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Each of the 8 tubes of a radio set has a life length (in years) which may be considered as a random variable with Weibull distribution with parameter  $\alpha = 25$ ,  $\beta = 2$ . If these tubes function independently of one another, what is the probability that no tube will have to be replaced during the first 2 month of service:

**Solution**

If  $X$  is a random variable of life length of each tube  
 Given  $X$  follow weibull distribution

$$f(x) = \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\alpha x^\beta} \quad x > 0$$

Given  $\alpha = 25, \beta = 2$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 50 x e^{-25 x^2}$$

$P$  (Tube not replace the first 2 months)

$$= P\left(X > \frac{1}{6}\right)$$

$\left(\because \text{the parameter is in years} \Rightarrow 2 \text{ months} = \frac{1}{6} \text{ year}\right)$

$$= \int_{\frac{1}{6}}^{\infty} 50 x e^{-25 x^2} dx$$

takes  $25 x^2 = t$

$$50 x dx = dt$$

when  $x = \frac{1}{6}; \quad t = \frac{25}{6}$

$$x = \infty \quad t = \infty$$

$$= \int_{\frac{25}{6}}^{\infty} e^{-t} dt$$

$$= \left[ \frac{e^{-t}}{-1} \right]_{\frac{25}{6}}^{\infty}$$

$$= - \left[ 0 - e^{-\frac{25}{6}} \right] = e^{-\frac{25}{6}} = 0.0155$$

**Solved Problem 2.113**

Let  $X$  be the service life of a semiconductor having Weibull with  $\alpha = 0.025$  and  $\beta = 0.5$  as parameter. Find the probability that the semiconductor will be working after 3000 hours.

**Solution**

$X$  is Weibull distribution with p.d.f:

$$f(x) = \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\alpha x^\beta} \quad x > 0$$

Given  $\alpha = 0.025$ ;  $\beta = 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{then } f(x) &= (0.025)(0.5) x^{0.5-1} e^{-0.025 x^{0.5}} \\ &= 0.0125 x^{-0.5} e^{-0.025 x^{0.5}}\end{aligned}$$

$P[\text{semi-conductor working after 3000 hours}]$

$$\begin{aligned}P[X \geq 3000] &= \int_{3000}^{\infty} f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{3000}^{\infty} 0.0125 x^{-0.5} e^{-0.025 x^{0.5}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{take } 0.025 x^{0.5} &= t \\ (0.025)(0.5) x^{-0.5} dx &= dt\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{when } x &= \infty & t &= \infty \\ x &= 3000 & t &= 1.369\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \int_{1.369}^{\infty} e^{-t} dt \\ &= \left[ \frac{e^{-t}}{-1} \right]_{1.369}^{\infty} \\ &= e^{-1.369} = 0.2543\end{aligned}$$

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### Solved Problem 2.114

✓ Let  $X$  be random variable of the failure (in minutes) of electric components with parameter  $\alpha = \frac{1}{5}$ ,  $\beta = \frac{1}{3}$ . Find the

- (i) expected time the product will last
- (ii) the probability that the component will fail is less than 10 hours.

### Solution

$X$  is a random variable with weibull distribution.

$$\text{then } f(x) = \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\alpha x^{\beta}}$$

$$\text{Given } \alpha = \frac{1}{5}, \quad \beta = \frac{1}{3}$$

(i) Now, the expected time the product will last is

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \frac{1}{\alpha^\beta} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{\beta} + 1\right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3} \sqrt{4} \\ &= (0.2)^{-3} \sqrt{4} \\ &= 125 \times 2 \\ &= 125 \times 6 = 750 \text{ minutes} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Probability of lasting less than 10 hours

i.e., is probability of lasting less than 600 minutes

$$\text{W.K.T } F(X) = P(X \leq x)$$

$$P(X \leq 600) = 1 - e^{-\alpha x^\beta}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{5} x^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{5} (600)}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-1.687}$$

$$= 1 - 0.1850 = 0.8149$$

Let  $X$  be random variable of the life time of a certain kind of an energy back up battery (in hours) follows weibull distribution with  $\alpha = 0.1$  and  $\beta = 0.5$ . Find

- (i) The mean life time of these batteries.
- (ii) The probability that the battery last more than 300 hours.
- (iii) The probability that such a battery will not last 100 hours.

### Solution

$X$  is a random variable density the life time of any back up battery.

$$\text{then} \quad f(x) = \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} e^{-\alpha x^\beta} \quad x > 0$$

Given  $\alpha = 0.1$  and  $\beta = 0.5$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(x) &= (0.1)(0.5) x^{0.5-1} e^{-0.1 x^{0.5}} \\ &= 0.05 x^{-0.5} e^{-0.1 x^{0.5}} \end{aligned}$$

(i) To find the mean life time

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \alpha^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\beta} + 1 \right) \right] \\ &= (0.1)^{-\frac{1}{0.5}} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{0.5} + 1 \right) \right] \\ &= (0.1)^{-2} \sqrt{3} \quad \left[ \text{put } 0.5 = \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{0.01} 2 \quad [\because |\overline{n}| = n!] \\ &= 200 \text{ hours} \end{aligned}$$



$$P(X > 300) = \int_{300}^{\infty} (0.05) x^{0.5} e^{-0.1 x^{0.5}} dx$$

take  $u = 0.1 x^{0.5}$

$$du = 0.05 x^{-0.5} dx$$

When  $x = \infty \quad u = \infty$

$$x = 300 \quad u = 0.1(300)^{-0.5} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$= \int_{\sqrt{3}}^{\infty} e^{-u} du$$

$$= \left[ \frac{e^{-u}}{-1} \right]_{\sqrt{3}}^{\infty}$$

$$= - \left[ 0 - e^{-\sqrt{3}} \right] = 0.177$$

$$P(X < 100) = \int_0^{100} (0.05) x^{-0.5} e^{-0.01 x^{0.5}} dx$$

take  $u = 0.1 x^{0.5}$

$$du = 0.05 x^{-0.5} dx$$

$$x = 100 \quad u = 1$$

$$x = 0 \quad u = 0$$

$$= \int_0^1 e^{-u} du$$

$$= - \left[ e^{-1} - 1 \right]$$

$$= \left[ 1 - e^{-1} \right] = 0.6321$$