

# AI1110 ASSIGNMENT 8

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## Papoulis Chapter 7, Question 7.20

We place at random  $n$  points in the interval  $(0, 1)$  and we denote by  $x$  and  $y$  the distance from the origin to the first and last point respectively. Find  $F(x)$ ,  $F(y)$ ,  $F(x, y)$ .

# Solution

The event  $\tilde{x} \leq x$  occurs if there is at least one point in the interval  $(0, x)$ ;

The event  $\tilde{y} \leq y$  occurs if all the points are in the interval  $(0, y)$ .

Let  $A_X = \text{at least one point in } (0, x) = \tilde{x} \leq x$

Let  $B_Y = \text{no points in } (y, 1)$

$= \text{all points in } (0, y) = \tilde{y} \leq y$

Hence for  $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ , we have:

$$F_X(x) = \Pr(A_X) = 1 - \Pr(\bar{A}_X) = 1 - (1 - x)^n \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$F_Y(y) = \Pr(B_Y) = y^n \quad (2.0.2)$$

Further more, we have

$$\left\{ \tilde{x} \leq x, \tilde{y} \leq y \right\} = A_X \cdot B_Y \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$A_X B_Y + \bar{A}_X B_Y = B_Y \quad (2.0.4)$$

Case 1:  $x \leq y$  then,

$$\bar{A}_x B_Y = \{\text{all points in } (x, y)\} \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$\implies \Pr(\bar{A}_x B_Y) = (y - x)^n \quad (2.0.6)$$

Case 2:  $x > y$  then,

$$\bar{A}_x B_Y = \{\phi\} \quad (2.0.7)$$

Therefore, we have  $F_{XY}(x, y) = \Pr(A_X B_Y) = \begin{cases} y^n - (y - x)^n & x \leq y \\ y^n & x > y \end{cases}$

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