

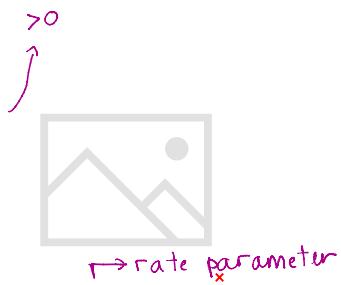
Chapter 11

The Exponential Distribution





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Is $f(y)$ a valid density function?

Check 2 conditions:

- $f(y) \geq 0 \quad \forall y \quad \checkmark$
- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy = 1$

$$-\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy \stackrel{?}{=} 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy &= -\int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy = \lambda \left[\frac{e^{-\lambda y}}{-\lambda} \right]_0^{\infty} \\ &= -\left(e^{-\lambda \cdot \infty} - e^{-\lambda \cdot 0} \right) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

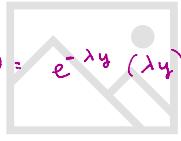
To prove thm 1.1, we are going to find the

CDF of Y .

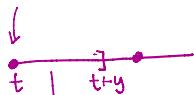
$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$$

We can differentiate F to get the PDF f

$$f_X(x) = e^{-\lambda y} (\lambda y)^x / x!$$



event has happened here



$X = \#$ times the event happens in this time interval.

→ easier to calculate
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$$= 1 - P(Y > y_f)$$

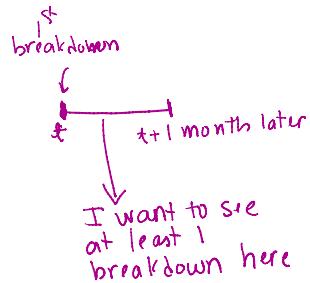


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Let $X = \# \text{ breakdowns in } 1 \text{ month } (\frac{1}{12} \text{ yr})$
 $\sim \text{Pois}(6 \cdot \frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{2})$

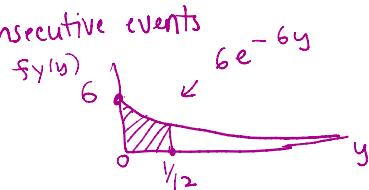
$$f(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{(\frac{1}{2})^x}{x!} \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\text{Want } P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}} = 0.3935.$$



In R
 $\gg 1 - \text{dpois}(x=0, \lambda=1/2)$ $(1 - P(X=0))$
 $\gg \text{ppois}(q=0, \lambda=1/2, \text{lower.tail}=F)$ $(P(X > 0) = P(X \geq 1))$
 $\gg 1 - \exp(1/2)$

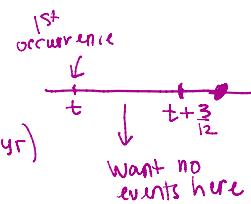
Lets define $y = \text{time (in years) between 2 consecutive events}$
 $y \sim \text{Exp}(6)$
 $f_y(y) = 6e^{-6y} \quad y \geq 0$
Want $P(Y \leq \frac{1}{12}) = F_Y(\frac{1}{12}) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{12}} 6e^{-6y} dy$



$$\text{Want } P(Y \leq \frac{1}{12}) = F_Y(\frac{1}{12})$$

$$= 1 - e^{-6 \cdot \frac{1}{12}}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \boxed{0.3935}$$



$X = \# \text{ breakdowns in a three month period } (t = \frac{3}{12} \text{ yr})$

$\sim \text{Pois}(3/2)$

$$f(x) = e^{-3/2} \frac{(3/2)^x}{x!} \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\text{Want } P(X=0) = \frac{e^{-3/2}}{0!}$$

$Y = \text{time (in years) between 2 consecutive events}$

$\sim \text{Exp}(6)$

$$f_Y(y) = 6e^{-6y} \quad y \geq 0$$

$$\text{Want } P(Y \geq \frac{3}{12}) = 1 - P(Y < 3/12) = 1 - P(Y \leq 3/12)$$

$$= 1 - F_Y(3/12)$$

$$= 1 - (1 - e^{-6 \cdot 3/12}) = \boxed{e^{-3/2}}$$



$Y = \text{time (in years) between 2 consecutive events}$

$Y \sim \text{Exp}(6)$

$$f_Y(y) = 6e^{-6y} \quad y \geq 0$$

$$\text{Given: } Y \geq 2/12 = Y \geq 1/6$$

$$\text{Want: } P(Y \geq 5/12 \mid Y \geq 1/6)$$

$$\sim \text{CV} \rightarrow \text{Exp}(1 \vee \sim 1/1)$$

$$P(Y \geq 5/12 \cap Y \geq 1/6)$$

$$\boxed{\text{Def. of } P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}}$$

$$P(Y \geq 5/12 \mid Y \geq 1/6) = \frac{P(Y \geq 5/12 \cap Y \geq 1/6)}{P(Y \geq 1/6)}$$

Def of
 $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$

$$= \frac{P(Y \geq 5/12)}{P(Y \geq 1/6)}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-6 \cdot 5/12}}{e^{-6 \cdot 1/6}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-5/2}}{e^{-1}} = e^{-\frac{5}{2}} \cdot e^1 \\ = e^{-\frac{5}{2} + 1} = e^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$= P(Y \geq 3/12)$$

{(from ⑥)}

$$\xrightarrow{Y \geq 1/6} \xrightarrow[Y \geq 1/6]{Y \geq 5/12}$$

$$Y \geq \frac{5}{12} < Y \geq \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\therefore (Y \geq \frac{5}{12}) \cap (Y \geq \frac{1}{6}) = (Y \geq \frac{5}{12})$$

3 months → 2 months



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

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As λ increases, the mean of an exponential random variable decreases