

M243 - Calc II

Midterm: 9-10 Oct 2018

Part I: 6-10 Integrals } Ch 6-8

Part II: Applications

— Review Guide on web page

§8.5 - Probability

Let f be a function satisfying:

1. f is defined and continuous on $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$
2. $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $-\infty < x < \infty$
3. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

Then f is a probability density function (PDF).

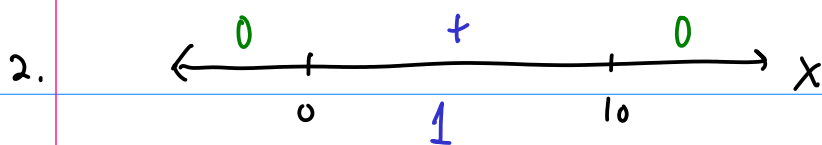
$$P_f(a \leq X \leq b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{probability that } X \text{ is between} \\ \text{ } a \text{ and } b. \\ X = \text{continuous random variable} \end{array} \right.$$

Ex. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.006x(10-x) & 0 \leq x \leq 10 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

verify that f is PDF.

1. Cont: $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} 0.006x(10-x) = 0.10 = 0 \quad \checkmark$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 10^-} 0.006x(10-x) = 0.06 \cdot (10-10) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$



$$f(1) = 0.006(1)(10-1) = 0.054 > 0$$

3.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 \cancel{0} dx + \int_0^{10} 0.006x(10-x) dx + \int_{10}^{\infty} \cancel{0} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{10} 0.006x - 0.006x^2 dx = 0.006 \int_0^{10} 10x - x^2 dx$$

$$= 0.006 \left(5x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right) \Big|_0^{10} = 0.006 \left(500 - \frac{1000}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{500}{3} \left(\frac{6}{1000} \right) = 1 \quad \text{"}$$

Ex. $P(4 \leq X \leq 8) = ?$

$$\int_4^8 f(x) dx = 0.006 \left(5x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right) \Big|_4^8$$

$$= \frac{6}{1000} \left(320 - \frac{512}{3} - 80 + \frac{64}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{6}{1000} \left(240 - \frac{448}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{6}{1000} \left(\frac{720}{3} - \frac{448}{3} \right) = \frac{6}{1000} \left(\frac{272}{3} \right)$$

$$= \dots = 0.288$$

Ex. $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ Ae^{-ct} & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$ c fixed constant, $c > 0$
Find A s.t. f is a PDF.

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 \overset{0}{\cancel{0}} dt + \int_0^{\infty} A e^{-ct} dt$$

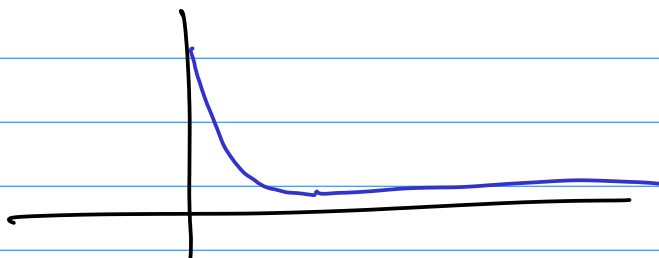
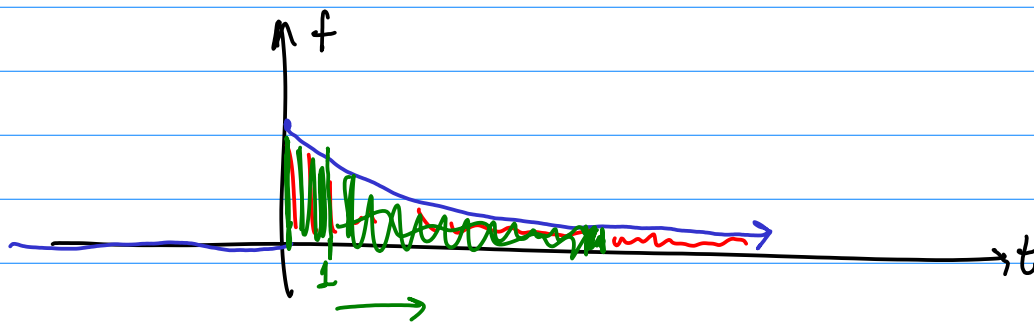
$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\int_0^h A e^{-ct} dt}_{\text{bracket}} = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{A}{-c} e^{-ct} \bigg|_{t=0}^{t=h} \right)$$

$$1 = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \left(\underbrace{\frac{A}{-c} e^{-ch}}_0 - \frac{A}{-c} e^0 \right) = 0 + \frac{A}{c}$$

so $\frac{A}{c} = 1$ and $A = c$

We get a PDF of the form:

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ c e^{-ct} & t \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad c > 0$$



Defn. let f be a PDF. The mean of the probability distribution is

$$\mu = \bar{x} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

The median is the number m such that

$$\int_{-\infty}^m f(x) dx = \int_m^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1/2$$

Ex. $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ ce^{-ct} & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$ Find μ . (mean)

$$\mu = \int_0^{\infty} ct e^{-ct} dt$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\int_0^u ct e^{-ct} dt}_{=} = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left[-te^{-ct} + \int_0^u \underline{+e^{-ct}} dt \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= t & dV &= ce^{-ct} dt \\ du &= dt & V &= -e^{-ct} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left[-te^{-ct} + \frac{1}{c} e^{-ct} \right]_{t=0}^u$$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left[\underbrace{-u e^{-cu}}_{0} + 0 - \frac{1}{c} e^{-cu} + \frac{1}{c} \right]$$

$$= 0 + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{c}$$

$$\boxed{\mu = 1/c} \rightarrow c = 1/\mu$$

We can write

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-t/\mu} & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Ex. Find m (median) for $f(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ 0.2e^{-t/5} & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$

so $\mu = 5$

$$\int_m^\infty f(t) dt = 1/2 \quad \text{or} \quad \int_{-\infty}^m f(t) dt = 1/2$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^m f(t) dt = \int_0^m \frac{1}{5} e^{-t/5} dt = 1/2$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{-5}{1} e^{-t/5} = -e^{-t/5} \Big|_0^m = -e^{-m/5} + e^0$$

$$1 - e^{-m/5} = 1/2 \quad \Rightarrow \ln(2^{-1}) = -\ln(2)$$

so, $e^{-m/5} = 1/2$

$$-\frac{m}{5} = \ln(1/2) = -\ln 2$$

$$= \frac{\ln 2}{5}$$

$$+\frac{m}{5} > +\ln 2$$

$$m = 5 \ln 2 = \ln(2^5) \approx 3.5$$

$$\boxed{m = \mu \ln 2}$$

(Almost) Probability Distribution $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$
 we get a Gaussian Dist., or Normal Distribution

