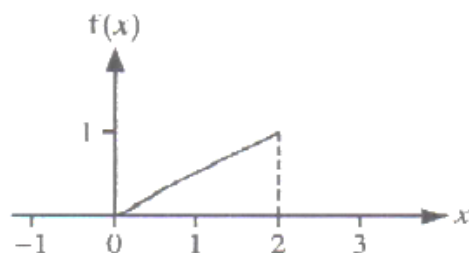


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(a)



The graph of the function f is a straight line segment from $(0, 0)$ to $(2, 1)$.

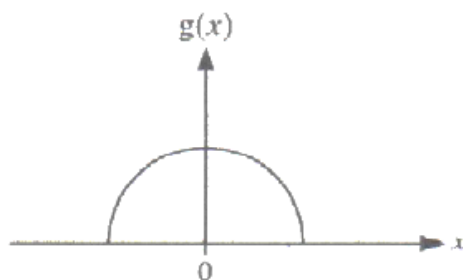
Show that f could be a probability density function.

[2]

Area under the graph = Area of the triangle
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 1 = 1$
and $f(x) \geq 0$ so f is a probability density function.



(b)



The graph of the function g is a semicircle, centre $(0, 0)$, entirely above the x -axis.

Given that g is a probability density function, find the radius of the semicircle.

[2]

Area = 1

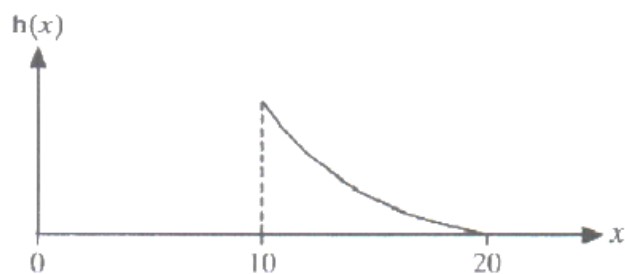
\Rightarrow Area of the semicircle = $\frac{1}{2} \pi r^2 = 1$

$r^2 = \frac{2}{\pi}$

$r = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$



(c)



The time, X minutes, taken by a large number of students to complete a test has probability density function h , as shown in the diagram.

- (i) Without calculation, use the diagram to explain how you can tell that the median time is less than 15 minutes. [1]

The distribution of X is skewed to the right so the median time will be less than the mid-point of the interval which is 15.

It is now given that

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{40}{x^2} - \frac{1}{10} & 10 \leq x \leq 20, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (ii) Find the mean time. [3]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} &= \int_{10}^{20} x h(x) dx \\ &= \int_{10}^{20} x \left(\frac{40}{x^2} - \frac{1}{10} \right) dx \\ &= \int_{10}^{20} \left(\frac{40}{x} - \frac{1}{10} x \right) dx \\ &= 40 \int_{10}^{20} \frac{1}{x} dx - \frac{1}{10} \int_{10}^{20} x dx \\ &= 40 \ln x - \frac{1}{10} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) \Big|_{10}^{20} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(40 \ln 20 - \frac{20^2}{20} \right) - \left(40 \ln 10 - \frac{10^2}{20} \right) \\ &= 40 \ln 20 - 20 - 40 \ln 10 + 5 \\ &= 40 (\ln 20 - \ln 10) - 15 \\ &\quad \text{Using laws of logarithms} \\ &\quad \ln \left(\frac{A}{B} \right) = \ln A - \ln B \\ &= 40 \ln \left(\frac{20}{10} \right) - 15 \\ &= 40 \ln 2 - 15 \\ &= 12.7 \quad (3 \text{ s.f.}) \end{aligned}$$

2. June/2023/Paper_9709/63/No.1

A random variable X has probability density function f , where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(1-x^2) & 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $E(X)$.

[3]

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x \left(\frac{3}{2} (1-x^2) \right) dx$$

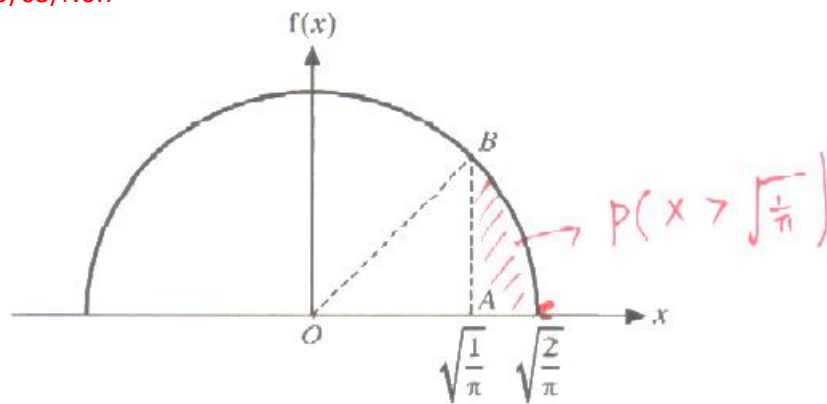
$$= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 (x - x^3) dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left[\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left[\left(\frac{1^2}{2} - \frac{1^4}{4} \right) - 0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{8}$$



A random variable X has probability density function f , where the graph of $y = f(x)$ is a semicircle with centre $(0, 0)$ and radius $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$, entirely above the x -axis. Elsewhere $f(x) = 0$ (see diagram).

- (a) Verify that f can be a probability density function. [2]

If f is a probability density function then the area under the graph must be equal to 1.

$$\text{Area of the semicircle} = \frac{1}{2} \pi r^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \pi \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \pi \times \frac{2}{\pi}$$

$$= 1$$

$f(x) \geq 0$ so f can be a probability density function

A and B are the points where the line $x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}$ meets the x -axis and the semicircle respectively.

- (b) Show that angle AOB is $\frac{1}{4}\pi$ radians and hence find $P\left(X > \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}\right)$. [6]

$$OB \text{ is the radius} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}$$

Using trigonometric ratios:

$$\cos \angle AOB = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}}$$

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$$\cos \angle AOB = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \times \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi} \times \frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\angle AOB = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$\therefore \angle AOB = \frac{1}{4} \pi \text{ radians.}$$

$$P\left(X > \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}\right) = \text{Area of the sector OBC} - \text{Area of the triangle OAB.}$$

$$\text{Area of the sector} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}\right)^2 \times \frac{1}{4} \pi$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{2}{\pi} \times \frac{1}{4} \pi = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Area of the triangle} = \frac{1}{2} \times OA \times OB \times \sin \angle AOB$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}} \times \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \times \sin\left(\frac{1}{4} \pi\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(X > \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi}}\right) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2\pi} = 0.0908 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$