

Lecture #7: Continuous r.v.'s:

x has $|\text{Supp}(x)| = |\mathbb{R}|$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = P(X=x) = 0$$

The derivative of CDF is very important.

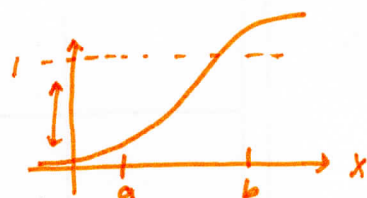
$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [F(x)] \\ = F'(x)$$

Probability density function (PDF)

$$P(X \in [a, b]) = F(b) - F(a) \\ = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

(CDF)

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x)$$



(fundamental
Thm. Calculus)

~~Prob~~ Properties of $f(x)$

$$\textcircled{I} \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx = 1 \\ = F(\infty) - F(-\infty) \\ = 1 - 0 = 1$$

There is no more PMF

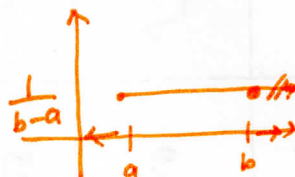
$$\textcircled{II} f(x) \geq 0$$

$$\textcircled{III} \text{Supp}[X] = \{x: f(x) > 0\}$$

$$\bullet X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) = \underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}_{f(x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0} \\ \text{Supp}[X] = [0, \infty)$$

You need to put the indicator function here since this is dealing with waiting time

$$\bullet X \sim U(a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a} \mathbb{1}_{x \in [a, b]} \\ \text{(uniform)}$$

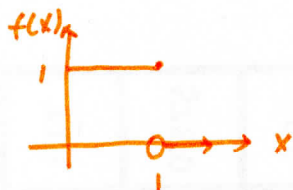


$$\text{Supp}[X] = [a, b]$$

$$a, b \in \mathbb{R} \\ \text{but } b > a$$

$X \sim U(0,1) = \mathbb{1}_{x \in [0,1]}$
 standard uniform

$\text{Exp}(1)$
 standard exponential



$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$f_{\vec{x}}(\vec{x}) = f_{x_1}(x_1) \cdots f_{x_k}(x_k)$$

joint density function
 (JDF)

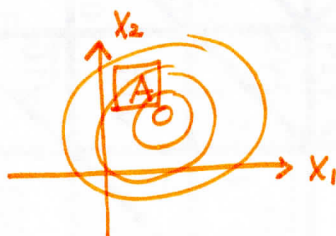
If x_1, \dots, x_k are independent

If " iid, then $f(x_1) \cdots f(x_k)$

$$\int \cdots \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} f_{\vec{x}}(\vec{x}) dx_1 \cdots dx_k = 1$$

$$k=2$$

$$P(A) = \iint_A f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 dx_1$$



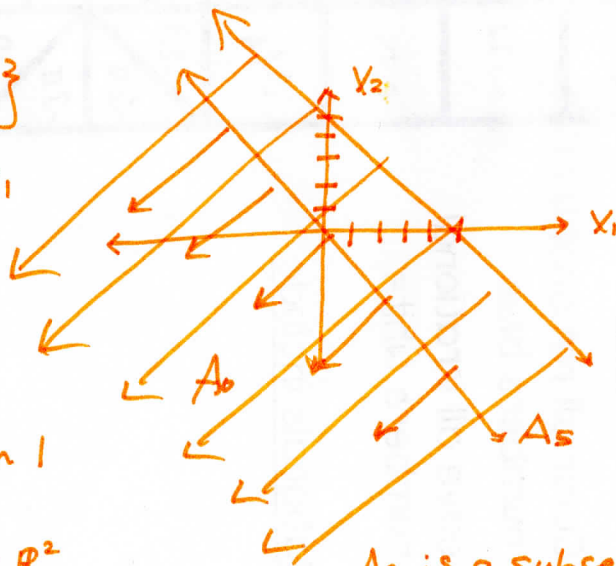
$$T = X_1 + X_2 \sim f_T(t) = ?$$

$$F(t) = P(T \leq t) = P(A_t)$$

$$A_t := \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} : x_1 + x_2 \leq t \right\}$$

$x_2 \leq t - x_1$

(Pg. 145)



→ If you take all of these
 to ∞ , then take \int then 1

If $-\infty, 0$.

↑
 b/c \mathbb{R}^2

A_0 is a subset of A_s

$$P(A+) = \int_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \int_{x_2 \in (-\infty, -x_1)} f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 dx_1 = \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_{-\infty}^{-x} f_{x_1, x_2}(x, v-x) dv dx$$

$$\stackrel{(x)}{=} \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{x_1, x_2}(x, v-x) dx dv$$

Let $x = x_1 \Rightarrow dx = dv$
 $v = x_2 + x \Rightarrow x_2 = v - x$
 $\Rightarrow dv = dx_2$

$$x_2 = -\infty \Rightarrow v = -\infty$$

$$x_2 = t - x \Rightarrow v = t$$

general convolution formula

$$* f(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{x_1, x_2}(x, t-x) dx \right]$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{x_1}(x) f_{x_2}(t-x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) f(t-x) dx$$

if $x_1, x_2 \sim \text{ind}$

if iid

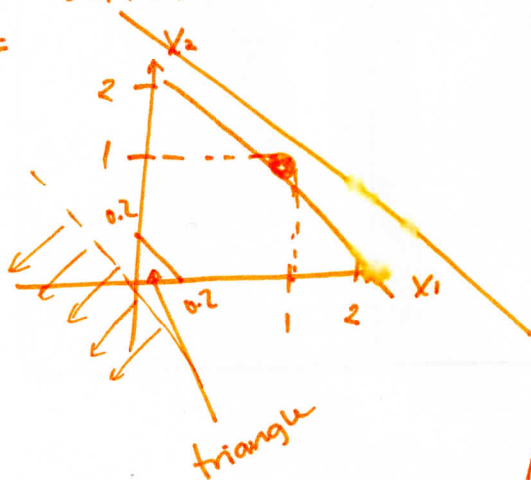
$$= \int_{\text{supp}(x_1)} f_{x_1}(x) f_{x_2}(t-x) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \text{supp}(x_2)} dx$$

$$= \int_{\text{supp}(x)} f(x) f(t-x) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \text{supp}(x)} dx$$

• $x_1, x_2 \sim \text{iid } U(0,1)$. $T = x_1 + x_2 \sim f(t)$?

$$\text{supp}(T) = [0, 2]$$

pdf



$$f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2) = f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2)$$

$$= 1 \cdot \mathbb{1}_{x_1 \in [0,1]} \cdot 1 \cdot \mathbb{1}_{x_2 \in [0,1]}$$

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}t^2 & \text{if } t \in [0,1] \\ 1 & \text{if } t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

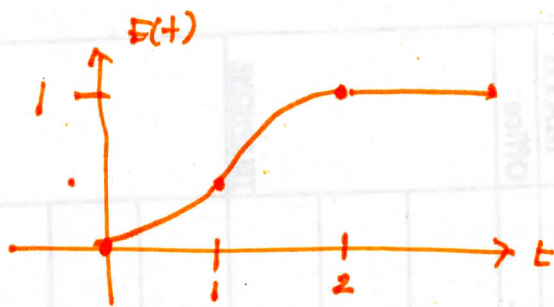
$$A \square = \frac{t^2}{2} - 2 \left(\frac{(t-1)^2}{2} \right)$$

→ now, subtract the little triangle

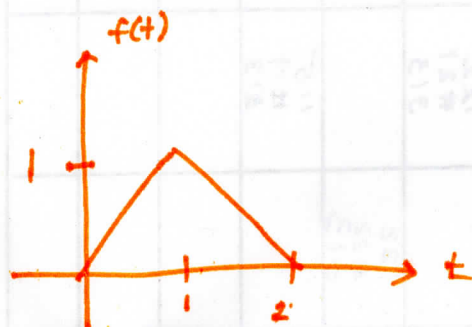
$$= \frac{t^2}{2} - t^2 + 2t - 1$$

$$= -\frac{t^2}{2} + 2t - 1$$

Now, draw a picture:



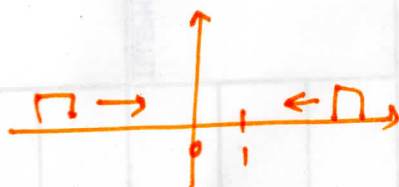
$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ t & \text{if } t \in (0, 1] \\ 2-t & \text{if } t \in (1, 2] \\ 0 & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$



Let's use a formula:

$$f(t) = \int_0^1 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \underbrace{\mathbb{1}_{t-x \in [0,1]}}_{\mathbb{1}_{x-t \in [-1,0]}} dx = \int_0^1 \mathbb{1}_{x \in [-1,t]} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ t & \text{if } t \in (0,1] \\ 2-t = 1-(t-1) & \text{if } t \in (1,2] \\ 0 & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases}$$

play with numbers



You can use either way to find the answer to this.

$$T = X_1 + X_2 \sim f_T(t)$$

$$X_1, X_2 \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$f_T(t) = \int_0^{\infty} (\lambda e^{-\lambda x}) (\underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)}}_{e^{-\lambda t} e^{\lambda x}}) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in (0, \infty)} dx$$

$$= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t} dx = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t dx = t \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \neq \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$\text{Supp}[T_2] = (0, \infty)$$

$$T_3 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = T_2 + X_3 = X_3 + T_2$$

$$f_{T_3}(t) = \int_0^{\infty} (x \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda x}) (\lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t}) dx$$

$$= \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t x dx = \frac{1}{2} t^2 \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\text{Find } T_4 \Rightarrow f_{T_4} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} x^2 \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda x} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t} dx = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} t^3 \lambda^4 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$\text{Find } T_5 \Rightarrow f_{T_5} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{6} x^3 \lambda^4 e^{-\lambda x} \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda(t-x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t} dx = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} t^4 \lambda^5 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$f_{T_k}(t) = \frac{1}{t!} \lambda^k e^{-\lambda t} t^{k-1} = \text{Erlang}(k, \lambda)$$

↑
sums of waiting time
exp \Rightarrow waiting time

$$\text{Supp}[T_k] = (0, \infty)$$

$$k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\lambda \in (0, \infty)$$

Let's visualize this.

$$P(1) = 2$$

$$P(0.5) = 0$$

$$P(3) = 4$$

$$P(6) = 1$$

$$P(7) = 0$$

add them together

put them together

$$P(t) = \sum_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \sum_{x_2 \in \mathbb{R}} P_{x_1, x_2}(t)$$

$$P_{x_1, x_2}(t) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Supp}[A] = A$$

where

$$\text{Generally } X \sim U(A) := \frac{1}{|A|} \mathbb{1}_X$$

Lecture #6
 $X_1 \& X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U\{0, 1\}$