

STAT542 HW2 SOLUTION

Prob 1.6

$$\begin{aligned}p_0 &= P(0 \text{ heads occur}) = (1 - u)(1 - w) \\p_1 &= P(1 \text{ heads occur}) = u(1 - w) + w(1 - u) \\p_2 &= P(2 \text{ heads occur}) = uw\end{aligned}$$

Suppose $p_0 = p_1 = p_2$, $(1 - u)(1 - w) = u(1 - w) + w(1 - u) = uw$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} u + w = 1 \\ uw = 1/3 \end{cases}$$

These two equations imply $u(1 - u) = 1/3$, which has no solution in the real numbers. Thus, the probability assignment is not legitimate.

Prob 1.7

a.

$$P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points}) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{\pi r^2}{A} & i = 0 \\ \frac{\pi r^2}{A} \frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2} & i = 1, \dots, 5 \end{cases}$$

b.

$$\begin{aligned}P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} \cap \text{board is hit}) &= \frac{\pi r^2}{A} \frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2}, \quad i = 1, \dots, 5 \\P(\text{board is hit}) &= \frac{\pi r^2}{A}\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$P(\text{score } i \text{ points} \mid \text{board is hit}) = \frac{P(\text{scoring } i \text{ points} \cap \text{board is hit})}{P(\text{board is hit})} = \frac{(6-i)^2 - (5-i)^2}{5^2},$$

$i = 1, \dots, 5$ which is exactly the probability distribution of Example 1.2.7.

Prob 1.24

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a.

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \text{ wins}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A \text{ wins on } i\text{th toss}) \\&= \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \frac{1}{2} + \dots \\&= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2i+1} \\&= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} \\&= \frac{2}{3}\end{aligned}$$

b.

$$\begin{aligned}P(A \text{ wins}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A \text{ wins on } i\text{th toss}) \\&= p + (1-p)^2 p + (1-p)^4 p + \dots \\&= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (1-p)^{2i} p \\&= \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)^2}\end{aligned}$$

c.

From b, note that $P(A \text{ wins}) = \frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2} \equiv f(p)$ s.t. $\frac{df(p)}{dp} = \frac{d}{dp} \left(\frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2} \right) = \frac{p^2}{(1-(1-p)^2)^2} > 0$, which means that $f(p)$ is an increasing function in p , and the minimum value is at $p=0$. Using L'Hôpital's rule, we could find $\lim_{p \rightarrow 0} f(p) = \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \frac{p}{1-(1-p)^2} = \lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2(1-p)} = \frac{1}{2}$. Therefore $P(A \text{ wins}) > \frac{1}{2}$.

Prob 1.51

The pmf of X is :

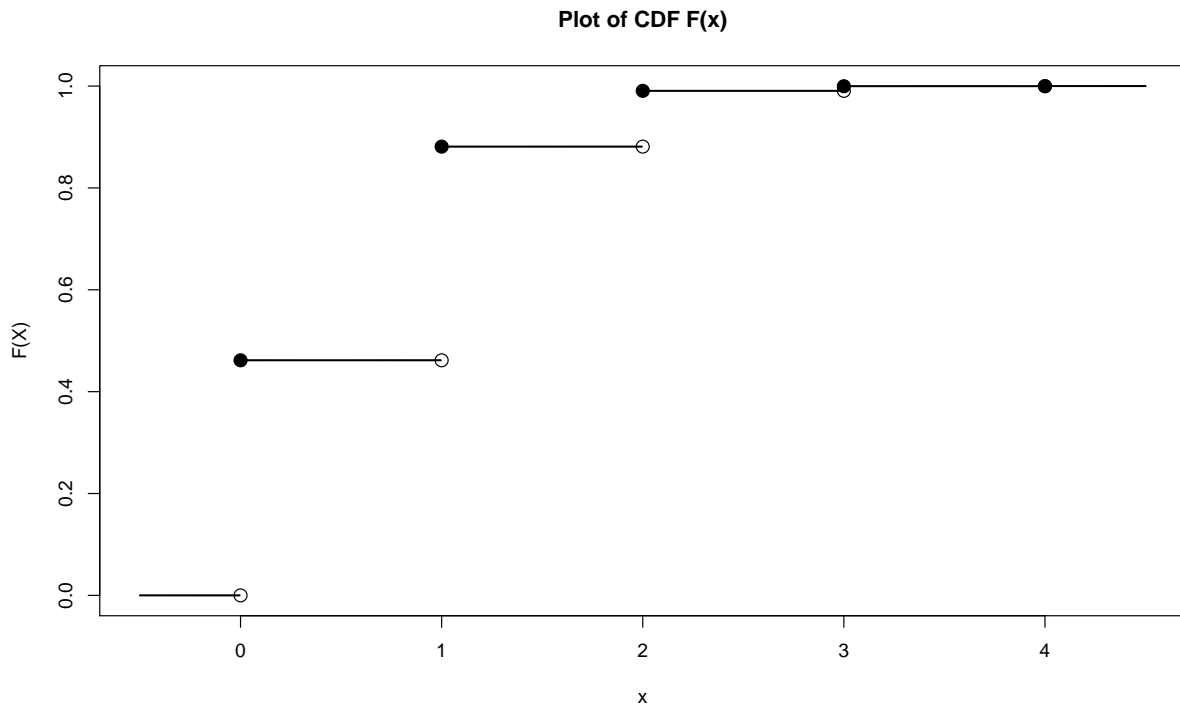
x	$P(X = x)$
0	$\binom{5}{0} \binom{25}{4} / \binom{30}{4} \approx .4616$
1	$\binom{5}{1} \binom{25}{3} / \binom{30}{4} \approx .4196$
2	$\binom{5}{2} \binom{25}{2} / \binom{30}{4} \approx .1095$

$$3 \quad \binom{5}{3} \binom{25}{1} / \binom{30}{4} \approx .0091$$

$$4 \quad \binom{5}{4} \binom{25}{0} / \binom{30}{4} \approx .0002$$

The cdf of X is :

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\infty < x < 0 \\ .4616 & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ .8812 & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ .9907 & 2 \leq x < 3 \\ .9998 & 3 \leq x < 4 \\ 1 & x \geq 4 \end{cases}$$



Prob 1.53

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{y^2} & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

a.

i) $\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F_Y(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} 0 = 0$ $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_Y(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \frac{1}{y^2}) = 1$

ii) For $y < 1$, $F_Y(y) = 0$ which is a constant function. For $y \geq 1$, $\frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{2}{y^3} > 0$, so $F_Y(y)$ is increasing. Thus, $F_Y(y)$ is nondecreasing for all y .

iii) For $y \neq 1$, $F_Y(y)$ is continuous function obviously. For $y=1$, $\lim_{y \rightarrow 1^+} F_Y(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 1^+} (1 - \frac{4}{y^2}) = 0 = F_Y(1)$. Thus, $F_Y(y)$ is right continuous function. Therefore, $F_Y(y)$ is cdf.

b.

The pdf of Y is $f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 1 \\ \frac{2}{y^3} & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$

c.

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= P(Z \leq z) \\ &= P(10(Y - 1) \leq z) \\ &= P(Y \leq \frac{z}{10} + 1) \\ &= F_Y(\frac{z}{10} + 1) \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & \frac{z}{10} + 1 < 1 \Rightarrow z < 0 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{(\frac{z}{10} + 1)^2} & \frac{z}{10} + 1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow z \geq 0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 0 & z < 0 \\ \frac{z^2 + 20z}{(z + 10)^2} & z \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Prob 1.54

a.

$$1 = \int_0^{\pi/2} f(x) dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} c \sin x dx = c(-\cos x)|_0^{\pi/2} = c$$

Thus $c=1$.

b.

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} c e^{-|x|} dx = c \left(\int_{-\infty}^0 e^x dx + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} dx \right) = c(e^x|_{-\infty}^0 - e^{-x}|_0^{\infty}) = 2c$$

Thus $c=1/2$.

Prob 1.55

For $v < 5$, $P(V \leq v) = 0$

For $5 \leq v < 6$, i.e., $t < 3$

$$P(V \leq v) = P(V = 5) = P(0 \leq T < 3) = \int_0^3 \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-\frac{t}{1.5}} dt = -e^{-\frac{t}{1.5}} \Big|_0^3 = 1 - e^{-2}$$

For $v \geq 6$, i.e., $t \geq 3$

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$$\begin{aligned} P(V \leq v) &= P(2T \leq v) \\ &= P(T \leq v/2) \\ &= \int_0^{v/2} \frac{1}{1.5} e^{-\frac{t}{1.5}} dt \\ &= -e^{-\frac{t}{1.5}} \Big|_0^{v/2} \\ &= 1 - e^{-v/3} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(V \leq v) = \begin{cases} 0 & -\infty < v < 5 \\ 1 - e^{-2} & 5 \leq v < 6 \\ 1 - e^{-v/3} & v \geq 6 \end{cases}$$