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Problem Set: Probability Theory II

- 1. Consider the p.d.f. f(x) = 2x for $0 \le x \le 1$.
 - (a) Calculate the c.d.f. of f(x).
 - (b) Is f(x) a proper p.d.f.?
- 2. Consider the c.d.f. $G(x) = \frac{1}{9}x^2$ for $0 \le x \le 3$.
 - (a) Calculate the p.d.f. of G(x), g(x).
 - (b) Is g(x) a proper p.d.f.?
- 3. Consider the p.d.f. $h(x) = \frac{4}{3}(1-x^3)$ for 0 < x < 1. Determine
 - (a) $\Pr(X < \frac{1}{2})$.
 - (b) $\Pr(X > \frac{1}{3})$.
 - (c) $\Pr(\frac{1}{4} < X < \frac{3}{4})$.
- 4. Consider the p.d.f. $k(x) = cx^2$ for $1 \le x \le 2$. Determine
 - (a) Find the value of the constant c.
 - (b) Find $Pr(X > \frac{3}{2})$.