

**Mathematics-3**  
**Tutorial-4**  
**Discussion on Friday, 30th August**  
**Topic: Continuous Random Variables**

1. For a nonnegative random variable  $Y$ ,

$$E[Y] = \int_0^{\infty} P\{Y > y\} dy$$

2. From the above result, for any function  $g$  for which  $g(x) \geq 0$ , show that

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f(x) dx$$

- 3.

The density function of  $X$  is given by

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

If  $E[X] = \frac{3}{5}$ , find  $a$  and  $b$ .

- 4.

The random variable  $x$  is  $N(5, 2)$  and  $y = 2x + 4$ . Find  $\eta_y$ ,  $\sigma_y$ , and  $f_y(y)$ .

- 5.

Find  $F_y(y)$  and  $f_y(y)$  if  $y = -4x + 3$  and  $f_x(x) = 2e^{-2x}U(x)$ .

Where  $U(x) = 1$  if  $x \geq 0$ , otherwise 0

- 6.

Let  $X$  be a normal random variable with mean 12 and variance 4. Find the value of  $c$  such that  $P\{X > c\} = 0.10$

- 7.

The lifetime in hours of an electronic tube is a random variable having a probability density function given by

$$f(x) = xe^{-x} \quad x \geq 0$$

Compute the expected lifetime of such a tube.

8.

Consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} C(2x - x^3) & 0 < x < \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Could  $f$  be a probability density function? If so, determine  $C$ . Repeat if  $f(x)$  were given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} C(2x - x^2) & 0 < x < \frac{5}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

9.

Compute  $E[X]$  if  $X$  has a density function given by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f(x) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}xe^{-x/2} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}; \\ \text{(b)} \quad f(x) &= \begin{cases} c(1 - x^2) & -1 < x < 1; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}; \\ \text{(c)} \quad f(x) &= \begin{cases} \frac{5}{x^2} & x > 5 \\ 0 & x \leq 5 \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

10.

If  $X$  is an exponential random variable with parameter  $\lambda = 1$ , compute the probability density function of the random variable  $Y$  defined by  $Y = \log X$ .

If  $X$  is uniformly distributed over  $(0, 1)$ , find the density function of  $Y = e^X$ .

11.

Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable with the following PDF:

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let also

$$Y = g(X) = \begin{cases} X & 0 \leq X \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & X > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

Find the CDF of  $Y$ .

12. (from Q-11)

Let  $Y$  be the mixed random variable defined in Example

- a. Find  $P(\frac{1}{4} \leq Y \leq \frac{3}{8})$ .
- b. Find  $P(Y \geq \frac{1}{4})$ .
- c. Find  $EY$ .

13.

Let  $X$  be a  $Uniform(-2, 2)$  continuous random variable. We define  $Y = g(X)$ , where the function  $g(x)$  is defined as

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 1 \\ x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the CDF and PDF of  $Y$ .