

Lecture 9:

Ex. $F(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

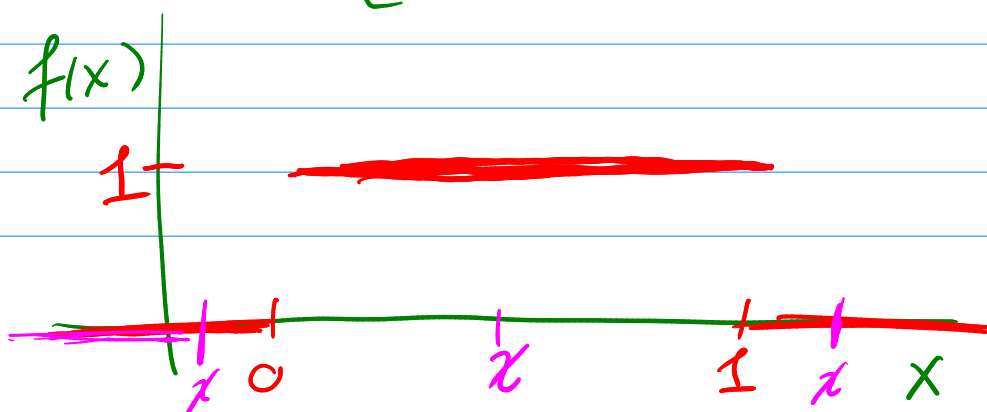
Q: What's the PDF?

$$f(x) = \frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \right)$$
$$= \dots = \frac{e^{-x}}{(1 + e^{-x})^2}.$$

Ex. Continuous Uniform
 $X \sim U(0, 1)$

means

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



What's the CDF?

$$\underline{F(x)} = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$$

For $x < 0$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^x 0 dt = 0$$

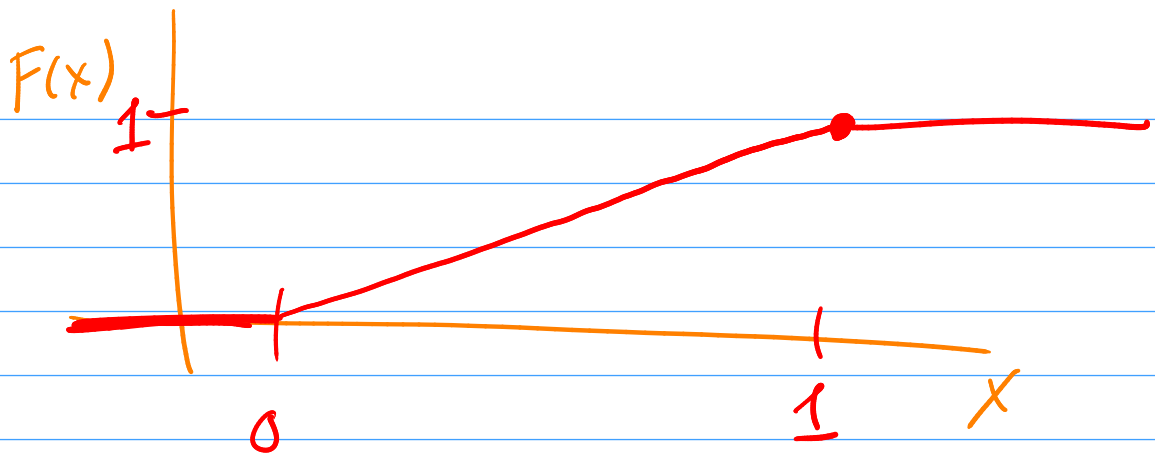
For $0 < x < 1$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x 1 dt = x$$

For $x > 1$

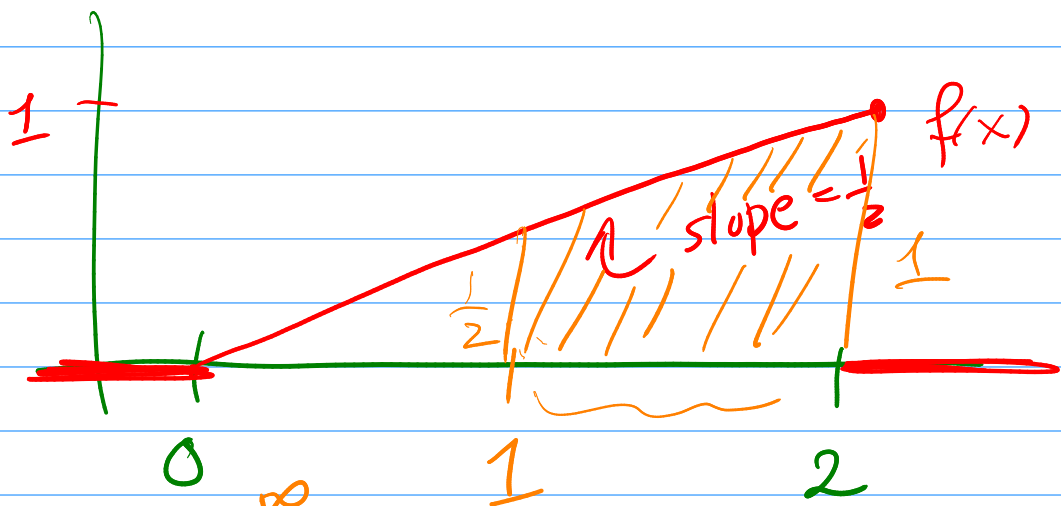
$$F(x) = \int_0^1 1 dt = 1$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ x, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$



Ex.

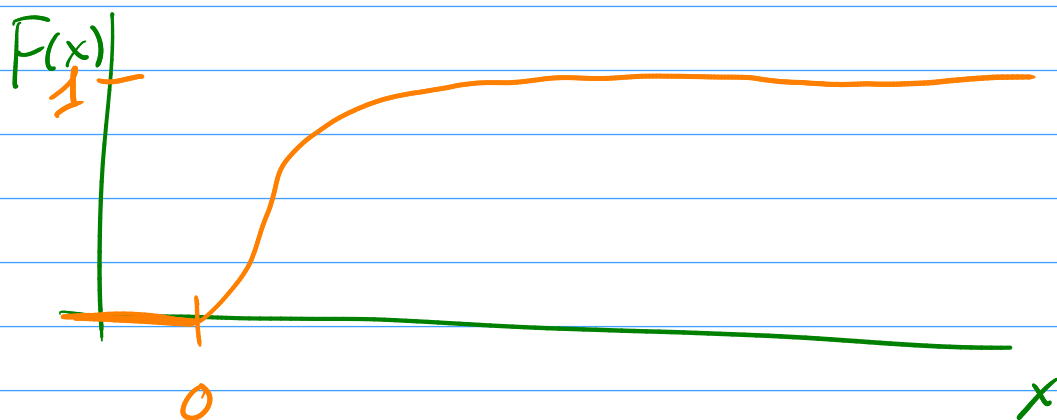
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x/2, & 0 < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



$$P(X > 1) = \int_1^{\infty} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_1^2 x/2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) \cdot 1 = \frac{3}{4}$$

Ex. $F(x) = 1 - e^{-x}$ for $x > 0$



$$P(1 < X < 2)$$

Way 1: $P(a < X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(1 < X < 2) &= F(2) - F(1) \\ &= (1 - e^{-2}) - (1 - e^{-1}) \\ &= e^{-1} - e^{-2} \end{aligned}$$

Way 2:

$$f(x) = \frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx}(1 - e^{-x}) = e^{-x} \text{ for } x > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(1 < X < 2) &= \int_1^2 f(x) dx \\ &= \int_1^2 e^{-x} dx = e^{-1} - e^{-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: PMF/PDF characterization

A function f is the PMF/PDF of some RV iff

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ (discrete) } \sum_x f(x) = 1$$

$$\text{ (cts) } \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx = 1.$$

(cts) If $g(x) \geq 0$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) dx = c < \infty$

define $f(x) = \frac{1}{c} g(x)$

then f is a density.

PMF: $0 \leq f(x) \leq 1$

PDF: Can be that $f(x) > 1$.

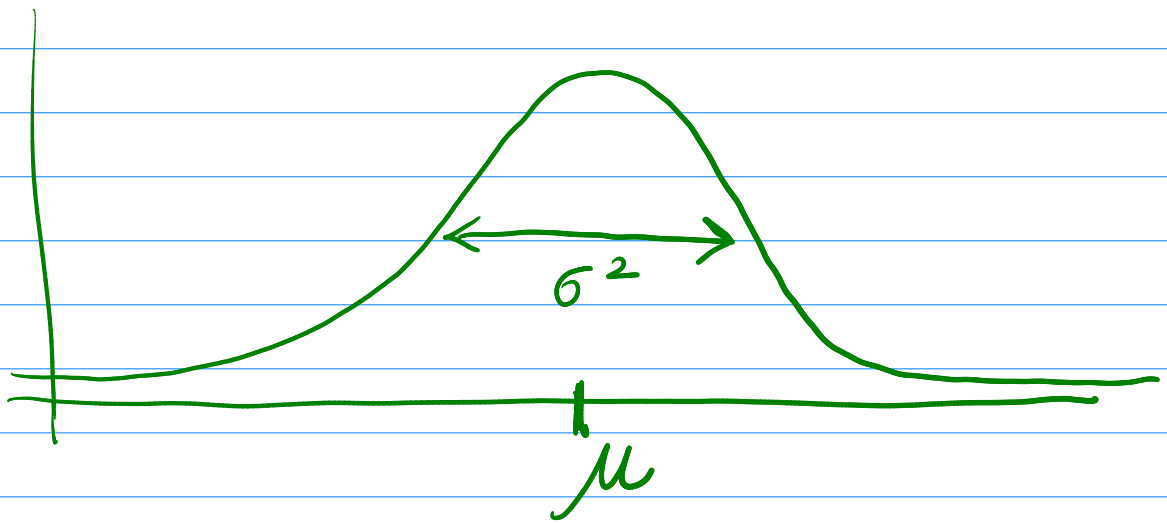
Must be that $f(x) \geq 0$.

Ex. Normal Distribution (Gaussian)

notation: $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

mean
 $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$

variance
 $\sigma^2 > 0$



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2\right)$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}$

looks like: e^{-x^2}

Defn: Expected Value

The mean or expected value

of a RV X denoted

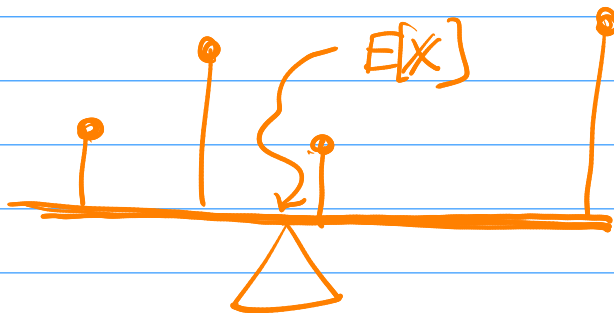
$$E[X]$$

is defined as

① discrete:

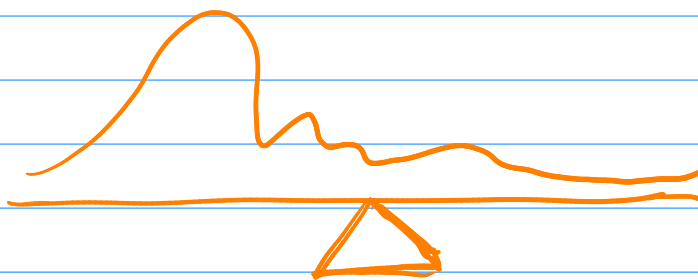
$$E[X] = \sum_x x f(x)$$

PMF



② cts:

$$E[X] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f(x) dx$$



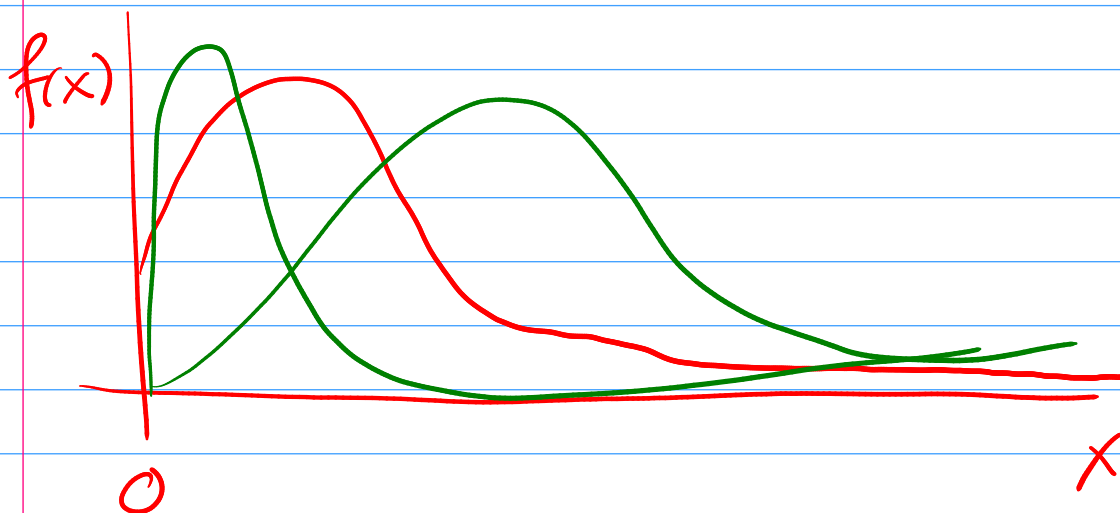
← Exponential dist

X , $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

$\lambda > 0$

"rate"

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \text{ for } x > 0$$



$E[X] ?$

$$E[X] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{x}_u \underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx}_{dv}$$

by parts:

$$u = x$$

$$du = dx$$

$$v = -e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$dv = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$\rightarrow \int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

$$= -xe^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= (0 - 0) + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty}$$

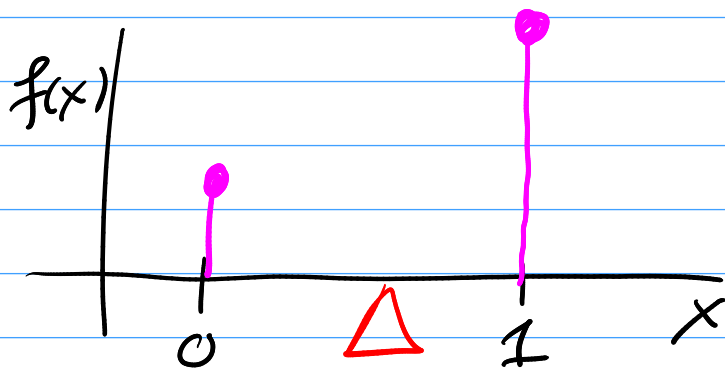
$$= -\frac{1}{\lambda} (0 - 1)$$

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Ex. $X \sim \text{Bern}(p)$
 \uparrow Bernoulli $\uparrow p \in [0, 1]$

X = any experiment w/ a 0/1 outcome
 where prob. of a 1 is p .

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} p, & x=1 \\ 1-p, & x=0 \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \sum_{x=0,1} x f(x) \\ &= (0)f(0) + (1)f(1) \\ &= f(1) \\ &= p \end{aligned}$$

Binomial R V :

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$$

↑ integer ↑ [0,1]

X = do n Bernoulli trials
and count the number of 1s

$$f(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

$$\text{Bin}(1, p) = \text{Bern}(p).$$

$$E[X] = np.$$

Functions of RVs:

A function of a RV is a RV.

e.g. if X is a RV then so is

$$X^2, \log(X), \sqrt{X}, \dots$$

Theorem: Law of the Unconscious Statistician

If $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and X is a RV

$$E[g(X)] = \begin{cases} \sum_x g(x) f(x) & (\text{discrete}) \\ \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) f(x) dx & (\text{cts}) \end{cases}$$

$E[X]$, $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

$$E[X^2] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^2 f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$u = x^2$$

$$du = 2x dx$$

$$v = -e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$dv = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= uv - \int v du$$

$$= -x^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty} + 2 \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} x dx$$

$$= 0 + 2 \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-\lambda x} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} x \underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}_{f(x)} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{\lambda} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} x f(x) dx}_{E[X]} = \frac{2}{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}.$$

