

Weibull distribution $(\beta \geq 1, \theta > 0)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\beta}{\theta}\right) \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{\beta-1} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\beta} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

To show f is a probability density function
see that

(1) $f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x$ because $\theta > 0$
 $\beta \geq 1$
and $e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\beta} > 0 \quad \forall x$

(2) we want to show $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{\beta}{\theta}\right) \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{\beta-1} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\beta} dx$$

$$\text{let } u = \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^\beta \quad du = \beta \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{\beta-1} \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right) dx$$

$$\text{limits } x=0 \Rightarrow u=0$$

$$x \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow u \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-u} du &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b e^{-u} du = \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left. -e^{-u} \right|_0^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} 1 - e^{-b} = 1 \end{aligned}$$