

9/18 continuous r.v.'s $|\text{supp}[X]| = |\mathbb{R}| \Rightarrow p(x) = 0$

$$p(X=x) = 0$$

$$f_X(x) := F'_X(x)$$

↳ Probability density function

$$P(X \in [a, b]) = F(b) - F(a) \stackrel{\text{by FTC}}{=} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

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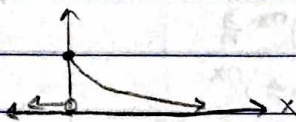
- $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx = 1 \rightarrow F(\infty) - F(-\infty) = 1 - 0 = 1$
- $f(x) \geq 0$ because F is monotonically increasing

$\text{supp}[X] = \{x: f(x) > 0\} \rightarrow$ all places ^{that} the density is positive

- $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) := \underbrace{\lambda e^{-\lambda x}}_{f(x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0}$

exponential r.v.

$$\lambda \in (0, \infty) \quad \text{supp}[X] = [0, \infty)$$

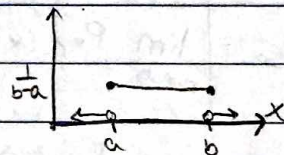


- Another continuous r.v.: $X \sim U(a, b) := \frac{1}{b-a} \mathbb{1}_{x \in [a, b]}$

uniform r.v.

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

parameter space: $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ but $b > a$



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

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

it has a joint density function (JDF)

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

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$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \int f_{x_1, \dots, x_k}(x_1, \dots, x_k) dx_1 \cdots dx_k = 1$$

$$P(\vec{X} \in A) = \iint f_{x_1, x_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \quad \text{If } k=2$$

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

$$= f_{X_1} * f_{X_2} \rightarrow \text{continuous convolution}$$

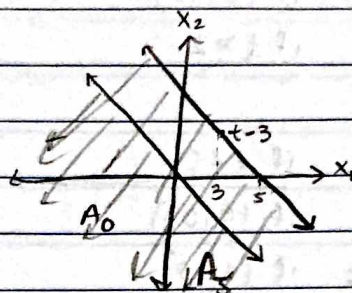
(p. 145)

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

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

$$= \iint_{A_t} f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

$$= \int_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}} \int_{x_2 \in (-\infty, t-x_1)} f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) dx_2 dx_1$$



$$\text{let } x_1 = x \quad \text{let } x_2 = v - x \Rightarrow v = x_2 + x$$

$$dx_2 = dv$$

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

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

$$= \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_{-\infty}^t f_{X_1, X_2}(x, t-x) dv dx = \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{X_1, X_2}(x, t-x) dx dv$$

$$f_T(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{X_1, X_2}(x, t-x) dx$$

general convolution formula

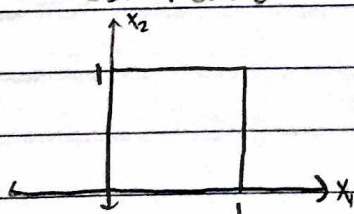
$$\text{if } X_1, X_2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} f = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) f(t-x) dx \quad [\text{old: } \int_{\text{supp}} f(x) f(t-x) \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in \text{supp}} dx]$$

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$$- X_1, X_2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} U(0,1)$$

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

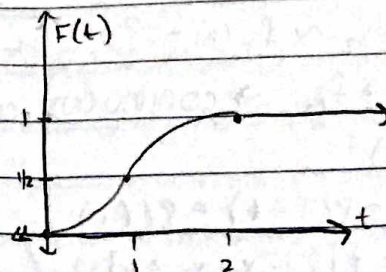
CDF Method



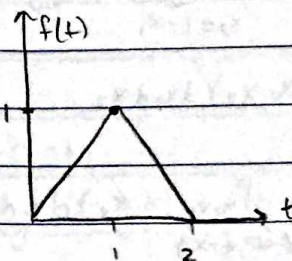
$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1) f(x_2) = \mathbb{1}_{x_1 \in [0,1]} \mathbb{1}_{x_2 \in [0,1]}$$

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

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



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



$$\begin{aligned} f_T(t) &= \int_0^1 \underbrace{f(x)}_1 \underbrace{f(t-x)}_1 \mathbb{1}_{\substack{t-x \in [0,1] \\ x+t \in [-1,0] \Rightarrow x \in [t-1,t]}} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \mathbb{1}_{x \in [t-1,t]} dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \leq 0 \\ t & \text{if } t \in (0,1] \\ 2-t & \text{if } t \in (1,2] \\ 0 & \text{if } t > 2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\lambda)$
 $T = X_1 + X_2 \sim f_T(t) = ?$

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

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

$$= \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t} dx = \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t dx = t \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda t}$$

- $X_1, X_2, \dots \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\lambda)$
 $T = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 \quad f_T(t) = ?$

$$T_3 = X_3 + T_2$$

$$f_T(t) = \int_0^\infty (\lambda e^{-\lambda x}) (\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda(t-x)}) \mathbb{1}_{x \leq t} dx = \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda t} \int_0^t (t-x) dx$$

$$= \frac{t^2}{2} \lambda^3 e^{-\lambda t}$$