Exercises

1. Plot the density function of the Gamma r.v. with parameters

a.
$$\alpha = 1, \ \theta = 1$$

b. $\alpha = 2, \ \theta = 1$

- c. $\alpha = 3, \ \theta = 1$
- 2. Plot the density function of the Lognormal r.v. with parameters

a.
$$\mu = 0, \sigma = 1$$

b. $\mu = 0, \sigma = 5$
c. $\mu = 0, \sigma = 3/2$
d. $\mu = 0, \sigma = 1$
e. $\mu = 0, \sigma = 1/2$
f. $\mu = 0, \sigma = 1/4$

- 3. Plot the density function of the Pareto r.v. with parameters
 - a. $\alpha = 1, \ \theta = 1$ b. $\alpha = 2, \ \theta = 1$ c. $\alpha = 3, \ \theta = 1$

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4. Is the function

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for} & x < 0\\ 0.01x & \text{for} & 0 \le x < 50\\ 0.02x - 0.5 & \text{for} & 50 \le x < 75\\ 1 & x \ge 75 \end{cases}$$

a distribution function? Justify.

5. Find the constant K so that

$$f_X(x) = Kx^2, -K < x < K,$$

is a probability density function.

6. If
$$X \sim N(2, 1)$$
 find $\Pr\{|X - 2| < 1\}$

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7. Given the c.d.f.

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for} \quad x < 0 \\ x^2 + 0.2 & \text{for} \quad 0 \le x < 0.5 \\ x & \text{for} \quad 0.5 \le x < 1 \\ 1 & x \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

express it as a mixture of the distribution functions of a continuous and a discrete r.v.'s.

- 8. If X is an exponential distribution with mean 2, find $\Pr\{X < 1 | X < 2\}$
- 9. A die is cast until a 6 appears. What is the probability that it must be cast more than 5 times?

10. Determine the distribution, density and hazard rate function for a survival function of the age at death so that

$$\Pr(X > x) = \begin{cases} 1 - 0.01x & \text{for} \quad 0 \le x < 50\\ 1.5 - 0.02x & \text{for} \quad 50 \le x < 75. \end{cases}$$

Do you think that this model is reasonable described?

- 11. A random variable X has density function $f_X(x) = 4x(1+x^2)^{-3}$, x > 0. Determine the mode of X.
- 12. A nonnegative random variable has hazard rate function $h(x) = A + e^{2x}$, $x \ge 0$. Assuming known that S(0.4) = 0.5, determine A.
- 13. Consider a r.v. with distribution function $F_X(x) = 1 x^{-2}$, $x \ge 1$. Determine the mean, median, mode and hazard rate. Determine the probability that X is greater than 20. Comment.

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14. Let (x) denote a life aged x, where $x \ge 0$. Let T_x denote the future lifetime of (x), and is supposed to be a continuous random variable This means that $x + T_x$ is the age-at-death for (x). Let F_x denote the distribution function of T_x , so that

$$F_{X}(t) = \Pr\{T_{X} \leq t\},$$

and let S_x be the survival function of T_x , so that

$$S_x(t) = \Pr\{T_x > t\}$$

i.e. $S_x(t)$ represents the probability that (x) survives at least t years. Let T_0 be the future lifetime at birth of the same individual. Show that

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 $S_x(t) = \frac{S_0(x+t)}{S_0(x)}$

(or $S_0(x+t) = S_0(x)S_x(t)$, i.e. the probability of survival from birth to age x + t is the product of surviving from birth to age x, and the probability that having survived to age x, of further surviving to age x + t).

- b. Denote the force of mortality (hazard rate) at age x, by μ_x . In the class μ_x was defined as the ratio $\frac{f_0(x)}{S_0(x)}$, where f_0 is the density function of T_0 .
 - i. Show that μ_x can be defined as

$$\mu_x = \lim_{dx \to 0^+} \frac{\Pr\{T_0 \le x + dx | T_0 > x\}}{dx}.$$

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- c. Let

$$F_0(t) = 1 - (1 - t/120)^{1/6}$$
 for $0 \le t \le 120$

Calculate the probability that

- i. a newborn life survives beyhond age 40,
- ii. a life aged 40 dies before age 50,
- iii. a life aged 50 survives beyhond age 65,
- iv. calculate μ_x .

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