

Laboratory Session 03 : April 20, 2020

Exercises due : May 6, 2020

Exercise 1

- the time it takes a student to complete a TOLC-I University orientation and evaluation test follows a density function of the form

$$f(X) = \begin{cases} c(t-1)(2-t) & 1 < t < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where t is the time in hours.

- using the `integrate()` R function, determine the constant c (and verify it analytically)
- write the set of four R functions and plot the pdf and cdf, respectively
- evaluate the probability that the student will finish the aptitude test in more than 75 minutes. And that it will take 90 and 120 minutes.

Exercise 2

- the lifetime of tires sold by an used tires shop is $10^4 \cdot x$ km, where x is a random variable following the distribution function

$$f(X) = \begin{cases} 2/x^2 & 1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- write the set of four R functions and plot the pdf and cdf, respectively
- determine the probability that tires will last less than 15000 km
- sample 3000 random variables from the distribution and determine the mean value and the variance, using the expression $Var(X) = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$

Exercise 3

- Markov's inequality represents an upper bound to probability distributions:

$$P(X \geq k) \leq \frac{E[X]}{k} \text{ for } k > 0$$

- having defined a function

$$G(k) = 1 - F(k) \equiv P(X \geq k)$$

plot $G(k)$ and the Markov's upper bound for

- the exponential, $\text{Exp}(\lambda = 1)$, distribution function
- the uniform, $\mathcal{U}(3, 5)$, distribution function
- the binomial, $\text{Bin}(n = 1, p = 1/2)$, distribution function
- a Poisson, $\text{Pois}(\lambda = 1/2)$, distribution function

Exercise 4

- Chebyshev's inequality tell us that

$$P(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$$

- which can also be written as

$$P(|X - \mu| < k\sigma) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k^2}$$

- use R to show, with a plot, that Chebyshev's inequality is an upper bound to the following distributions:
 - a) a normal distribution, $N(\mu = 3, \sigma = 5)$
 - a) an exponential distribution, $\text{Exp}(\lambda = 1)$
 - b) a uniform distribution $\mathcal{U}(1 - \sqrt{2}, 1 + \sqrt{2})$
 - d) a Poisson, $\text{Pois}(\lambda = 1/3)$, distribution function