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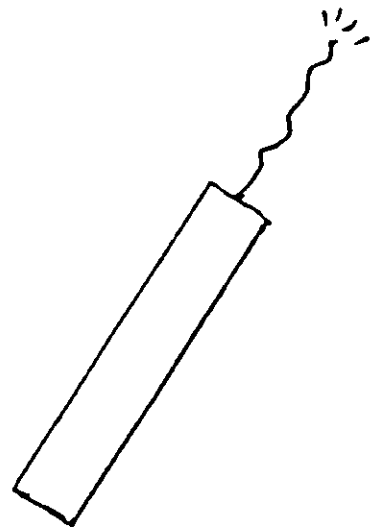
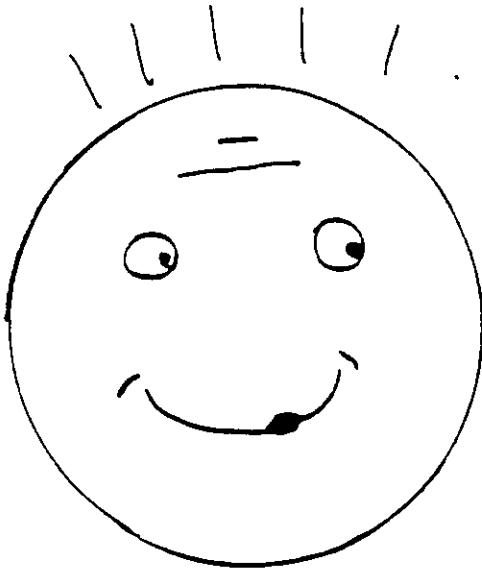
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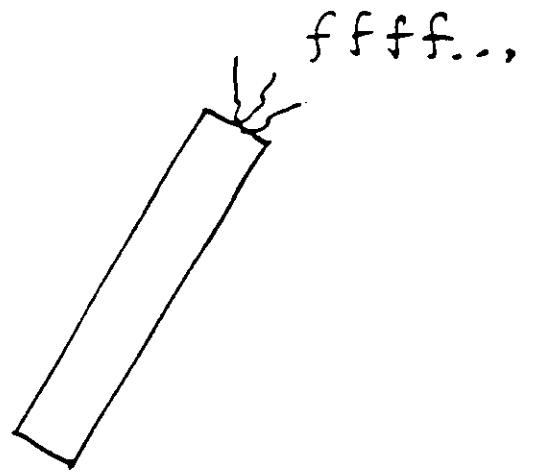
*Monte Carlo*

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# Reality



**MONTE CARLO**

**TRANSFORM**

**DETERMINISTIC PROBLEMS**

**INTO**

**PROBABILISTIC PROBLEMS**

**COMPUTER PROGRAMMING**

$$2 \text{ C's} \quad C = 2$$

$$5 \text{ B's} \quad B = 3$$

$$8 \text{ A's} \quad A = 4$$

Average grade  $\langle G \rangle$

$$\langle G \rangle = (2 \times 2 + 5 \times 3 + 8 \times 4) / 15$$

$$= \frac{56}{15}$$

$$\langle G \rangle = 3.73$$

$$p(C) = \frac{2}{15} \quad p(B) = \frac{5}{15}$$

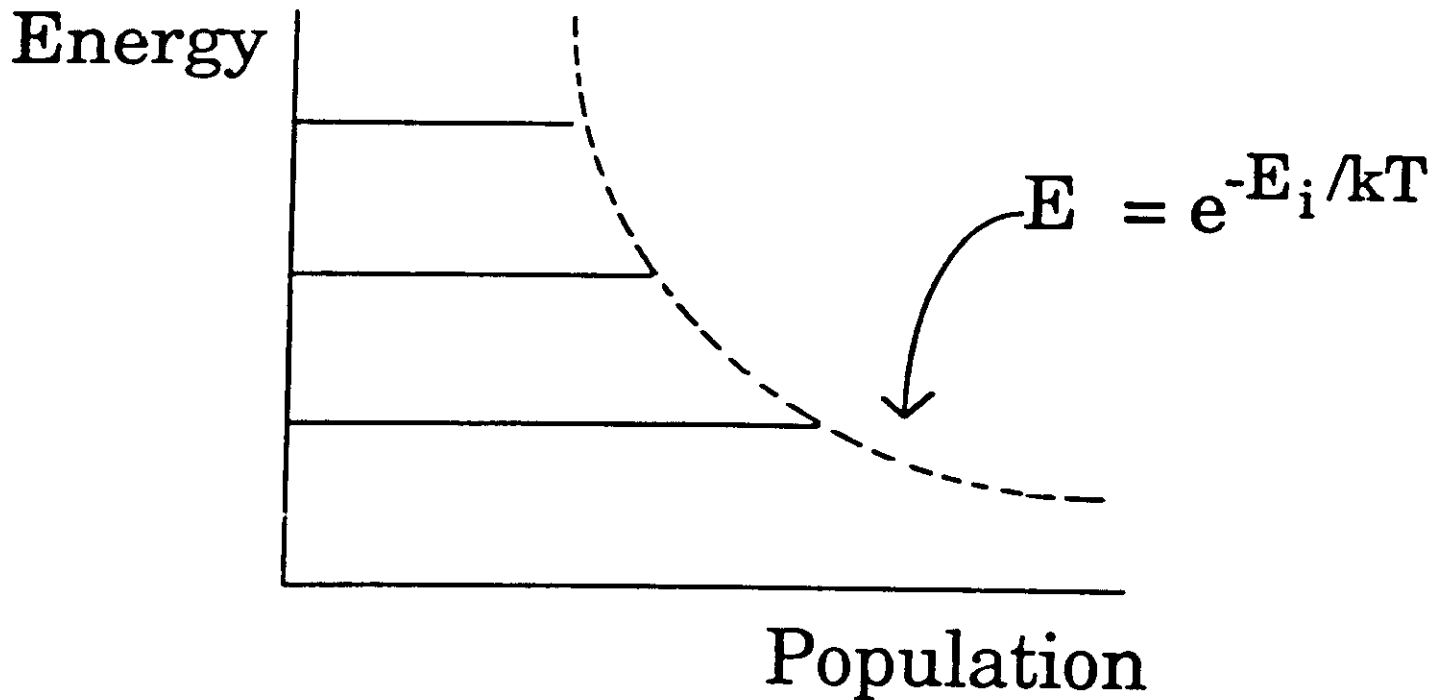
$$p(A) = \frac{8}{15}$$

$$\langle G \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^3 G_i p_i$$

$$p_i = \frac{n_i}{\sum n_i}$$

$$= \frac{n_i}{N}$$

E population  $\propto$  Boltzman factor



$$\langle E \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n E_i \cdot P_i$$

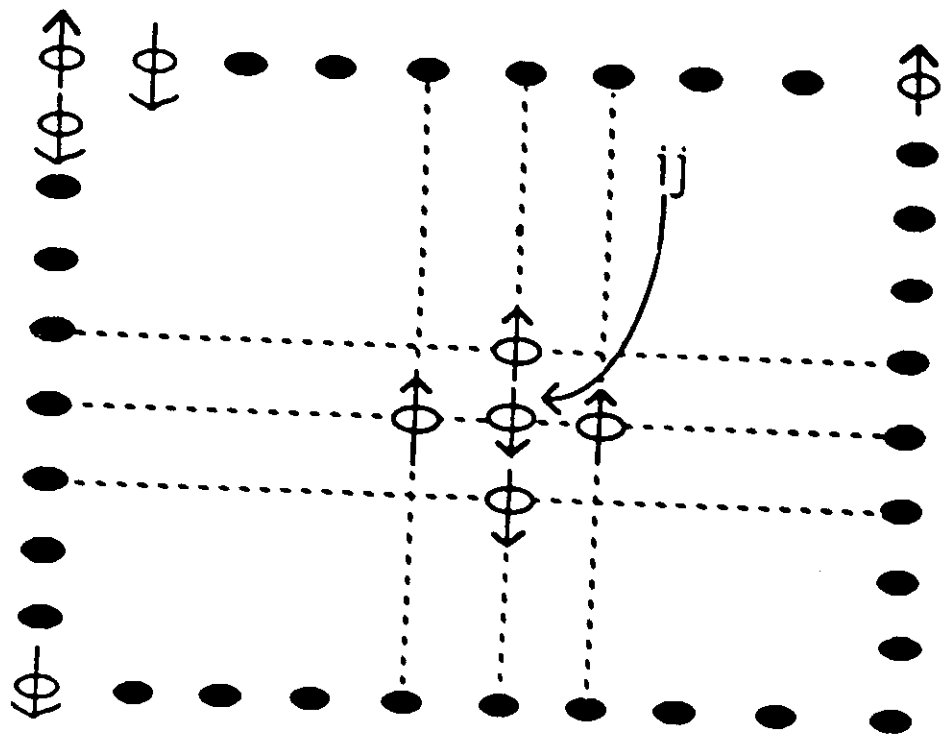
$$P_i = \frac{e^{-E_i/kT}}{\sum e^{-E_i/kT}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-E_i/kT}}{Z}$$

$$Z = \sum e^{-E_i/kT}$$

partition function





$$10 \times 10 = 100$$

$$E_{ij} = J(S_{ij}[S_{i,j+1} + S_{i+1,j} + S_{i,j-1} + S_{i-1,j}])$$

Since  $S_{ij} = \pm 1$

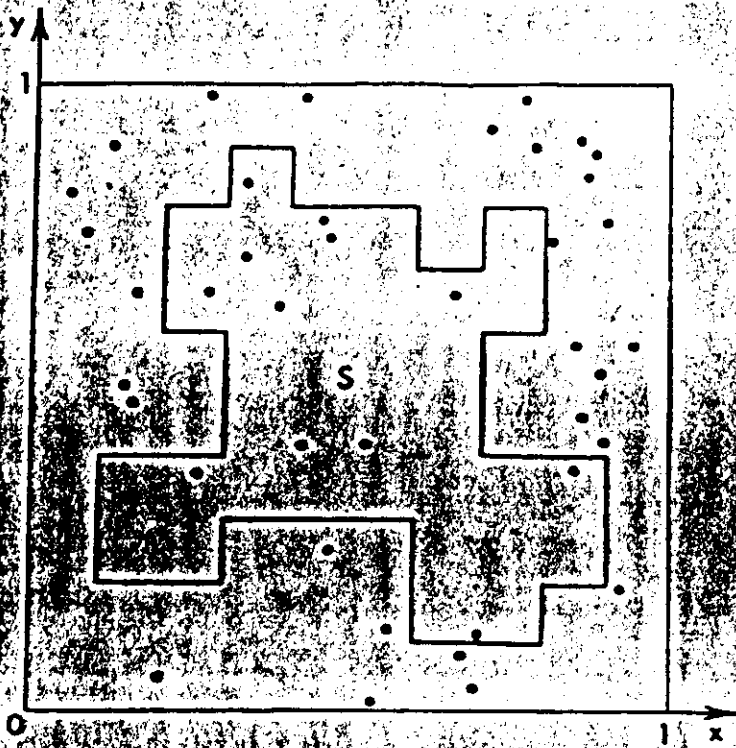
$$E_{ij} = J[-1 - 1 - 1 + 1] = -2J$$

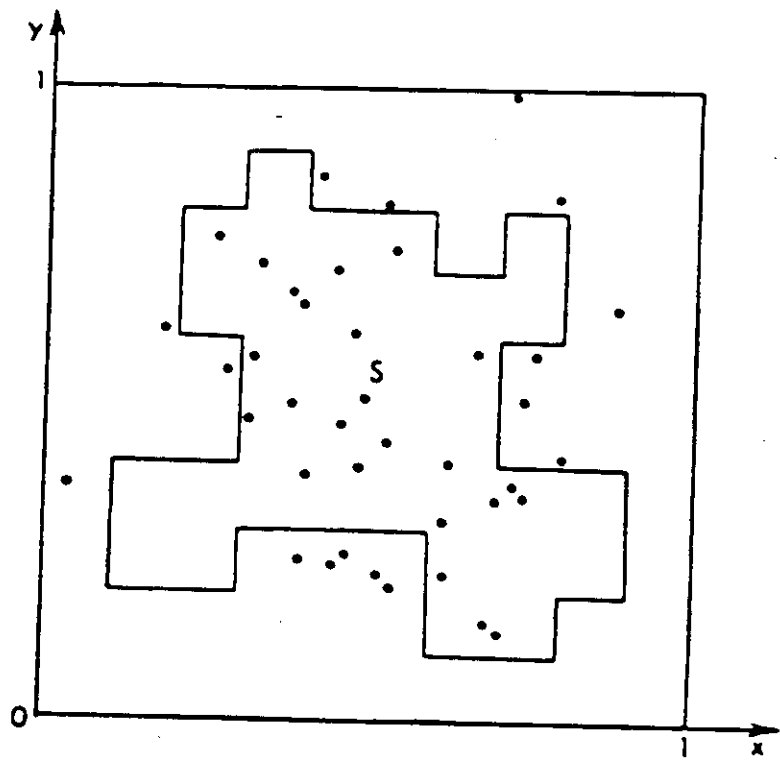
No of states  $2^{100} \sim 10^{30}$

$$\langle E \rangle = \frac{\sum E_i e^{-E_i/kT}}{Z} \rightarrow 1\mu s$$

$$t = 10^{30} \times 10^{-6} s = 10^{24} s$$

=  $10^8$  times  $\times$  life of Univ!!





## Monte Carlo

$$N = 40$$

$$n = 12$$

$$\frac{n}{N} = \frac{12}{40} = 0.30$$

$$S_c = 0.30$$

$$S_e = 0.35$$

## Shotgun

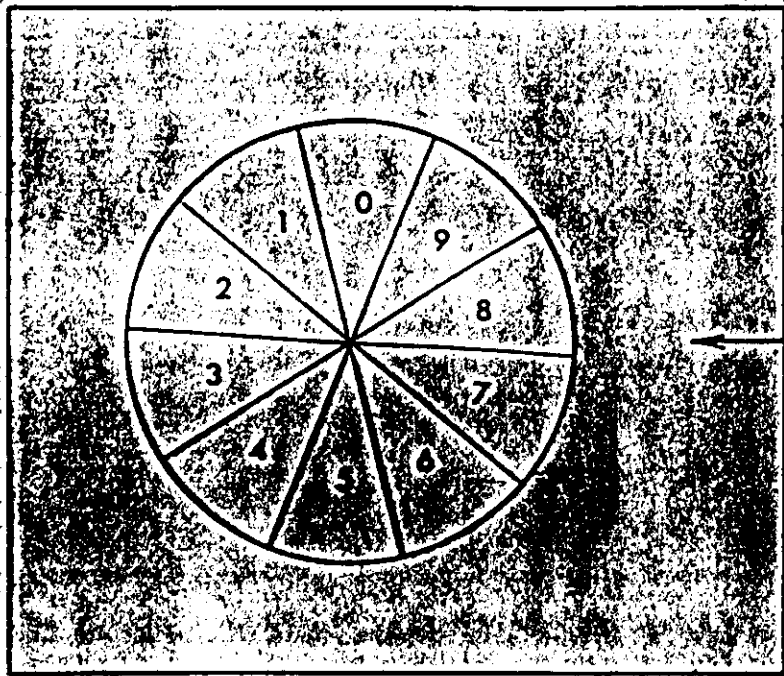
$$N = 40$$

$$n = 24$$

$$\frac{n}{N} = \frac{24}{40} = 0.60$$

$$S_c = 0.60$$

$$S_e = 0.35$$



# Discrete Distributions

## Bernoulli

$$f(x) = p^x(1 - p)^{1-x}, x = 0, 1$$

$$M(t) = 1 - p + pe^t$$

$$\mu = p, \sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$$

## Binomial

$$f(x) = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x(1-p)^{n-x}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$M(t) = (1 - p + pe^t)^n$$

$$\mu = np, \sigma^2 = np(1 - p)$$

## Geometric

$$f(x) = (1 - p)^{x-1}p, x = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$M(t) = \frac{pe^t}{1 - (1 - p)e^t}, t < -\ln(1 - p)$$

$$\mu = \frac{1}{p}, \sigma^2 = \frac{1 - p}{p^2}$$

## Negative Binomial

$$f(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{x-r}, \quad x = r, r+1, r+2, \dots$$

$$M(t) = \frac{(pe^t)^r}{[1 - (1-p)e^t]^r}, \quad t < -\ln(1-p)$$

$$\mu = r \left( \frac{1}{p} \right), \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$

## Poisson

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$M(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$$

$$\mu = \lambda, \quad \sigma^2 = \lambda$$

## Hypergeometric

$$f(x) = \frac{\binom{n_1}{x} \binom{n_2}{r-x}}{\binom{n}{r}}, \quad x \leq r, x \leq n_1, r-x \leq n_2$$

$$\mu = r \left( \frac{n_1}{n} \right)$$

$$\sigma^2 = r \left( \frac{n_1}{n} \right) \left( \frac{n_2}{n} \right) \left( \frac{n-r}{n-1} \right)$$



# **Distributions of the Continuous Type**

## Gamma

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\theta}, 0 \leq x < \infty$$

$$M(t) = \frac{1}{(1 - \theta t)^\alpha}, t < 1/\theta$$

$$\mu = \alpha\theta, \sigma^2 = \alpha\theta^2$$

## Chi-Square

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-[(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2]}, -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$M(t) = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2/2}$$

$$E(X) = \mu, \text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

## Normal

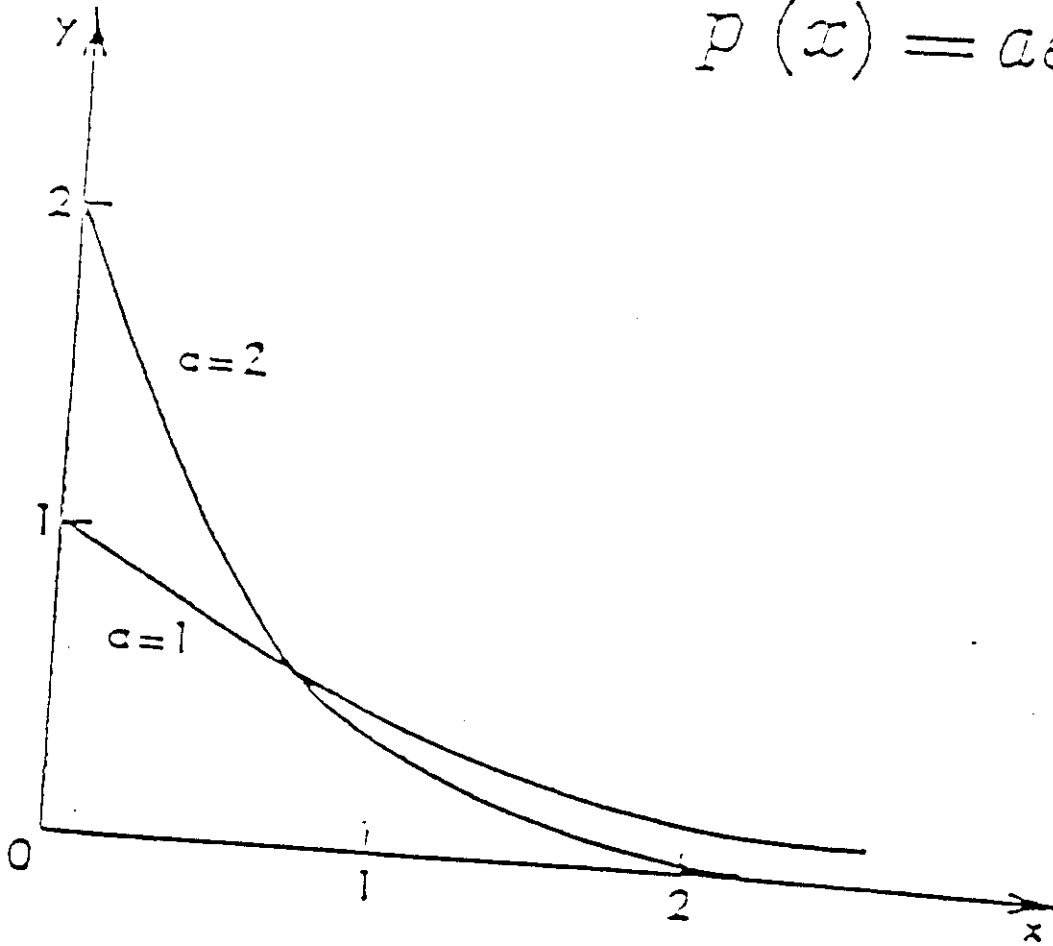
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(r/2)2^{r/2}} x^{r/2-1} e^{-x/2}, 0 \leq x < \infty$$

$$M(t) = \frac{1}{(1 - 2t)^{r/2}}, t < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mu = r, \sigma^2 = 2r$$

# Poisson

$$p(x) = ae^{-cx}$$



For  $x = 1$   $0 < R < 1/6$

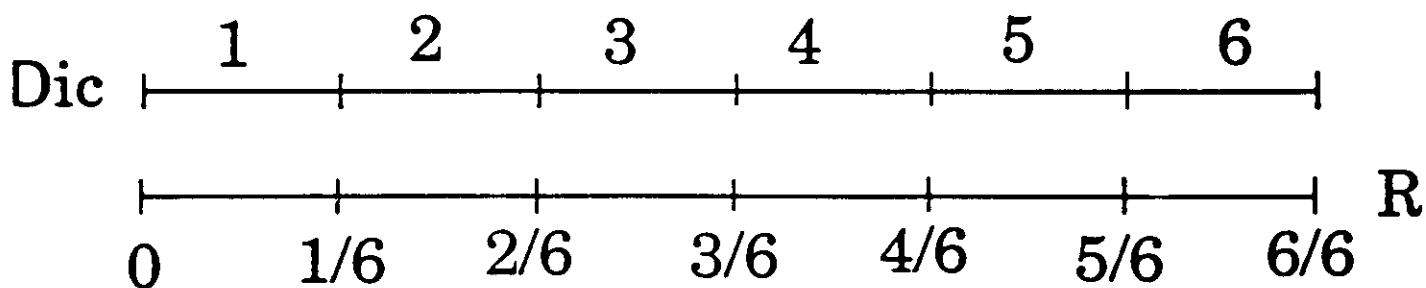
For  $x = 2$   $1/6 < R < 2/6$

For  $x = 3$   $2/6 < R < 3/6$

For  $x = 4$   $3/6 < R < 4/6$

For  $x = 5$   $4/6 < R < 5/6$

For  $x = 6$   $5/6 < R < 6/6$



$$R = \int_a^{\xi} p(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

for a dice  $p(\mathbf{x}) = 1/6$  and

$$\int \rightarrow \Sigma$$

$$R = \sum_1^6 p(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\int_a^{\eta} p(x) dx = \gamma$$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \quad a < x < b$$

$$\int_a^{\eta} \frac{dx}{b-a} = \gamma$$

$$\frac{\eta - a}{b - a} = \gamma$$

$$\eta = a + \gamma(b - a)$$

(i)  $f(x) > 0, x \in R.$

(ii)  $\int_R f(x)dx = 1.$

(iii) The probability of the event  $x \in A$  is

$$P(X \in A) = \int_A f(x)dx.$$

**Example** Let the random variable  $X$  be the distance in feet between bad records on a used computer tape. Suppose that a reasonable probability model for  $X$  is given by the p. d. f.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{40} e^{-x/40}, \quad 0 \leq x < \infty.$$

Note that  $R = \{x : 0 \leq x < \infty\}$   
and  $f(x) > 0$  for  $x \in R$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_R f(x) dx &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{40} e^{-x/40} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -e^{-x/40} \right]_0^b \\ &= 1 - \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} e^{-b/40} = 1.\end{aligned}$$

The probability that the distance between bad records is greater than 40 feet is given by

$$\begin{aligned}P(X > 40) &= \int_{40}^{\infty} \frac{1}{40} e^{-x/40} dx \\ &= e^{-1} = 0.368.\end{aligned}$$



## **APPLICATIONS**

## MACHINE THAT PERFORM INTEGRALS

N	R1	R2
1	0.38	0.26
2	0.18	0.73
3	0.73	0.82
4	0.38	0.88
5	0.83	0.06
6	0.89	0.81
7	0.86	0.88
8	0.58	0.55
9	0.07	0.44
10	0.02	0.14
11	0.65	0.67
12	0.12	0.70

N	R1	R2
13	0.14	0.52
14	0.87	0.60
15	0.72	0.99
16	0.42	0.63
17	0.96	0.09
18	0.88	0.50
19	0.04	0.77
20	0.24	0.56
21	0.19	0.08
22	0.82	0.14
23	0.48	0.64
24	0.53	0.37

N	R1	R2
25	0.46	0.42
26	0.44	0.80
27	0.90	0.16
28	0.89	0.87
29	0.20	0.41
30	0.67	0.27
31	0.64	0.38
32	0.49	0.57
33	0.96	0.65
34	0.28	0.85
35	0.62	0.01
36	0.50	0.94

# MONTE CARLO INTEGRATION

$$\text{INT } (X^{**2}) / 0-2=2.67$$

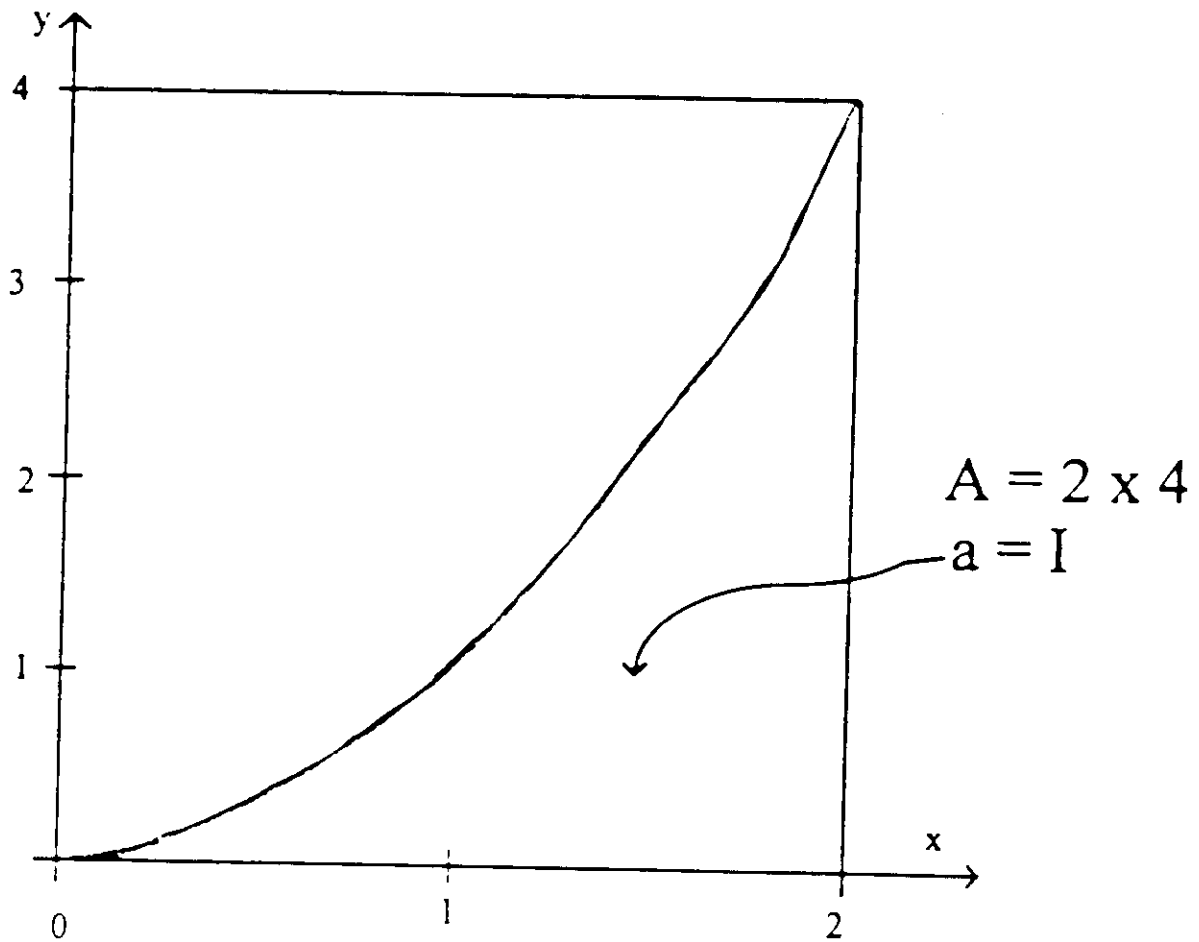
N	X=2*R1	Y=X**2	R=4*R2	M	S
1	0.75	0.57	1.05	0	0.00
2	0.36	0.13	2.91	0	0.00
3	1.46	2.13	3.30	0	0.00
4	0.77	0.59	3.52	0	0.00
5	1.66	2.75	0.23	1	1.60
6	1.77	3.15	3.23	1	1.33
7	1.71	2.94	3.53	1	1.14
8	1.17	1.36	2.21	1	1.00
9	0.14	0.02	1.77	1	0.89
10	0.04	0.00	0.56	1	0.80
11	1.31	1.71	2.67	1	0.73
12	0.24	0.06	2.80	1	0.67

N	$X=2*R1$	$Y=X**2$	$R=4*R2$	M	S
13	0.27	0.07	2.06	1	0.62
14	1.74	3.04	2.38	2	1.14
15	1.45	2.10	3.96	2	1.07
16	0.85	0.72	2.52	2	1.00
17	1.92	3.69	0.35	3	1.41
18	1.76	3.11	1.99	4	1.78
19	0.08	0.01	3.06	4	1.68
20	0.48	0.23	2.24	4	1.60
21	0.38	0.14	0.34	4	0.52
22	1.63	2.67	0.55	5	1.82
23	0.96	0.93	2.58	5	1.74
24	1.06	1.12	1.47	5	1.67

N	$X=2*R1$	$Y=X**2$	$R=4*R2$	M	S
25	0.91	0.83	1.69	5	1.60
26	0.87	0.76	3.21	5	1.54
27	1.80	3.23	0.65	6	1.78
28	1.78	3.16	3.47	6	1.71
29	0.40	0.16	1.66	6	1.66
30	1.33	1.78	1.10	7	1.87
31	1.28	1.64	1.51	8	2.06
32	0.99	0.97	2.26	8	2.00
33	1.91	3.65	2.59	9	2.18
34	0.56	0.31	3.42	9	2.12
35	1.23	1.51	0.02	10	2.29
36	1.00	1.00	3.75	10	2.22

$$I = \int_0^2 x^2 dx$$

$$= 2.33$$



$$\frac{M}{N} = \frac{a}{A} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{M}{N} = \frac{I}{A} : I = \frac{MA}{N}$$

$$N = 36$$

$$M = 10$$

$$A = 8$$

$$I = 2.22$$



# MONTE CARLO INTEGRATION

$$\text{INT } (X^{**3}) / 0-2=4.0$$

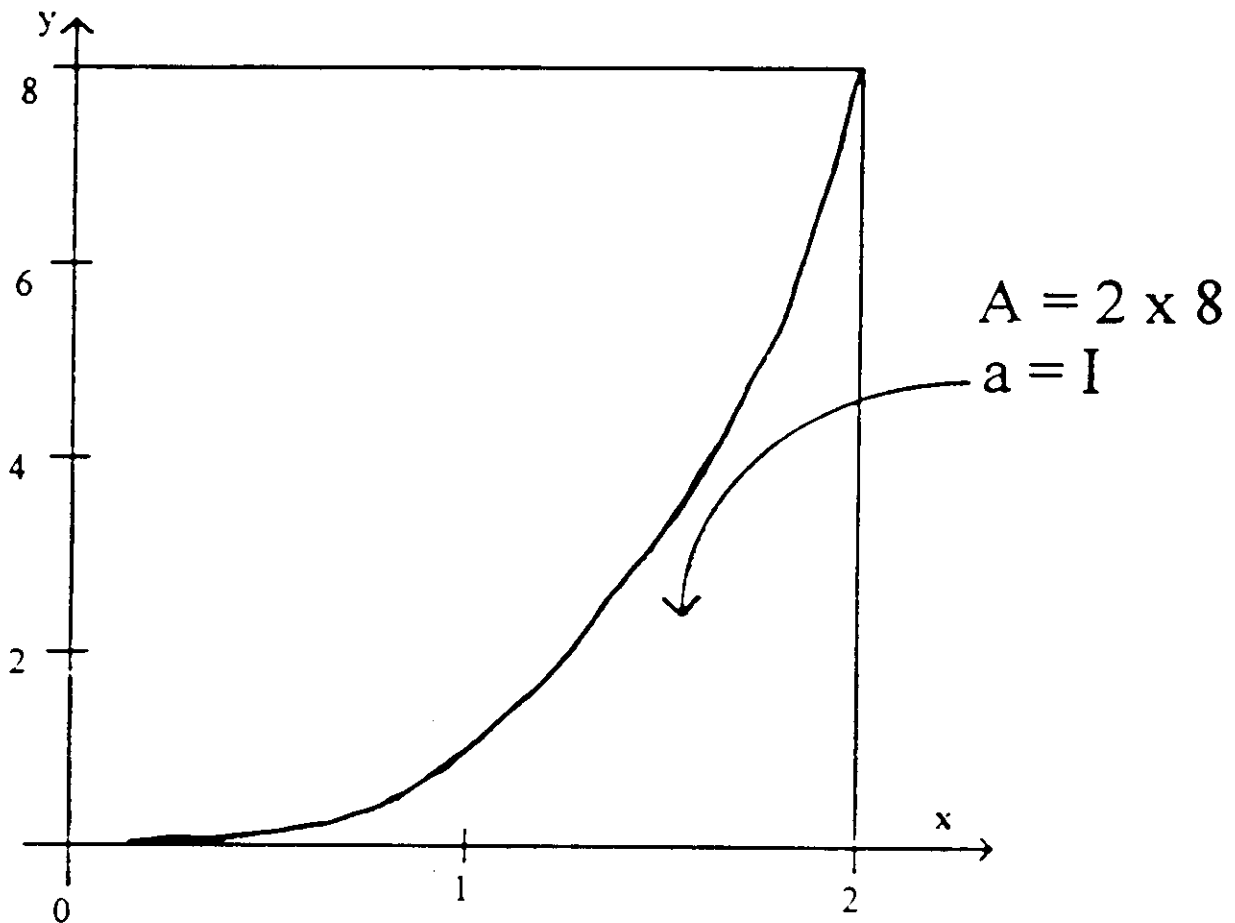
N	X=2*R1	Y=X**3	R=8*R2	M	S
1	0.75	0.43	2.10	0	0.00
2	0.36	0.05	5.82	0	0.00
3	1.46	3.10	6.59	0	0.00
4	0.77	0.45	7.03	0	0.00
5	1.66	4.55	0.46	1	3.20
6	1.77	5.58	6.45	1	2.67
7	1.71	5.04	7.06	1	2.29
8	1.17	1.59	4.43	1	2.00
9	0.14	0.00	3.54	1	1.78
10	0.04	0.00	1.12	1	1.60
11	1.31	2.24	5.34	1	1.45
12	0.24	0.01	5.60	1	1.33

N	$X=2*R1$	$Y=X**3$	$R=8*R2$	M	S
13	0.27	0.02	4.12	1	1.23
14	1.74	5.30	4.76	2	2.29
15	1.45	3.04	7.93	2	2.13
16	0.85	0.61	5.05	2	2.00
17	1.92	7.10	0.71	3	2.82
18	1.76	5.49	3.97	4	3.56
19	0.08	0.00	6.12	4	3.37
20	0.48	0.11	4.48	4	3.20
21	0.38	0.05	0.68	4	3.05
22	1.63	4.36	1.11	5	3.64
23	0.96	0.90	5.16	5	3.48
24	1.06	1.18	2.94	5	3.33

N	$X=2*R1$	$Y=X**3$	$R=8*R2$	M	S
25	0.91	0.76	3.39	5	3.20
26	0.87	0.66	6.43	5	3.08
27	1.80	5.81	1.30	6	3.56
28	1.78	5.61	6.93	6	3.43
29	0.40	0.07	3.31	6	3.31
30	1.33	2.38	2.19	7	3.73
31	1.28	2.11	3.02	7	3.61
32	0.99	0.96	4.52	7	3.50
33	1.91	6.98	5.17	8	3.88
34	0.56	0.17	6.82	8	3.76
35	1.23	1.86	0.05	9	4.11
36	1.00	0.99	7.50	9	4.0

$$I = \int_0^2 x^3 dx$$

$$= 4.0$$



$$\frac{M}{N} = \frac{a}{A} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{M}{N} = \frac{I}{A} : I = \frac{MA}{N}$$

$$\frac{9}{36} = \frac{a}{A}$$

$$= \frac{I}{16}$$

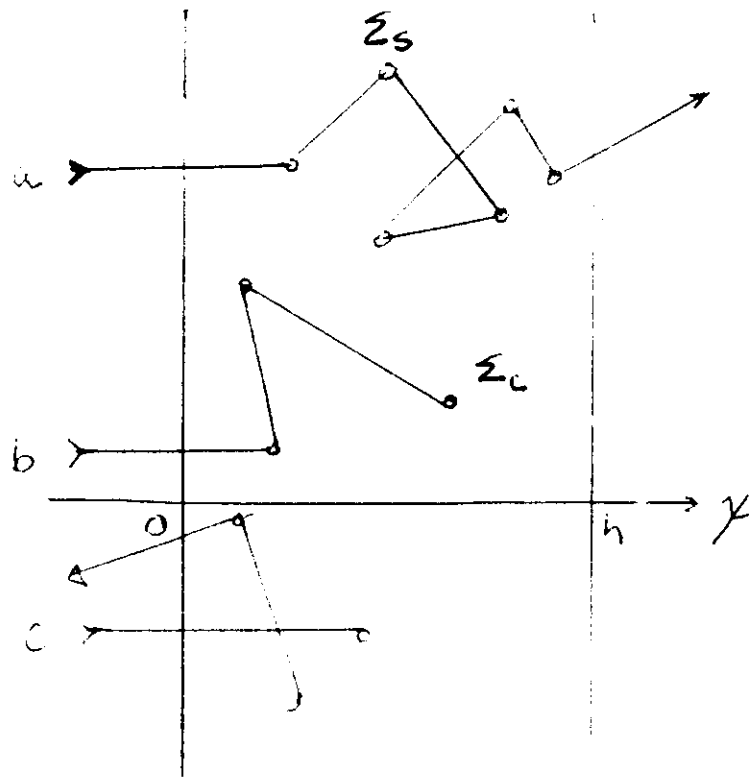
$$N = 36$$

$$M = 9$$

$$A = 16$$

$$\boxed{I = 4.0}$$

**Neutrons Across a Wall  
of width  $h$**



$$\Sigma = \Sigma_{\mathbf{c}} + \Sigma_{\mathbf{s}}$$

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{c}}/\Sigma$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \Sigma e^{-\Sigma \mathbf{x}}$$

$$R = \int_0^{\lambda} p(\mathbf{x}') d\mathbf{x}'$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{\Sigma} \ln \gamma.$$

$$\mu = 2\gamma - 1.$$

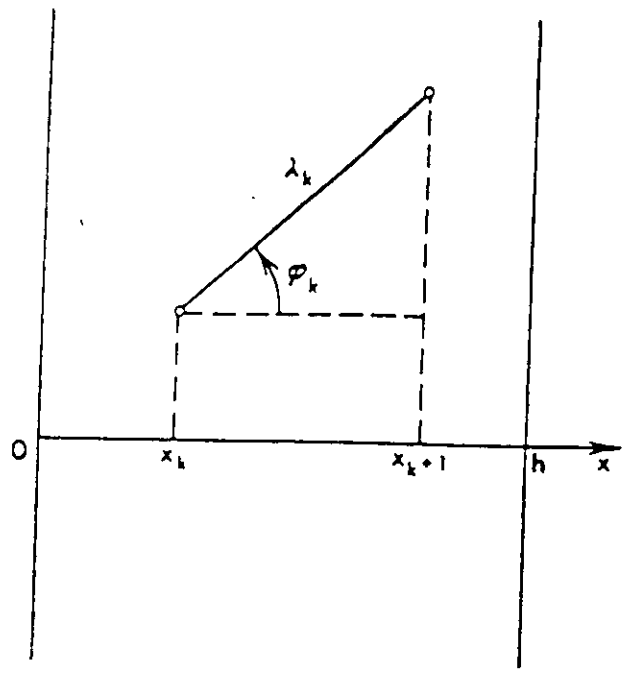
$$\lambda_k = -(1/\Sigma) \ln \gamma$$

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + \lambda_k \mu_k.$$

$$x_{k+1} > h.$$

$$x_{k+1} < 0.$$





$$\gamma < \Sigma_c / \Sigma.$$

$$\mu_{k+1} = 2\gamma - 1$$

$$x_0 = 0 \quad y \quad \mu_0 = 1.$$

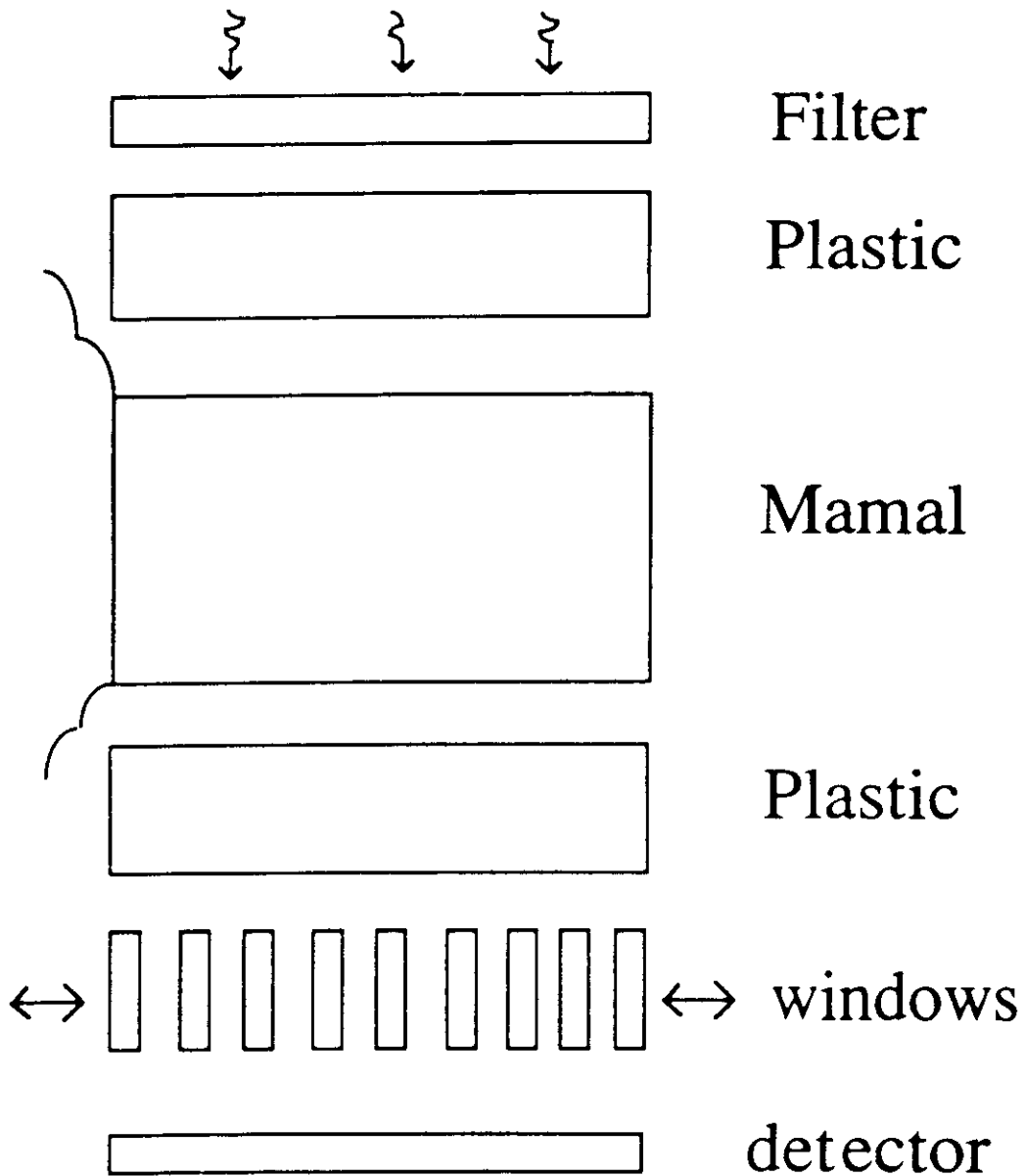
$$p^+ \approx \frac{N^+}{N},$$

$$p^0 \approx \frac{N^0}{N},$$

$$p^- \approx \frac{N^-}{N}$$

# Mamography

x-ray



The distance  $x$  travel before collision have a probability

$$p(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

So

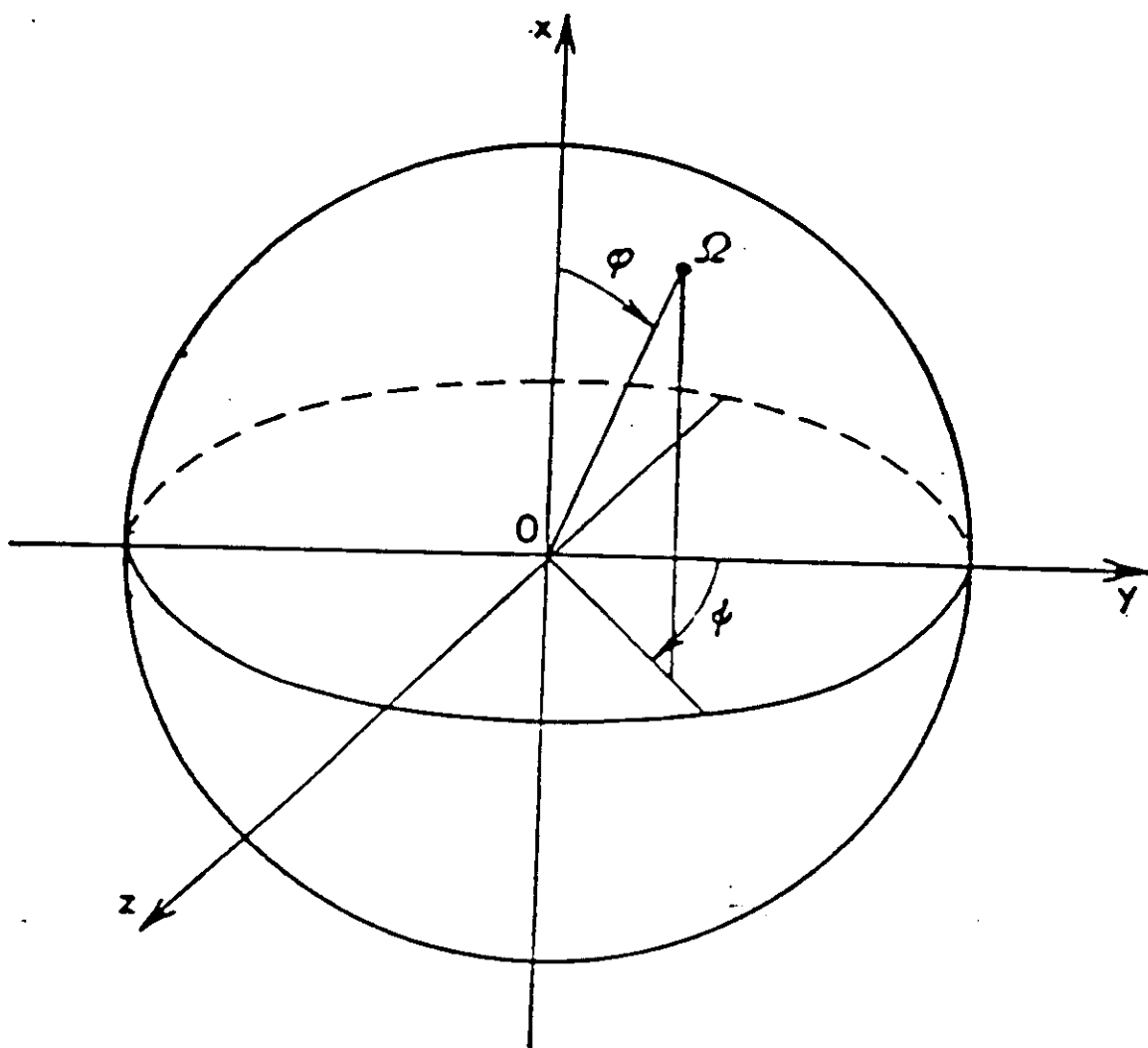
$$R = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda x'} dx'$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$\text{or } x = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1 - R)$$

$1 - R$  has the same distribution as  $R$  so

$$x = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln R$$



$$dS = \text{sen } \varphi \, d\varphi \, d\psi$$

$$0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi, \quad 0 \leq \psi < 2\pi.$$

$$p(\varphi, \psi) \, d\varphi \, d\psi = dS/4\pi$$

$$p(\varphi, \psi) = \frac{\text{sen } \varphi}{4\pi}$$

$$p_{\varphi}(\varphi) = \int_0^{2\pi} p(\varphi, \psi) d\psi = \frac{\text{sen } \varphi}{2}$$

$$p_{\psi}(\psi) = \int_0^{\pi} p(\varphi, \psi) d\varphi = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$p(\varphi, \psi) = p_{\varphi}(\varphi) p_{\psi}(\psi)$$

$$\psi = 2\pi\gamma$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\varphi} \text{sen } x dx = \gamma$$

$$\cos \varphi = 1 - 2\gamma$$



# Total Compton Cross Section

$$\sigma_C = 2\pi r_0^2 \left\{ \frac{1 + \alpha_0}{\alpha_0^2} \left[ \frac{2(1 + \alpha_0)}{1 + 2\alpha_0} - \frac{\ln(1 + 2\alpha_0)}{\alpha_0} \right] + \frac{\ln(1 + 2\alpha_0)}{2\alpha_0} - \frac{1 + 3\alpha_0}{(1 + 2\alpha_0)^2} \right\}$$

The expression for  $\alpha$  as a function of  $\alpha_0$  and of the angle of photon scattering  $\theta$  is given by

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 / [1 + \alpha_0(1 - \cos\theta)].$$

The cross section for photoelectric effect in K shell of an atom with atomic number  $Z$  for a photon of energy  $h\nu$  is

$$\sigma_P = \phi_0 4\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^{7/2} \frac{Z^5}{137^4}; \phi_0 = \frac{8}{3} \pi r_0^2.$$

where  $r_0^2 = \left(e^2/mc^2\right)^2 = 7.94 \times 10^{26} \text{cm}^2$ ,

$\alpha = h\nu/mc^2$  is the energy in units of  $mc^2$

$$\sigma = \sigma_c + \sigma_p$$

Probability that it will be a  
compton process  $P(c) = \frac{\sigma_c}{\sigma}$

Probability that it will be a  
Photo Electric Process

$$P(p) = \frac{\sigma_p}{\sigma} \quad \text{or} \quad P(p) = 1 - P(c)$$

The mean free path is

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma\rho}$$

