

33. Let $F(x) = 1 - \exp(-\alpha x^\beta)$ for $x \geq 0$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$, and $F(x) = 0$ for $x < 0$. Show that F is a cdf, and find the corresponding density.

Right Continuity - $F(x)$ must be continuous

For $x \geq 0$, $F(x)$ is continuous and when $x < 0$, $F(x) = 0$

Limit at negative infinity

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0 \text{ because } F(x) = 0 \text{ when } x < 0$$

Limit at positive infinity

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = 1 - \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \exp(-\alpha x^\beta), \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty, -\alpha x^\beta \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\rightarrow \exp(-\alpha x^\beta) \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = 1 - 0 = 1$$

Non-Decreasing

$$F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (1 - \exp(-\alpha x^\beta)) = \alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} \exp(-\alpha x^\beta)$$

Since $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0, \exp(-\alpha x^\beta) > 0$ for $x \geq 0$, $F'(x) > 0$ for all $x \geq 0$ which indicates $F(x)$ is non-decreasing

Corresponding density (PDF)

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x) = \underline{\alpha \beta x^{\beta-1} \exp(-\alpha x^\beta)} \text{ for } x \geq 0$$

$$f(x) = 0 \text{ for } x < 0$$

37. A line segment of length 1 is cut once at random. What is the probability that the longer piece is more than twice the length of the shorter piece?

Line is cut at point X where $0 < X < 1$
There will be two pieces X (left) and $(1-X)$ (right)

Two Cases:

- X is shorter (a)
- X is longer (b)

(a) $1-X > 2X \rightarrow 1 > 3X \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} > X$

(b) $X > 2(1-X) \rightarrow X > 2 - 2X \rightarrow X + 2X > 2 \rightarrow 3X > 2$
 $\rightarrow X > \frac{2}{3}$

So $X < \frac{1}{3}$ or $X > \frac{2}{3}$

$P(\text{longer piece more than } 2\text{x shorter}) =$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{3} - 0\right) + \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$

40. Suppose that X has the density function $f(x) = cx^2$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $f(x) = 0$ otherwise.

a. Find c .

b. Find the cdf.

c. What is $P(.1 \leq X < .5)$?

(a)

$$f(x) = cx^2 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$f'(x) = \int_0^1 cx^2 dx = c \int_0^1 x^2 dx = c \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_0^1 = c \frac{1}{3}$$

$$c \times \frac{1}{3} = 1 \rightarrow c = 3$$

(b)

$$F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x 3t^2 dt = t^3 \Big|_0^x = x^3$$

$$\text{CDF} = x^3 \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

(c)

$$P(0.1 \leq X \leq 0.5) = F(0.5) - F(0.1)$$

$$= 0.5^3 - 0.1^3$$

$$= 0.125 - 0.001$$

$$= 0.124$$

$$P(0.1 \leq X \leq 0.5) = 0.124$$

43. Find the probability density for the distance from an event to its nearest neighbor for a Poisson process in three-dimensional space.

$$\text{Volume} : \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \quad \text{Rate} = \lambda$$

$$P(R > r) = \exp(-\lambda \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3)$$

$$P(R \leq r) = 1 - \exp(-\lambda \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3) \quad \rightarrow \text{CDF}$$

PDF

$$f_R(r) = \frac{d}{dr} P(R \leq r) = \frac{d}{dr} \left(1 - \exp(-\lambda \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3) \right)$$

$$= \lambda^3 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi r^2 \cdot \exp(-\lambda \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3)$$

$$= \boxed{\lambda^4 \pi r^2 \exp(-\lambda \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3)}$$

66. Let $f(x) = \alpha x^{-\alpha-1}$ for $x \geq 1$ and $f(x) = 0$ otherwise, where α is a positive parameter. Show how to generate random variables from this density from a uniform random number generator.

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_1^x at^{-\alpha-1} dt = a \int_1^x t^{-\alpha-1} dt = a \left[\frac{t^{-\alpha-1+1}}{-\alpha-1+1} \right]_1^x \\ &= a \left[\frac{t^{-\alpha}}{\alpha} \right]_1^x = -t^{-\alpha} \Big|_1^x = -x^{-\alpha} - (-1^{-\alpha}) \\ &= -x^{-\alpha} + 1^{-\alpha} = 1 - x^{-\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Invert CDF $\rightarrow F(x) = U \sim \text{Uniform}(0,1)$

$$1 - x^{-\alpha} = U \rightarrow 1 - U = x^{-\alpha} \rightarrow x = (1-U)^{-1/\alpha}$$

So if U is a uniform random variable between 0 and 1:

$$x = (1-U)^{-1/\alpha} \text{ is a}$$

random variable drawn from the distribution:

$$f(x) = \alpha x^{-\alpha-1} \text{ for } x \geq 1$$

- Other Problem. The Rockwell hardness of a metal is determined by impressing a hardened point into the surface of the metal and then measuring the depth of penetration of the point. Suppose the Rockwell hardness of a particular alloy is normally distributed with mean 70 and standard deviation 3
- If a specimen is acceptable only if its hardness is between 67 and 75, what is the probability that a randomly chosen specimen has an acceptable hardness?
 - If the acceptable range of hardness is $(70 - c, 70 + c)$, for what value of c would 95% of all specimens have acceptable hardness?
 - What is the probability that at most eight of ten independently selected specimens have a hardness of less than 73.84?

a $Z_1 = \frac{67-70}{3} = -1 \quad Z_2 = \frac{75-70}{3} = \frac{5}{3} = 1.67$

$$P(Z_1 = -1) = 0.1587, P(Z_2 = 1.67) = 0.9525$$

$$P(67 \leq X \leq 75) = 0.9525 - 0.1587 = \boxed{0.7938}$$

b $P(70 - c \leq X \leq 70 + c) = 0.95 \rightarrow c = ?$

Z score for middle 95% are ± 1.96

$$Z = \frac{X - M}{\sigma} \rightarrow \frac{X - 70}{3} \rightarrow \frac{c}{3} \rightarrow \frac{c}{3} = 1.96 \rightarrow c = \boxed{5.88}$$

$$Z_1 = 70 - 5.88 = 64.12, Z_2 = 70 + 5.88 = 75.88$$

$$\text{Range} = (64.12, 75.88)$$

c $Z = \frac{73.84 - 70}{3} = 1.28 \quad P(Z = 1.28) = 0.8997$

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(10, 0.8997)$$

$$P(Y \leq 8) = \sum_{x=1}^8 \binom{10}{x} 0.8997^x \cdot (1 - 0.8997)^{10-x}$$

$$= \boxed{0.26506}$$