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- Hence, in order to consider an **average** value of X we need to take its probability into account.

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- By the <u>uniform distribution</u> assumption, i.e. all values of X are equally likely to occur in population with size N,
 f(x) = ¹/_N for all x,

$$E(X) = \sum_{x} xf(x) = \sum_{x} x(\frac{1}{N}) = (\frac{1}{N}) \sum_{i} x_{i} = \mu = \bar{x}$$

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- Solution: X represents the number of good components

$$f(x) = \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3-x \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}}, x = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

$$\mu = E(X) = 0 * f(0) + 1 * f(1) + 2 * f(2) + 3 * f(3) = \frac{12}{7}$$

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$$\mu = E(X) = \int_{100}^{\infty} x \frac{20000}{x^3} dx = -\frac{20000}{x} |_{100}^{\infty} = 200$$

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= (-1)² * f(-1) + (0)² * f(0) + (1)² * f(1) + (2)² * f(2)
= $\sum_{x} g(x) * f(x)$

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$$E[g(X)] = E(4X+3) = \frac{1}{3} \int_{-1}^{2} (4x^3 + 3x^2) dx = 8$$

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• Solution:

$$E(\frac{Y}{X}) = \int_0^1 \int_0^2 \frac{y}{x} \frac{x(1+3y^2)}{4} dx dy = \frac{5}{8}$$

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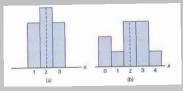
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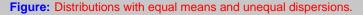
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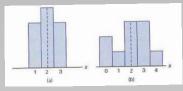


Figure: Distributions with equal means and unequal dispersions.

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Let X be a random variable with probability distribution f(x) and mean μ . The **variance** of X is

$$\begin{cases} \sigma^2 = E\left[(X - \mu)^2\right] = \sum_x (x - \mu)^2 f(x), \text{ if } X \text{ is discrete} \\ \sigma^2 = E\left[(X - \mu)^2\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx, \text{ if } X \text{ is continuous} \end{cases}$$

 σ is called the **standard deviation** of *X*.



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• Show that the variance of the probability distribution for company B is greater than that of company A.

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- Example 4.8:Let the random variable X represent the number of automobiles that are used for official business. purposes on any given workday.
- The probability distribution for company A and B is as follows

				X					
$f(\mathbf{x})$	0.3	0.4	0.3	$f(\mathbf{x})$	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1

 Show that the variance of the probability distribution for company B is greater than that of company A.

Solution:

 $\mu_A = E(X) = 1 * 0.3 + 2 * 0.4 + 3 * 0.3 = 2.0$

$$\sigma_A^2 = \sum_{x=1}^{3} (x-2.0)^2 f(x) = (1-2)^2 * 0.3 + (2-2)^2 * 0.4 + (3-2)^2 * 0.3 = 0.6$$

$$\mu_B = 2.0 \& \sigma_B^2 = 1.6$$

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$$E(X^2) = \sum_{x=0}^{3} x^2 f(x) = 0^2 * 0.51 + \dots = 0.87$$

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) = \mu^2 = 0.87 - 0.61^2 = 0.4979$$

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$$= E(4X^2 - 12X + 9) = \sum_{x=0}^{3} (4X^2 - 12X + 9)f(x) = 4$$

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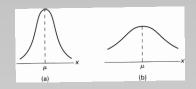


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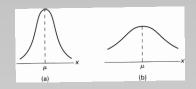
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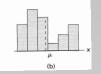


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