

AI1103-Assignment 2

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Problem Statement: A and B are friends. They decide to meet between 1PM and 2PM on a given day. There is a condition that whoever arrives first will not wait for the other more than 15 minutes. The probability that they will meet on that day is

(A) $\frac{1}{4}$ (B) $\frac{1}{16}$ (C) $\frac{7}{16}$ (D) $\frac{9}{16}$

Solution:

Let A arrive at x minutes after 1PM.

Let B arrive at y minutes after 1PM.

The condition on x and y is

$$x, y \in [0, 60] \quad (0.0.1)$$

- 1) If A and B should meet on that day then they should satisfy the following condition along with the above condition

$$|x - y| \leq 15 \quad (0.0.2)$$

Let A1 implies area occupied by $|x - y| \leq 15$ under the conditions (0.0.1)

Let A2 be the total area occupied under the condition (0.0.1).So

$$\Pr(|x - y| \leq 15) = \frac{A1}{A2} \quad (0.0.3)$$

A2 is the area of square with 60 units as side length,So

$$A2 = (60) \times (60) = 3600 \quad (0.0.4)$$

A1 can be calculated by removing two triangles in the square of side 60 units. The area of two triangles are same and equal to triangle of base

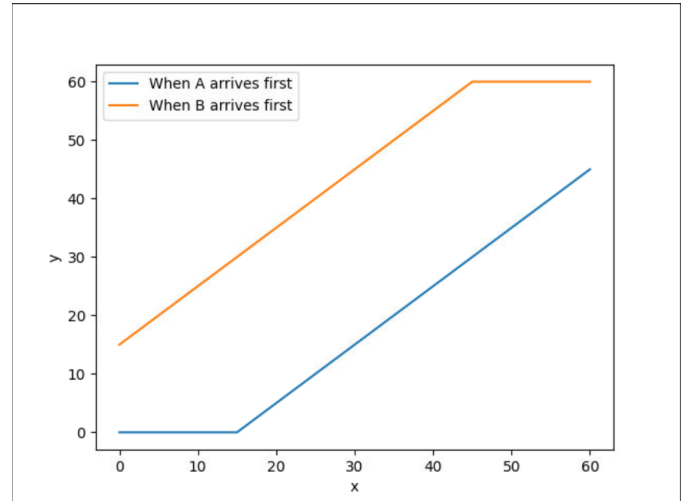


Fig. 1: Represents the possibility that they meet

45 units and height 45 units. Which can be seen in Fig 1, So

$$A1 = A2 - 2(\text{Area of triangle}) \quad (0.0.5)$$

$$= A2 - 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 45 \times 45\right) \quad (0.0.6)$$

$$= A2 - 45^2 \quad (0.0.7)$$

using equation (0.0.4) in above equation

$$A1 = 3600 - 45^2 = 1575 \quad (0.0.8)$$

therefore, by using equations (0.0.3), (0.0.4) and (0.0.8)

$$\Pr(|x - y| \leq 15) = \frac{A1}{A2} \quad (0.0.9)$$

$$= \frac{1575}{3600} = \frac{7}{16} \quad (0.0.10)$$

Hence, option(c) is correct.