

# DATA 605 - Assignment 5

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library(ggplot2)
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## Problem 1

Choose independently two numbers  $B$  and  $C$  at random from the interval  $[0, 1]$  with uniform density. Prove that  $B$  and  $C$  are proper probability distributions.

Note that the point  $(B, C)$  is then chosen at random in the unit square. Find the probability that:

### Part 1

(a)  $B + C < \frac{1}{2}$

### Part 2

(b)  $BC < \frac{1}{2}$

### Part 3

(c)  $|B - C| < \frac{1}{2}$

### Part 4

(d)  $\max\{B, C\} < \frac{1}{2}$

### Part 5

(e)  $\min\{B, C\} < \frac{1}{2}$

## Solutions

There are two conditions for the functions to be proper probability distributions:

- $\sum P(X = x) = 1$
- $P(X = x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$

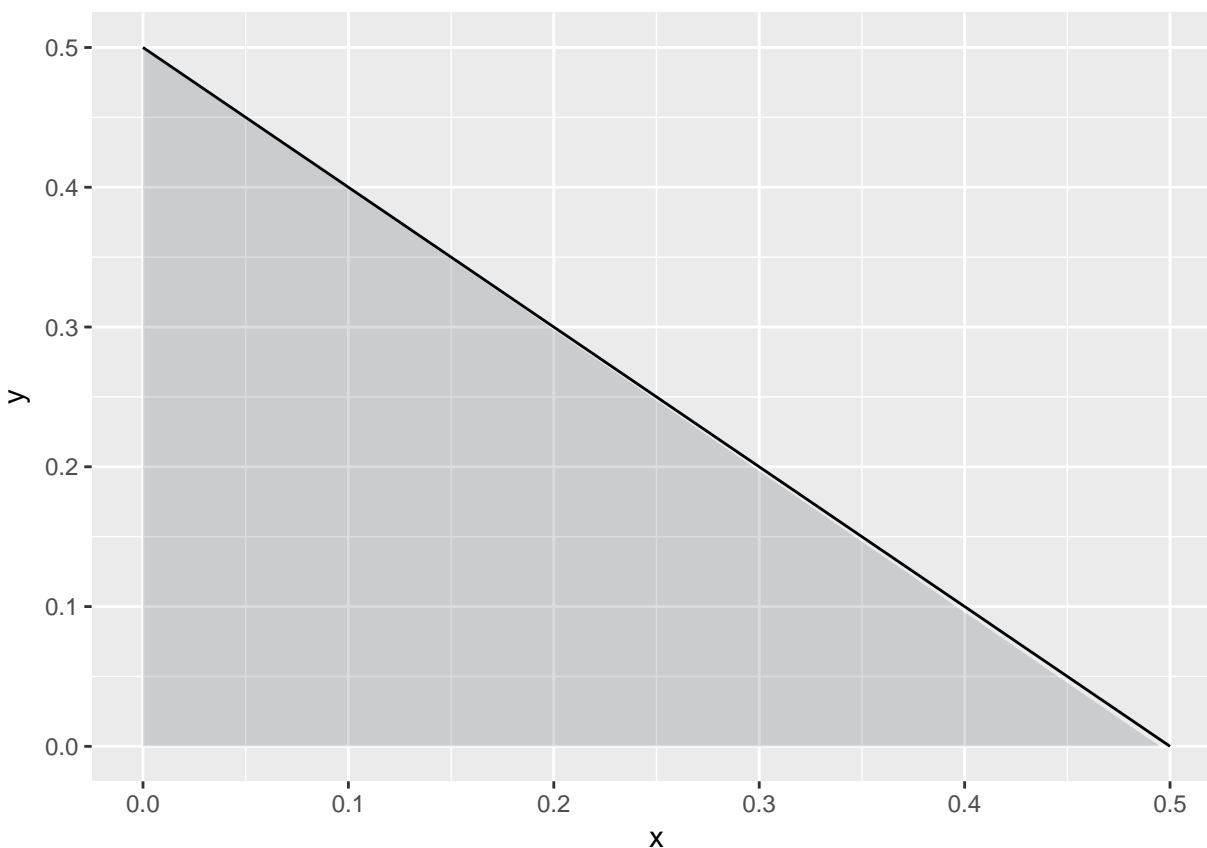
$B$  and  $C$  each have a 100% probability of  $0 \leq B/C \leq 1$ , so  $B + C$  has a 100% probability of  $0 \leq B + C \leq 2$ .

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B <- runif(n = 5000, min = 0, max = 1)
C <- runif(n = 5000, min = 0, max = 1)
```

## Part 1

1. This is easier to understand visually, so I'll graph the equation. If we let  $B = x$  and  $C = y$ , we can plot the function  $f(x) = 0.5 - x$ .

```
funcShaded <- function(x) {  
  y <- seq(0.5,0, length.out = 100)  
  y[x < 0 | x > 0.5] <- NA  
  return(y)  
}  
  
function1 <- function(x) 0.5 - x  
ggplot(data = data.frame(x = 0), mapping = aes(x = x)) +  
  stat_function(fun = function1) +  
  xlim(0, 0.5) +  
  ylim(0, 0.5) +  
  stat_function(fun=funcShaded, geom="area", fill="#4d535e", alpha=0.2)
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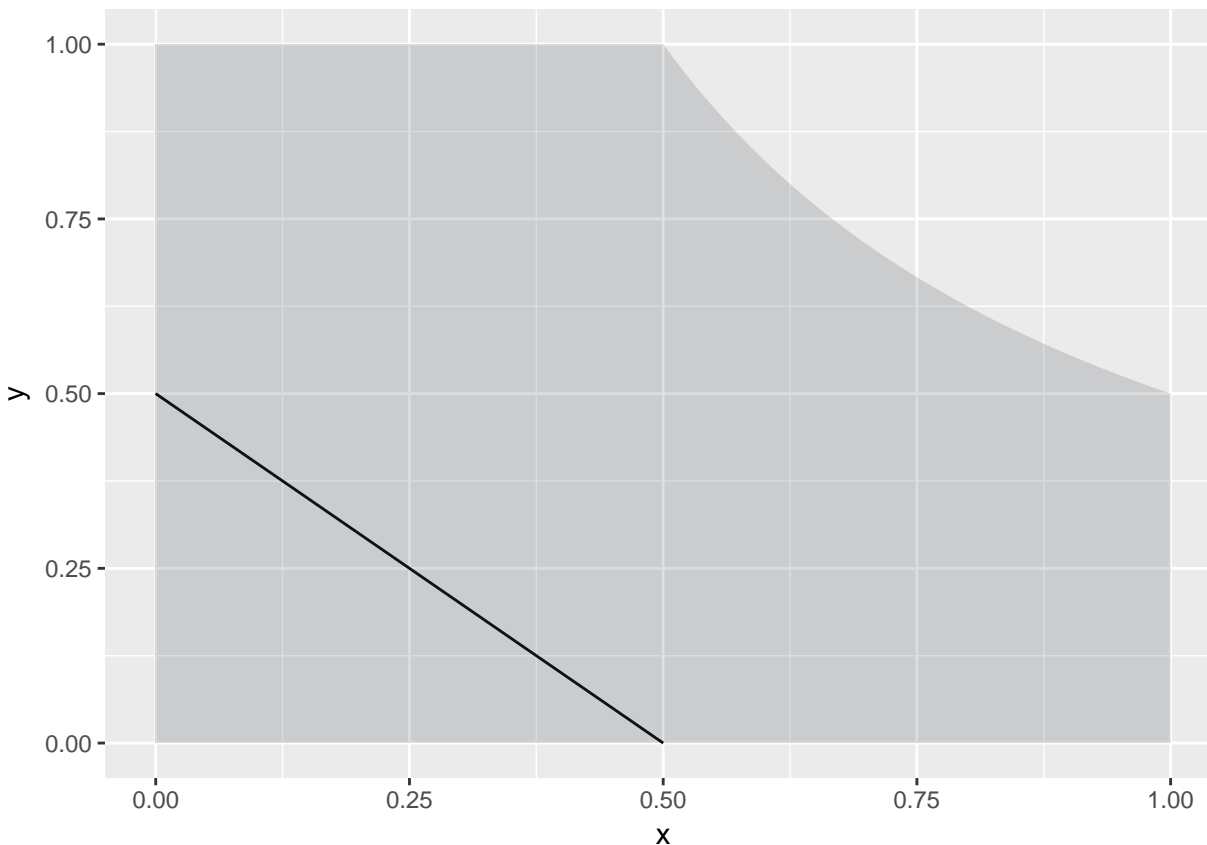
The probability that  $x + y < \frac{1}{2}$  is just the area under the function. In this case, since it's essentially a triangle, we can simply apply the area formula:  $\frac{1}{2} * \text{base} * \text{height}$ .

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base <- 0.5  
height <- 0.5  
0.5*base*height  
## [1] 0.125
```

## Part 2

$$xy = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow y = \frac{0.5}{x} \rightarrow y = \frac{1}{2x}.$$

```
function2 <- function(x) 1/(2*x)
ggplot(data = data.frame(x = 0), mapping = aes(x = x)) +
  stat_function(fun = function1) +
  xlim(0, 1) +
  ylim(0, 1) +
  geom_rect(aes(xmin=0, xmax=0.5, ymin=0, ymax=1), fill="#4d535e", alpha=0.2) +
  stat_function(fun=function2, geom="area", fill="#4d535e", alpha=0.2)
```



Similarly, we need to calculate the area under this curve. We can break it up into two parts: a rectangle ( $x=0:0.5$ ,  $y=0:1$ ) and our function  $\frac{1}{2x}$  ( $x = 0.5 : 1, y = 0 : \frac{1}{2x}$ ).  $0.5 * 1 + \int_{0.5}^1 \frac{1}{2x} dx = 0.846574$ .

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integrate(function2, 0.5, 1)[[1]] + 0.5
## [1] 0.8465736
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## Part 3

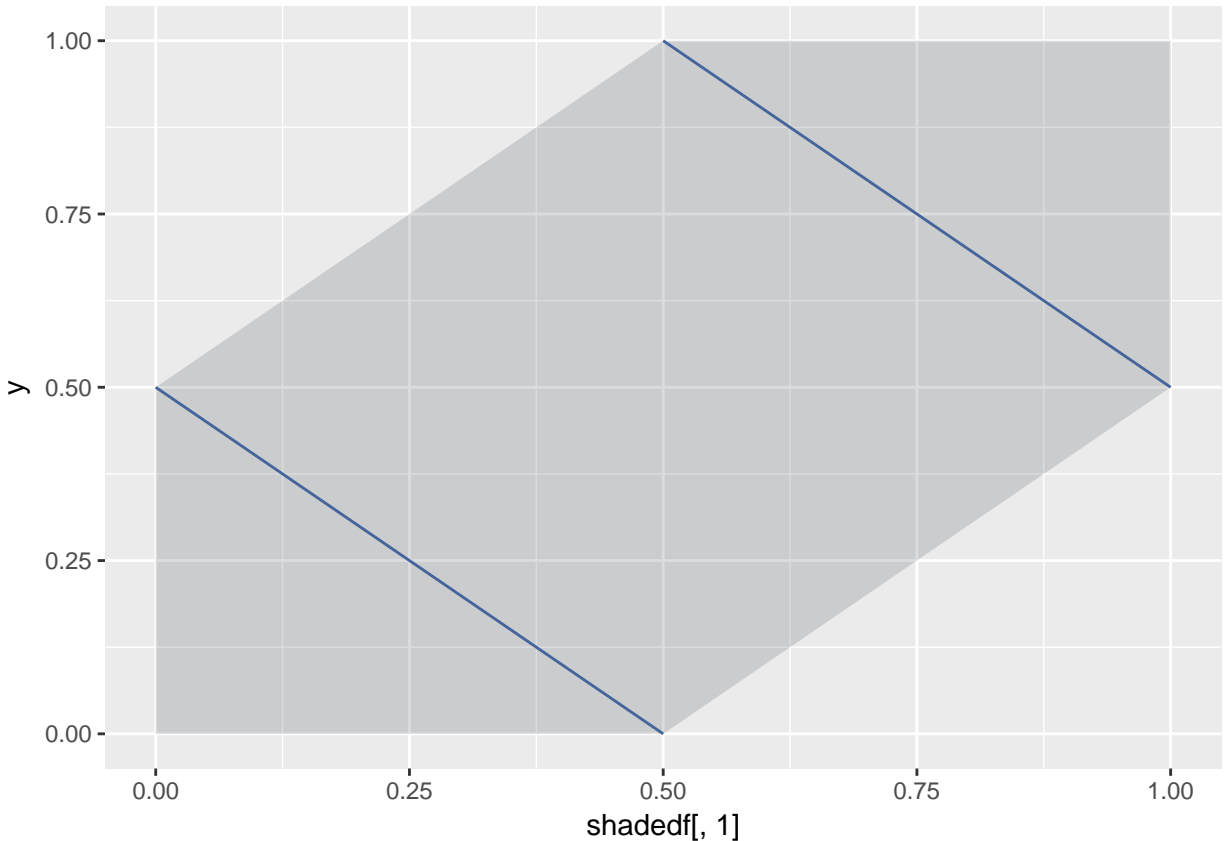
$|x - y| = \frac{1}{2}$  gives us two lines:  $-x - y = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $x - y = \frac{1}{2}$ .

```
function3 <- function(x) x + 1/2
function31 <- function(x) x - 1/2

shadedx <- c(0,0,0.5,1,1,0.5)
shadedy <- c(0,0.5,1,1,0.5,0)
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shadedf <- cbind(shadedx, shadedy)

ggplot() +
  stat_function(fun = function3) +
  stat_function(fun = function31) +
  xlim(0, 1) +
  ylim(0, 1) +
  geom_polygon(aes(shadedf[,1],shadedf[,2]), fill="#4d535e", alpha=0.2) +
  geom_line(aes(x=seq(0,0.5,length.out = 3), y=seq(0.5,0, length.out = 3)), colour = "#44659b") +
  geom_line(aes(x=seq(0.5,1,length.out = 3), y=seq(1,0.5,length.out = 3)), colour="#44659b")
```



The blue lines are not part of the graph, but I included them to better understand how I approached this problem. Each blue line forms a triangle, similar to the one we encountered in part a, and also outlines our unit square. Thus, the area is

$$\text{Area of square} - 2 * \text{area of triangle} = 1 - 2 * 0.25 = 0.75.$$

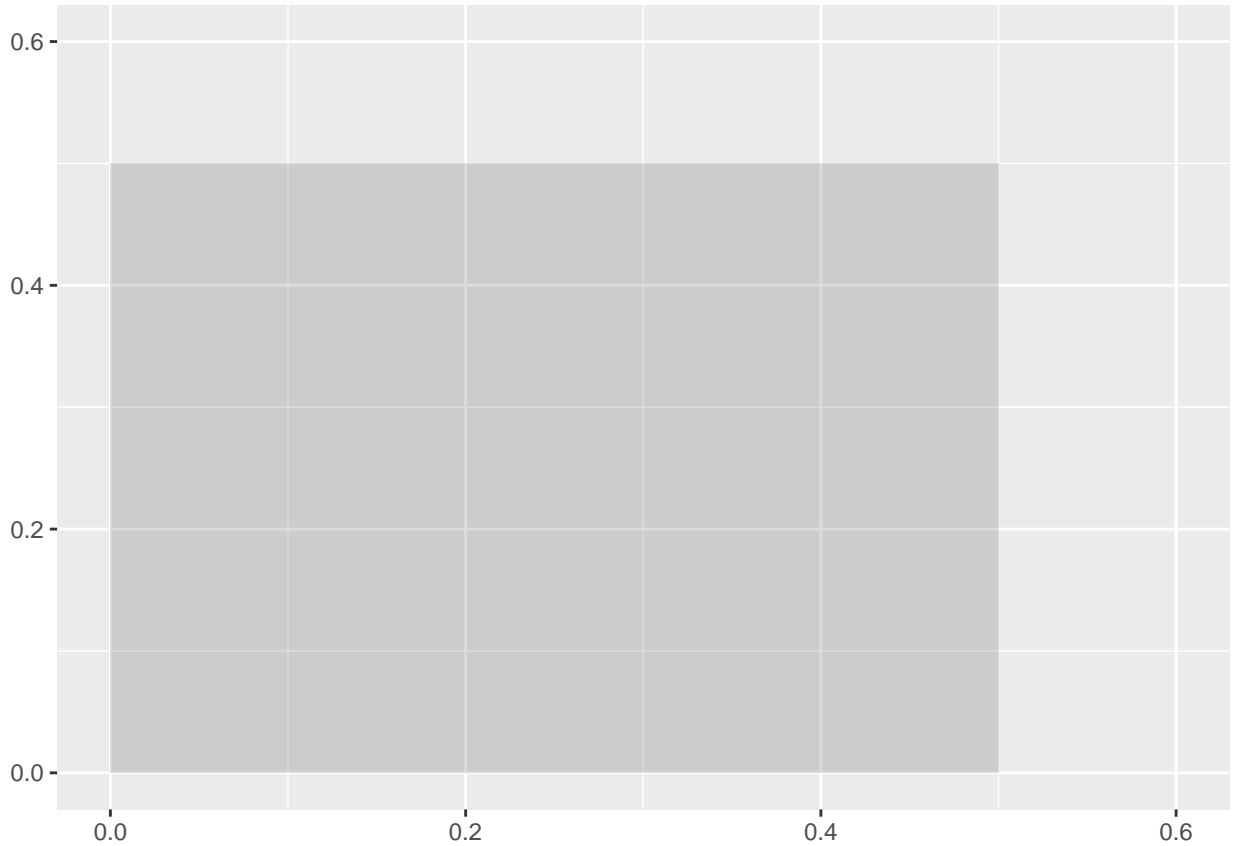
#### Part 4

$$P(B \leq \frac{1}{2}) * P(C \leq \frac{1}{2}) = (\frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{1}{4}.$$

Alternatively, continuing with the area theme, we could plot the 0.5 by 0.5 square, and its area would be given by  $0.5 * 0.5 = 0.25$ .

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ggplot() +
  xlim(0, 0.6) +
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```
ylim(0, 0.6) +  
geom_rect(aes(xmin=0, xmax=0.5, ymin=0,ymax=0.5), fill="#4d535e", alpha=0.2)
```



## Part 5

Either  $B < \frac{1}{2}$  or  $C < \frac{1}{2}$  is needed to satisfy  $\min\{B, C\} < \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$P(B < \frac{1}{2} \cup C < \frac{1}{2}) = P(B < \frac{1}{2}) + P(C < \frac{1}{2}) - P(B < \frac{1}{2} \cap C < \frac{1}{2}).$$

$$P(B < \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(C < \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(B < \frac{1}{2} \cap C < \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} = 0.75.$$

## References

- <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/45301798/ggplot2-how-to-shade-an-area-above-a-function-curve-and-below-a-line>