

MA8402 – PROBABILITY AND QUEUEING THEORY

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UNIT 1 – PROBABILITY AND RANDOM VARIABLES

- The theory of probability has its origin in gambling and games of chance.
- It owes much to the curiosity of gamblers who prestered their friends in the mathematical world with all sorts of questions.
- Laplace said “ we see that the theory of probability is at bottom only common sense reduced to calculation, it makes us appreciate with exactitude what reasonable minds fell by a sort of instinct, often without being able to account for it...

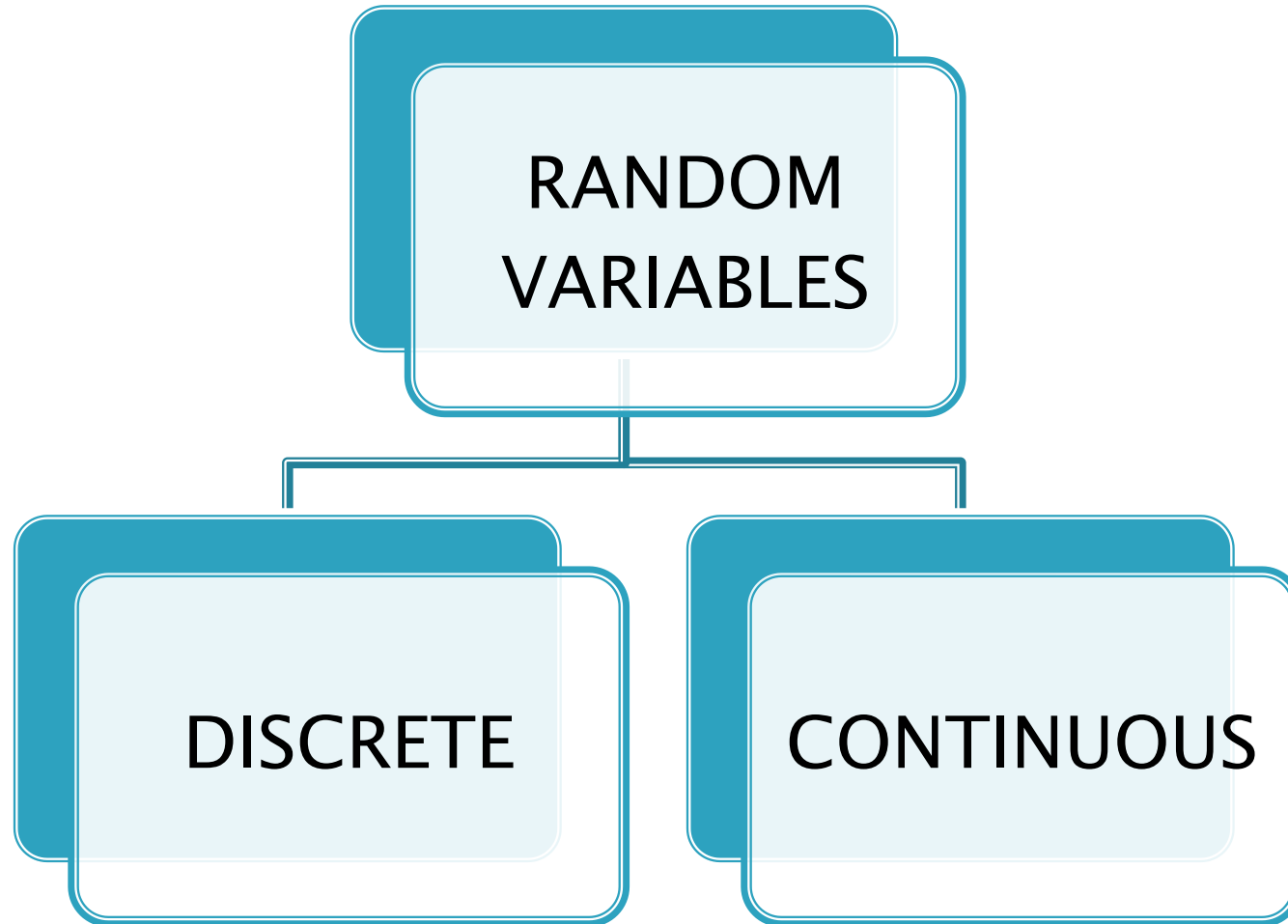
AXIOMS OF PROBABILITY

- $0 \leq P(E) \leq 1$
- $P(S) = 1$
- For any sequence of mutually exclusive events E_1, E_2, E_3, \dots (i.e., events for which $E_i E_j = \phi$ when $i \neq j$),

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i)$$

We refer to $P(E)$ as the probability of the event E

RANDOM VARIABLES



DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

A random variable X is discrete if it takes only discrete or countably finite values.

CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLE

A random variable X is said to be continuous if it takes all possible values between certain limits or in an interval which may be finite or infinite.

DISCRETE RANDOM VARIABLES

1

- BINOMIAL DISTRIBUTION

2

- POISSON DISTRIBUTION

3

- GEOMETRIC DISTRIBUTION

CONTINUOUS RANDOM VARIABLES

1

- UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION

2

- EXPONENTIAL DISTRIBUTION

3

- NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

THANK YOU