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$$\text{a. } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x; \theta) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x}{\theta^2} e^{-x^2/2\theta^2} dx = -e^{-x^2/2\theta^2} \Big|_0^{\infty} = 0 - (-1) = 1$$

$$\text{b. } P(X \leq 200) = \int_{-\infty}^{200} f(x; \theta) dx = \int_0^{200} \frac{x}{\theta^2} e^{-x^2/2\theta^2} dx = -e^{-x^2/2\theta^2} \Big|_0^{200} \approx -.1353 + 1 = .8647.$$

$P(X < 200) = P(X \leq 200) \approx .8647$, since X is continuous.

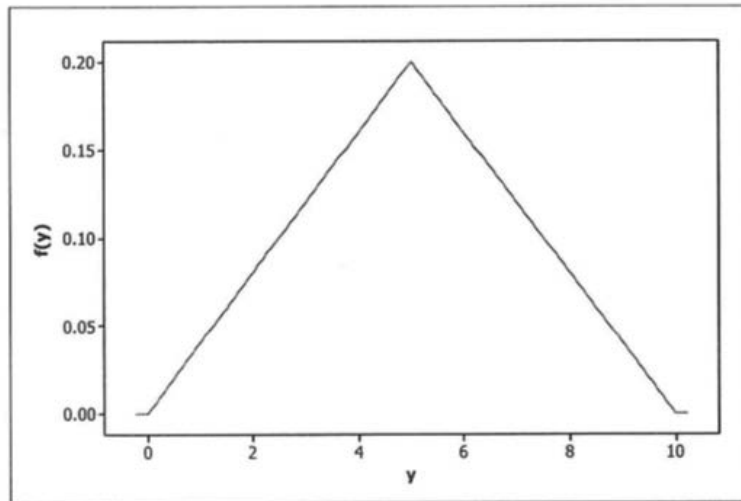
$P(X \geq 200) = 1 - P(X < 200) \approx .1353$.

$$\text{c. } P(100 \leq X \leq 200) = \int_{100}^{200} f(x; \theta) dx = -e^{-x^2/20,000} \Big|_{100}^{200} \approx .4712.$$

$$\text{d. } \text{For } x > 0, P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y; \theta) dy = \int_0^x \frac{y}{\theta^2} e^{-y^2/2\theta^2} dy = -e^{-y^2/2\theta^2} \Big|_0^x = 1 - e^{-x^2/2\theta^2}.$$

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$$\text{b. } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy = \int_0^5 \frac{1}{25} y dy + \int_5^{10} \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{25} y \right) dy = \left[\frac{y^2}{50} \right]_0^5 + \left[\frac{2}{5} y - \frac{1}{50} y^2 \right]_5^{10} =$$

$$\frac{25}{50} + \left[(4 - 2) - \left(2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

$$\text{c. } P(Y \leq 3) = \int_0^3 \frac{1}{25} y dy = \left[\frac{y^2}{50} \right]_0^3 = \frac{9}{50} = .18.$$

$$\text{d. } P(Y \leq 8) = \int_0^5 \frac{1}{25} y dy + \int_5^8 \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{25} y \right) dy = \frac{23}{25} = .92.$$

$$\text{e. } \text{Use parts c and d: } P(3 \leq Y \leq 8) = P(Y \leq 8) - P(Y < 3) = .92 - .18 = .74.$$

$$\text{f. } P(Y < 2 \text{ or } Y > 6) = \int_0^2 \frac{1}{25} y dy + \int_6^{10} \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{25} y \right) dy = \dots = .4.$$

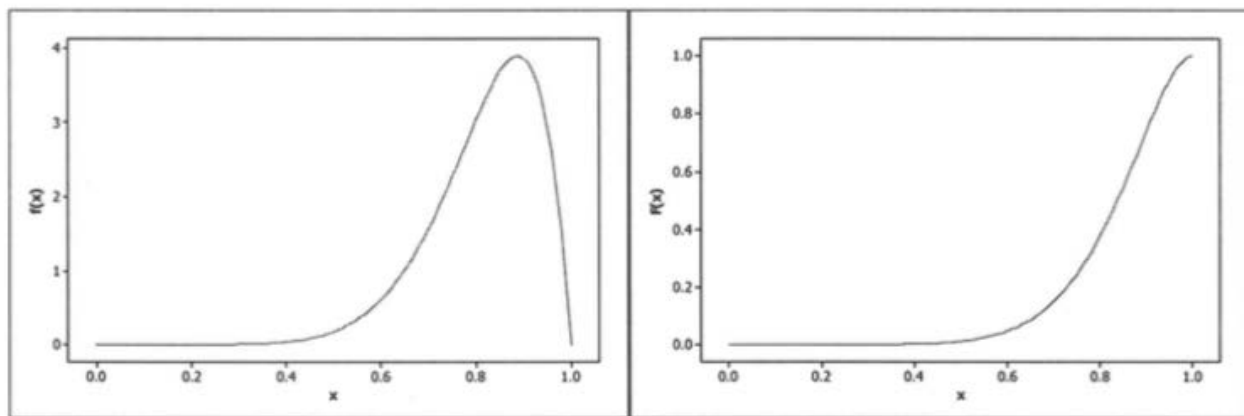
15.

- a. Since X is limited to the interval $(0, 1)$, $F(x) = 0$ for $x \leq 0$ and $F(x) = 1$ for $x \geq 1$.

For $0 < x < 1$,

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y)dy = \int_0^x 90y^8(1-y)dy = \int_0^x (90y^8 - 90y^9)dy = 10y^9 - 9y^{10} \Big|_0^x = 10x^9 - 9x^{10}.$$

The graphs of the pdf and cdf of X appear below.



- b. $F(.5) = 10(.5)^9 - 9(.5)^{10} = .0107$.
- c. $P(.25 < X \leq .5) = F(.5) - F(.25) = .0107 - [10(.25)^9 - 9(.25)^{10}] = .0107 - .0000 = .0107$.
Since X is continuous, $P(.25 \leq X \leq .5) = P(.25 < X \leq .5) = .0107$.
- d. The 75th percentile is the value of x for which $F(x) = .75$: $10x^9 - 9x^{10} = .75 \Rightarrow x = .9036$ using software.
- e. $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f(x)dx = \int_0^1 x \cdot 90x^8(1-x)dx = \int_0^1 (90x^9 - 90x^{10})dx = 9x^{10} - \frac{90}{11}x^{11} \Big|_0^1 = 9 - \frac{90}{11} = \frac{9}{11} = .8182$.
Similarly, $E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \cdot f(x)dx = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 90x^8(1-x)dx = \dots = .6818$, from which $V(X) = .6818 - (.8182)^2 = .0124$ and $\sigma_X = .11134$.
- f. $\mu \pm \sigma = (.7068, .9295)$. Thus, $P(\mu - \sigma \leq X \leq \mu + \sigma) = F(.9295) - F(.7068) = .8465 - .1602 = .6863$, and the probability X is more than 1 standard deviation from its mean value equals $1 - .6863 = .3137$.

19.

- a. $P(X \leq 1) = F(1) = .25[1 + \ln(4)] = .597$.
- b. $P(1 \leq X \leq 3) = F(3) - F(1) = .966 - .597 = .369$.
- c. For $x < 0$ or $x > 4$, the pdf is $f(x) = 0$ since X is restricted to $(0, 4)$. For $0 < x < 4$, take the first derivative of the cdf:

$$F(x) = \frac{x}{4} \left[1 + \ln\left(\frac{4}{x}\right) \right] = \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{\ln(4)}{4}x - \frac{1}{4}x \ln(x) \Rightarrow$$

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\ln(4)}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \ln(x) - \frac{1}{4}x \frac{1}{x} = \frac{\ln(4)}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \ln(x) = .3466 - .25 \ln(x)$$

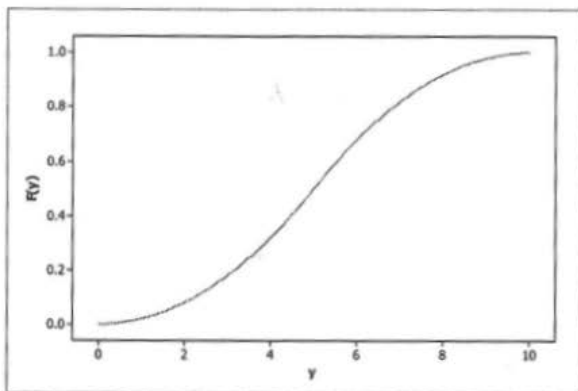
20.

- a. For $0 \leq y < 5$, $F(y) = \int_0^y \frac{u}{25} du = \frac{y^2}{50}$; for $5 \leq y \leq 10$,

$$F(y) = \int_0^y f(u) du = \int_0^5 f(u) du + \int_5^y f(u) du = \frac{5^2}{50} + \int_5^y \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{u}{25} \right) du = \dots = -\frac{y^2}{50} + \frac{2}{5}y - 1$$

So, the complete cdf of Y is

$$F(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y < 0 \\ \frac{y^2}{50} & 0 \leq y < 5 \\ -\frac{y^2}{50} + \frac{2}{5}y - 1 & 5 \leq y < 10 \\ 1 & y \geq 10 \end{cases}$$



- b. In general, set $F(y) = p$ and solve for y .

$$\text{For } 0 < p < .5, p = F(y) = \frac{y^2}{50} \Rightarrow \eta(p) = y = \sqrt{50p}; \text{ for } .5 \leq p < 1,$$

$$p = -\frac{y^2}{50} + \frac{2}{5}y - 1 \Rightarrow \eta(p) = y = 10 - 5\sqrt{2(1-p)}.$$

- c. $E(Y) = 5$ by straightforward integration, or by the symmetry of $f(y)$ about $y = 5$.

$$\text{Similarly, by symmetry } V(Y) = \int_0^{10} (y-5)^2 f(y) dy = 2 \int_0^5 (y-5)^2 f(y) dy = 2 \int_0^5 (y-5)^2 \frac{y^2}{50} dy = \dots = \frac{50}{12} =$$

4.1667. For the waiting time X for a single bus, $E(X) = 2.5$ and $V(X) = \frac{25}{12}$; not coincidentally, the mean and variance of Y are exactly twice that of X .

22.

- a. For $1 \leq x \leq 2$, $F(x) = \int_1^x 2\left(1 - \frac{1}{y^2}\right) dy = 2\left(y + \frac{1}{y}\right) \Big|_1^x = 2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 4$, so the cdf is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < 1 \\ 2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 4 & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 1 & x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- b. Set $F(x) = p$ and solve for x : $2\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right) - 4 = p \Rightarrow 2x^2 - (p+4)x + 2 = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\eta(p) = x = \frac{(p+4) + \sqrt{(p+4)^2 - 4(2)(2)}}{2(2)} = \frac{p+4 + \sqrt{p^2 + 8p}}{4}. \text{ (The other root of the quadratic gives}$$

solutions outside the interval $[1, 2]$.) To find the median $\tilde{\mu}$, set $p = .5$: $\tilde{\mu} = \eta(.5) = \dots = 1.640$.

- c. $E(X) = \int_1^2 x \cdot 2\left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx = 2 \int_1^2 \left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) dx = 2\left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \ln(x)\right) \Big|_1^2 = 1.614$. Similarly,

$$E(X^2) = 2 \int_1^2 (x^2 - 1) dx = 2\left(\frac{x^3}{3} - x\right) \Big|_1^2 = \frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow V(X) = .0626.$$

- d. The amount left is given by $h(x) = \max(1.5 - x, 0)$, so

$$E(h(X)) = \int_1^{1.5} \max(1.5 - x, 0) f(x) dx = 2 \int_1^{1.5} (1.5 - x) \left(1 - \frac{1}{x^2}\right) dx = .061.$$

Bonus problem:

Let the distribution of a random variable X be geometric with parameter p with $0 < p < 1$.

a. Show that $P(X > m + n | X > m) = P(X > n)$, for $m, n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$.
This is called the *memoryless property* of the geometric distribution.

b. Find $E(2^{-X})$.

c. Let $p = 1/3$ and $Y = |X - 5|$. Find the support and PMF of Y .

a. $P(X > n) = 1 - P(X \leq n) = q^n$ (where $q = 1 - p$) $\forall n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } P(X > m+n | X > m) &= \frac{P(\{X > m+n\} \cap \{X > m\})}{P(X > m)} \\ &= \frac{P(X > m+n)}{P(X > m)} = \frac{q^{m+n}}{q^m} = q^n \\ &= P(X > n) \end{aligned}$$

($\forall m, n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$,
 $m+n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } E(2^{-X}) &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} 2^{-x} P(X=x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} 2^{-x} p q^{x-1} \\ &= \frac{p}{q} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^x \\ &= \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{q/2}{1 - q/2} \\ &= \frac{p}{q} \cdot \frac{q}{2-q} \\ &= \frac{p}{2 - (1-p)} \\ &= \frac{p}{1+p} \end{aligned}$$

[The sum represents an infinite geometric series with $a = q/2$ and $r = q/2$, which converges as $0 < r < 1/2$, since $0 < q < 1$]

c. $Y = |X-5|$ and $S_X = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ (also, $p = \frac{1}{3}$ and $q = 1-p = \frac{2}{3}$)

Hence, $S_Y = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$$P(Y=0) = P(|X-5|=0) = P(X=5)$$

$$P(Y=1) = P(|X-5|=1) = P(X \in \{6, 4\}) = P(X=4) + P(X=5)$$

In general, $P(Y=y) = P(X=5-y) + P(X=5+y) \quad \forall y \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

Moreover for $y \geq 5$, $P(X=5-y) = 0$ as $X \geq 1$.

$$\text{So the PMF of } Y \text{ is: } p_Y(y) = \begin{cases} p_X(5) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4, & \text{if } y=0 \\ p_X(5-y) + p_X(5+y) \\ = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{4+y} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{4+y}, & \text{if } 1 \leq y \leq 4 \\ p_X(5+y) = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{4+y}, & \text{if } y \geq 5 \end{cases}$$

Or more specifically,

$$p_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2^4}{3^5} = 0.0658, & \text{if } y=0 \\ \frac{2^3}{3^4} + \frac{2^5}{3^6} = 0.1427, & \text{if } y=1 \\ \frac{2^2}{3^3} + \frac{2^6}{3^7} = 0.1774, & \text{if } y=2 \\ \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{2^7}{3^8} = 0.2417, & \text{if } y=3 \\ \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2^8}{3^9} = 0.3463, & \text{if } y=4 \\ \frac{2^{4+y}}{3^{5+y}}, & \text{if } y > 4 \end{cases}$$