

HW 4.2(a) Key

1. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function given by $f(x) = \frac{Kx}{(9+x^2)^2}$ for

$x \geq 0$, and 0 otherwise. Find $P[X > 5.2]$.

$$u = 9 + x^2 \\ du = 2x dx$$

- A) 0.2497 B) 0.1898 C) 0.2048 D) 0.2198 E) 0.2347

$$\int f(x) dx = K \int \frac{x}{(9+x^2)^2} dx = \frac{K}{2} \int \frac{1}{u^2} du = \frac{K}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{u}\right) + C = \frac{-K}{2(9+x^2)} + C$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx = \left[-\frac{K}{2(9+x^2)} \right]_0^{\infty} = 0 - \left(-\frac{K}{18}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow K = 18$$

$$P[X > 5.2] = \int_{5.2}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \left[\frac{-9}{9+x^2} \right]_{5.2}^{\infty} = 0 - \left(-\frac{9}{9+(5.2)^2}\right) = \boxed{0.2497}$$

2. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function given by $f(x) = Kx^{-1.3}$ if $x \geq 1$, and 0 otherwise. Find $P[X < 12.7 | X > 7.5]$.

- A) ~~0.4958~~ ^{0.1462} B) 0.4660 C) 0.5255 D) 0.5553 E) 0.5850

$$\int_1^{\infty} Kx^{-1.3} dx = \left[\frac{K}{-0.3} x^{-0.3} \right]_1^{\infty} = 0 - \left(-\frac{K}{0.3}\right) = 1 \Rightarrow K = 0.3$$

$$F(x) = \int_1^x 0.3 t^{-0.3} dt = \left[-t^{-0.3} \right]_1^x = \left[t^{-1.3} \right]_1^x = 1 - x^{-0.3}$$

$$P[X < 12.7 | X > 7.5] = \frac{P[7.5 < X < 12.7]}{P[X > 7.5]} = \frac{F(12.7) - F(7.5)}{1 - F(7.5)} = \boxed{0.1462}$$

3. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density function given by $f(x) = \frac{1}{250} x^2 e^{-x/5}$ if $x \geq 0$, and 0 otherwise. Find $P[X < 17]$.

- A) 0.6603 B) 0.5810 C) 0.6206 D) 0.6999 E) 0.7395

	$e^{-x/5}$
+	$\frac{1}{250} x^2$
-	$\frac{1}{125} x$
+	$\frac{1}{125}$
-	0

$$P[X < 17] = \int_0^{17} f(x) dx$$

$$= -e^{-x/5} \left[0.02x^2 + 0.2x + 1 \right]_0^{17}$$

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$$= 1 - e^{-3.4} (10.18) = \boxed{0.6603}$$

4. Let X be a continuous random variable with cumulative distribution function given by $F(x) = \frac{K}{4+e^{-x}}$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$. Find $P[X > -2.5 | X < -0.9]$.

A) 0.6008 B) 0.5648 C) 0.6369 D) 0.6729 E) 0.7090

$$F(\infty) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{K}{4+e^{-x}} = \frac{K}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow K = 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} P[X > -2.5 | X < -0.9] &= \frac{P[-2.5 < X < -0.9]}{P[X < -0.9]} \\ &= \frac{F(-0.9) - F(-2.5)}{F(-0.9)} = \frac{\left(\frac{4}{4+e^{0.9}}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{4+e^{2.5}}\right)}{\left(\frac{4}{4+e^{0.9}}\right)} \\ &= \boxed{0.6008} \end{aligned}$$

5. Let X be a continuous random variable with survival function given by $S(x) = e^{-x/2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{2}\right)$ if $x \geq 0$, and 1 otherwise. Find $P[X > 9 | X > 4]$.

A) 0.1505 B) 0.1415 C) 0.1595 D) 0.1685 E) 0.1776

$$\begin{aligned} P[X > 9 | X > 4] &= \frac{P[X > 9]}{P[X > 4]} = \frac{S(9)}{S(4)} \\ &= \frac{0.06110}{0.40601} = \boxed{0.1505} \end{aligned}$$