Tutorial 2: Probability and Statistics (IC105)

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1. Check the following functions are distribution functions are not

(i)
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{2}, & 0 \le x \le \frac{3}{2} \\ 1, & x > \frac{3}{2} \end{cases}$$
 (ii) $F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \le 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{x^2}, & x > 1 \end{cases}$

(iii)
$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \le 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{e^{-x}}{2}, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$
 (iv) $F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{8}, & 0 \le x < 1 \\ \frac{x+1}{8}, & 1 \le x < 2 \\ \frac{2x+1}{8}, & 2 \le x < 3 \\ 1, & x \ge 3 \end{cases}$

2. Consider a function F as

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-x}, & x \ge 0 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that F is a distribution function.
- (b) Find the value of $P(2 < X \le 3)$, $P(-2 < X \le 3)$, $P(1 \le X < 4)$, $P(5 \le X < 8)$.
- 3. Let X be a random variable with distribution function given as

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 2\\ \frac{2}{3}, & 2 \le x < 5\\ \frac{7-6k}{6}, & 5 \le x < 9\\ \frac{3k^2 - 6k + 7}{6}, & 9 \le x < 14\\ \frac{16k^2 - 16k + 19}{16}, & 14 \le x \le 20\\ 1, & x > 20 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the value of constant k;
- (b) Show that the r.v. X is of discrete type and find its support;
- (c) Find the p.m.f. of X.
- 4. Let X be a random variable with distribution function given as

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0\\ \frac{x}{4}, & 0 \le x < 1\\ \frac{x}{3}, & 1 \le x < 2\\ \frac{3x}{8}, & 2 \le x < 5/2\\ 1, & x \ge 5/2 \end{cases}$$

(a) Prove that X is neither continuous nor discrete random variable.

- (b) Find the value of $P(1 < X \le \frac{5}{2})$, $P(1 < X < \frac{5}{2})$, $P(1 \le X < \frac{5}{2})$, $P(-2 \le X < 1)$, $P(X \ge 2)$, P(X > 2).
- 5. Let X be a continuous type random variable with p.d.f.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k - |x|, & |x| < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) Find the value of constant k;
- (b) Evaluate P(X < 0), $P(X \le 0)$, $P(0 < X \le 1/4)$ $P(-1/8 \le X \le 1/4)$
- (c) Find the distribution function of X.
- 6. Let X be a random variable with probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c(1-x^2), & -1 < x < 1\\ 0, & \text{Otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) What is the value of c?
- (b) Find the cumulative distribution function of X.
- (c) Find E(X) and Var(X).
- 7. Consider a function f(x) defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta} \left(1 - \frac{|x - \alpha|}{\beta} \right), & \alpha - \beta < x < \alpha + \beta \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \ \beta > 0$.

- (a) Show that f(x) is a probability density function.
- (b) Find the distribution function.
- (c) Find E(X) and Var(X).