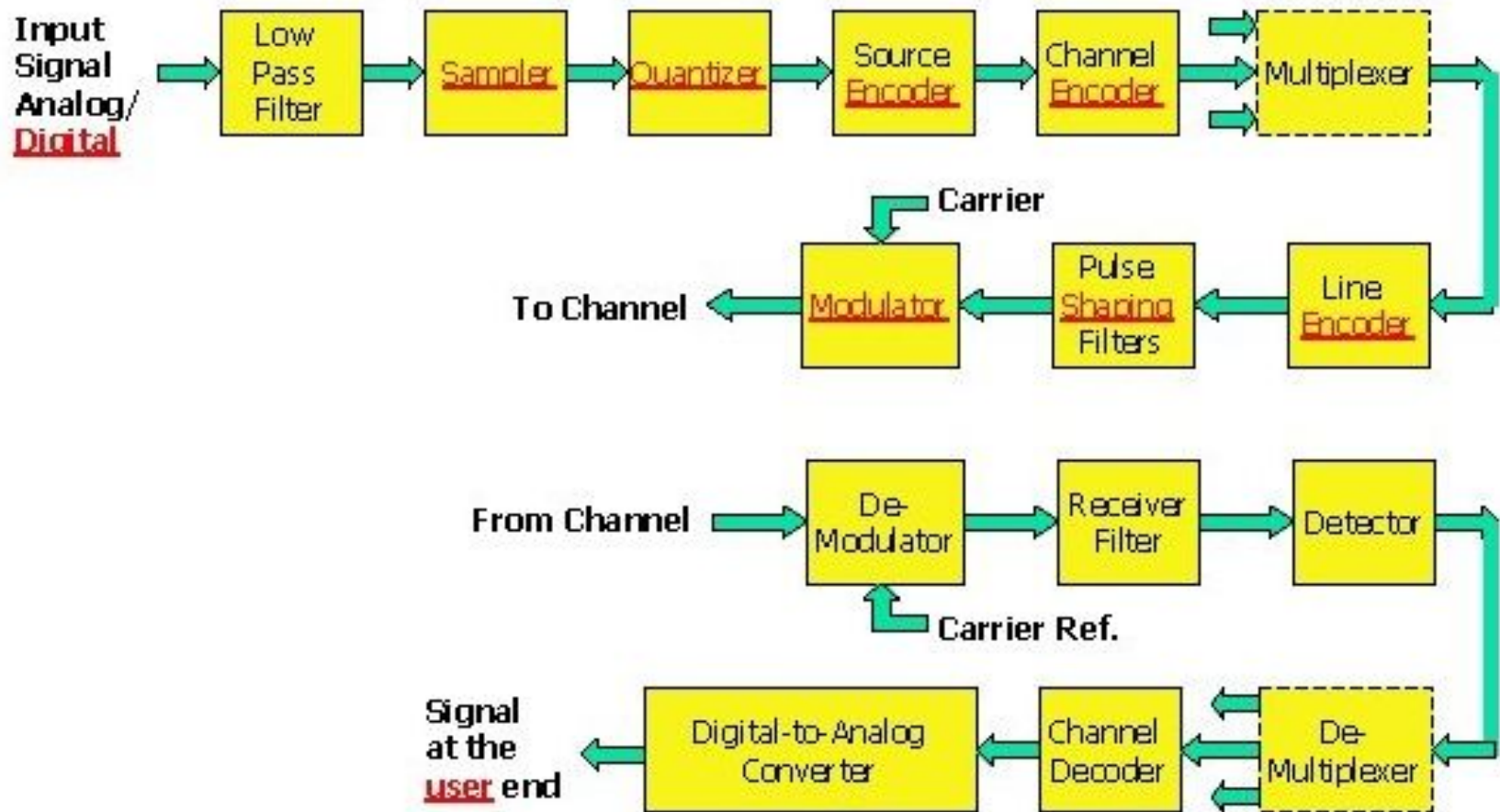
**FIGURE 1** Elements of a communication system.

# A Digital Communication System



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**FIGURE 9** Block diagram of digital communication system.

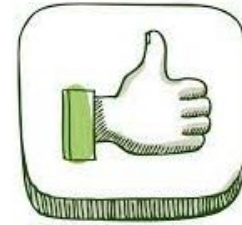


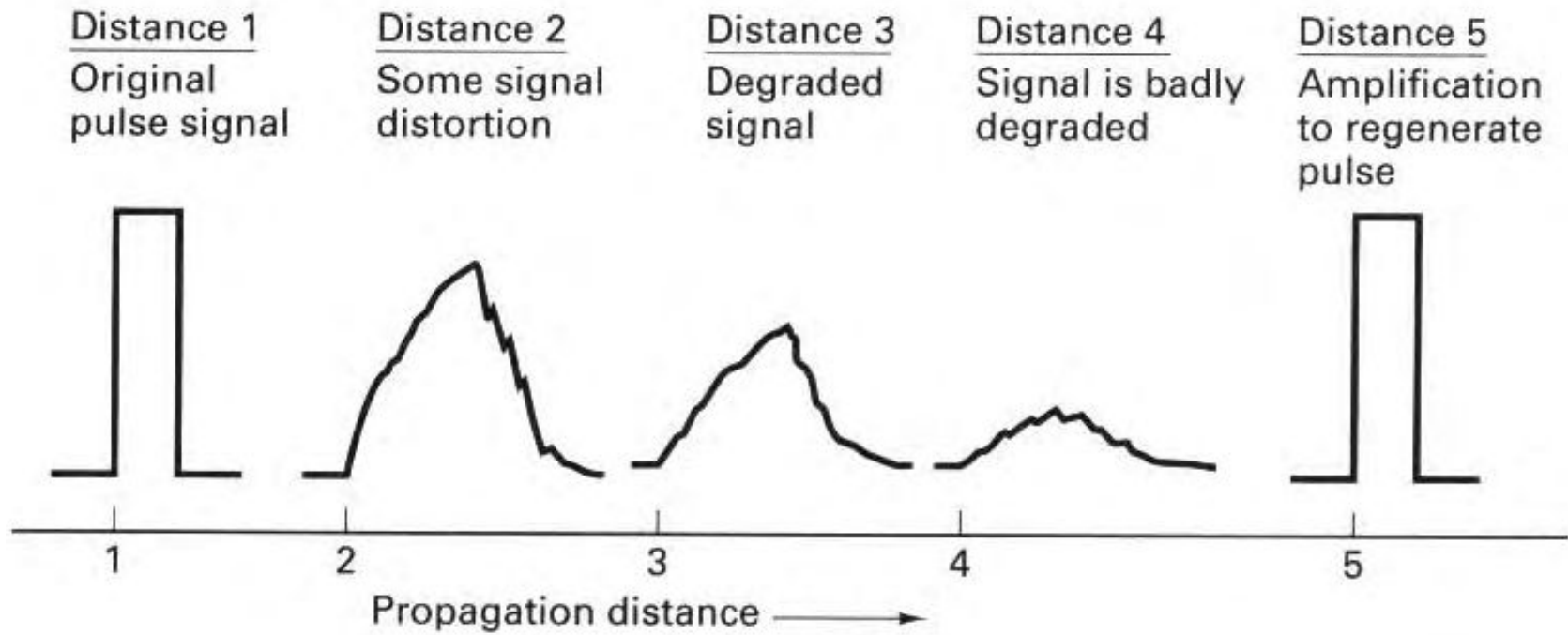
# Principal feature of digital over analog communication system

The principal feature of a digital communication system (DCS) is that during a finite interval of time, it sends a waveform from a finite set of possible waveforms, in contrast to an analog communication system, which sends a waveform from an infinite variety of waveform shapes with theoretically infinite resolution. In a DCS, the objective at the receiver is *not* to reproduce a transmitted waveform with precision; instead, the objective is to determine from a noise-perturbed signal which waveform from the finite set of waveforms was sent by the transmitter.

# Advantages of Digital Transmission

- Reliable communication; less sensitivity to changes in environmental conditions (temperature, etc.)
- Easy multiplexing
- Easy signaling
  - Hook status, address digits, call progress information
- Voice and data integration
- Easy processing like encryption and compression
- Easy system performance monitoring
  - QOS monitoring
- Integration of transmission and switching
- Signal regeneration, operation at low SNR, superior performance
- Integration of services leading to ISDN





**Figure 1.1** Pulse degradation and regeneration.



# Disadvantages of Digital Transmission

- Increased bandwidth
  - 64 KB for a 4 KHz channel, without compression (However, less with compression)
- Need for precision timing
  - Bit, character, frame synchronization needed
- Analogue to Digital and Digital to Analogue conversions
  - Very often non-linear ADC and DAC used, some performance degradation
- Higher complexity



# Significance of Digitization

- ❖ Digitization is the process of converting analog signals or information of any form into a digital format that can be understood by computer systems or electronic devices
- ❖ The term is used when converting information, like text, images or voices and sounds into binary code





# Significance of Digitization.....

- ❖ Flexibility is one of the chief assets of digital information.
- ❖ It is easy to edit , to reformat, and to commit print in a variety of iterations without the effort required to produce hard copy.
- ❖ Furthermore, we can create an endless number of identical copies from a digital file, because the file does not decay by virtue of copying.



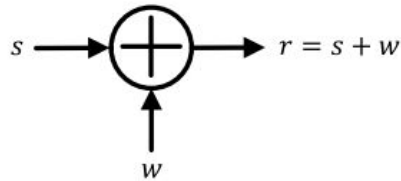
# Communication Channel

- A communication channel is used to convey an information signal.
- A channel has a certain capacity for transmitting information, often measured by its bandwidth in Hz or its data rate in bits per second.
- Mathematical models of the channel can be made to describe how the input (the transmitted signal) is mapped to output (the received signal).

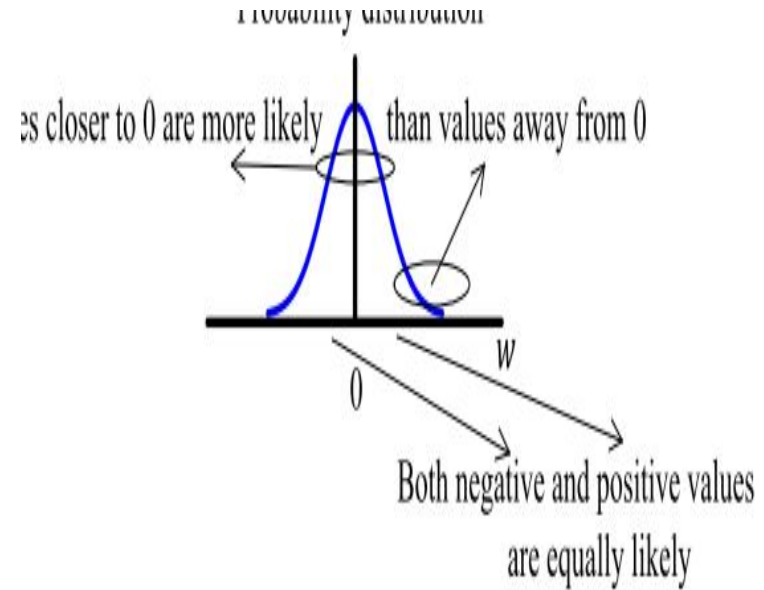
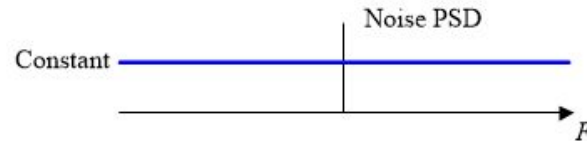


# Significance of AWGN

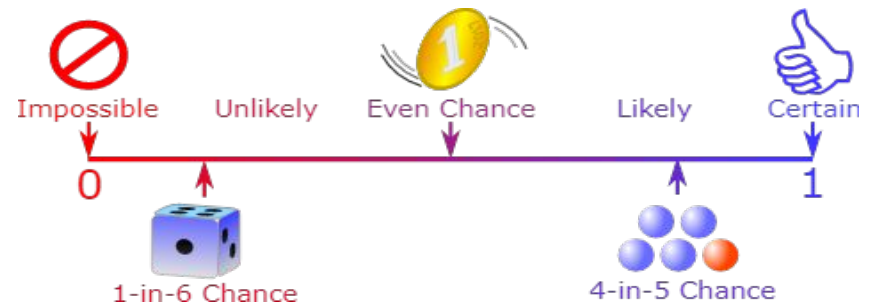
AWGN-



Additive White Gaussian Noise



# Probability Theory



-Probability theory provides mathematical rules for assigning probabilities to outcome of random experiment e.g. Coin tossing, packet arrival, noise voltage

-Probability theory is applied to situations where uncertainty exists

-Engineers apply the theories of Probability and Random Processes to those repeating situations in nature where

1. *We can roughly predict what may happen*

2. *We cannot exactly determine what may happen*

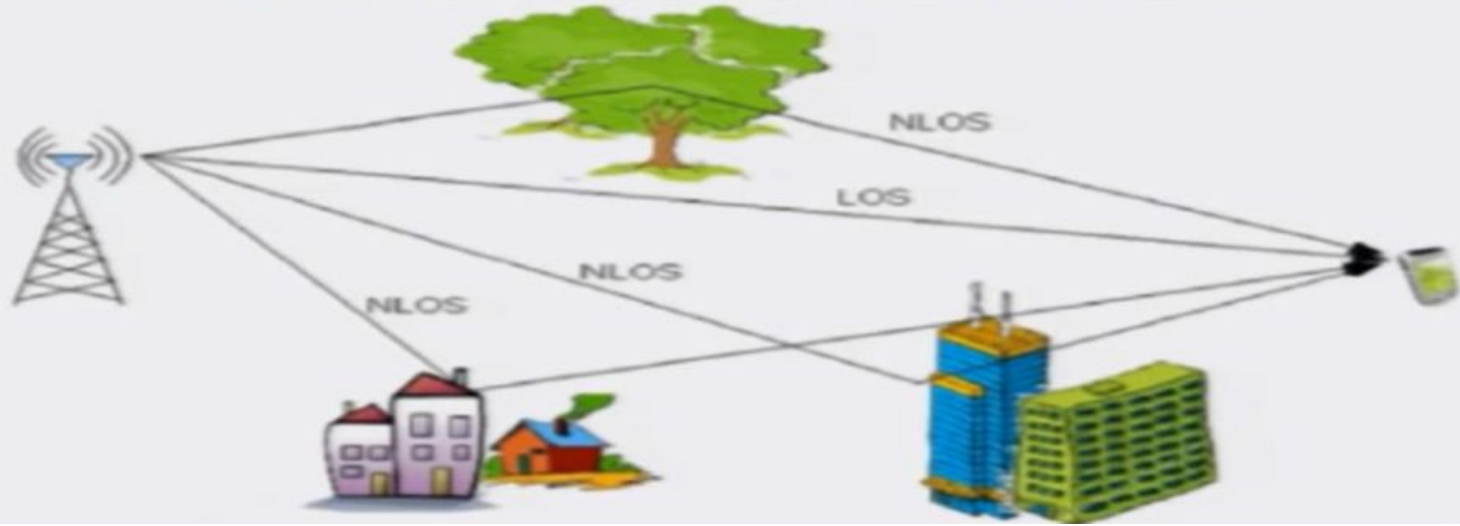
-Whenever we cannot exactly predict an occurrence, we say that such an occurrence is random

# Why study Probability Theory in Digital Communication?

- The main objective of a communication system is the transfer of information over a channel
- All useful message signal appear random, i.e. the receiver does not know, a priori, which of the possible message waveform will be transmitted.
- Also nature of noise is random, that arises due to electrical signals
- Randomness affects the performance of communication System.
- When message signal is transmitted through a channel (wired/wireless) it gets corrupted by noise.
- To recover the message signal, we use probability theory for estimation



# Wireless Channel

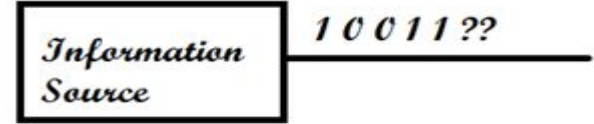


- Symbols transmitter randomly
- Transmit average power
- Probability of Bit error

# Important definitions in Probability

- Random Experiment

An experiment is called as random experiment if the outcome of the experiment cannot be predicted precisely



- Sample Space

The sample space  $S$  is defined as a collection of all possible, separately identified outcomes of a random experiment.

E.g. 1. sample space of tossing a coin

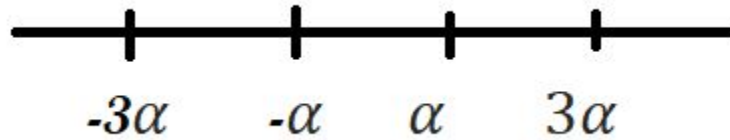
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2. Rolling a die

$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

# Example: M-ary PAM

Let  $M=4$  i.e. there are four symbols



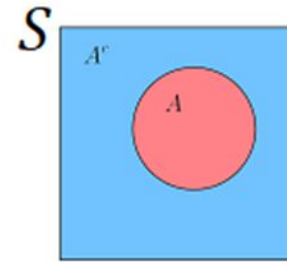
Sample Space  $S=\{-3\alpha,-\alpha,\alpha,+3\alpha\}$

# Important definitions in Probability

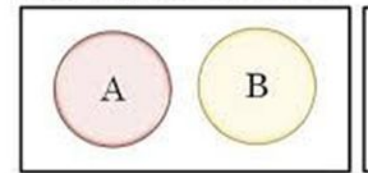
- Event:- Event is defined as a subset of sample space or outcomes meeting some specification

E.g.  $A = \{-3\alpha, \alpha\}$  i.e.  $A \subset S$

- ❖ Complement of an event
- ❖ Union of an Event  $A \cup B$
- ❖ Intersection of Event  $A \cap B$
- ❖ Null Event =  $\Phi$
- ❖ Mutually Exclusive Event i.e.  $A \cap B = \Phi$
- ❖ Mutually Independent Event



Mutually Exclusive Event



$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

E.g.  $S = \{-3\alpha, -\alpha, \alpha, +3\alpha\}$  with probabilities  $\{1/8, 1/8, 1/4, 1/2\}$

$$P(S) = ?$$

$$A = \{-3\alpha, \alpha, \}$$

$$P(A) = ?$$

$$B = \{\alpha, 3\alpha, \}$$

$$P(B) = ?$$

$$(A \cup B) = \{-3\alpha, \alpha, \} \cup \{\alpha, 3\alpha, \} = \{-3\alpha, -\alpha, +3\alpha\}$$

$$P(A \cup B) = ?$$

$$(A \cap B) = \{-3\alpha, \alpha, \} \cap \{\alpha, 3\alpha, \} = \{\alpha\}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = ?$$

Hence proved

# Definition of Probability

## I. Relative Frequency Definition

- Suppose that one of the possible outcome of an experiment is called  $A$  and that when the experiment is repeated  $N$  times the outcome  $A$  occurs  $N_A$  The relative frequency of occurrence of  $A$  is  $\frac{N_A}{N}$ , and this ratio  $\frac{N_A}{N}$  is not predictable unless  $N$  is very large.
- This limiting value of the relative frequency of occurrence is called the probability of outcome  $A$  written so that  $P(A)$

$$P(A) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_A}{N}$$

# Definition of Probability

## II. Classical Definition

$$P(A) = \frac{\textit{number of possible favorable outcomes}}{\textit{total number of possible equally likely outcome}}$$

1.  $0 \leq P \leq 1$  (Probability is a positive number)
2.  $P = 0$  (if an event is not possible)
3.  $P = 1$  (if it an certain (sure)event )

# Joint Probability of related and Independent Events (Bayes' Theorem)

- Suppose we perform two experiments  $A$  and  $B$  with outcomes  $A_1, A_2 \dots \dots \dots$  and  $B_1 B_2 \dots \dots \dots$
- The probability of the joint occurrence of, say  $A_j$  and  $B_k$  is written  $P(A_j \text{ and } B_k)$  or more simply  $P(A_j, B_k)$
- It may be that the probability of event  $B_k$  depends on whether  $A_j$  does indeed occur.
- Here, then we have a situation in which the outcome of the second experiment is conditional on the outcome of the first experiment.
- The probability of the outcome  $B_k$ , given that  $A_j$  is known to have occurred, is called the conditional probability and written  $P(B_k/A_j)$ .



Suppose that we perform  $N$  times ( $N$  a very large number) the experiment of determining which pair of outcomes of experiment  $A$  and  $B$  occur jointly.

Let  $N_j$  be the number of times  $A_j$  occurs with or without  $B_k$ ,

$N_k$  the number of times  $B_k$  occurs with or without  $A_j$

And  $N_{jk}$  the number of times of joint occurrence .

Then,

$$P(B_k/A_j) = \frac{N_{jk}}{N_j} = \frac{N_{jk}/N}{N_j/N} = \frac{P(A_j, B_k)}{P(A_j)} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Similarly we have [since  $N_{jk} = N_{kj}$ ]

$$P(A_j/B_k) = \frac{N_{kj}}{N_k} = \frac{N_{kj}/N}{N_k/N} = \frac{P(A_j, B_k)}{P(B_k)} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

From 1 & 2 we have

$$P(A_j, B_k) = P(A_j) P(B_k/A_j) = P(B_k) P(A_j/B_k)$$

$$P(A_j/B_k) = \frac{P(A_j)}{P(B_k)} P(B_k/A_j)$$

This is Bayes theorem

# Statistical Independence

Event  $A$  and  $B$  are said to be independent events if the outcome of event  $B$  has nothing to do with outcome of event  $A$  and vice versa

The Conditional probability is then

$$P(A_j, B_k) = P(A_j)P(B_k)$$

# Random variables

- A random variable may be

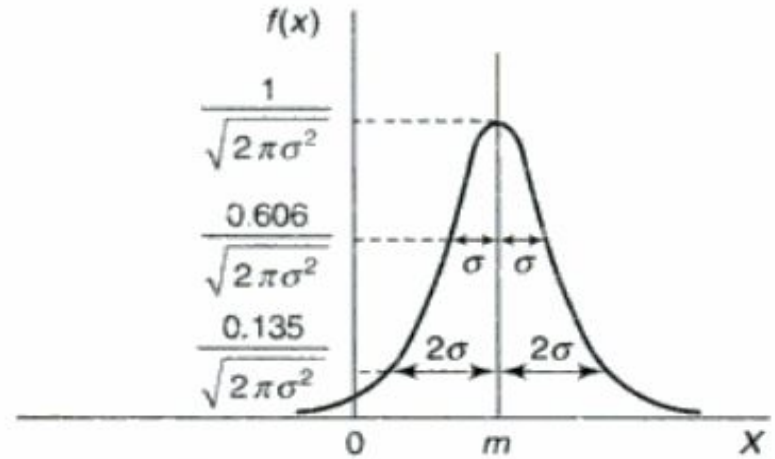
- Discrete
- Continuous

- Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

- Probability Density Function (PDF)

The gaussian probability density function is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-m)^2/2\sigma^2}$$



**Fig.** The gaussian density function.

# Average Value of a Random variable

Consider now that we have the values and their associated probabilities of a discrete random variable. The possible numerical values of the random variable  $X$  are  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots$ , with probabilities of occurrence  $P(x_1), P(x_2), P(x_3) \dots$ . As the number of measurements  $N$  of  $X$  becomes very large, we would expect that we would find the outcome  $X = x_1$  would occur  $NP(x_1)$  times, the outcome  $X = x_2$  would occur  $NP(x_2)$  times, etc. Hence the arithmetic sum of all the  $N$  measurements would be

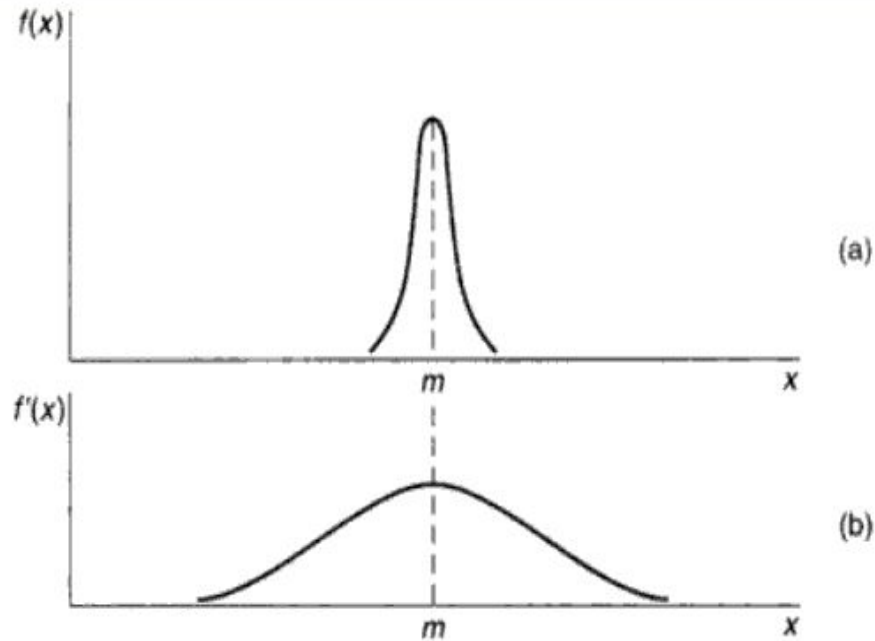
$$x_1P(x_1)N + x_2P(x_2)N + \dots = N \sum_i x_i P(x_i)$$

The *mean* or *average value* of all these measurements and hence the average value of the random variable is calculated by dividing the sum in Eq. ( ) by the number of measurements  $N$ . The mean of a random variable  $X$  is also called the *expectation* of  $X$  and is represented either by the notation  $\bar{X}$  or by  $E(X)$ . We shall use these notations interchangeably. Thus, using  $m$  to represent the value of the average or expectation of  $X$ , we have, from Eq.

$$\bar{X} \equiv E(X) = m = \sum_i x_i P(x_i)$$

# Variance of a random variable

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**Fig.** Two probability density functions corresponding to random variables with different variances.

# Variance of a random variable

In Fig. are shown two probability density functions  $f(x)$  and  $f'(x)$  for two random variables  $X$  and  $X'$ . As a matter of simplicity we have drawn them of the same general form and have drawn them symmetrically about a common average value  $m$ . But these features are not essential to the ensuing discussion. Rather, the important point is that  $f(x)$  is *narrower* than is  $f'(x)$ . Suppose, then, that experimental determinations were made of  $X$  and  $X'$  yielding numerical outcomes  $x$  and  $x'$ . We would surely find that, on the average,  $x$  would be closer to  $m$  than  $x'$  would be to  $m'$ . Thus in comparing  $X$  and  $X'$ , we find that the outcomes of  $X$  have a higher probability of occurring in a smaller range. In other words, if a number of determinations were made of  $X$  and  $X'$ , we would expect to find that the outcomes of  $X$  would *cluster* more closely around  $m$  than would be the case for  $X'$ .

It is convenient to have a number which serves as a measure of the “width” of a probability density function. a more useful measure is the square root of the average value of  $(X - m)^2$ , that is, of the second moment of  $X - m$ . This second moment is represented by the symbol  $\sigma^2$  and is called the *variance* of the random variable.

$$\sigma^2 \equiv E[(X - m)^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - m)^2 f(x) dx$$

Writing  $(x - m)^2 = x^2 - 2mx + m^2$  in the integral of Eq. (2.55) and integrating term by term, we find

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= E(X^2) - 2m^2 + m^2 \\ &= E(X^2) - m^2\end{aligned}$$

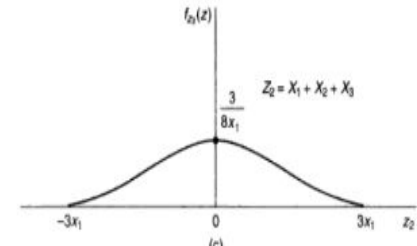
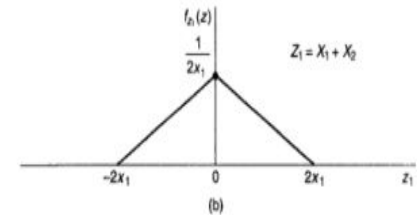
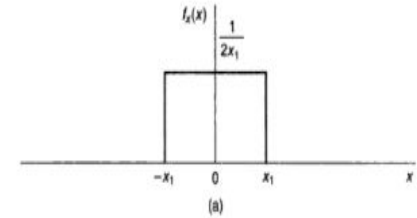
The quantity  $\sigma$  itself is called the standard deviation and is the *root mean square* (rms) value of  $(X - m)$ . If the average value  $m = 0$ , then

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2)$$

# Central Limit Theorem

It indicates that the probability density of a sum on  $N$  independent random variable tends to approach a Gaussian density as the number  $N$  increases.

The mean and variance of the Gaussian density are respectively the sum of the means and the sum of the variances of the  $N$ -independent random variable. The theorem applies even when (with a few special exceptions) the individual random variables are not Gaussian. In addition, the theorem applies in certain special cases when the individual random variables are not independent.





**What is a probability distribution?**

**random variable** is a variable whose value is the outcome of a random event.

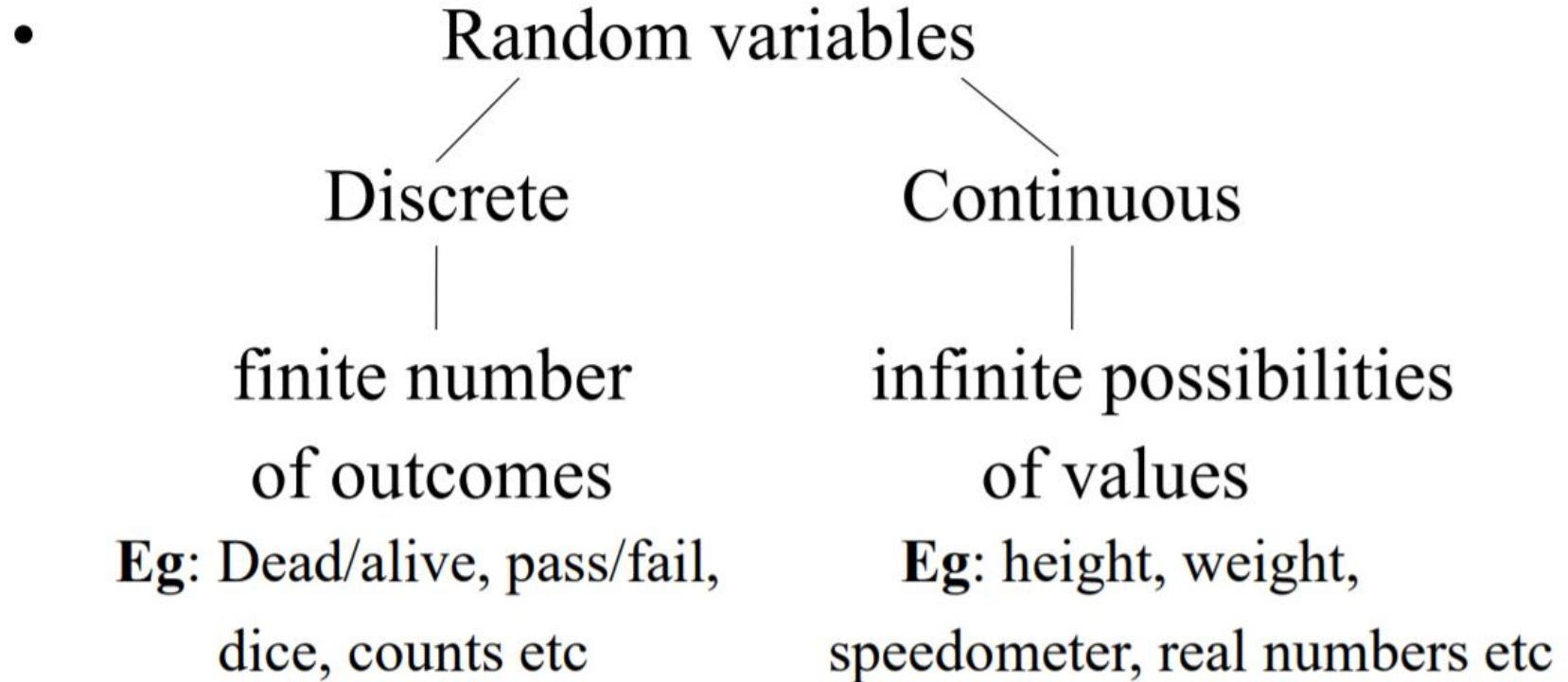
*A **probability distribution** is a list of all of the possible outcomes of a random variable along with their corresponding probability values.*

*\*\*Probability Mass Function*

*\*\*Probability Density Function*

# Various PDFs

- A random variable has a defined set of values with different probabilities.



# DISTRIBUTION

- Frequency Distribution: It is a listing of observed / actual frequencies of all the outcomes of an experiment that actually occurred when experiment was done.
- Probability Distribution: It is a listing of the probabilities of all the possible outcomes that could occur if the experiment was done.
  - It can be described as:
    - A diagram (Probability Tree)
    - A table
    - A mathematical formula

# DEFINITION

- A probability density function (PDF) is a function that describes the relative likelihood for this random variable to take on a given value.
- It is given by the integral of the variable's density over that range.
- It can be represented by the area under the density function but above the horizontal axis and between the lowest and greatest values of the range.

# PROPERTIES

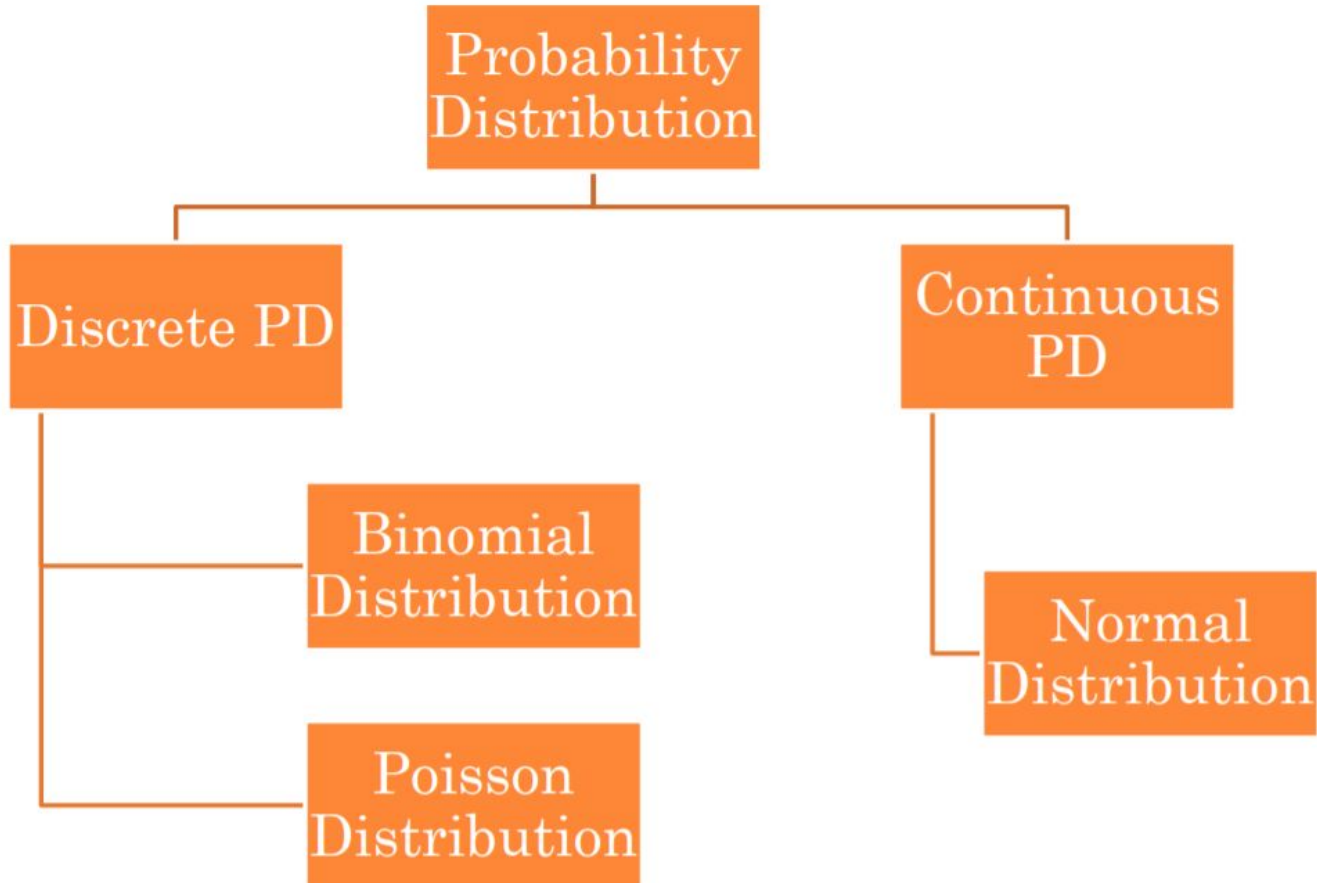
$$(i) f_X(x) \geq 0$$

$$(ii) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$$

$$(iii) P[a \leq X \leq b] = \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$$

(iv) It is the derivative of CDF of a continuous random variable.

# TYPES OF PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION



# BINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION

- There are certain phenomena in nature which can be identified as Bernoulli's processes, in which:
  - There is a fixed number of  $n$  trials carried out
  - Each trial has only two possible outcomes say success or failure, true or false etc.
  - Probability of occurrence of any outcome remains same over successive trials
  - Trials are statistically independent
- **Binomial distribution** is a discrete PD which expresses the probability of one set of alternatives – success ( $p$ ) and failure ( $q$ )
  - **$P(X = x) = {}^n_r C p^r q^{n-r}$  (Prob. Of  $r$  successes in  $n$  trials)**
    - $n$  = no. of trials undertaken
    - $r$  = no. of successes desired
    - $p$  = probability of success
    - $q$  = probability of failure
- Mean of BD:  $\mu = np$
- Standard Deviation of BD:  $\sigma = \sqrt{npq}$



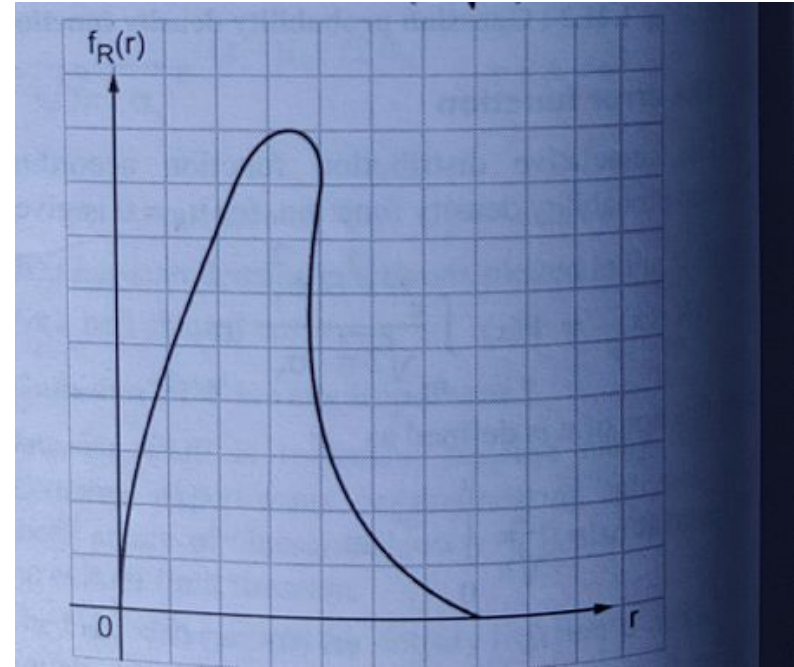
# POISSON DISTRIBUTION

- When there is a large number of trials, but a small probability of success, binomial calculation becomes impractical
- If  $\lambda$  = mean no. of occurrences of an event per unit interval of time/space, then probability that it will occur exactly 'x' times is given by
  - $P(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$  where e is napier constant &  $e = 2.7182$
- Mean of PD is  $\lambda = np$
- Standard Deviation of PD is  $\sqrt{\lambda} = \sqrt{np}$

# Rayleigh Distribution

- Let  $R$  be continuous random variable such that
$$R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$$
where,  $X$  and  $Y$  both are Gaussian random variables.
- As  $X$  and  $Y$  are Gaussian random variables,  $\mu_x = \mu_y = 0$   
= mean and  $\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma^2$ .
- Then the Rayleigh density is defined by,

$$f_R(\gamma) = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma}{\sigma^2} e^{-\gamma^2/2\sigma^2}, & \gamma \geq 0 \\ 0, & \gamma < 0 \end{cases}$$



**Mean of Rayleigh PDF**

$$\bar{R} = \sqrt{\pi/2} \cdot \sigma$$

**Variance of Rayleigh PDF**

$$\sigma_r^2 = (2 - \pi/2) \sigma^2$$

# Rician Distribution

- It is important as it is useful in analysis of carrier signal passing through noisy channel.
- Rician density function is given as,

$$f_x(x) = \frac{x}{\sigma} e^{-\frac{x^2 + a^2}{2\sigma^2}} I_0\left(\frac{ax}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

Normalized Rician PDF is,  $f_x(x) = xe^{-\frac{x^2 + a^2}{2\sigma^2}} I_0(ax)$

$I_0$  = modified Bessel function of first kind, zeroth order

$\sigma$  = standard deviation

$a$  = amplitude of sinusoidal signal

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