

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{X_{(k)}}(x) &= \sum_{j=k}^n \binom{n}{j} \left(j f(x) F(x)^{j-1} (1-F(x))^{n-j} - (n-j) f(x) F(x)^j (1-F(x))^{n-j-1} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{j=k}^n \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} f(x) F(x)^{j-1} (1-F(x))^{n-j} - \sum_{j=k}^n \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} f(x) F(x)^j (1-F(x))^{n-j-1} \\
 &= \sum_{j=k}^n \frac{n!}{(j-1)!(n-j)!} f(x) F(x)^{j-1} (1-F(x))^{n-j} - \sum_{j=k}^{n-1} \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} f(x) F(x)^j (1-F(x))^{n-j-1} \\
 &\quad \text{reindexing trick for } j. \text{ let } l=j+1 \Rightarrow j=l-1 \Rightarrow j=k \Rightarrow l=k+1 \quad \text{at } j=n+1 \Rightarrow l=n
 \end{aligned}$$

note that both sum expressions are exactly the same, so when we subtract we're left with just the expression when $j=k$

$$= \frac{n!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!} f(x) F(x)^{k-1} (1-F(x))^{n-k} = f_{X_{(k)}}(x) \quad \checkmark$$

Let's make sure we can uncover the min/max formulas:

$$f_{X_{(1)}}(x) = \frac{n!}{(1-1)!(n-1)!} f(x) F(x)^{1-1} (1-F(x))^{n-1} = n f(x) (1-F(x))^{n-1} \quad \checkmark$$

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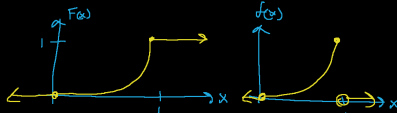
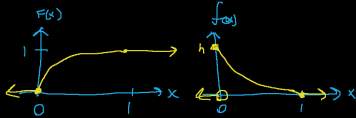
$$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} U[0,1] = \underbrace{1 \mathbb{1}_{x \in [0,1]}}_{f(x)}, \quad F(x) = x$$

$$F_{X_{(1)}}(x) = 1 - (1-F(x))^n = 1 - (1-x)^n$$

$$f_{X_{(1)}}(x) = n(1-x)^{n-1}$$

$$F_{X_{(n)}}(x) = F(x)^n = x^n$$

$$f_{X_{(n)}}(x) = n x^{n-1}$$



$$f_{X_{(k)}}(x) = \frac{n!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!} x^{k-1} (1-x)^{n-k} \mathbb{1}_{x \in [0,1]} = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(k)\Gamma(n-k+1)} x^{k-1} (1-x)^{n-k+1} \mathbb{1}_{x \in [0,1]} = \text{Beta}(k, n-k+1)$$

$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ independent of $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, \beta)$, $T = X + Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \beta)$
 "Erlang (k, β) " Erlang (α, β) reasonable...

To prove this, we develop a new tool that makes it easier for us. That's "kernels", $k(x)$. For any PMF or PDF, we can decompose it into a normalization constant c and a kernel $k(x)$

$$p(x) = c k(x) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x) = c k(x) \Rightarrow p(x) \propto k(x), \quad f(x) \propto k(x)$$

not a function of x

$$\triangle \propto \triangle$$

$$1 = \sum_{\text{supp}} p(x) = \sum c k(x) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{c} = \sum k(x) \Rightarrow c = \left(\sum k(x) \right)^{-1}$$

$$1 = \int_{\text{supp}} f(x) dx = \int c k(x) dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{c} = \int k(x) dx \Rightarrow c = \left(\int k(x) dx \right)^{-1}$$

this means that $k(x)$ is 1:1 with the PMF or PDF. If you know $k(x)$, you know the distribution of the rv. Let's see some examples:

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}} = \frac{n! (1-p)^n}{x!(n-x)!} \left(\frac{p}{1-p} \right)^x \mathbb{1}_{x \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}}$$

$$X \sim \text{Weibull}(k, \lambda) = k \lambda (\lambda x)^{k-1} e^{-(\lambda x)^k} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0} = \underbrace{k \lambda^k}_{c} \underbrace{x^{k-1} e^{-(\lambda x)^k}}_{k(x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0}$$

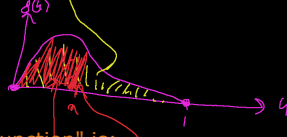
$$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0} \propto \underbrace{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}}_{k(x)} \mathbb{1}_{x \geq 0}$$

$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, \beta)$ ind. of $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, \beta)$, $T = X + Y \sim f_T(t) = ?$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_T(t) &= \int_0^\infty \underbrace{\frac{\beta^{\alpha_1}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} x^{\alpha_1-1} e^{-\beta x}}_{k(x)} \underbrace{\frac{\beta^{\alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} (t-x)^{\alpha_2-1} e^{-\beta(t-x)} \mathbb{1}_{t-x \in [0, \infty)}}_{k(x)} dx \\
 &= \frac{\beta^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2)} e^{-\beta t} \int_0^t x^{\alpha_1-1} (t-x)^{\alpha_2-1} dx \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} \\
 &\propto e^{-\beta t} \int_0^t x^{\alpha_1-1} (t-x)^{\alpha_2-1} dx \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} = e^{-\beta t} t^{\alpha_1-1} t^{\alpha_2-1} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x}{t} \right)^{\alpha_1-1} \left(1 - \frac{x}{t} \right)^{\alpha_2-1} dx \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} \\
 \int \text{let } u = \frac{x}{t} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} &= \frac{1}{t} \Rightarrow dx = t du, \quad x=0 \Rightarrow u=0, \quad x=t \Rightarrow u=1 \\
 &= e^{-\beta t} t^{\alpha_1-1} t^{\alpha_2-1} \int_0^1 u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} t du \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} = e^{-\beta t} t^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} \int_0^1 u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} du \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} \\
 &\propto e^{-\beta t} t^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} \propto \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \beta) \quad \checkmark \quad B(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let's talk about the "beta function", a famous ubiquitous function.

$$B(\alpha, \beta) := \int_0^1 u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta-1} du = \text{not available in closed form}$$



The "incomplete beta function" is:

$$B(a, \alpha, \beta) = \int_0^a u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta-1} du = \quad \text{y. age}$$

The regularized incomplete beta function is:

$$I_a(\alpha, \beta) := \frac{B(a, \alpha, \beta)}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \in [0, 1] \quad \text{not a Bessel function!}$$

Let's derive a beta function - gamma function identity

$$T \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \beta) = \frac{\beta^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} t^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} e^{-\beta t} \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0} = \frac{\beta^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2)} B(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) t^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} e^{-\beta t} \mathbb{1}_{t \geq 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow B(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} \quad \text{Cool identity!}$$

$$X \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta) := \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} \mathbb{1}_{x \in [0,1]} \quad \alpha, \beta > 0$$

$$1 = \int_{\text{supp}(X)} f(x) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx = 1$$

$$F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} y^{\alpha-1} (1-y)^{\beta-1} dy = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \int_0^x y^{\alpha-1} (1-y)^{\beta-1} dy = \frac{B(x, \alpha, \beta)}{B(\alpha, \beta)} = I_x(\alpha, \beta)$$