

# Exercises

**E1:** Given continuous r.v  $X$  with probability density function  $f(x)$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 / 3, & -1 < x < 2 \\ 0, & x \leq -1; x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

1.1 Determine its probability distribution function  $F(x)$ .

1.2 Calculate probability  $P\{0 < X \leq 1\}$  using  $F(x)$  and using  $f(x)$ .

**E2:** Suppose we have two experiment A and B with experimental results that are discrete r.vs with following probability density functions respectively:

A \ x	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f_a(x)$	0.3	0.38	0.10	0.01	0.09	0.11
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B \ x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f_b(x)$	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.10	0.10	0.05	0.15

2.1 Sketch probability distribution functions and density functions of these r.vs.

2.2 Compare dispersion of experimental results of two experiments.

**E3:** In a plant, three assembly lines make 30% , 45% and 25% of products respectively. It is known that 2%, 3%, 2% of products made by each line are defective respectively.

3.1 Calculate probability that a randomly selected product is defective ?

3.2 From which assembly line a defective product comes from ?

**E4:** find  $f(x)$  if  $F(x) = (1 - e^{-\alpha x})U(x - c)$

**E5:** Experimental results are samples of 3D vector r.v  $(x, y, z)$  and have a set of values: (1, 1, 3), (2, 1, 4), (1, 2, 4), (3, 1, 5), (4, 3, 2), (3, 3, 3).

Calculate covariance matrix of this r.v.

**E6:** The r.v  $X$  is  $N(\eta, \sigma^2)$  and  $P\{\eta - k\sigma < x < \eta + k\sigma\} = p_k$ ,

- Find  $p_k$  if  $k = 1, 2, 3$
- Find  $k$  for  $p_k = 0.9, 0.99, 0.999$ .
- If  $P\{\eta - z_\alpha\sigma < x < \eta + z_\alpha\sigma\} = \gamma$ , express  $z_\alpha$  in term of  $\gamma$

**E7:** the r.v  $X$  is  $N(10, 1)$ . Find  $f(x|(x - 10)^2 < 4)$ .

**E8:** A certain machine makes electrical resistors having a mean resistance of 40 ohms and a standard deviation of 2 ohms. Assuming that the resistance follows a normal distribution and can be measured to any degree of accuracy, what percentage of resistors will have a resistance exceeding 43 ohms'?

**E9:** if  $x$  is  $N(0, 2)$ , find:  $P\{1 \leq x \leq 2\}$  and  $P\{1 \leq x \leq 2 | x \geq 1\}$

**E10:** If  $x$  is  $N(1000, 20)$ , find:  $P\{x < 1024\}$ ;  $P\{x < 1024 | x > 961\}$ ;  $P\{31 < \sqrt{x} \leq 32\}$

**E11:** The average grade for an exam is 74, and the standard deviation is 7. If 12% of the class is given A's, and the grades are curved to follow a normal distribution, what is the lowest possible A and the highest possible B?

**E12:** According to Chebyshev's theorem ( $P((\mu - k\sigma < X < \mu + k\sigma) \geq 1 - 1/k^2)$ ), the probability that any random variable assumes a value within 3 standard deviations of the mean is at least 8/9. If it is known that the probability distribution of a random variable  $X$  is normal with mean  $\mu$ , and variance  $\sigma^2$ , what is the exact value of  $P(\mu - 3\sigma < X < \mu + 3\sigma)$ ?

**E13:** A multiple-choice quiz has 200 questions each with 4 possible answers of which only 1 is the correct answer. What is the probability that sheer guesswork yields from 25 to 30 correct answers for 80 of the 200 problems about which the student has no knowledge?

**E14:** A random variable  $X$  has a mean  $\mu = 8$ , a variance  $\sigma^2 = 9$ , and an unknown probability distribution. Find

(a)  $P(-4 < X < 20)$ , (b)  $P(|X - 8| \geq 6)$ .

**E15:** Compute  $P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + 2\sigma)$ , where  $X$  has the density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 6x(1-x), & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

and compare with the result given in Chebyshev's theorem.