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Last class:

$$Y = a\bar{X} + b$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{a} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$$

If  $X \sim \text{Normal}$ , then  $Y \sim \text{Normal}$

Suppose

$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda \left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &> 0 \\ b &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$b \neq 0$  :  $Y \not\sim \text{Gamma}$

However, if  $b = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{y}{a}\right)^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda \left(\frac{y}{a}\right)} \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{a}\right)^\alpha \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \cdot y^{\alpha-1} \cdot e^{-\lambda \left(\frac{y}{a}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$Y \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\alpha, \frac{\lambda}{a}\right)$$

(2)

Cauchy distribution:  $X \sim \text{Cauchy}(s, t)$

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pdf  $\rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{s\pi \left(1 + \left(\frac{x-t}{s}\right)^2\right)}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

$[ t=0, s=1 : f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi (1+x^2)}, x \in \mathbb{R}$

Standard Cauchy distribution]

$$Y = aX + b$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{a} \cdot \frac{1}{s\pi \left(1 + \left(\frac{\frac{y-b}{a} - t}{s}\right)^2\right)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{as\pi \left(1 + \left(\frac{y-b-at}{as}\right)^2\right)}$$

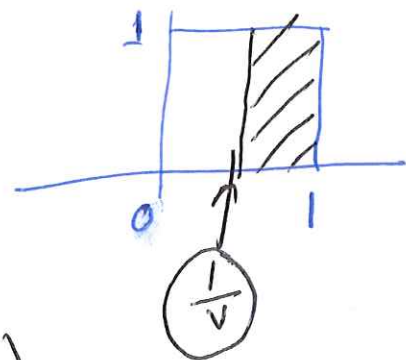
$$Y \sim \text{Cauchy}(as, b+at)$$

Today:

Example: Let  $U$  : uniform random variable on  $[0, 1]$

$$V = \frac{1}{U}$$

What is the pdf of  $V$ .



Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_V(v) &= P(V \leq v) \quad (v \geq 1) \\
 &= P\left(\frac{1}{U} \leq v\right) \\
 &= P\left(U \geq \frac{1}{v}\right) \quad (\because v > 0) \\
 &= \int_{\frac{1}{v}}^1 1 \, dx = 1 - \frac{1}{v}
 \end{aligned}$$

Annotations: "big" points to  $V$ , "little" points to  $v$ . The "1" in the integral is circled, and an arrow points to it with the text "pdf of  $U$ ".

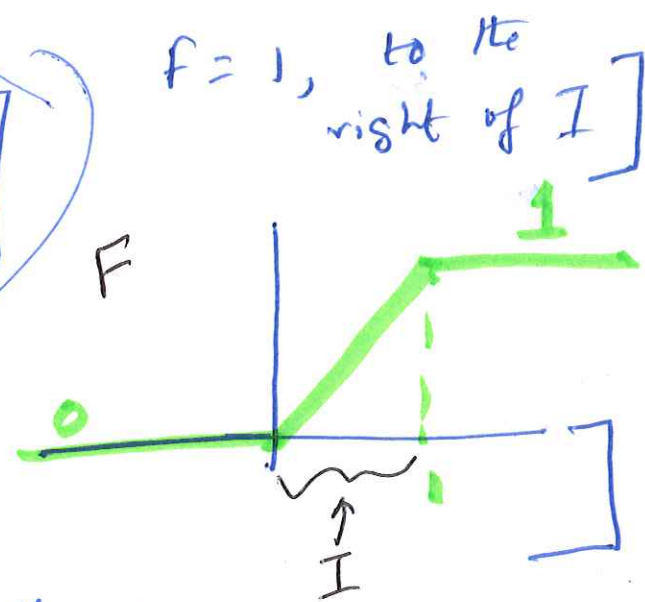
$$\begin{aligned}
 F_V(v) &= 1 - \frac{1}{v} \\
 f_V(v) &= \frac{1}{v^2}, \quad 1 \leq v < \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

# Theorem:

Consider a random variable  $X$   
 with pdf  $f$   
 cdf  $F$ ,

where  $f$  is strictly increasing,  
 on some interval  $I$ ,  $F = 0$ , to the left of  $I$   
 $F = 1$ , to the right of  $I$

Then  $F^{-1}(x)$  exists  
 for  $x \in I$



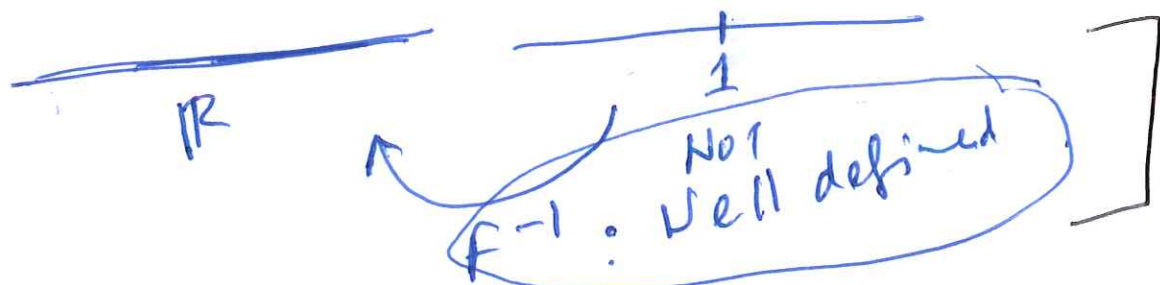
Example:

$$F(x) = 1, \text{ for all } x$$

$$F^{-1}(1) = \mathbb{R}$$

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$F$ : Well defined





✓ Theorem: Let  $Z = F(X)$   
Then  $Z \sim \text{Unif}([0,1])$

Proof:

$$\boxed{F_Z(z)} = P(Z \leq z)$$
$$= P(F(X) \leq z)$$
$$= P(X \leq F^{-1}(z))$$

$\boxed{z \in I}$

cdf of  $X$

Notation

$$\boxed{P(X \leq *) = F(*)}$$

$$= F(F^{-1}(z))$$

$$= \boxed{z}$$

Hence

$$\boxed{f_Z(z) = 1}$$

$$\boxed{0 \leq z \leq 1}$$

$z$  is in  $[0,1]$   
 $z$  can NOT be more than 1 as it is  $P(Z \leq z)$

~~$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_Z(z) dz = 1$~~

If the function starts @  $z=0$ , then we must have  $0 \leq z \leq 1$

$F$ : function that is mentioned earlier except do not think this as a cdf of  $X$ . ⑥

Theorem: Let  $U$  be uniform on  $[0, 1]$ .

$$X = F^{-1}(U)$$

Then the cdf of  $X$  is  $F$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq x) &= P(F^{-1}(U) \leq x) \\ &= P(U \leq F(x)) \\ &= F(x) \end{aligned}$$

cdf of  $U$ :

$$P(U \leq x) = x, \quad x \in [0, 1]$$

$$\begin{cases} F(z) = z^2, & 0 \leq z \leq 1 \\ f_z(z) = 2z, & 0 \leq z \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Example:  $U \sim \text{Unif}([0, 1])$

$$V = 1 - U$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(V \leq v) &= P(1 - U \leq v) = P(U \geq 1 - v) \\ &= 1 - P(U < 1 - v) \\ &= 1 - (1 - v) = v \end{aligned}$$

$V \sim \text{Unif}([0, 1])$

cdf of  
Unif  
or  
dbn



Example:

Suppose an experiment is involved with simulation of exponential distributions.

Question: If we have access

to a uniform random number generator, how do we generate exponential random numbers.

Solution: cdf of exponential distribution

$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

$$y = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\lambda x} = 1 - y$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda x = \ln(1 - y)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1 - y)$$

$$x \leftrightarrow y$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1 - x) = F^{-1}(x)$$

So,  $E \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ ,

then:  $E = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln(1 - U) = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \ln V, \quad V \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$

Example:

(#40,  
Problem  
set 2)

Suppose that  $\underline{X}$  has

density

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cx^2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Find  $c$ :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$$

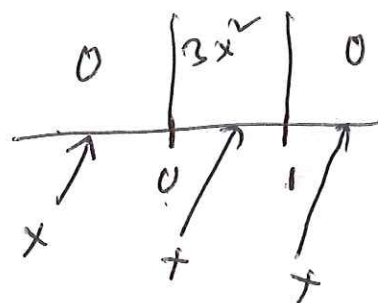
$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dx + \int_0^1 cx^2 dx + \int_1^{\infty} 0 dx = 1$$

$$c \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{c = 3}$$

- Find the cdf of  $\underline{X}$ :

$$F_{\underline{X}}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx$$





$$F_{\bar{X}}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ \int_0^x 3x^2 dx = x^3, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

• What is  $P(0.1 \leq \bar{X} \leq 0.5)$

$$= \cancel{P(0)} F(0.5) - F(0.1)$$

$$= (0.5)^3 - (0.1)^3$$

$$= \boxed{0.124}$$

Example  
(Problem #47  
Problem Set 2)

If  $\alpha > 1$ , show that  
the gamma density has  
a maximum at  $\frac{\alpha-1}{\lambda}$

Solution:

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [(\alpha-1)x^{\alpha-2} e^{-\lambda x} - \lambda e^{-\lambda x} x^{\alpha-1}]$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} [(\alpha-1)x^{\alpha-2} - \lambda x^{\alpha-1}] e^{-\lambda x}$$

So,  $f'(x) = 0$  if

$$(\alpha - 1)x^{\alpha - 2} - \lambda x^{\alpha - 1} = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{\alpha - 1}{\lambda}$$

Check it:  $f''\left(\frac{\alpha - 1}{\lambda}\right) < 0$ .

So,  $x = \frac{\alpha - 1}{\lambda}$  is the ~~max~~ <sup>value</sup> that makes  $f(x)$  maximum.

Example  
Problem Set 2  
Problem #52

Suppose that in a certain population, individual's heights are approximated  $\sim N(70, 3^2)$ .

[ in inches ]

(a) What proportion of the population is over 6ft tall?  
(72 in)

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\bar{X} > 72) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma} > \frac{72 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - 70}{3} > \frac{72 - 70}{3}\right) \\ &\quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Std. Normal } z \\ \downarrow \end{array} \quad \downarrow \\ &= P(Z > 0.67) \\ &= 1 - P(Z \leq 0.67) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(0.67) \quad \left[ \Phi: \text{cdf of } Z \right] \\ &\quad \downarrow \text{Standard table} \\ &= 1 - 0.7486 \\ &= \boxed{0.2514} \end{aligned}$$

(b) What is the distribution of heights if they are expressed in centimeters?

Solution:



$$1 \text{ in} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$$

$$Y = 2.54 X$$

$$X \sim N(7.0, 3^2)$$

Question: What is the distribution for  $Y$ ?

In general:  $Y = aX + b, a > 0$   
 $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{a} f_X\left(\frac{y-b}{a}\right)$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2.54} \cdot \frac{1}{(3)\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\frac{y}{2.54} - 7.0}{3} \right)^2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{(2.54 * 3)\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{y - 7.0 * 2.54}{2.54 * 3} \right)^2}$$

Hence  $Y \sim N(7.0 * 2.54, (2.54 * 3)^2)$

$$\Rightarrow Y \sim N(177.8, 58.06)$$