

AI1103 : Assignment-2

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1 QUESTION: Q.33 EE-GATE-2016-SET-2

Let the probability density function of random variable, X , be given as:

$$f_x(x) = \frac{3}{2}e^{-3x}u(x) + ae^{4x}u(-x)$$

where $u(x)$ is the unit step function. Then the value of a and $\text{Prob}\{X \leq 0\}$, respectively, are:

- (A) $2, \frac{1}{2}$
- (B) $4, \frac{1}{2}$
- (C) $2, \frac{1}{4}$
- (D) $4, \frac{1}{4}$

2 SOLUTION:

We know that,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_x(x) dx = 1. \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 f_x(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} f_x(x) dx = 1 \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 ae^{4x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{3}{2}e^{-3x} dx = 1 \quad (2.0.3)$$

The expression (2.0.3) was written from (2.0.2) since,

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Simplifying (2.0.3) we have:

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 ae^{4x} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{3}{2}e^{-3x} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[\frac{e^{4x}}{4} \right]_{-\infty}^0 + \frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{e^{-3x}}{-3} \right]_0^{\infty} = 1 \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[\frac{1}{4} - 0 \right] - \frac{1}{2} [0 - 1] = 1 \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow a = 2 \quad (2.0.6)$$

Therefore,

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}e^{-3x}, & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ 2e^{4x}, & \text{for } x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.0.7)$$

The plot for PDF of X can be observed at figure 0

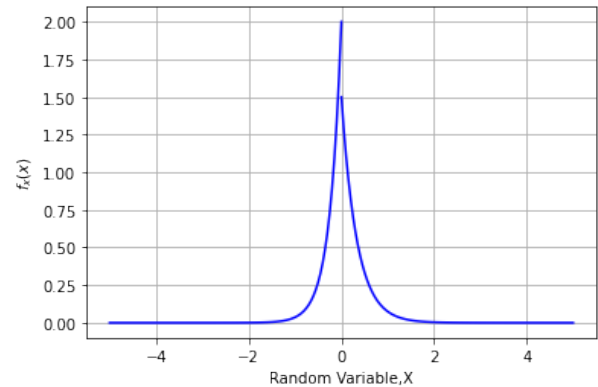


Fig. 0: The PDF of X

The CDF of X is defined as follows:

$$F_X(x) = \text{Pr}(X \leq x) \quad (2.0.8)$$

Now for $x < 0$,

$$\Pr(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_x(x) dx \quad (2.0.9)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^x 2e^{4x} dx \quad (2.0.10)$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{e^{4x}}{4} \right]_{-\infty}^x \quad (2.0.11)$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{e^{4x}}{4} - 0 \right] \quad (2.0.12)$$

$$= \frac{e^{4x}}{2} \quad (2.0.13)$$

Similarly for $x \geq 0$,

$$\Pr(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_x(x) dx \quad (2.0.14)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^0 2e^{4x} dx + \int_0^x \frac{3}{2}e^{-3x} dx \quad (2.0.15)$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{e^{4x}}{4} \right]_{-\infty}^0 + \left[\frac{-e^{-3x}}{2} \right]_0^x \quad (2.0.16)$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{1}{4} - 0 \right] - \frac{1}{2} [e^{-3x} - 1] \quad (2.0.17)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{e^{-3x}}{2} \quad (2.0.18)$$

The CDF of X is as below:

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{e^{-3x}}{2}, & \text{for } x \geq 0 \\ \frac{e^{4x}}{2}, & \text{for } x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (2.0.19)$$

The plot for CDF of X can be observed at figure 0.

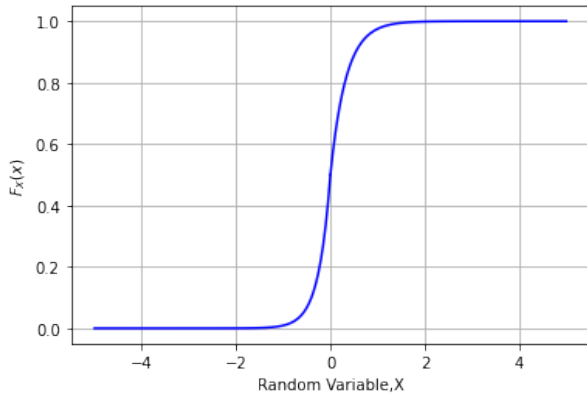


Fig. 0: The CDF of X

Hence the correct answer is option (A).

$$\therefore \Pr(X \leq 0) = F_X(0) = \frac{1}{2} \quad (2.0.20)$$