

Lesson 10

Binomial Distribution

EXERCISE 1(a)

If you take $N=3$ steps in 1D, what are all the possible sequences of steps?

Permutations[{R, R, R}]

Permutations[{R, R, L}]

Permutations[{R, L, L}]

Permutations[{L, L, L}]

{R, R, R}

{R, R, L}, {R, L, R}, {L, R, R}

{R, L, L}, {L, R, L}, {L, L, R}

{L, L, L}

NOTE

To get all possible sequences, we can write the total number of steps in base 2.

BaseForm[3, 2]

BaseForm[7, 2]

BaseForm[8, 2]

11₂

111₂

1000₂

IntegerDigits[3, 2]

IntegerDigits[7, 2]

IntegerDigits[8, 2]

{1, 1}

{1, 1, 1}

{1, 0, 0, 0}

IntegerDigits[3, 2, 4]

{0, 0, 1, 1}

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nn = 3;
Do[
  Print[{k, IntegerDigits[k, 2, 3]};
  , {k, 0, 2^nn - 1}]
{0, {0, 0, 0}}
{1, {0, 0, 1}}
{2, {0, 1, 0}}
{3, {0, 1, 1}}
{4, {1, 0, 0}}
{5, {1, 0, 1}}
{6, {1, 1, 0}}
{7, {1, 1, 1}}

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EXERCISE 1 (b)

If you take $N=3$ steps and the probability to go to the right and left are the same $p=q=1/2$, what are the probabilities of taking nr steps to the right, such that $nr=0, 1, \dots, N$?

Make a plot (barchart) with the values of these probabilities.

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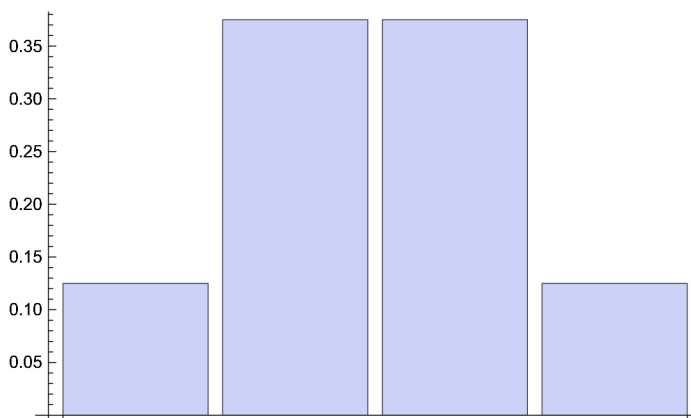
Clear[p, q, nn, prob, tab];
p = 0.5;
q = 0.5;
nn = 3;
prob[x_] := nn! / (x! (nn - x)!) p^x q^(nn - x)
tab = Table[{nr, prob[nr]}, {nr, 0, nn}]
{{0, 0.125}, {1, 0.375}, {2, 0.375}, {3, 0.125}}

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Clear[teb]
teb = Table[prob[nr], {nr, 0, nn}];
BarChart[teb]

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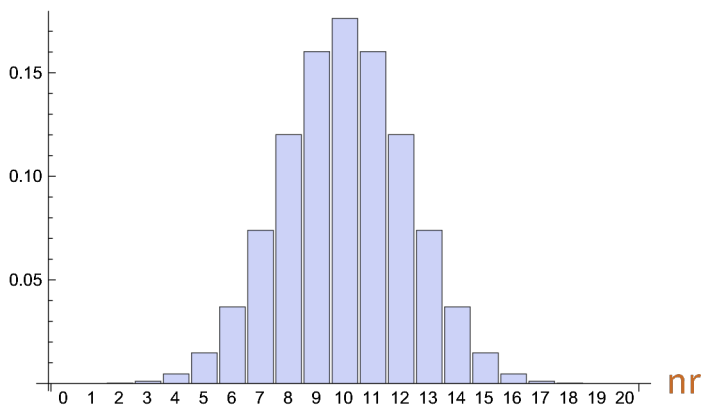
EXERCISE 2 (a)

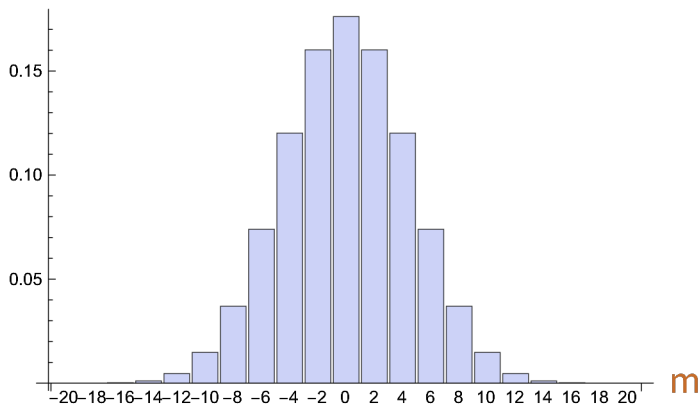
If you take $N=20$ steps and the probability to go to the right and left are the same $p=q=1/2$, what are the probabilities of taking nr steps to the right, such that $nr=0, 1, \dots, N$?

Make a plot (barchart) with the values of these probabilities.
Does the shape of the plot look familiar?

```
Clear[p, q, nn, prob, tab];
p = 0.5;
q = 0.5;
nn = 20;
prob[x_] := nn! / (x! (nn - x)!) p^x q^(nn - x)
tab = Table[{nr, prob[nr]}, {nr, 0, nn}]
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```
Clear[teb]
teb = Table[prob[nr], {nr, 0, nn}];
BarChart[teb, ChartLabels -> Table[nr, {nr, 0, nn}], AxesLabel -> {"nr", ""}]
BarChart[teb, ChartLabels -> Table[2 nr - nn, {nr, 0, nn}], AxesLabel -> {"m", ""}]
{{0, 9.53674 × 10-7}, {1, 0.0000190735}, {2, 0.000181198}, {3, 0.00108719},
 {4, 0.00462055}, {5, 0.0147858}, {6, 0.0369644}, {7, 0.0739288},
 {8, 0.120134}, {9, 0.160179}, {10, 0.176197}, {11, 0.160179}, {12, 0.120134},
 {13, 0.0739288}, {14, 0.0369644}, {15, 0.0147858}, {16, 0.00462055},
 {17, 0.00108719}, {18, 0.000181198}, {19, 0.0000190735}, {20, 9.53674 × 10-7}}
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**EXERCISE 2 (b)**

- (i) What is the sum of the probabilities for all values of nr?
- (ii) What is the average for nr and m?
- (iii) What is the variance for nr and m?

```
Print["Item (i): summ of probabilities"];
Sum[prob[x], {x, 0, nn}]
Print["Item (ii): average <nr> and <m>"];
Sum[prob[x] x, {x, 0, nn}]
Sum[prob[x] (2 x - nn), {x, 0, nn}]
Print["Item (iii): variance <nr^2>-<nr>^2 and for m"];
Sum[prob[x] x^2, {x, 0, nn}] - (Sum[prob[x] x, {x, 0, nn}])^2
Sum[prob[x] (2 x - nn)^2, {x, 0, nn}] - (Sum[prob[x] (2 x - nn), {x, 0, nn}])^2
Item (i): summ of probabilities
1.
Item (ii): average <nr> and <m>
10.
0.
Item (iii): variance <nr^2>-<nr>^2 and for m
5.
20.
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EXERCISE 2 (c)

Repeat the questions:

- (ii) What is the average for nr and m?
- (iii) What is the variance for nr and m?

For N=10, 20, 30, 40, ...100. Can you generalize your results for $\langle nr \rangle$, $\langle m \rangle$ and the variances in terms of N?

```

Clear[p, q, nn, prob];
p = 0.5;
q = 0.5;
prob[x_, Nt_] := Nt! / (x! (Nt - x)!) p^x q^(Nt - x)

Do[
  Clear[nn, ave, avem, var, varm];
  nn = 10 k;
  ave = Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr, {nr, 0, nn}];
  avem = Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn), {nr, 0, nn}];
  var = Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr^2, {nr, 0, nn}] - Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr, {nr, 0, nn}]^2;
  varm = Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn)^2, {nr, 0, nn}] -
    Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn), {nr, 0, nn}]^2;
  Print[{nn, ave, Chop[avem], var, varm}];
  , {k, 1, 10}]

{10, 5., 0, 2.5, 10.}
{20, 10., 0, 5., 20.}
{30, 15., 0, 7.5, 30.}
{40, 20., 0, 10., 40.}
{50, 25., 0, 12.5, 50.}
{60, 30., 0, 15., 60.}
{70, 35., 0, 17.5, 70.}
{80, 40., 0, 20., 80.}
{90, 45., 0, 22.5, 90.}
{100, 50., 0, 25., 100.}

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Conclusion:

$\langle nr \rangle = N/2$ and variance = $N/4$

$\langle m \rangle = 0$ and variance = N

EXERCISE 2 (d)

Repeat the problem above, but for $p=0.1$ and $q=0.9$.

Can you generalize your results for $\langle nr \rangle$, $\langle m \rangle$ and the variances in terms of N , p and q ?

```

Clear[p, q, nn, prob];
p = 0.1;
q = 0.9;
prob[x_, Nt_] := Nt! / (x! (Nt - x)!) p^x q^(Nt - x)

Do[
  Clear[nn, ave, avem, var, varm];
  nn = 10 k;
  ave = Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr, {nr, 0, nn}];
  avem = Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn), {nr, 0, nn}];
  var = Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr^2, {nr, 0, nn}] - Sum[prob[nr, nn] nr, {nr, 0, nn}]^2;
  varm = Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn)^2, {nr, 0, nn}] -
    Sum[prob[nr, nn] (2 nr - nn), {nr, 0, nn}]^2;
  Print[{nn, ave, Chop[avem], var, varm}];
  , {k, 1, 10}]

{10, 1., -8., 0.9, 3.6}
{20, 2., -16., 1.8, 7.2}
{30, 3., -24., 2.7, 10.8}
{40, 4., -32., 3.6, 14.4}
{50, 5., -40., 4.5, 18.}
{60, 6., -48., 5.4, 21.6}
{70, 7., -56., 6.3, 25.2}
{80, 8., -64., 7.2, 28.8}
{90, 9., -72., 8.1, 32.4}
{100, 10., -80., 9., 36.}

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Conclusion:

$\langle nr \rangle = Np$ and the variance = Npq
 $\langle m \rangle = N(p-q)$ and the variance = $4Npq$

Let us now obtain these results analytically.

Random Walk in 1D

EXERCISE 3

(i) One realization of a random walk with 10 steps:

Make a list/table with 10 random numbers which can only be +1 or -1. Give a name to this list.

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rw = Table[(-1)^RandomInteger[], {k, 1, 10}]
{1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, 1}

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(ii) What is the final position of the particle after those 10 steps?

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Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, 10}]
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(iii) Assume $N=100$ and 200 realizations of random walks.

Compute the average final position and its variance. Do the results agree with your expectations? What is the relative error for the variance?

Make a histogram with the final positions.

```
Clear[Nt, Nrea];
Nt = 100;
Nrea = 200;
Clear[rw, FinPos];
Do[
  rw = Table[(-1) ^ RandomInteger[], {k, 1, Nt}];
  FinPos[j] = Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, Nt}];
  , {j, 1, Nrea}];

Clear[ave, var];
Print["Average"];
ave = Sum[1. FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea
Print["Variance"];
var = Sum[1. FinPos[j]^2, {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea -
  (Sum[1. FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea)^2
Print["The relative error is ", 100 Abs[var - Nt] / Nt, "%"]

Print["Histogram"];
Clear[tab];
tab = Table[FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}];
Histogram[tab]
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Average

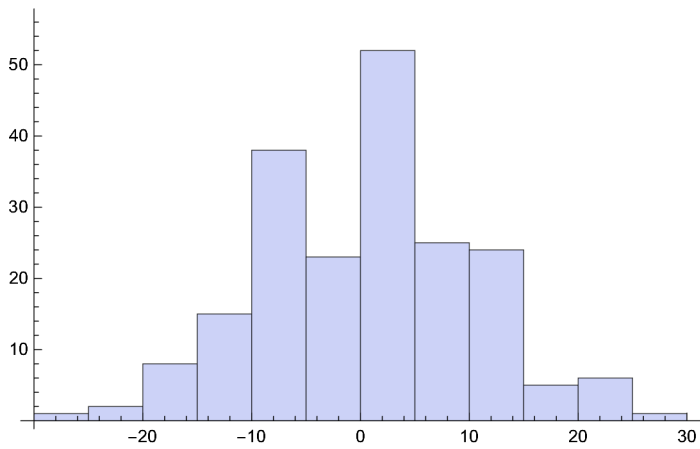
0.07

Variance

97.5351

The relative error is 2.4649%

Histogram



(iv) Assume $N=1000$ and 2000 realizations of random walks.

Compute the average final position and its variance. Do the results agree with your expectations? What is the relative error for the variance?

Make a histogram with the final positions.


```

Clear[Nt, Nrea];
Nt = 1000;
Nrea = 2000;
Clear[rw, FinPos];
Do[
  rw = Table[(-1) ^ RandomInteger[], {k, 1, Nt}];
  FinPos[j] = Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, Nt}];
  , {j, 1, Nrea}];
Clear[ave, var];
Print["Average"];
ave = Sum[1. FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea
Print["Variance"];
var = Sum[1. FinPos[j]^2, {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea -
  (Sum[1. FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}] / Nrea)^2
Print["The relative error is ", 100 Abs[var - Nt] / Nt, "%"];
Print["Histogram"];
Clear[tab];
tab = Table[FinPos[j], {j, 1, Nrea}];
Histogram[tab]

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Average

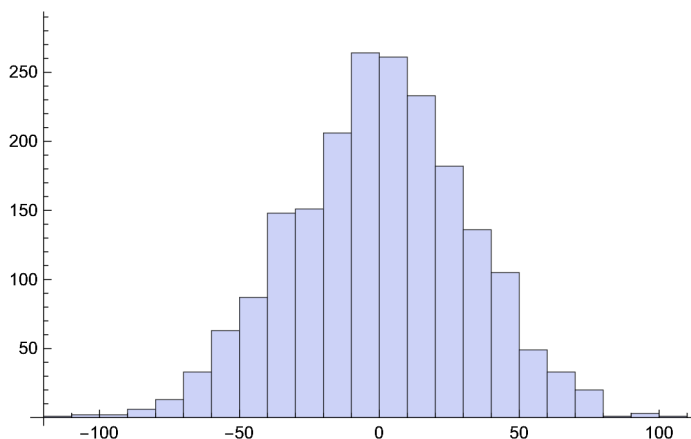
-0.553

Variance

1001.12

The relative error is 0.112419%

Histogram



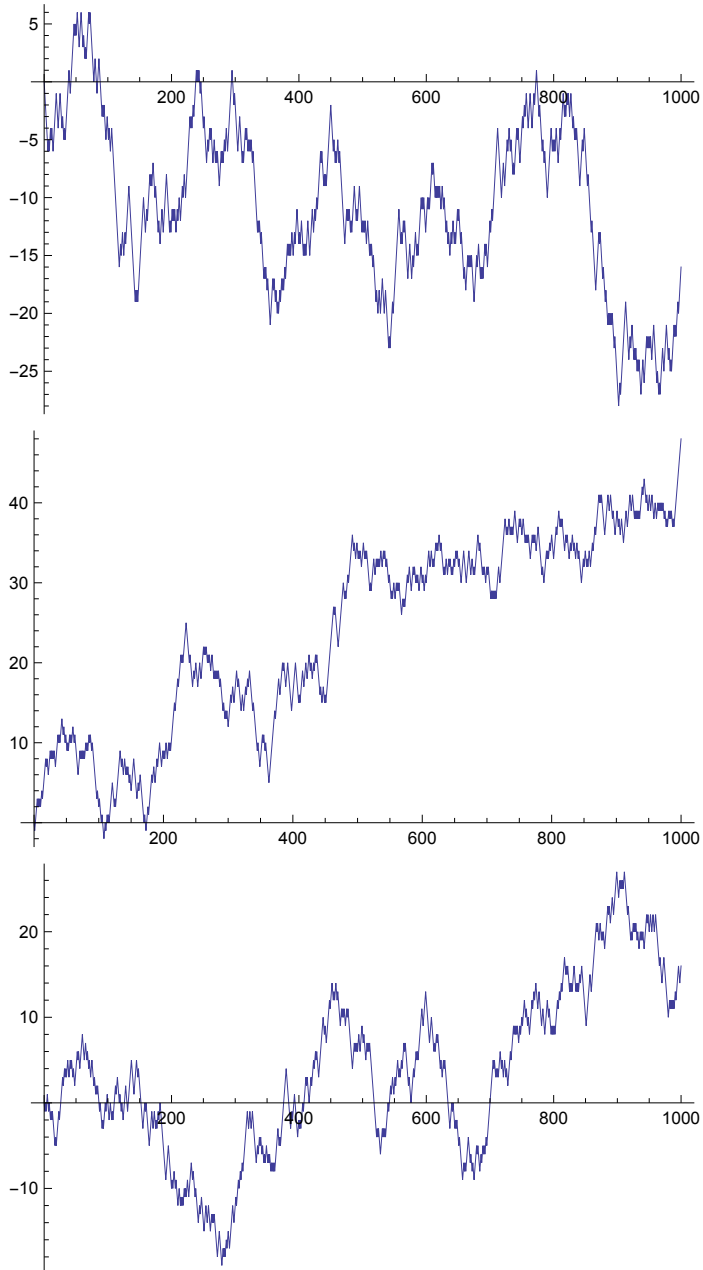
(v)

*) Get a sequence of random steps in a 1D Random Walk with N=1000 steps.

*) Get the position of the particle after every step. Start with position zero, and then add the steps of the sequence above for 1 step, 2 steps, 3 steps,... N steps.

- *) Make a plot of Number of Steps in the x-axis and Position in the y-axis.
- *) Repeat it 3 times.

```
Clear[Nt];
Nt = 1000;
Do[
  Clear[rw, tabSum, init, pos];
  rw = Table[(-1)^RandomInteger[], {k, 1, Nt}];
  tabSum = Table[{j, Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, j}]}, {j, 1, Nt}];
  init = {0, 0};
  pos = Prepend[tabSum, init];
  Print[ListPlot[pos, Joined → True]];
  , {k, 1, 3}]
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(vi)

*) Use now only $N=10$ steps and plot together 10 different realizations

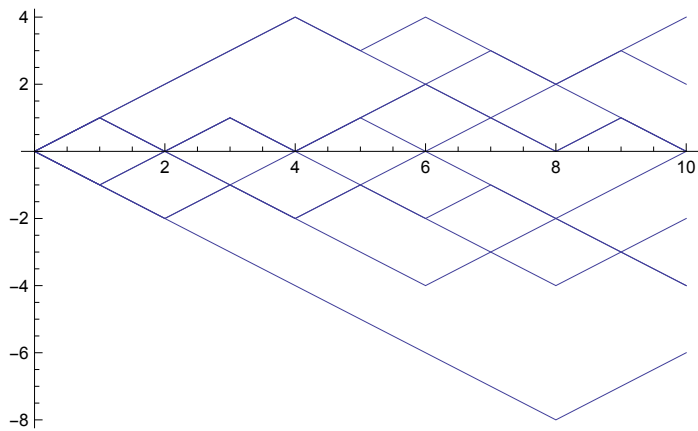
*) Repeat it for 300 realizations

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Clear[Nrea, Nt, la, pos];
Nrea = 10;
Nt = 10;
Do[
  Clear[rw, tabSum, pos];
  rw = Table[(-1)^RandomInteger[], {k, 1, Nt}];
  tabSum = Table[{j, Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, j}]}, {j, 1, Nt}];
  init = {0, 0};
  pos = Prepend[tabSum, init];
  la[k] = ListPlot[pos, Joined → True];
  , {k, 1, Nrea}];

Show[Table[la[k], {k, 1, Nrea}], PlotRange → All]

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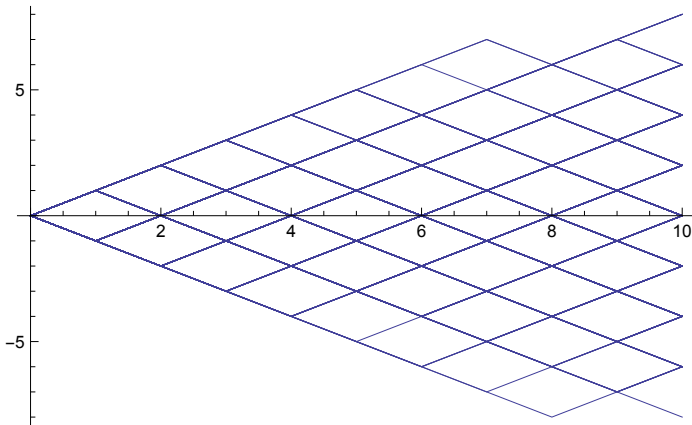


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Clear[Nrea, Nt, la, pos];
Nrea = 300;
Nt = 10;
Do[
  Clear[rw, tabSum, pos];
  rw = Table[(-1)^RandomInteger[], {k, 1, Nt}];
  tabSum = Table[{j, Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, j}]}, {j, 1, Nt}];
  init = {{0, 0}};
  pos = Flatten[AppendTo[init, tabSum], 1];
  la[k] = ListPlot[pos, Joined -> True];
  , {k, 1, Nrea}];

Show[Table[la[k], {k, 1, Nrea}], PlotRange -> All]

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Gaussian Distribution

$$P(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

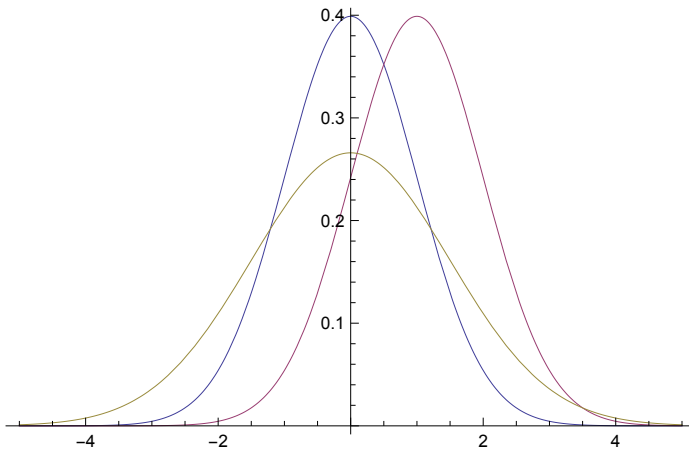
- (a) is normalized;
- (b) $\langle x \rangle = \mu$;
- (c) variance = σ^2

*) Plot three Gaussians: (i) $\mu=0$, $\sigma=1$; (ii) $\mu=1$, $\sigma=1$; (iii) $\mu=0$, $\sigma=1.5$
 *) Select one of them and show that it is normalized

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Clear[mu1, mu2, sig1, sig2];
mu1 = 0;
mu2 = 1;
sig1 = 1;
sig2 = 1.5;
g1 = 1 / Sqrt[2 Pi sig1^2] Exp[- (x - mu1) ^2 / (2 sig1^2)];
g2 = 1 / Sqrt[2 Pi sig1^2] Exp[- (x - mu2) ^2 / (2 sig1^2)];
g3 = 1 / Sqrt[2 Pi sig2^2] Exp[- (x - mu1) ^2 / (2 sig2^2)];
Plot[{g1, g2, g3}, {x, -5, 5}]

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Integrate[g1, {x, -Infinity, Infinity}]
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Diffusion

$$\rho(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4 \pi Dt}} \exp\left(\frac{-x^2}{4 Dt}\right)$$

is a solution of the diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial x^2}$$