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**Grading:**

30 marks- Complete submission of Problem 2,4,6

70 marks- Problem 2

From Probability and Statistics with Examples Using R

## 1. Exercise 5.1.5

**Solution: 1**

(a).

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

i).  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \geq 0$  for all  $x > 0$ Because,  $\lambda > 0$  (given) and  $e^{-\lambda x} \geq 0$  for  $x > 0$ .Also,  $f(x) = 0 \geq 0$  for all  $x \leq 0$ .Hence,  $f(x) \geq 0$  ;  $x \in R$ ii).  $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$  is continuous for  $x > 0$ .And,  $f(x) = 0$  being a constant function, is also continuous for  $x \leq 0$ Hence,  $f(x)$  is piecewise-continuous.

iii).

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 0dx + \int_0^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= 0 + \lambda \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \lambda \left. \frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{-\lambda} \right|_0^{\infty} \\ &= -e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f$  is a probability density function.(b). For  $a > 0$ 

$$\begin{aligned} P((a, \infty)) &= \int_a^{\infty} f(x)dx \\ &= \int_a^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lambda \frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{-\lambda} \Big|_a^{\infty} \\
&= -e^{-\lambda x} \Big|_a^{\infty} \\
&= 0 - (-e^{-\lambda a}) \\
\therefore P((a, \infty)) &= e^{-\lambda a}
\end{aligned}$$

2. Exercise 5.1.7

**Solution: 2**

(a).

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2} & \text{if } x > 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

i).  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} \geq 0$  for all  $x > 1$

Because,  $x^2 > 0$  for  $x > 1$ .

Also,  $f(x) = 0 \geq 0$  for all  $x \leq 1$ .

Hence,  $f(x) \geq 0$  ;  $x \in R$

ii).  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$  is continuous for  $x > 1$ .

And,  $f(x) = 0$  being a constant function, is also continuous for  $x \leq 1$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is piecewise-continuous.

iii).

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^1 0 dx + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
&= 0 + \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
&= \frac{-1}{x} \Big|_1^{\infty} \\
&= 0 - (-1) \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f$  is a probability density function.

(b). For  $a > 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
P((a, \infty)) &= \int_a^{\infty} f(x) dx \\
&= \int_a^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx \\
&= \frac{-1}{x} \Big|_a^{\infty} \\
&= 0 - \left( \frac{-1}{a} \right) \\
\therefore P((a, \infty)) &= \frac{1}{a}
\end{aligned}$$

3. Exercise 5.1.8

**Solution: 3**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}x^2e^{-x} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

i).  $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}x^2e^{-x} \geq 0$  for all  $x > 0$

Because,  $\frac{1}{6} > 0$  (always),  $x^2 > 0$  and  $e^{-x} \geq 0$  for  $x > 0$ .

Also,  $f(x) = 0 \geq 0$  for all  $x \leq 0$ .

Hence,  $f(x) \geq 0$  ;  $x \in R$

ii). As,  $e^{-x}$  and  $x^2$  are continuous for  $x > 0 \implies e^{-x}x^2$  is also continuous for  $x > 0$ .

Because, the product of a finite number of continuous functions is also a continuous function.

Therefore,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}x^2e^{-x}$  is continuous for  $x > 0$ .

And,  $f(x) = 0$  being a constant function, is also continuous for  $x \leq 0$

Hence,  $f(x)$  is piecewise-continuous.

iii).

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 0dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{6}x^2e^{-x}dx \\ &= 0 + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{6}x^2e^{-x}dx \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \int_0^{\infty} x^2e^{-x}dx \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \int_0^{\infty} x^2e^{-x}dx \end{aligned}$$

Using integration by-parts, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx &= \frac{1}{6} \left( x^2 \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} \Big|_0^{\infty} \right) - \frac{1}{6} \int_0^{\infty} 2x \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{2}{6} \int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Again, using integration by-parts, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx &= \frac{1}{3} \left( x \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} \Big|_0^{\infty} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\infty} \left( 1 \times \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} \right) dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{3} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \neq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f$  is not a probability density function.

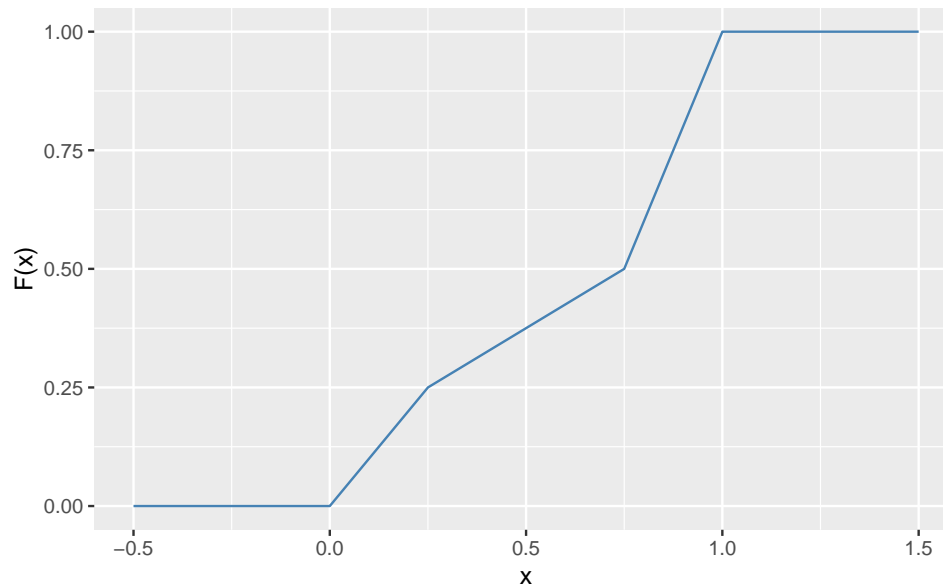
4. Exercise 5.2.3

**Solution: 4**

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x & \text{if } 0 < x < \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{8} & \text{if } \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 2x - 1 & \text{if } \frac{3}{4} \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

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(a). > F=function(x)
+ {
+   if (x<0)
+     return(0)
+   else if (0<=x & x<(1/4))
+     return(x)
+   else if ((1/4)<=x & x<(3/4))
+     return((x/2)+(1/8))
+   else if ((3/4)<=x & x<1)
+     return((2*x)-1)
+   else
+     return(1)
+ }
> y=seq(-0.5,1.5,0.0001)
> F_y=rep(NA,length(y))
> for(i in 1:length(y))
+ {
+   F_y[i]=F(y[i])
+ }
> df=data.frame(F_y,y)
> library(ggplot2)
> ggplot(df)+geom_line(aes(x=y,y=F_y),color="steelblue")+
+   labs(x='x',y='F(x)')+ggtitle("Graph of the function F")
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Graph of the function F



(b).

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\left(\left[0, \frac{1}{4}\right)\right) &= P\left(\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{4}\right)\right) - P\left(\left(-\infty, 0\right)\right) \\
 &= P\left(X \leq \frac{1}{4}\right) - P\left(X = \frac{1}{4}\right) - P(X \leq 0) \\
 &= F\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) - P\left(X = \frac{1}{4}\right) - F(0) \\
 &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{8}\right) - 0 - 0 \\
 &= \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P\left(\left[\frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{2}\right]\right) &= P\left(\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{2}\right]\right) - P\left(\left(-\infty, \frac{1}{8}\right)\right) \\
 &= P\left(X \leq \frac{3}{2}\right) - P\left(X \leq \frac{1}{8}\right) + P\left(X = \frac{1}{8}\right) \\
 &= F\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - F\left(\frac{1}{8}\right) + P\left(X = \frac{1}{8}\right) \\
 &= 1 - \frac{1}{8} + 0 \\
 &= \frac{7}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P\left(\left(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}\right]\right) = P\left(\left(-\infty, \frac{7}{8}\right]\right) - P\left(\left(-\infty, \frac{3}{4}\right]\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= P\left(X \leq \frac{7}{8}\right) - P\left(X \leq \frac{3}{4}\right) \\
&= F\left(\frac{7}{8}\right) - F\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \\
&= \left(2 \times \frac{7}{8} - 1\right) - \left(2 \times \frac{3}{4} - 1\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

(c). We can obtain the probability density function by using  $f(x) = F'(x)$ .

Note: Since, densities are assumed to be piecewise continuous, their corresponding distribution functions are piecewise differentiable.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{d}{dx}(0) & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx}(x) & \text{if } 0 < x < \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\right) & \text{if } \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ \frac{d}{dx}(2x - 1) & \text{if } \frac{3}{4} \leq x < 1 \\ \frac{d}{dx}(1) & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Therefore,

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } \frac{1}{4} \leq x < \frac{3}{4} \\ 2 & \text{if } \frac{3}{4} \leq x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5. Exercise 5.2.6

**Solution: 5**

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \sqrt{R^2 - x^2} & \text{if } -R < x < R \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The Distribution function of  $X$  is defined as:

Case 1:  $y \leq -R$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
F(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^y f(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^y 0 dx = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Case 2:  $-R < y < R$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
F(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^y f(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{-R} 0 dx + \int_{-R}^y \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \sqrt{R^2 - x^2} dx \\
&= 0 + \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \int_{-R}^y \sqrt{R^2 - x^2} dx \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \left( \frac{x\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}}{2} + \frac{R^2}{2} \arcsin\left(\frac{x}{R}\right) \right) \Big|_{-R}^y
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \left( \frac{y\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}}{2} + \frac{R^2}{2} \arcsin\left(\frac{y}{R}\right) - \frac{(-R)\sqrt{R^2 - (-R)^2}}{2} - \frac{R^2}{2} \arcsin\left(\frac{-R}{R}\right) \right) \\
&= \frac{y\sqrt{R^2 - y^2}}{\pi R^2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \arcsin\left(\frac{y}{R}\right) + \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Case 3:  $y \geq R$

$$\begin{aligned}
F(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^y f(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{-R} 0 dx + \int_{-R}^y \frac{2}{\pi R^2} \sqrt{R^2 - x^2} dx + \int_R^{\infty} 0 dx \\
&= 0 + 1 + 0 \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the distribution function of  $X$ :

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq -R \\ \frac{x\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}}{\pi R^2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \arcsin\left(\frac{x}{R}\right) + \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } -R < x < R \\ 0 & \text{if } x \geq R \end{cases}$$

#### 6. Exercise 5.2.7

**Solution: 6**

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin(\sqrt{x}) & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

We can obtain the probability density function by using  $f(x) = F'(x)$ .

Note: Since, densities are assumed to be piecewise continuous, their corresponding distribution functions are piecewise differentiable.

Now, if  $x \leq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
F'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx}(0) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

If  $0 < x < 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
F'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin(\sqrt{x}) \right) \\
&= \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\sqrt{x})^2}} \times \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi \sqrt{x(1-x)}}
\end{aligned}$$

If  $x \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
F'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx}(1) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the probability density function of  $X$ :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{x(1-x)}} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

7. Exercise 5.2.10

**Solution: 7**

(a).  $X \sim \text{Uniform}(a, b)$

The probability density function of  $X$  is:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let the median of  $X$  be 'm'.

i.e.

$$P(X < m) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X < m) &= \int_{-\infty}^m f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^a 0 dx + \int_a^m \frac{1}{b-a} dx \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^m 1 dx \\ \therefore P(X < m) &= \frac{m-a}{b-a} \quad \text{----- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} &= \frac{m-a}{b-a} \\ m &= a + \frac{b-a}{2} \\ \therefore m &= \frac{a+b}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, median of  $X$  is  $\frac{a+b}{2}$ .

(b).  $Y \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$

The probability density function of  $Y$  is:

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda y} & \text{if } y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let the median of  $Y$  be 'm'.

i.e.

$$P(Y < m) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$



Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y < m) &= \int_{-\infty}^m f(y) dy \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^0 0 dy + \int_0^m \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\
 &= 0 + \lambda \frac{e^{-\lambda y}}{-\lambda} \Big|_0^m \\
 \therefore P(X < m) &= 1 - e^{-\lambda m} \quad \text{----- (2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} &= 1 - e^{-\lambda m} \\
 e^{-\lambda m} &= \frac{1}{2} \\
 -\lambda m &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \\
 \therefore m &= \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, median of Y is  $\frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$ .

(c).  $Z \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Let the median of Z be 'm'.

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Z < m) &= \frac{1}{2} \\
 \implies P\left(\frac{Z - \mu}{\sigma} < \frac{m - \mu}{\sigma}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \\
 \implies P\left(X < \frac{m - \mu}{\sigma}\right) &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

where,  $X \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$

Therefore,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\frac{m-\mu}{\sigma}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Using R, we get:

> qnorm(1/2)

[1] 0

$$P(X < 0) = \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2):

$$\frac{m - \mu}{\sigma} = 0 \implies m = \mu$$

Hence, median of Z is  $\mu$ .