

$f(x)$ real-valued function s.t.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} f(x) \geq 0 \\ \textcircled{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ then } f \text{ is called a prob. density function (pdf), or "density"}$$

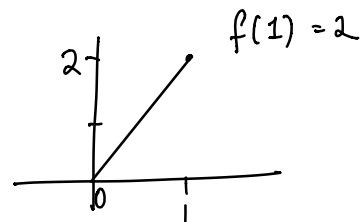
If X is a r.v. that takes any values in an interval, & $P(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$

then X is called a continuous r.v. & we say that X has density $f(x)$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = P(X \leq x), \quad F(x) \text{ is the antiderivative of } f(x)$$

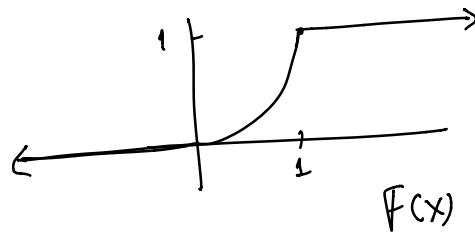
$$F'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F(x) = f(x)$$

$$\textcircled{1} f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{o/w ("other wise")} \end{cases}$$



$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^1 2x dx = x^2 \Big|_0^1 = 1$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ \int_0^x 2t dt, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 1, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



$$\int_0^x 2t dt = x^2, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$F(5) = ? \quad \int_{-\infty}^5 f(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 0 \cdot dt + \int_0^1 2t dt + \int_1^{\infty} 0 dt$$

$$= 0 + 1 + 0$$

If X is a r.v. with density $f(x)$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x) dx$$

discrete X .

$$E(X) = \sum_x x \cdot P(X=x)$$

For X with density $f(x)$ defined above.

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot \underbrace{f(x)}_{\text{standin for } P(X=x)} dx = \int_0^1 x \cdot 2x dx = 2 \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{2}{3}$$

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$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = E(X^2) - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2$$

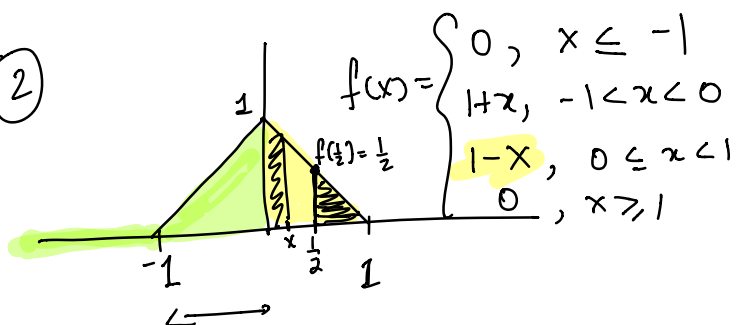
$$= \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 2x dx - \frac{4}{9} = 2 \int_0^1 x^3 dx - \frac{4}{9}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_0^1 - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{1}{18}$$

$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \cdot f(x) dx$$

↑
any function

(2)



Total area = area of both triangles
 $= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$ ($\frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot h = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1$)

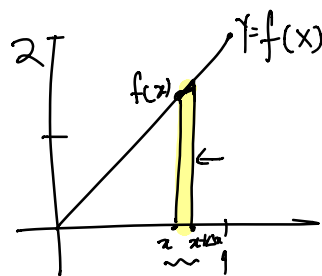
$$P(\frac{1}{2} < X < 1) = \frac{1}{8} \quad (\frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot h = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2})$$

$$\int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 f(x) dx = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 (1-x) dx$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq -1 \\ \int_{-1}^x (1+t) dt, & -1 < x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} + \int_0^x (1-t) dt, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 1, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \int_{-1}^x (1+t) dt = \frac{x^2 + 2x + 1}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2x - x^2}{2} = \frac{1 + 2x - x^2}{2}$$



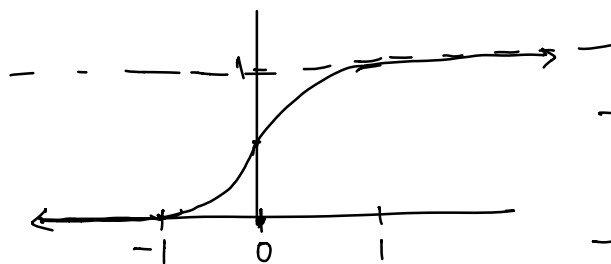
$$P(x < X < x + \Delta x)$$

$$\approx f(x) \Delta x$$

$$\rightarrow f(x) \approx \frac{P(x < X < x + \Delta x)}{\Delta x}$$

data histograms
from Data 8

$$\text{height of bin} = \frac{\% \text{ in bin}}{\text{width}}$$



→ $F(x)$ is increasing

$$0 \leq F(x) \leq 1$$

→ $F(x)$ is continuous

$E(X)$, $Var(X)$ Exercise

Note : All the properties of $E(X)$ & $Var(X)$ carry over.

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx, \quad Var(X) = E(X^2) - \mu^2$$

$$\mu = E(X)$$

$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \cdot f(x) dx$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot f(x) dx.$$

$$\textcircled{1} E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$$

$$Var(aX + b) = a^2 Var(X)$$

$$SD(aX + b) = |a| SD(X)$$

$$\textcircled{2} E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)$$

$\textcircled{3}$ If for every interval A, B ,

$$P(X \in A \text{ and } Y \in B) = P(X \in A)P(Y \in B)$$

say that X, Y are independent

(4) If X, Y are indep. $\text{Var}(X+Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$

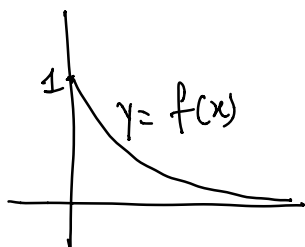
$$\text{Var}(X-Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$$

Ex 3 $f(x) = e^{-x}, x > 0$, (0 everywhere else)

In this case X is called an exponential r.v. with rate 1. ($X \sim \exp(1)$)

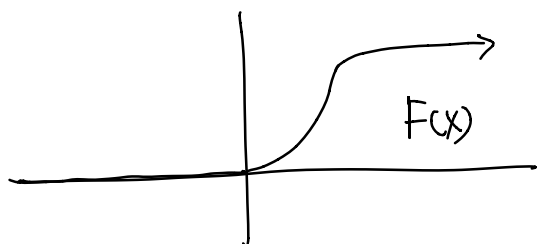
In general we say $X \sim \exp(\lambda)$

if $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, \lambda > 0, x > 0$ (λ is some constant)



$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x e^{-t} dt$$

$$= 1 - e^{-x}, x > 0$$



$$\lambda > 0$$

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

$$F(x) = \int_0^x \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = \underline{1 - e^{-\lambda x}}$$

$$\lambda \int_0^x e^{-\lambda t} dt = \lambda \left[\frac{e^{-\lambda t}}{-\lambda} \right]_0^x$$

We often denote the exponential r.v. by T

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) dt = 1? = \int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt = \lambda \left[\frac{e^{-\lambda t}}{-\lambda} \right]_0^{\infty} = 1$$

$$T \sim \exp(\lambda)$$

$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} = P(T \leq x)$$

$$P(T > x) = 1 - P(T \leq x) = 1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda x})$$

$$P(T > x) = e^{-\lambda x}$$

Memoryless property of $T \sim \exp(\lambda)$

$$P(T > s+t | T > t) = P(T > s)$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \leftarrow \text{use integration by parts}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$