1. Let X, Y, and Z be random variables with expected values and standard deviations given below:

	Expected Value	Standard Deviation
X	1.5	3.2
Y	0	8.1
Z	6	2.7

Find:

- E(8+2X+Y+Z)
- SD(8+2X+Y+Z)
- The expected value of the linear combination is:

$$E(8 + 2X + Y + Z) = 8 + 2E(X) + E(Y) + E(Z)$$
  
= 8 + 2 \cdot 1.5 + 0 + 6  
= 17

• Before computing the standard deviation, note:

$$Var(8 + 2X + Y + Z) = 2^{2}Var(X) + Var(Y) + Var(Z)$$

Remember that the standard deviation is the square root of the variance:

$$\begin{split} [SD(8+2X+Y+Z)]^2 &= 2^2 [SD(X)]^2 + [SD(Y)]^2 + [SD(Z)]^2 \\ SD(8+2X+Y+Z) &= \sqrt{2^2 [SD(X)]^2 + [SD(Y)]^2 + [SD(Z)]^2} \\ &= \sqrt{2^2 [3.2]^2 + [8.1]^2 + [2.7]^2} \\ &\approx 10.671 \end{split}$$

2. Let X be the number of crankshafts that fail in a given test of a certain type of vehicle (X = 0, 1, 2). Let Y = 1 if the clutch fails during that same test and Y = 0 otherwise. Consider the joint distribution of X and Y:

Find or answer the following:

- P(X = 1 and Y = 1)
- P(X = 0)
- P(X > 0 and Y = 1)

- The marginal pmfs of X and Y
- Are X and Y independent? Why or why not?
- P(X = 1 and Y = 1) = 0.25 from the table.
- P(X = 0):

$$P(X = 0) = P(X = 0, Y = 0) + P(X = 0, Y = 1)$$
  
= 0.35 + 0.2  
= 0.55

• P(X > 0 and Y = 1)

$$P(X > 0, Y = 1) = P(X = 1, Y = 1) + P(X = 2, Y = 1)$$
  
= 0.25 + 0.05  
= 0.3

• For the marginal pmf of X, take the row sums of the table:

$$\frac{x \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 2}{f_X(x) \quad 0.55 \quad 0.35 \quad 0.1}$$

For the marginal pmf of Y, take the column sums of the table:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} y & 0 & 1 \\ \hline f_Y(y) & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{array}$$

• X and Y are independent random variables if and only if  $P(X = x, Y = y) = P(X = x) \cdot P(Y = y)$  for all values x and y. That is, the joint pmf must always be the product of the two marginals. However, in this case, P(X = 1, Y = 1) = 0.25, while  $P(X = 1) \cdot P(Y = 1) = f_X(1) \cdot f_Y(1) = 0.35 \cdot 0.5 = 0.175$ . Therefore, X and Y are not independent.

**Exercise 2.4.** Suppose a standup comedian plans to give a total of n = 5 jokes in an entire 2-hour performance. Call a joke a success if at least one audience member laughs. If no audience member laughs, the joke is a failure. Assume that all the jokes are equally funny, with p = P(success) = 0.2. Let X be the random variable that denotes the number of jokes out of the total 5 were successes.

- a. Precisely state the distribution of X, giving the values of any parameters necessary.
- b. Calculate the probability that the whole night is a failure: i.e., P(no laughs).
- c. Calculate the probability that the comedian tells at least 4 successful jokes.
- d. Calculated the expected number of successful jokes.
- e. Calculate the standard deviation of X.

a.  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n = 5, p = 0.2)$ 

b.

$$P(\text{no laughs}) = P(X = 0)$$
  
=  $\binom{5}{0}(0.2)^{0}(1 - 0.2)^{5-0}$   
=  $(0.8)^{5}$   
=  $0.3277$ 

c.

$$P(\text{ at least 4 successful jokes }) = P(X = 4) + P(X = 5)$$
$$= {\binom{5}{4}}(0.2)^4(1 - 0.2)^{5-4} + {\binom{5}{5}}(0.2)^5(1 - 0.2)^{5-5}$$
$$= 5 \cdot (0.2)^4 \cdot (0.8) + (0.2)^5$$
$$= 0.00672$$

d. Expected number of successful jokes =  $E(X) = np = 5 \cdot 0.2 = 1$ 

e. 
$$SD(X) = \sqrt{Var(X)} = \sqrt{np(1-p)} = \sqrt{5 \cdot 0.2 \cdot (1-0.2)} = 0.8944$$

#### Exercise 2.5.

The number of paper jams in a receipt-printer in a grocery store can be modeled as the random variable,  $N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda = 0.2 \text{ jams per day})$ .

- a. Find the expected number of jams tomorrow.
- b. Find the variance of N.
- c. Calculate the probability that there are at most two jams on April 15, 2012.
- d. Calculate the probability that there are no jams in the next 7-day week.
- e. Let Y be the number of 7-day weeks up to and including the next paper jam. Precisely state the distribution of Y, giving the values of any parameters necessary.
- a. Expected number of jams tomorrow =  $E(N) = \lambda = 0.2$ .
- b.  $Var(N) = \lambda = 0.2$

с.

$$P(\text{at most 2 jams that day}) = P(N \le 2)$$
  
=  $P(N = 0) + P(N = 1) + P(N = 2)$   
=  $\frac{e^{-0.2}(0.2)^0}{0!} + \frac{e^{-0.2}(0.2)^1}{1!} + \frac{e^{-0.2}(0.2)^2}{2!}$   
=  $0.8187 + 0.1637 + 0.0164$   
=  $\boxed{0.9988}$ 

# d. First, I need to convert the rate parameter $\lambda$ into jams per week:

$$\frac{0.2 \text{ jams}}{1 \text{ day}} \times \frac{7 \text{ days}}{1 \text{ week}} = \frac{1.4 \text{ jams}}{1 \text{ week}}$$

Now, I define a new random variable:

$$T \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda' = 1.4 \text{ jams per week})$$

Here, T is the number of jams next week. Now,

$$P(\text{no jams next week}) = P(T = 0)$$
$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda'} \lambda'^0}{0!}$$
$$= e^{-1.4}$$
$$= 0.2466$$

e.  $Y \sim \text{Geometric}(p = P(T \neq 0) = 1 - 0.2466 = 0.7534)$ 

# Exercise 1.1.

Say we have a continuous random variable X with the following pdf:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k \cdot x^3 & : 0 \le x \le 1\\ 0 & : x \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

where k is some real constant.

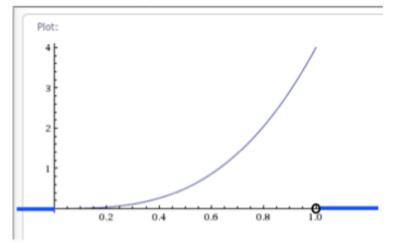
a. Find k such that f(x) is a valid pdf.

We know  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$  if the pdf is valid.

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = \int_{0}^{1} kx^{3}dx = \left[\frac{kx^{4}}{4}\right]_{x=0}^{1} = \frac{k \cdot 1^{4}}{4} - \frac{k \cdot 0^{4}}{4} = \frac{k}{4}$$

Hence, k = 4.

b. Sketch a graph of f(x) on the Cartesian plane.



c. Find the cdf F(x) of X.

If x < 0, then:

$$0 \le F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt \le \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} 0dt = 0$$

And hence, F(x) = 0. If  $0 \le x \le 1$ , then:

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt + \int_{0}^{x} f(t)dt = 0 + \int_{0}^{x} 4t^{3}dt = x^{4}$$

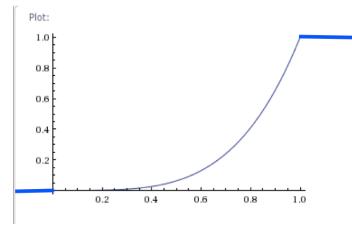
If x > 1, then:

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt + \int_{0}^{1} f(t)dt + \int_{1}^{x} f(t)dt$$
  
= 0 + (x<sup>4</sup>)<sup>1</sup><sub>x=0</sub> + 0  
= 1

Thus,

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & : x < 0\\ x^4 & : 0 \le x \le 1\\ 1 & : x > 1 \end{cases}$$

d. Sketch a graph of F(x) on the Cartesian plane.



e. Find  $P(0.2 \le X \le 0.8)$ 

$$P(0.2 \le X \le 0.8) = F(0.8) - F(0.2) = 0.8^4 - 0.2^4 = 0.408$$

f. Find  $P(X \ge 0.3)$ 

$$P(X \ge 0.3) = 1 - P(X \le 0.3) = 1 - F(0.3) = 1 - 0.3^4 = 0.9919$$

g. Find P(X = 0.5)

$$P(X = 0.5) = P(X \le 0.5) - P(X < 0.5) = F(0.5) - F(0.5) = 0$$

h. Find E(X)

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx = \int_{0}^{1} x \cdot 4 \cdot x^{3} = 4 \int_{0}^{1} x^{4}dx = \frac{4}{5}x^{5}|_{x=0}^{1} = \frac{4}{5}$$

i. Find Var(X)

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 4 \cdot x^3 = 4 \int_0^1 x^5 dx = \frac{4}{6} x^6 |_{x=0}^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

Hence:

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \frac{2}{3} - \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 = 0.0267$$

#### Exercise 1.2.

Say we have a continuous random variable X with the following pdf:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k & : 0 \le x \le 5\\ 0 & : x \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

where k is some real constant.

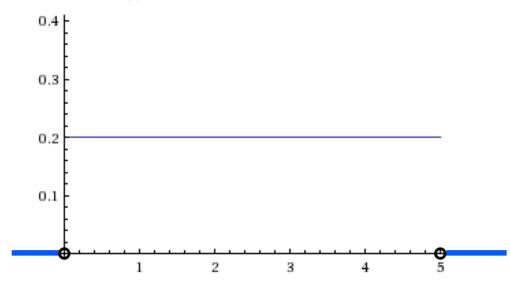
a. Find k such that f(x) is a valid pdf.

We know  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$  if the pdf is valid.

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = \int_{0}^{5} kdx = [k \cdot x]_{x=0}^{5} = 5k$$

Hence, k = 1/5.

b. Sketch a graph of f(x) on the Cartesian plane.



c. Find the cdf F(x) of X.

If x < 0, then:

$$0 \le F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt \le \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} 0dt = 0$$

And hence, F(x) = 0. If  $0 \le x \le 5$ , then:

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt + \int_{0}^{x} f(t)dt = 0 + \int_{0}^{x} \frac{t}{5}dt = \frac{x}{5}$$

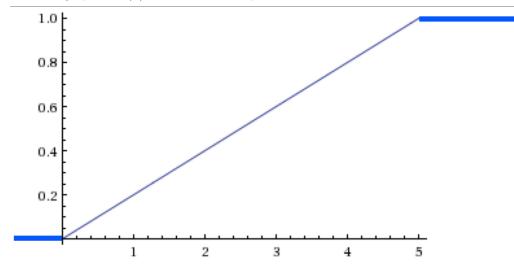
If x > 5, then:

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt = \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(t)dt + \int_{0}^{5} f(t)dt + \int_{5}^{x} f(t)dt$$
$$= 0 + (\frac{x}{5})_{x=0}^{5} + 0$$
$$= 1$$

Thus,

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & : x < 0\\ \frac{x}{5} & : 0 \le x \le 5\\ 1 & : x > 5 \end{cases}$$

d. Sketch a graph of F(x) on the Cartesian plane.



e. Find  $P(0.2 \le X \le 2)$ 

$$P(0.2 \le X \le 2) = F(2) - F(0.2) = \frac{2}{5} - \frac{0.2}{5} = 0.36$$

f. Find  $P(X \ge 3)$ 

$$P(X \ge 3) - 1 - P(X \le 3) = 1 - F(3) = 1 - 3/5 = 2/5$$

g. Find P(X = 0.5)

$$P(X = 0.5) = P(X \le 0.5) - P(X < 0.5) = F(0.5) - F(0.5) = 0$$

h. Find E(X)

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x)dx = \int_{0}^{5} x \cdot \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{10}x^{2}|_{x=0}^{5} = 2.5$$

i. Find Var(X)

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_0^5 x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{5} = \frac{1}{15} x^3 |_{x=0}^5 = \frac{125}{15} = \frac{25}{3}$$

Hence:

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \frac{25}{3} - (2.5)^2 = 2.0833$$

Exercise 1.3.

a. Find  $P(Z\leq 1),\, Z\sim N(0,1)$ 

$$P(Z \le 1) = \Phi(1) = 0.8413$$

from the standard normal table

b. Find  $P(0 \le X \le 2), X \sim N(3, 4)$ 

$$P(0 \le X \le 2) = P(\frac{0-3}{2} \le \frac{X-3}{2} \le \frac{2-3}{2})$$
  
=  $P(-3/2 \le Z \le -1/2)$   
=  $P(Z \le -1/2) - P(Z \le -3/2)$   
=  $\Phi(-0.5) - \Phi(-1.5)$   
=  $0.3085 - 0.0668$   
=  $0.2417$ 

c. Find  $P(|X - 2| < 4), X \sim N(10, 3)$ 

$$P(|X-2| < 4) = P(-4 < X - 2 < 4)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{-4 - 8}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{X - 2 - 8}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{4 - 8}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{-12}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{X - 10}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{-4}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$= P(-6.93 < Z < -2.31)$$

$$= P(Z < -2.31) - P(Z < -6.93)$$

$$= \Phi(-2.31) - \Phi(-6.93)$$

$$\approx 0.010 - 0$$

$$= 0.01$$

d. Find  $P(|X+3| > 5), X \sim N(-1,2)$ 

$$\begin{aligned} P(X+3>5) + P(X+3<-5) &= P(X>2) + P(X<-8) \\ &= P\left(\frac{X+1}{\sqrt{2}} > \frac{2+1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + P\left(\frac{X+1}{\sqrt{2}} < \frac{-8+1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{X-(-1)}{\sqrt{2}} > 2.12\right) + P\left(\frac{X-(-1)}{\sqrt{2}} < -4.95\right) \\ &\approx P(Z>2.12) + P(Z<-4.95) \\ &= 1 - P(Z \le 2.12) + P(Z \le -4.95) \\ &\approx 1 - 0.9830 + 0 \\ &= 0.017 \end{aligned}$$

e. Find the number c such that P(|Z| > c) = 0.85

$$0.85 = P(|Z| > c)$$
  
=  $P(Z > c) + P(Z < -c)$   
=  $P(Z < -c) + P(Z < -c)$  by symmetry  
=  $2P(Z < -c)$ 

Hence:

$$0.425 = P(Z < -c)$$
  

$$\Phi^{-1}(0.425) = -c$$
  

$$-0.19 = -c$$
  

$$0.19 = c$$

f. Find the number c such that  $P(|X+2| < c) = 0.7, \, X \sim N(-2,9)$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.7 = P(|X+2| < c) \\ = P(-c < X+2 < c) \\ = P(-c/3 < \frac{X-(-2)}{3} < c/3) \\ = P(-c/3 < Z < c/3) \\ = P(Z < c/3) - P(Z < -c/3) \\ = (1-P(Z > c/3)) - P(Z < -c/3) \\ = (1-P(Z < -c/3) - P(Z < -c/3)) \\ = 1-2P(Z < -c/3) \end{array}$$

Hence:

$$0.7 = 1 - 2P(Z < -c/3)$$
  

$$0.15 = P(Z < -c/3)$$
  

$$\Phi^{-1}(0.15) = -c/3$$
  

$$-1.04 = -c/3$$
  

$$3.12 = c$$

g. Find the number c such that  $P(|X|>c)=0.6,\,X\sim N(5,3)$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.6 = P(|X-5| > c) \\ = P(X-5 > c) + P(X-5 < -c) \\ = P(\frac{X-5}{\sqrt{3}} > \frac{c}{\sqrt{3}}) + P(\frac{X-5}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{-c}{\sqrt{3}}) \\ = P(Z > c/\sqrt{3}) + P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3}) \\ = P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3}) + P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3}) \\ = 2P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3}) \end{array}$$

Hence:

$$0.6 = 2P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3})$$
  

$$0.3 = P(Z < -c/\sqrt{3})$$
  

$$\Phi^{-1}(0.3) = -c/\sqrt{3}$$
  

$$-0.52 = -c/\sqrt{3}0.90 = c$$

h. Find  $t_{5,0.95}$ 

 $t_{5,0.95} = 2.015$  from the t table.

i. Find  $t_{7,0.1}$ 

 $t_{7,0.1} = -t_{7,0.9}$  (by symmetry) = -1.415 from the t table

j. Find  $\chi^2_{2,0.95}$ 

 $\chi^2_{2,0.95} = 5.991$  from the chi-square table.

k. Find  $\chi^2_{5,0.9}$ 

 $\chi^2_{5,0.9}=9.236$  from the chi-square table.

l. Find  $F_{5,6,0.9}$ 

 $F_{5,6,0.9} = 3.108$  from the F table.

m. Find  $F_{4,3,0.99}$ 

 $F_{4,3,0.99} = 28.710$  from the F table.

### Exercise 1.4.

Use the Central Limit Theorem to approximate the following:

a.  $P(|\overline{X} - 1| < 2)$ , where  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{41}$  are iid Exponential(4), each with mean 0.25 and variance 0.0625.

By the Central Limit Theorem,  $\overline{X} \sim \text{approx}$ . N(0.25, 0.0625/41) = N(0.25, 0.0015). Hence:

$$P(|\overline{X} - 1| < 2) = P(-2 < \overline{X} - 1 < 2)$$
  
=  $P(\frac{-2 + 0.75}{\sqrt{0.0015}} < \frac{\overline{x} - 0.25}{\sqrt{0.0015}} < \frac{2 + 0.75}{\sqrt{0.0015}})$   
 $\approx P(-32.27 < Z < 71.00)$   
=  $P(Z < 71.00) - P(Z < -32.27)$   
 $\approx 1 - 0$   
= 1

b. The number c such that  $P(\overline{X} > c) = 0.95$ , where  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{26}$  are iid Gamma(1,2), each with mean 2 and variance 4.

By the Central Limit Theorem,  $\overline{X} \sim \text{approx}$ . N(2, 4/26) = N(2, 0.154).

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.95 = P(\overline{X} > c) \\ = P(\frac{\overline{X} - 2}{\sqrt{0.154}} > \frac{c - 2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \\ \approx P(Z > \frac{c - 2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \end{array}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.95 = P(Z > \frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \\ 0.95 = 1 - P(Z \le \frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \\ 0.05 = P(Z \le \frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \\ 0.05 = \Phi(\frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}}) \\ \Phi^{-1}(0.05) = \frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}} \\ -1.64 = \frac{c-2}{\sqrt{0.154}} \\ 1.36 = c \end{array}$$

c.  $P(|\overline{X}-5|>1)$ , where  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_{38} \sim$  are iid  $\chi_5^2$ , each with mean 5 and variance 10.

By the Central Limit Theorem,  $\overline{X} \sim$  approx. N(5, 10/38) = N(5, 0.263)

$$\begin{split} P(|\overline{X} - 5| > 1) &= P(\overline{X} - 5 > 1) + P(\overline{X} - 5 < -1) \\ &= P(\frac{\overline{X} - 5}{0.263} > \frac{1}{0.263}) + P(\frac{\overline{X} - 5}{0.263} < \frac{-1}{0.263}) \\ &\approx P(Z > 3.80) + P(Z < -3.80) \\ &\approx 0 + 0 \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

Exercise 1.5.