

- Since  $E[Y_{n+1}] = E[Y_n]$ ,
- by induction we have

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_n] = \mathbb{E}[Y_0] = 0.$$

- Let
  - $A(n)$  be the probability that Alice has won by round  $n$ ;
  - $B(n)$  be the probability that Bob has won by round  $n$ ;
  - $C(n)$  be the probability that neither player has yet won.
- Clearly we have

$$A(n) + B(n) + C(n) = 1,$$

## Law of Total Expectation

- We have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \mathbb{E}[Y_n] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y_n | Y_n = y]A(n) + \mathbb{E}[Y_n | Y_n = -x]B(n) \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E}[Y_n | -x < Y_n < y]C(n) \\ &= yA(n) - xB(n) + \mathbb{E}[Y_n | -x < Y_n < y]C(n). \end{aligned}$$