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Exercises

5.13 Clearly $Y=0$ if $X \leq 0$ while
 $Y=X$ if $X > 0$.

Thus calling $F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y)$ we

have

$$F_Y(y) = 0 \quad \text{if } y < 0$$

$$F_Y(y) = F_X(y) \quad \text{if } y \geq 0$$

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Clearly

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

since $0 \leq a \leq 1$. Moreover if $x \leq y$ we have

$$F(x) = \alpha F_1(x) + (1-\alpha)F_2(x) \leq \alpha F_1(y) + (1-\alpha)F_2(y) = F(y)$$

Also

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = \alpha \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_1(x) + (1-\alpha) \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_2(x)$$

and similarly for $x \rightarrow +\infty$.

Finally

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x^+} F(y) = \alpha \lim_{y \rightarrow x^+} F_1(y) + (1-\alpha) \lim_{y \rightarrow x^+} F_2(y) = \alpha F_1(x) + (1-\alpha)F_2(x) = F(x)$$

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Thus F is a distribution function.

5.30 We have

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

Thus $F_X(x) = 0$ if $x \leq 0$.

If $0 \leq x \leq 1$ we have

$$F_X(x) = \int_0^x 2xy \, dy = y^2 \Big|_0^x = x^2$$

Finally

$$F_X(x) = 1 \quad \text{for } x \geq 1$$

5.32 Clearly $F(x)$ is differentiable everywhere but at most 0. We have

$$\frac{1}{2(1+x^2)} \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1+2x^2}{2(1+x^2)}$$

Thus F is continuous.

Moreover

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{2(1+x^2)} = 0$$

while

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1+2x^2}{2(1+x^2)} = 1$$

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Finally

$$\frac{d}{dx} F(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Since $\frac{d}{dx} F(x) \geq 0$ for every x we and if f is differentiable everywhere ~~but~~ ~~and~~ we have that X is a continuous r.v. and

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} & x < 0 \\ \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} & x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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a) ~~$f_A(x) =$~~ Since $X = \frac{A-5}{2}$

we have

$$f_A(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda}{2} e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2}(x-5)} & x \geq 5 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

b) $X = \ln B$ so that

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$$f_B(x) = \begin{cases} x^{-\lambda-1} & x \geq 1 \\ 0 & x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

c) Since

$$X = \frac{1}{C} - 1$$

we get

$$f_C(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2} e^{-\lambda(\frac{1}{x}-1)} & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

d) similarly

$$X = \frac{1}{\sqrt{D}} - 1$$

and

$$f_D(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{D^{3/2}} e^{-\lambda(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}-1)} & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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7. We know That

$$E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

where we used that $f(x) = 0$ for $x < 0$ since f takes only positive values. Since

$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (F_X(x) - 1)$$

we can integrate by part and get

$$\int_0^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = \left[x (F_X(x) - 1) \right]_0^{\infty} - \int_0^{\infty} (F_X(x) - 1) dx$$

Observe That if

$$- \int_0^{\infty} (F_X(x) - 1) dx < +\infty$$

Then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x (F_X(x) - 1) = 0$$

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11. If The angle is θ we have
That The distance is $x = \tan \theta$.

Thus

$$\theta = \arctan x$$

Moreover

$$f(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} & -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

so that

~~$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$~~

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

for $-\infty < x < \infty$.

Finally we get

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+y^2} dy =$$

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \arctan x + \frac{1}{2}$$

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6.14 Observe that calling

$$A_1 = \{(x, y) \mid a < x < b, c < y < d\}$$

$$A_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x < b, y < c\}$$

$$A_3 = \{(x, y) \mid x < a, y < d\}$$

and finally

$$B = \{(x, y) \mid x < b, y < d\}$$

we have

$$B = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3$$

since $A_1 \cap A_2 = \emptyset$ and $A_1 \cap A_3 = \emptyset$ we get

$$P(B) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + P(A_3) - P(A_2 \cap A_3)$$

The Thesis follows observing that

$$A_2 \cap A_3 = \{(x, y) \mid x < a, y < c\}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X+Y \leq 1) &= \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy e^{-x-y} = \\
 &= \int_0^1 dx e^{-x} (1 - e^{-y}) \Big|_0^{1-x} = \\
 &= \int_0^1 dx (e^{-x} - e^{-1}) = 1 - 2e^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X \leq Y) = P(Y \leq X) \quad \text{by symmetry}$$

but

$$P(X \leq Y) + P(Y \leq X) = 1$$

$$\text{so that } P(X \leq Y) = \frac{1}{2}$$