

# 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}
```

```
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}}

```

**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  $nr=0, 1, \dots, N$ ?

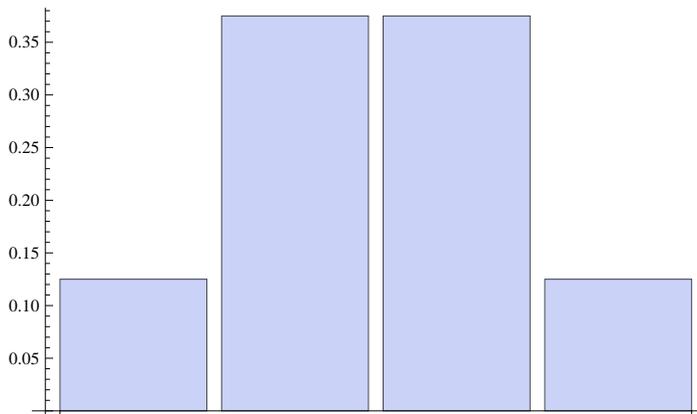
Make a plot (barchart) with the values of these probabilities.

```

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}}

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

```

**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?

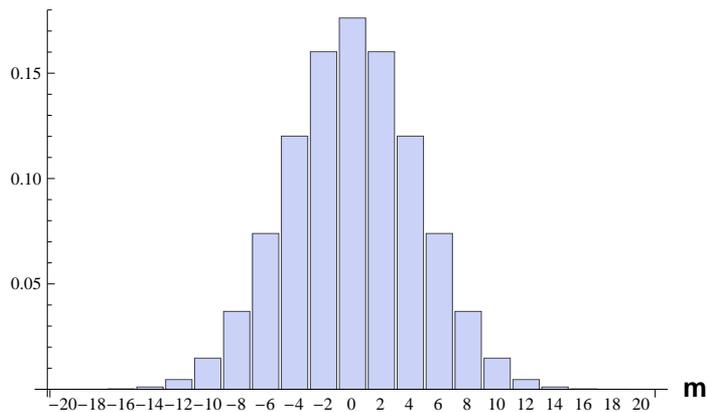
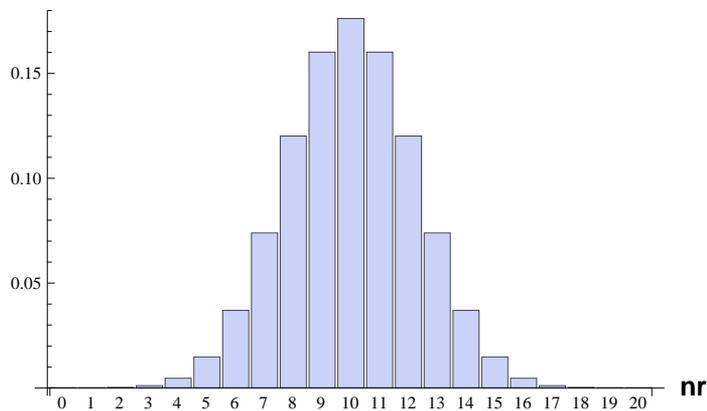
```

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}]

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}}

```



### 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.

```

#### 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 <nr>, <m> 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.}
```

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.}
```

Conclusion:

$\langle nr \rangle = Np$  and the variance =  $Npq$   
 $\langle nr^2 \rangle = N(p-q)$  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.

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

```
{1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, -1, 1, 1}
```

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

```
Sum[rw[[k]], {k, 1, 10}]
```

```
2
```

(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]

```

Average

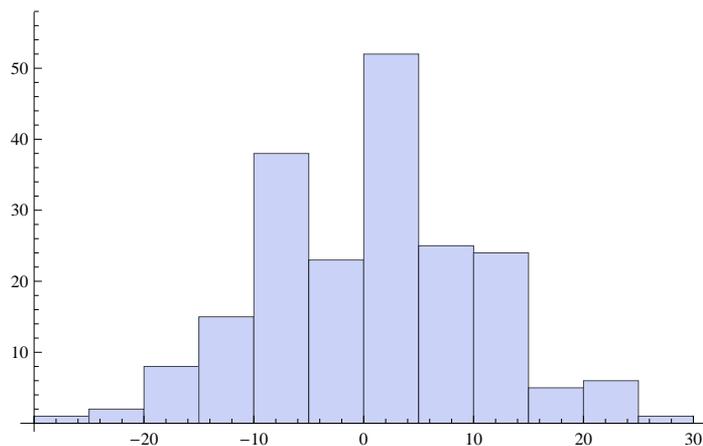
0.07

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]

```

Average

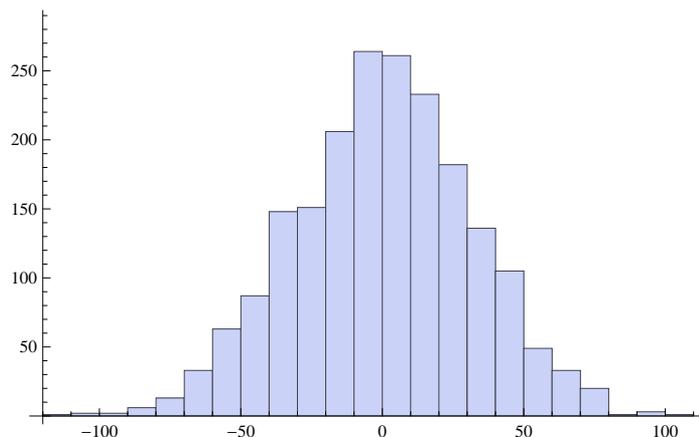
-0.553

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.

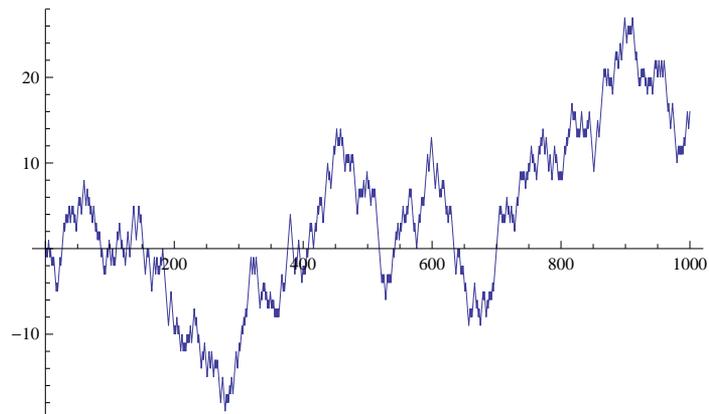
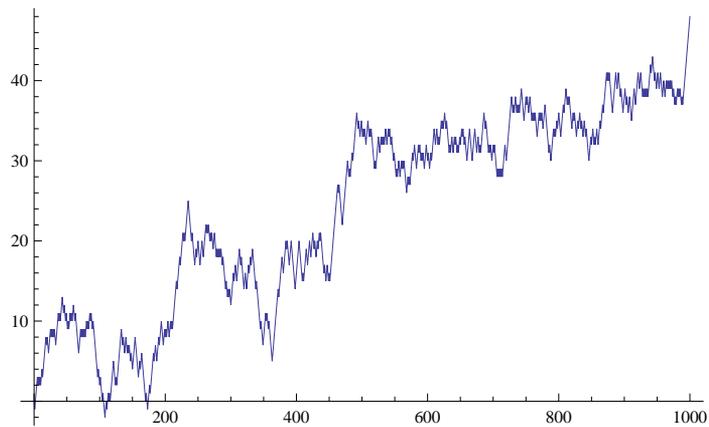
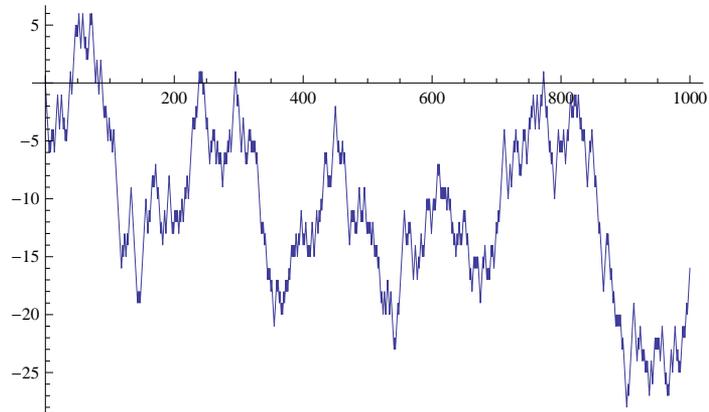
\*) Make a plot of Number of Steps in the x-axis and Position in the y-axis.

\*) 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 = Flatten[AppendTo[init, tabSum], 1];
  Print[ListPlot[pos, Joined -> True]];
, {k, 1, 3}]

```



(vi)

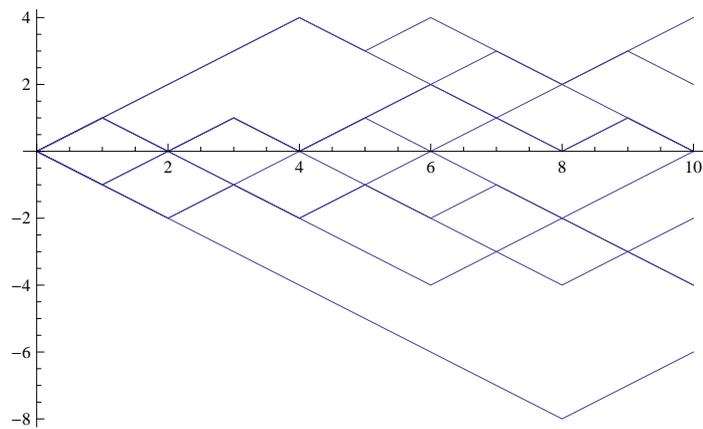
- \*) Use now only  $N=10$  steps and plot together 10 different realizations
- \*) Repeat it for 300 realizations

```

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 = Flatten[AppendTo[init, tabSum], 1];
  la[k] = ListPlot[pos, Joined -> True];
  , {k, 1, Nrea}];

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

```

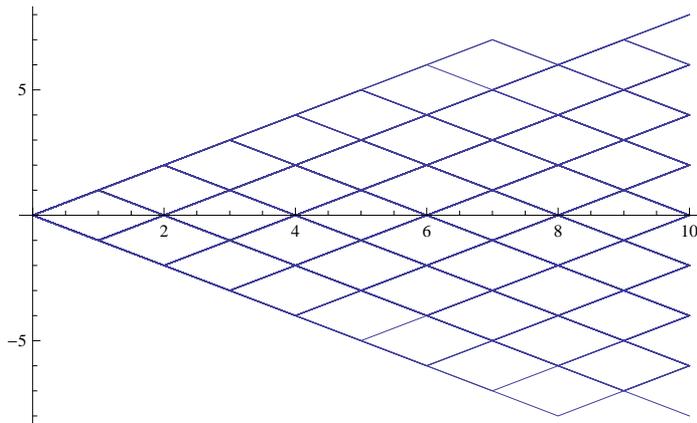


```

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]

```




---

## 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 =  $\sigma^2$

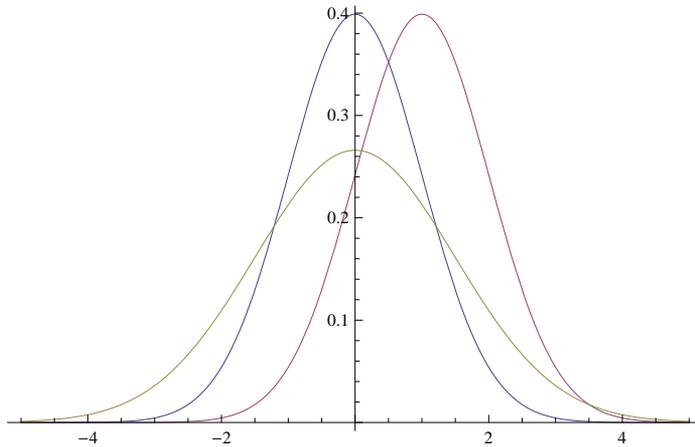
\*) Plot three Gaussians: (i)  $\mu=0$ ,  $\sigma=1$ ; (ii)  $\mu=1$ ,  $\sigma=1$ ; (iii)  $\mu=0$ ,  $\sigma=1.5$

\*) Select one of them and show that it is normalized

```

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}]

```



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

1

## Diffusion

■

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

is a solution of the diffusion equation

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