

Maths - Tutorial 2

1) In a bolt factory machines A, B and C manufactures resp 25%, 35% and 40% of the total of their total output. 5, 4 and 2 percent are defective bolts. A bolt is drawn at random from the product and is found to be defective. What is the probability that it was manufactured by machine B.

2) A random variable X has the following probability distribution

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$P(X=x)$	0	k	$2k$	$2k$	$3k$	k^2	$2k^2$	$7k^2+k$

Find: 1) k 2) $P\left(\frac{1.5 < x < 4.5}{x > 2}\right)$

3) The smallest value of A for which $P(X \leq A) > 1/2$

3) A function is defined as:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ for } x < 2 \\ \frac{2x+3}{18} & , \text{ for } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & , \text{ for } x > 4 \end{cases}$$

Show that $f(x)$ is a p.d.f and find the probability that $2 < x < 3$

4) For the distribution function given below, find p.d.f

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-x/4} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Also find probabilities: $P(X \leq 4)$, $P(X \geq 8)$, $P(4 \leq X \leq 8)$

Solutions:

→ 1) Let E_1, E_2, E_3 denotes the events that a bolt is selected at random is manufactured by machine A, B, C respectively

let X denotes that bolt is defective.

$$\therefore P(E_2/X) = ?$$

$$P(E_1) = \frac{25}{100} = 0.25, \quad P(X/E_1) = \frac{5}{100} = 0.05$$

$$P(E_2) = \frac{35}{100} = 0.35, \quad P(X/E_2) = \frac{4}{100} = 0.04$$

$$P(E_3) = \frac{40}{100} = 0.4, \quad P(X/E_3) = \frac{2}{100} = 0.02$$

By Bayes Theorem,

$$P(E_2/X) = \frac{P(E_2) \cdot P(X/E_2)}{\sum_{i=1}^3 P(E_i) \cdot P(X/E_i)}$$

$$\therefore P(E_2/x) = \frac{(0.35) \cdot (0.04)}{(0.25)(0.05) + (0.35)(0.04) + (0.4)(0.02)}$$

$$P(E_2/x) = \frac{0.014}{0.0345} = 0.41$$

$$\therefore P(E_2/x) = 0.41$$

\therefore Probability that the defective ball was manufactured by machine B is 0.41

→ 2) Since, $\sum P(x_i) = 1$, we get

$$0 + k + 2k + 2k + 3k + k^2 + 2k^2 + 7k^2 + k = 1$$

$$\therefore 10k^2 + 9k = 1$$

$$\therefore 10k^2 + 10k - k - 1 = 0$$

$$10k(k+1) - 1(k+1) = 0$$

$$k = \frac{1}{10}, k = -1$$

k cannot be -1

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{10}$$

\therefore Probability distribution of X is:

X :	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
P(x=0):	0	$\frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{2}{10}$	$\frac{2}{10}$	$\frac{3}{10}$	$\frac{1}{100}$	$\frac{2}{100}$	$\frac{17}{100}$

Now, we know that $P(A/B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$

$$\therefore P\left(\frac{1.5 < x < 4.5}{x > 2}\right) = \frac{P[(1.5 < x < 4.5) \cap (x > 2)]}{P(x > 2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(2 < x < 4.5)}{P(x > 2)}$$

$$= \frac{P(x = 3, 4)}{P(x = 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)} = \frac{5/10}{70/100} = \frac{5}{7}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\frac{1.5 < x < 4.5}{x > 2}\right) = \frac{5}{7}$$

Now, from the table we find that

$$\begin{aligned} P(x \leq 3) &= P(x=0) + P(x=1) + P(x=2) + P(x=3) \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{2}{10} + \frac{2}{10} = \frac{5}{10} = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } P(x \leq 4) = \frac{8}{10} > \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \lambda = 4$$

$$\rightarrow 3) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } x < 2 \\ \frac{2x+3}{18}, & \text{for } 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0, & \text{for } x > 4 \end{cases}$$

Since, $2 \leq x \leq 4$, $f(x) \geq 0$ for all x

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \int_2^4 \frac{2x+3}{18} &= \frac{1}{18} \left[\frac{2x^2}{2} + 3x \right]_2^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{18} \left[x^2 + 3x \right]_2^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{18} [16+12 - 4-6] = \frac{18}{18} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_2^4 \frac{2x+3}{18} = 1$$

Since, $f(x) \geq 0$ and $\int_0^b f(x) dx = 1$, $f(x)$ is a probability density function

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } P(2 < x < 3) &= \int_2^3 \frac{2x+3}{18} = \frac{1}{18} \left[x^2 + 3x \right]_2^3 \\ &= \frac{1}{18} [9+9 - 4-6] = \frac{8}{18} \\ &= \frac{4}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P(2 < x < 3) = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\rightarrow 4) \quad F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-x/4}, & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$F(x)$ satisfies all the condition of a distribution function.
If $f(x)$ is corresponding probability density function

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-x/4}}{4}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Now, we have to verify that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x) dx + \int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx = 0 + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x/4}}{4} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{e^{-x/4}}{-1/4} \right]_0^{\infty} = - \left[e^{-x/4} \right]_0^{\infty}$$

$$= -[0 - 1] = 1$$

$$(i) \quad P(x \leq 4) = F(4) = 1 - e^{-4/4} = 1 - e^{-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{e} = \frac{e-1}{e}$$

$$\therefore P(x \leq 4) = \frac{e-1}{e}$$

$$(2) \quad P(x \geq 8) = 1 - P(x \leq 8) = 1 - F(8) = 1 - [1 - e^{-2}] = e^{-2}$$

$$\therefore P(x \geq 8) = \frac{1}{e^2}$$

$$(3) \quad P(4 \leq x \leq 8) = F(8) - F(4) = (1 - e^{-2}) - (1 - e^{-1}) = e^{-1} - e^{-2}$$

$$\therefore P(4 \leq x \leq 8) = \frac{e-1}{e^2}$$