

Bernoulli

- Mass function
$$p(x) = \begin{cases} 1-p & x=0 \\ p & x=1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
- Algorithm
 1. Generate $U \sim U(0,1)$
 2. If $U \leq p$ return $X = 1$. Otherwise return $X = 0$

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Binomial

- Mass function
$$p(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} & x \in \{0,1,\dots,n\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
- Use the fact that if $X \sim B(n,p)$ then
$$X = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots, Y_n$$
$$Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$$

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Binomial

If X is a binomial random variable with parameters n and p . Note the sum of n IID Bernoulli(p) random variables is a $B(n, p)$ random variable.

To generate a binomial random variate,

1. Generate J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n as IID Bernoulli(p) random variates.
2. Set $x = J_1 + J_2 + \dots + J_n$.

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Geometric

- Mass function

$$p(x) = \begin{cases} p(1-p)^x & x \in \{0, 1, \dots, t\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C.D.F : F(x) = p(X \leq x) = 1 - (1-p)^x$$

- Use inverse-transform

1. Generate $U \sim U(0,1)$

$$2. \text{ Return } X = \left\lfloor \frac{\ln(1-U)}{\ln(1-p)} \right\rfloor$$

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Empirical Discrete Distribution

- Find the random variate for the following discrete distribution.

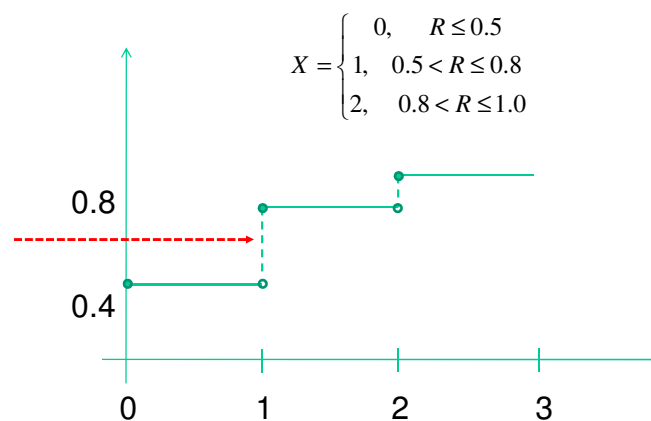
x	p(x)
0	0.50
1	0.30
2	0.20

- At first find the F

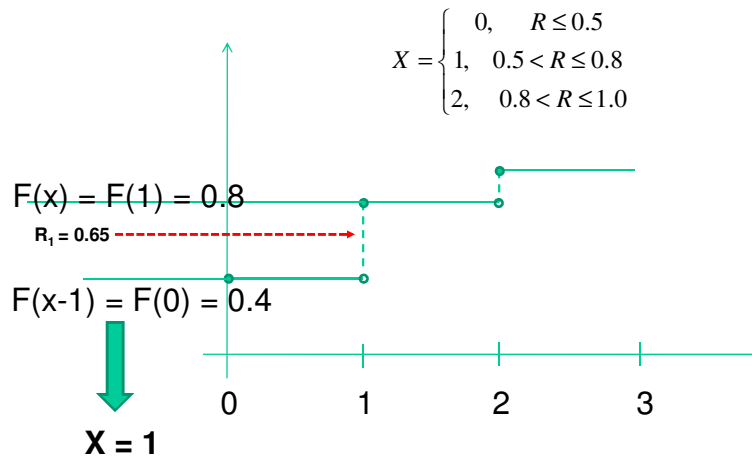
x	p(x)	F(x)
0	0.50	0.50
1	0.30	0.80
2	0.20	1.00

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ 0.5, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 0.8, & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 1, & x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

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Example of Empirical Distribution

- There are four pumps (1 to 4) at a petrol station. And on average $1/3$ of the customers used pump 1, $1/6$ of them used pump 2, another $1/3$ used pump 3 and the remaining $1/6$ used pump 4. Outline a procedure for selection of pumps by various customers.

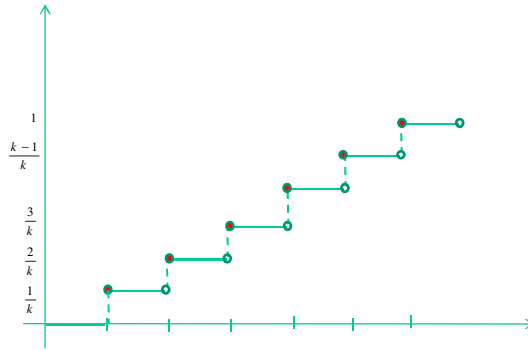
i	1	2	3	4
P(i)	$1/3$	$1/6$	$1/3$	$1/6$
F(i)	$1/3$	$1/2$	$5/6$	1

- The procedure:
- Generate $r \sim U(0,1)$
 - If $0 \leq r < 1/3$ select pump 1
 - If $1/3 \leq r < 1/2$ select pump 2
 - If $1/2 \leq r < 5/6$ select pump 3
 - If $5/6 \leq r < 1$ select pump 4

Discrete Uniform Distribution

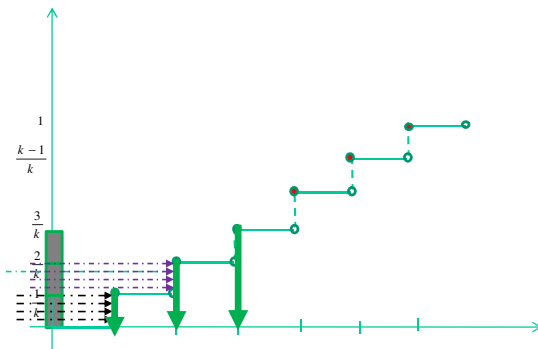
- Consider $p(x) = \frac{1}{k}, x=1, 2, 3 \dots k$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{k}, & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ \frac{2}{k}, & 2 \leq x < 3 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{k-1}{k}, & k-1 \leq x < k \\ 1, & k \leq x \end{cases}$$



Discrete Uniform Distribution

- Generate $R \sim U(0,1)$



$$0 \leq R \leq \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\frac{1}{k} < R \leq \frac{2}{k}$$

$$\frac{2}{k} < R \leq \frac{3}{k}$$

$$\frac{3}{k} < R \leq \frac{4}{k}$$

$$\frac{i-1}{k} < R \leq \frac{i}{k}$$

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$$\Rightarrow i-1 < Rk \leq i$$

$$\Rightarrow i < Rk + 1 \text{ and } Rk \leq i$$

$$\Rightarrow Rk \leq i < Rk + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow i = \lfloor RK \rfloor = \text{output } X$$

$$\therefore X = \lfloor RK \rfloor$$

Discrete Uniform Distribution

- Algorithm to generate random variate for $p(x) = 1/k$ where $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k$
 - Generate $R \sim U(0,1)$ uniform random number
 - Return $\lfloor RK \rfloor$

Composition

- Is applied when the distribution F can be expressed as a combination of other distributions F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n

$$F(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j F_j(x),$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j = 1, p_j \geq 0$$

- Equivalent to say if X has density function f such that $f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j f_j(x)$,

That corresponds to decomposing f into its convex combination representation

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Composition

Geometric Interpretation

- The decomposition can also be seen as dividing the area under f into regions of areas p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n (since probability distribution corresponds to the area)
- Then determine F_j for each j then apply the inverse method on each one.
- Algorithm
 1. Generate a positive random integer, such that $P(J=j) = p_j$
 2. Return X with distribution F_j

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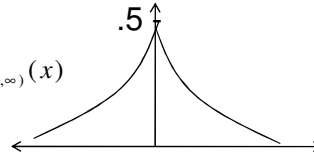
Composition Example1

- For $0 < a < 1$, the right trapezoidal distribution has density

$$f(x) = 0.5e^{|x|} \quad \forall x \text{ real}$$

Decompose $f(x) = .5e^x I_{(-\infty, 0)}(x) + .5e^{-x} I_{(0, \infty)}(x)$

$$I_A = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in A \\ 0 & \text{O.w.} \end{cases}$$



$$f_1(x) = e^x I_{[0,1]}(x)$$

$$f_2(x) = e^{-x} I_{[0,1]}(x)$$

$$U_1 = F_1(x) = e^x, \quad U_2 = F_2(x) = e^{-x}$$

Use the inverse method

$$x = \ln U_1 \quad \text{or} \quad x = \ln U_2$$

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Composition Example1

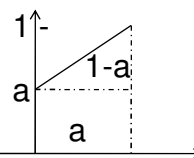
- Algorithm:
- 1) Generate $U_1 \sim U(0,1), U_2 \sim U(0,1)$
- If $U_1 < .5$ return $x = \ln U_2$
- $U_1 \geq .5$ $x = \ln U_2$

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Composition Example2

- For $0 < a < 1$, the right trapezoidal distribution has density

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} a + 2(1-a)x, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$



- We may divide the area as shown

- $f(x)$ can be decomposed as

$$f(x) = aI_{[0,1]}(x) + (1-a)2xI_{[0,1]}(x)$$

$$f_1(x) = I_{[0,1]}(x) \quad \text{is } U(0,1) \text{ density and}$$

$$f_2(x) = 2xI_{[0,1]}(x) \text{ is a right triangular density}$$

$$p_1 = a, p_2 = 1-a, p_1 + p_2 = 1$$

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Composition Example2

- Algorithm: Generate** $U_1 \sim U(0,1), U_2 \sim U(0,1)$

- If** $U_1 < a$ return $x = U_1$

$$U_2 \geq a \quad f_2 = 2x$$

$$U = F_2(x) = x^2$$

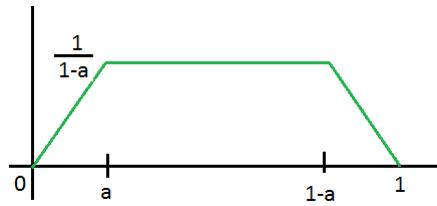
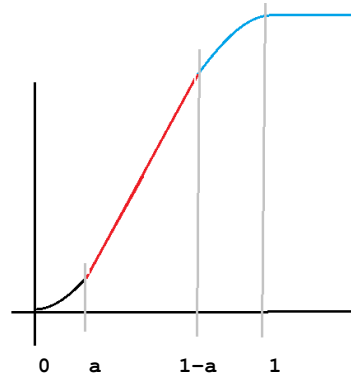
$$x = \sqrt{U_2}$$

$$\text{return } \sqrt{U_2}$$

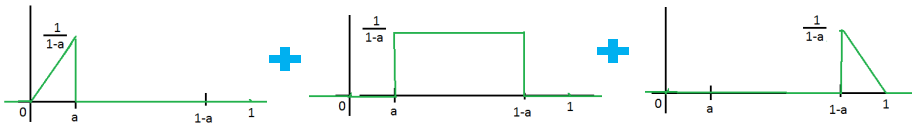
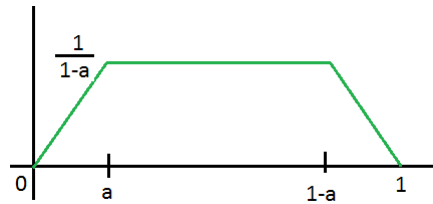
- Yet, in some applications, we find computing the square root is expensive So we may use another random number instead U_3 and return $x = \max(U_2, U_3)$**

Example 3

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{x}{a(1-a)}, & 0 \leq x \leq a \\ \frac{1}{1-a}, & a \leq x \leq 1-a \\ \frac{1-x}{a(1-a)}, & 1-a \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$



Example 3



$$f(x) = \frac{x}{a(1-a)}$$

$$F(x) = \frac{x^2}{2a(1-a)}$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{a/2}{1-a}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-a}$$

$$F(x) = \frac{x}{1-a}$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{1-2a}{1-a}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1-a}{a(1-a)}$$

$$F(x) = \frac{(1-a)x}{(1-a)}$$

$$\text{area} = \frac{a/2}{1-a}$$