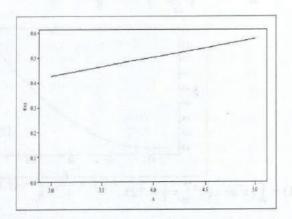
# **CHAPTER 4**

## Section 4.1

1.

a. The pdf is the straight-line function graphed below on [3, 5]. The function is clearly non-negative; to verify its integral equals 1, compute:

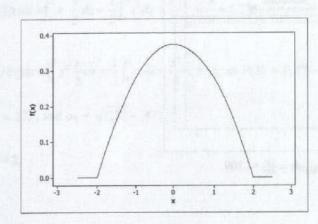
$$\int_{3}^{5} (.075x + .2) dx = .0375x^{2} + .2x \Big]_{3}^{5} = (.0375(5)^{2} + .2(5)) - (.0375(3)^{2} + .2(3))$$
$$= 1.9375 - .9375 = 1$$



- **b.**  $P(X \le 4) = \int_3^4 (.075x + .2) dx = .0375x^2 + .2x \Big]_3^4 = (.0375(4)^2 + .2(4)) (.0375(3)^2 + .2(3))$ = 1.4 - .9375 = .4625. Since X is a continuous rv,  $P(X < 4) = P(X \le 4) = .4625$  as well.
- c.  $P(3.5 \le X \le 4.5) = \int_{3.5}^{4.5} (.075x + .2) dx = .0375x^2 + .2x \Big]_{3.5}^{4.5} = \dots = .5$ .  $P(4.5 < X) = P(4.5 \le X) = \int_{4.5}^{5} (.075x + .2) dx = .0375x^2 + .2x \Big]_{4.5}^{5} = \dots = .278125$ .

3.

a.



## Chapter 4: Continuous Random Variables and Probability Distributions

c.  $P(\mu - 1 \le X \le \mu + 1) = \int_{\mu - 1}^{\mu + 1} \frac{1}{4.05} dx = \frac{2}{4.05} = .494$ . (We don't actually need to know  $\mu$  here, but it's clearly the midpoint of 2.225 mm by symmetry.)

**d.** 
$$P(a \le X \le a+1) = \int_a^{a+1} \frac{1}{4.05} dx = \frac{1}{4.05} = .247.$$

9.

- **a.**  $P(X \le 5) = \int_{1}^{5} .15e^{-.15(x-1)} dx = .15 \int_{0}^{4} e^{-.15u} du$  (after the substitution u = x 1) =  $-e^{-.15u} \Big]_{0}^{4} = 1 - e^{-.6} \approx .451$ .  $P(X > 5) = 1 - P(X \le 5) = 1 - .451 = .549$ .
- **b.**  $P(2 \le X \le 5) = \int_{2}^{5} .15e^{-.15(x-1)} dx = \int_{1}^{4} .15e^{-.15u} du = -e^{-.15u} \Big]_{1}^{4} = .312.$

#### Section 4.2

11.

**a.** 
$$P(X \le 1) = F(1) = \frac{1^2}{4} = .25$$
.

**b.** 
$$P(.5 \le X \le 1) = F(1) - F(.5) = \frac{1^2}{4} - \frac{.5^2}{4} = .1875.$$

c. 
$$P(X > 1.5) = 1 - P(X \le 1.5) = 1 - F(1.5) = 1 - \frac{1.5^2}{4} = .4375.$$

**d.** 
$$.5 = F(\tilde{\mu}) = \frac{\tilde{\mu}^2}{4} \Rightarrow \tilde{\mu}^2 = 2 \Rightarrow \tilde{\mu} = \sqrt{2} \approx 1.414$$
.

e. 
$$f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{x}{2}$$
 for  $0 \le x < 2$ , and  $= 0$  otherwise.

**f.** 
$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx = \int_{0}^{2} x \cdot \frac{x}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{2} x^{2} dx = \frac{x^{3}}{6} \Big|_{0}^{2} = \frac{8}{6} \approx 1.333$$
.

g. 
$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^2 x^2 \frac{x}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 x^3 dx = \frac{x^4}{8} \Big|_0^2 = 2$$
, so  $V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = 2 - \left(\frac{8}{6}\right)^2 = \frac{8}{36} \approx .222$ , and  $\sigma_X = \sqrt{.222} = .471$ .

**h.** From **g**, 
$$E(X^2) = 2$$
.

# Chapter 4: Continuous Random Variables and Probability Distributions

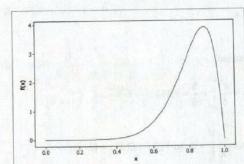
13.

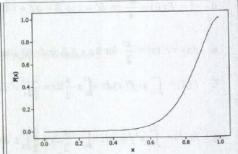
**a.** 
$$1 = \int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{x^4} dx = k \int_{1}^{\infty} x^{-4} dx = \frac{k}{-3} x^{-3} \Big]_{1}^{\infty} = 0 - \left(\frac{k}{-3}\right) (1)^{-3} = \frac{k}{3} \Rightarrow k = 3.$$

- **b.** For  $x \ge 1$ ,  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(y) dy = \int_{1}^{x} \frac{3}{y^{4}} dy = -y^{-3} \Big|_{1}^{x} = -x^{-3} + 1 = 1 \frac{1}{x^{3}}$ . For x < 1, F(x) = 0 since the distribution begins at 1. Put together,  $F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 1 \\ 1 \frac{1}{x^{3}} & 1 \le x \end{cases}$ .
- c.  $P(X > 2) = 1 F(2) = 1 \frac{7}{8} = \frac{1}{8}$  or .125;  $P(2 < X < 3) = F(3) - F(2) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{27}\right) - \left(1 - \frac{1}{8}\right) = .963 - .875 = .088$ .
- **d.** The mean is  $E(X) = \int_{1}^{\infty} x \left(\frac{3}{x^4}\right) dx = \int_{1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{x^3}\right) dx = -\frac{3}{2}x^{-2}\Big|_{1}^{\infty} = 0 + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$ . Next,  $E(X^2) = \int_{1}^{\infty} x^2 \left(\frac{3}{x^4}\right) dx = \int_{1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{x^2}\right) dx = -3x^{-1}\Big|_{1}^{\infty} = 0 + 3 = 3$ , so  $V(X) = 3 (1.5)^2 = .75$ . Finally, the standard deviation of X is  $\sigma = \sqrt{.75} = .866$ .
- e. P(1.5 .866 < X < 1.5 + .866) = P(.634 < X < 2.366) = F(2.366) F(.634) = .9245 0 = .9245.

15.

a. Since X is limited to the interval (0, 1), F(x) = 0 for  $x \le 0$  and F(x) = 1 for  $x \ge 1$ . For 0 < x < 1,  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(y) dy = \int_{0}^{x} 90y^{8} (1 - y) dy = \int_{0}^{x} (90y^{8} - 90y^{9}) dy = 10y^{9} - 9y^{10} \Big]_{0}^{x} = 10x^{9} - 9x^{10}$ The graphs of the pdf and cdf of X appear below.





- **b.**  $F(.5) = 10(.5)^9 9(.5)^{10} = .0107.$
- c.  $P(.25 < X \le .5) = F(.5) F(.25) = .0107 [10(.25)^9 9(.25)^{10}] = .0107 .0000 = .0107$ . Since X is continuous,  $P(.25 \le X \le .5) = P(.25 < X \le .5) = .0107$ .
- **d.** The 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is the value of x for which F(x) = .75;  $10x^9 9x^{10} = .75 \Rightarrow x = .9036$  using software.

### Chapter 4: Continuous Random Variables and Probability Distributions

e. 
$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} x \cdot 90x^{8} (1-x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} (90x^{9} - 90x^{10}) dx = 9x^{10} - \frac{90}{11}x^{11} \Big]_{0}^{1} = 9 - \frac{90}{11} = \frac{9}{11} = .8182.$$
  
Similarly,  $E(X^{2}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{2} \cdot f(x) dx = \int_{0}^{1} x^{2} \cdot 90x^{8} (1-x) dx = \dots = .6818$ , from which  $V(X) = .6818 - (.8182)^{2} = .0124$  and  $\sigma_{X} = .11134$ .

f.  $\mu \pm \sigma = (.7068, .9295)$ . Thus,  $P(\mu - \sigma \le X \le \mu + \sigma) = F(.9295) - F(.7068) = .8465 - .1602 = .6863$ , and the probability X is more than 1 standard deviation from its mean value equals 1 - .6863 = 3137.

17. a. To find the (100p)th percentile, set F(x) = p and solve for x:

$$\frac{x-A}{B-A} = p \Rightarrow x = A + (B-A)p.$$

b.  $E(X) = \int_A^B x \cdot \frac{1}{B - A} dx = \frac{A + B}{2}$ , the midpoint of the interval. Also,  $E(X^2) = \frac{A^2 + AB + B^2}{3}$ , from which  $V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \dots = \frac{(B - A)^2}{12}$ . Finally,  $\sigma_X = \sqrt{V(X)} = \frac{B - A}{\sqrt{12}}$ .

c. 
$$E(X^n) = \int_A^B x^n \cdot \frac{1}{B-A} dx = \frac{1}{B-A} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \bigg]_A^B = \frac{B^{n+1} - A^{n+1}}{(n+1)(B-A)}.$$

19. **a.**  $P(X \le 1) = F(1) = .25[1 + \ln(4)] = .597$ .

**b.** 
$$P(1 \le X \le 3) = F(3) - F(1) = .966 - .597 = .369.$$

c. For x < 0 or x > 4, the pdf is f(x) = 0 since X is restricted to (0, 4). For 0 < x < 4, take the first derivative of the cdf:

$$F(x) = \frac{x}{4} \left[ 1 + \ln\left(\frac{4}{x}\right) \right] = \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{\ln(4)}{4}x - \frac{1}{4}x\ln(x) \Rightarrow$$

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\ln(4)}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\ln(x) - \frac{1}{4}x\frac{1}{x} = \frac{\ln(4)}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\ln(x) = .3466 - .25\ln(x)$$

21.  $E(\text{area}) = E(\pi R^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \pi r^2 f(r) dr = \int_{9}^{11} \pi r^2 \frac{3}{4} (1 - (10 - r)^2) dr = \dots = \frac{501}{5} \pi = 314.79 \text{ m}^2.$ 

With X = temperature in °C, the temperature in °F equals 1.8X + 32, so the mean and standard deviation in °F are  $1.8\mu_X + 32 = 1.8(120) + 32 = 248$ °F and  $|1.8|\sigma_X = 1.8(2) = 3.6$ °F. Notice that the additive constant, 32, affects the mean but does <u>not</u> affect the standard deviation.