

1. Use  $F$  to denote the profit.

Without loss of generality, assume  $n < 200$ .

$$\text{If } X \leq n, \quad F = X \cdot 1 - 0.5(n-X)$$

$$\text{If } X > n, \quad F = n \cdot 1 - 5(X-n)$$

$$1_{\{X \in A\}} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } X \notin A \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Thus, } F = \left(X - \frac{1}{2}(n-X)\right) \cdot 1_{\{X \leq n\}} + (n - 5(X-n)) \cdot 1_{\{X > n\}}$$

**linearity**  $\{ \mathbb{E}[a+b] = \mathbb{E}[a] + \mathbb{E}[b], \mathbb{E}[c \cdot X] = c \cdot \mathbb{E}[X]. \quad c \text{ is constant.}$

$$\mathbb{E}[F] = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(X - \frac{1}{2}(n-X)\right) \cdot 1_{\{X \leq n\}}\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[(n - 5(X-n)) \cdot 1_{\{X > n\}}\right] \quad (*)$$

$$\text{denote } g(x) = \left(X - \frac{1}{2}(n-X)\right) \cdot 1_{\{X \leq n\}} \quad \mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) \cdot f_X(x) dx & \text{if } X \text{ is continuous with pdf } f_X(x). \\ \sum g(x) \cdot \Pr(X=x) & \text{if } X \text{ is discrete.} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(X - \frac{1}{2}(n-X)\right) \cdot 1_{\{X \leq n\}}\right] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int_0^n \left(t - \frac{1}{2}(n-t)\right) \cdot \frac{1}{200} dt = \frac{1}{200} \left(\frac{3}{4}t^2 - \frac{1}{2}nt\right) \Big|_0^n = \frac{1}{800}n^2$$

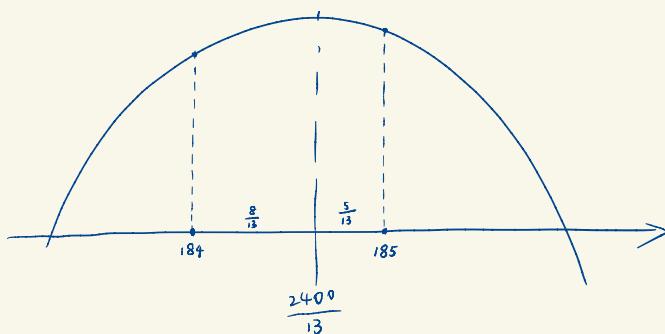
$$\mathbb{E}\left[(n - 5(X-n)) \cdot 1_{\{X > n\}}\right] = \int_n^{200} (6n - 5t) \cdot \frac{1}{200} dt = \frac{1}{200} \left(6nt - \frac{5}{2}t^2\right) \Big|_n^{200} = \frac{1}{200} \left[ \left(1200n - \frac{5}{2} \cdot 200^2\right) - \left(6n^2 - \frac{5}{2}n^2\right) \right] = 6n - 500 - \frac{7}{400}n^2$$

Substitute (1)(2) in (\*):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[F] &= \frac{1}{800}n^2 - \frac{7}{400}n^2 + 6n - 500 \\ &= -\frac{13}{800}n^2 + 6n - 500 \\ &= -\frac{13}{800} \left(n^2 - \frac{800}{13} \times 6n + \left(\frac{400}{13} \times 6\right)^2\right) - 500 + \left(\frac{400 \times 6}{13}\right)^2 \times \frac{13}{800} \\ &= -\frac{13}{800} \left(n - \frac{2400}{13}\right)^2 + \frac{18 \times 400}{13} - 500 \end{aligned}$$

$$13 \sqrt{\frac{2400}{13}} = 184$$

$$\frac{2400}{13} = 184 + \frac{8}{13}$$



$$n \in \arg\max \mathbb{E}[F] \Rightarrow n^* = 185$$

$$\mathbb{E}X = 100$$

$$\text{If } X \leq n, \quad F(X) = X \cdot 1 - 0.5(n-X)$$

$$\text{If } X > n, \quad F(X) = n \cdot 1 - 5(X-n)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[F(X)] \neq F[\mathbb{E}(X)]$$

2. (a) for any  $t > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{P}(T > t) = \mathbb{P}(\text{no calls in period } [0, t \text{ minutes}])$

define  $X = \text{the number of calls in period } [0, t \text{ minutes}]$ .

then  $X \sim \text{Pois}(\frac{3}{5}t)$ , using  $X$  we can further translate the event.

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{no calls in period } [0, t]) = \mathbb{P}(X=0)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^0}{0!} = e^{-\frac{3}{5}t}$$

Thus, we get  $\mathbb{P}(T > t) = e^{-\frac{3}{5}t}$  for any  $t > 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\frac{3}{5}t} \quad \text{cdf.}$$

$$\text{pdf. } f_T(t) = \frac{d \mathbb{P}(T \leq t)}{dt} = \frac{3}{5} \cdot e^{-\frac{3}{5}t} \quad \text{for } t > 0.$$

exponential distribution.

$$(b) \mathbb{P}(T > 4) = e^{-\frac{3}{5} \cdot 4} = e^{-\frac{12}{5}} \approx 0.0907$$
$$= \int_4^{+\infty} f_T(t) dt$$

Prop. If we define  $X = \# \text{ of arrivals in period } [0, t]$ .

$$X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda).$$

then, if we define  $X_1 = \# \text{ of arrivals in period } [0, at]$  for some  $a > 0$ .

$$\text{then } X_1 \sim \text{Pois}(a\lambda)$$

Vs.  $[s, s+at]$ .

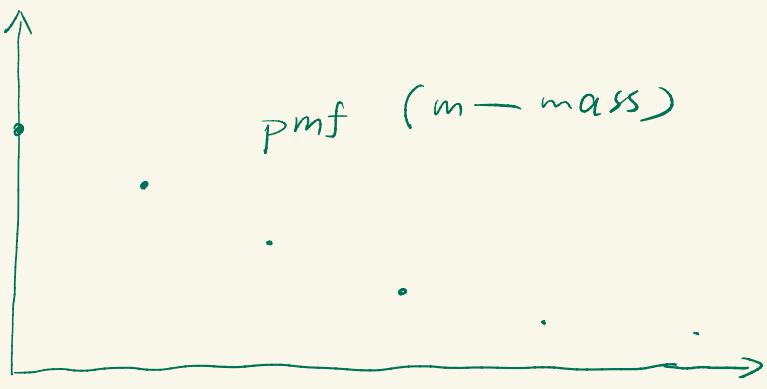
discrete distribution.

Poisson distribution.

$$X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda).$$

$$X \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X=k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^k}{k!}$$



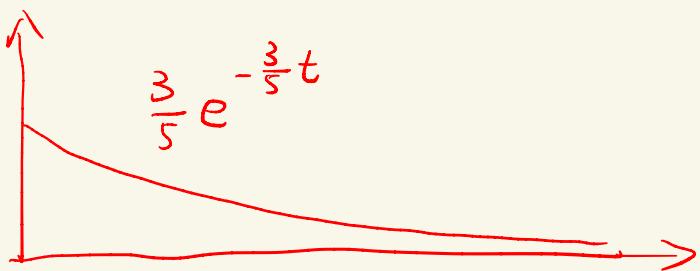
Exponential distribution — continuous distribution.

$$T \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$$

$$T \in \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{0\}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t}, \quad t \geq 0. \quad \text{cdf.}$$

$$f_T(t) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda t}, & t \geq 0 \\ 0, & t < 0. \end{cases} \quad \text{pdf.}$$



$$3. \quad 96/\text{hour} = \frac{96}{60}/\text{minute} = 1.6/\text{minute}$$

(a) (i) Define  $X$  to be the number of arrivals in a period of 2 minutes.

then  $X \sim \text{Pois}(3.2)$

$$\mathbb{P}(X=5) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^5}{5!} = \frac{e^{-3.2} \cdot (3.2)^5}{5!} \approx 0.1140$$

(ii) Define  $X_2$  to be the number of arrivals in 45 seconds.

then  $X_2 \sim \text{Pois}(1.2)$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_2 > 2) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X_2 \leq 2)$$

$$= 1 - \mathbb{P}(X_2=0) - \mathbb{P}(X_2=1) - \mathbb{P}(X_2=2) \approx 0.1205$$

(iii) Define  $X_3$  to be the number of arrivals in 1 min.

$X_3 \sim \text{Pois}(1.6)$

$\mathbb{P}(\text{the time to arrival of next customer is less than 1 min})$

$$= \mathbb{P}(X_3 \geq 1)$$

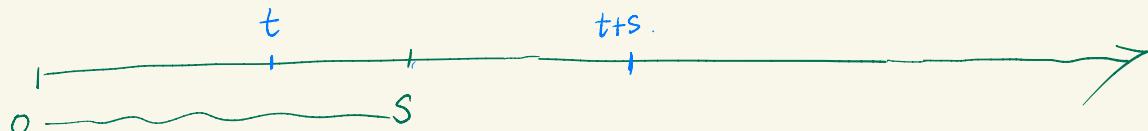
$$= 1 - \mathbb{P}(X_3=0) = 1 - e^{-1.6} \approx 0.7981$$

$$(b) \quad \mathbb{P}(T > 2.4 \mid T > 1) = \frac{\frac{\mathbb{P}(\{T > 2.4\} \cap \{T > 1\})}{t}}{\mathbb{P}(T > 1)} = \frac{\frac{\mathbb{P}(T > 2.4)}{t}}{\frac{\mathbb{P}(T > 1)}{t}} = \frac{e^{-2.4 \times 1.6}}{e^{-1.6}} = e^{-1.4 \times 1.6} \approx 0.1065$$

$$= e^{-\lambda s}.$$

In fact, exponential distribution has a "no-memory" property.

$$\mathbb{P}(T > t+s \mid T > t) = \mathbb{P}(T > s)$$



4. (a). { independent ✓.  
rate remains constant ?

(b) Define  $X$  to be the number of crashes will occur next year.

$$X \sim \text{Pois}(2.75)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \geq 2) &= 1 - P(X < 2) \\ &= 1 - P(X=0) - P(X=1) \approx 0.7603 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Define  $X_2$  to be the number of crashes will occur within three months of the one mentioned in question.

$$\text{then } X_2 \sim \text{Pois}\left(\frac{11}{16}\right)$$

$$P(X_2 \geq 1) = 1 - P(X_2=0) \approx 0.4972$$

$$P(X=k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^k}{k!}$$

5.

$X$  = the life, in hours, of a light bulb.

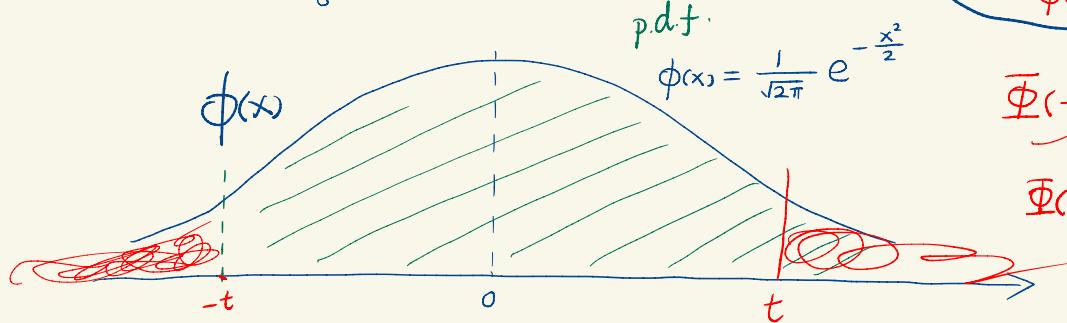
$$X \sim N(185, \sigma^2)$$

Now we want:  $P(X \geq 160) \geq 0.95$

$$\text{LHS} = P\left(\frac{X-185}{\sigma} \geq \frac{160-185}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$= P(Z \geq -\frac{25}{\sigma})$$

$$= \int_{-\frac{25}{\sigma}}^{+\infty} \phi(x) dx$$



Prop.

If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

then  $\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$ .

$\phi(\cdot)$ : pdf of standard normal

$\Phi(\cdot)$ : cdf of standard normal

Symmetry of pdf  
 $\phi(-x) = \phi(x)$ .

$$\Phi(-t) = 1 - \Phi(t)$$

$$\Phi(-t) + \Phi(t) = 1.$$

the larger  $\sigma$ , the smaller  $\frac{25}{\sigma}$ , the large  $-\frac{25}{\sigma}$ , the smaller the probability.

check the table to find  $z_\alpha$  s.t.  $P(Z \geq z_\alpha) = 0.95$

$$z_\alpha = -1.645$$

$$\frac{25}{\sigma} = 1.645 \Rightarrow \sigma = 15.20$$

$$X \sim N(185, \sigma^2).$$



$$X - 185 \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$



$$\frac{X - 185}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1) \text{ --- standard normal.}$$

