

AI1103-Assignment 3

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QUESTION

The lifetime of two brands of bulbs X and Y are exponentially distributed with the mean life of 100 hours. Bulb X is switched on 15 hours after bulb Y has been switched on. The probability that bulb X fails before bulb Y is

- (A) $\frac{15}{100}$
- (B) $\frac{1}{2}$
- (C) $\frac{85}{100}$
- (D) 0

SOLUTION

Let X and Y be exponential random variables which represent the lifetime of bulbs X and Y respectively, both with mean = 100.

Using memorylessness property for exponential distribution, which states that :

An exponentially distributed random variable T obeys the relation

$$\Pr(T > t + s | T > s) = \Pr(T > t) \quad (0.0.1)$$

where $s, t \geq 0$

Proof : Using Complementary cumulative distributive function, we get

$$\Pr(T > t + s | T > s) = \frac{\Pr(T > t + s, T > s)}{\Pr(T > s)} \quad (0.0.2)$$

$$= \frac{\Pr(T > t + s)}{\Pr(T > s)} \quad (0.0.3)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda(t+s)}}{e^{-\lambda s}} \quad (0.0.4)$$

$$= e^{-\lambda t} \quad (0.0.5)$$

$$= \Pr(T > t) \quad (0.0.6)$$

Probability that bulb X fails before bulb Y given that bulb Y was functioning when bulb X was switched on

$$\Pr(Y > X + 15 | Y \geq 15) = \Pr(Y > X) \quad (0.0.7)$$

For both X and Y,

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{100} = 0.01 \quad (0.0.8)$$

Probability distribution function of exponential random variables is given by :

For $x, y \geq 0$

$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad (0.0.9)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y} \quad (0.0.10)$$

Cumulative distribution function of exponential random variables is given by :

For $x \geq 0$

$$F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad (0.0.11)$$

$$F_Y(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad (0.0.12)$$

$$\Pr(Y > X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_Y(x) f_X(x) dx \quad (0.0.13)$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} (1 - e^{-\lambda x}) \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad (0.0.14)$$

$$= \lambda \left(\frac{1}{2\lambda} e^{-2\lambda x} - \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} \quad (0.0.15)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} e^{-2\lambda x} - e^{-\lambda x} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} \quad (0.0.16)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} e^{-0.02x} - e^{-0.01x} \right) \Big|_0^{\infty} \quad (0.0.17)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} = 0.5 \quad (0.0.18)$$

\therefore The answer is option (b) $\frac{1}{2}$.