

Ch 8: Bivariate distributions

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8-1 Joint distributions of two random variables

consider two r.v.s that are defined simultaneously in the same sample space.

→ Joint prob. mass functions $\longleftrightarrow$

Joint prob. density functions

• Joint prob. mass functions

X, Y : two discrete r.v.s defined in the same sample space

A : the set of possible values of X ; B : the set of possible values of Y

$p(x, y) = p(X=x, Y=y) \Rightarrow$ joint prob. mass function of X and Y

① $p(x, y) \geq 0$ ② If $x \notin A$ or $y \notin B$ $p(x, y) = 0$

③ $\sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} p(x, y) = 1$

marginal prob. mass functions of X and Y

$\hookrightarrow p_X(x) = \sum_{y \in B} p(x, y)$ $p_Y(y) = \sum_{x \in A} p(x, y)$

Ex 8.1

A small college has 90 male and 30 female professors.

An ad hoc committee of five is selected at random.

X : # of men
on this committee

Y : # of women

(a) Find joint prob mass function of X and Y

(b) P_X , P_Y marginal

Ans:

$$p(x, y) = \frac{\binom{90}{x} \binom{30}{y}}{\binom{120}{5}}$$

if $x, y \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

$$x + y = 5$$

$$(b) \quad p(x, y) = 0 \quad \text{if } x \neq y \neq 5$$

$$P_X(x) = \sum_{y=0}^5 p(x, y) = p(x, 5-x) = \frac{\binom{90}{x} \binom{30}{5-x}}{\binom{120}{5}}$$

$$P_Y(y) = \sum_{x=0}^5 p(x, y) = p(5-y, y) = \frac{\binom{90}{5-y} \binom{30}{y}}{\binom{120}{5}} \quad x, y \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X] = \sum_{x \in A} x \underbrace{P_X(x)}_{\text{marginal of } X}$$

$$E[Y] = \sum_{y \in B} y \underbrace{P_Y(y)}_{\text{marginal of } Y}$$

$$\text{Ex 8.3} \quad p(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{75} x (x+y) & \text{if } x=1, 2, 3 \quad , \quad y=3, 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X) \quad E(Y)$$

$$p_X(x) = p(x, 3) + p(x, 4) = \frac{1}{75} x^2 + \frac{1}{75} x$$

$$p_Y(y) = p(1, y) + p(2, y) + p(3, y) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{25} y$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^3 x p_X(x) = \sum_{x=1}^3 x \left(\frac{1}{75} x^2 + \frac{1}{75} x \right)$$

$$E(Y) = \sum_{y=3}^4 y p_Y(y) = \sum_{y=3}^4 y \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{25} y \right)$$

Joint mass
marginal mass

$$E[g(x)] = \sum_{x \in A} g(x) p(x)$$

$$E[h(x, y)] = \sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} h(x, y) p(x, y)$$

h is a function of two variables from $\mathbb{R}^2$ to $\mathbb{R}$

Corollary

$$E[x+y] = E[x] + E[y]$$

Proof:

$$h(x, y) = x+y$$

$$E[X+Y] = \sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} (x+y) p(x, y)$$

$$= \sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} x p(x, y) + \sum_{x \in A} \sum_{y \in B} y p(x, y)$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_{x \in A} x p_X(x)}_{\downarrow} + \underbrace{\sum_{y \in B} y p_Y(y)}_{\swarrow}$$

$$= E[X] + E[Y]$$

d. discrete case



continuous case

Def: X, Y have a continuous joint distribution if

there exists a nonnegative function of two variables, $f(x, y)$ on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

such that for any region R in the xz -plane

$$P((X, Y) \in R) = \iint_R f(x, y) dx dy$$

$f(x, y)$: joint prob. density function

$$P(X \in A, Y \in B) = \int_A \int_B f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$A = (-\infty, \infty) \quad B = (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

marginal density

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx$$

Joint distribution function

$$F(t,u) = p(X \leq t, Y \leq u)$$

marginal distribution function

$$F_X(t) = p(X \leq t) = p(X \leq t, Y < \infty) \equiv F(t, \infty)$$

$$F_Y(u) = P(Y \leq u) \equiv F(\infty, u)$$

joint distribution vs. joint density

$$\frac{d^2 F(x, y)}{dx dy} = f(x, y)$$

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f(t, u) dt du$$

vs. marginal distribution functions

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= F(x, \infty) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f(t, u) dt du \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t, u) du dt \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overbrace{f_X(t)}^{\text{marginal } X} dt$$

$$F_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(y) dy$$

$$F'_X(x) = f_X(x) \quad F'_Y(y) = f_Y(y)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \\ E[Y] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Ex 8.4

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \lambda xy^2 & 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) λ ?

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

$$= \int_{y=0}^1 \int_{x=0}^y \lambda xy^2 dx dy = \frac{\lambda}{3} \left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{5} x^5 \right]_0^1 = \frac{\lambda}{10}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 10$$

(b) marginal prob. density functions of X and Y

$$f_X(x) = \int_x^1 f(x, y) dy = \int_x^1 10xy^2 dy = \frac{10}{3} x(1-x^3)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^y f(x,y) dx = \int_0^y 10xy^2 dx = 5y^4$$

(c) $E[X]$ and $E[Y]$

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x \cdot \frac{10}{3} x(1-x^3) dx = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$E[Y] = \int_0^1 y \cdot 5y^4 dy = \frac{5}{6}$$

Ex 8.5

$$F(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda(x+y)} & \text{if } x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\lambda > 0$

Determine if F is the joint prob. distribution function of two r.v.s X and Y .

Ans:
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F(x, y) = f(x, y) \geq 0$$

A point is said to be randomly selected from S if
for any subset R of S with area $A(R)$

the prob. that R contains the point is $\frac{A(R)}{A(S)}$

$\Rightarrow$ geometric probability

Ex 8.7

A man invites his fiancée to a fine hotel for a Sunday brunch.

They decide to meet in the lobby of the hotel between
11:30 AM and 12 noon

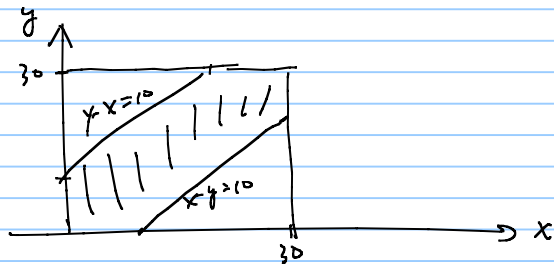
If they arrive at random times during this period,

what is the prob. that they will meet within 10 minutes?

Ans: X and Y be the minutes past 11:30 AM

$$S = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 30, 0 \leq y \leq 30\}$$

$$R = \{(x, y) \in S : |x - y| \leq 10\}$$



$$P(|X - Y| \leq 10)$$

$$= \frac{A(R)}{A(S)} = \frac{30 \times 30 - 2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot 20 \cdot 20 \right)}{30 \times 30}$$

$$= \frac{5}{9}$$

Thm 8-2

$$E[h(x, y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x, y) f(x, y) dx dy$$

Corollary

$$E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

Ex P. 9

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(x^2+y^2) & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E(x^2+y^2) = \int_{y=0}^1 \int_{x=0}^1 (x^2+y^2) f(x,y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{3}{2}(x^2+y^2)^2 dx dy = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x^4 + 2x^2y^2 + y^4 dx dy$$
$$= \frac{14}{15}$$

8.2 Independent random variables

Two random variables X and Y are called independent

$$\text{if } \underbrace{p(X \in A)}_{\text{event } E_1}, \underbrace{Y \in B}_{\text{event } E_2} = p(X \in A) p(Y \in B)$$

$$\hookrightarrow p(X \leq a, Y \leq b) = p(X \leq a) p(Y \leq b)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \text{Thm 8.3} \quad \underbrace{F(t, u)}_{\downarrow} = \underbrace{F_X(t)}_{\downarrow} \underbrace{F_Y(u)}_{\downarrow}$$

joint distribution
of X and Y marginal
of X marginal
of Y

Discrete case
Continuous case

• Discrete case independent

$$p(x, y) = P_X(x) P_Y(y) \Rightarrow (8.11)$$

joint mass marginal mass of X marginal mass of Y

$$\begin{aligned} p(x, z) &= \Pr[X=x, Y=z] = \Pr[X \in \{x\}, Y \in \{z\}] \\ &= \Pr[X \in \{x\}] \Pr[Y \in \{z\}] \end{aligned}$$

(8.11)

$$= P_X(x) P_Y(y)$$

↳ implies

$$P(X=x | Y=y) = P(X=x)$$

$$P(Y=y | X=x) = P(Y=y)$$

$$\frac{P(x, y) = P_X(x) P_Y(y)}{P_Y(y)} = P_X(x)$$

Ex 8-16

4% of the bicycle fenders produced by a stamping machine from the strips of steel need smoothing.

What is the prob that, if the next 13 bicycle fenders stamped by this machine, two need smoothing and, if the next 20, three need smoothing?

Ans: X be the # of bicycle fenders among the first 13 that need smoothing
 Y - - - among the next 7 - - - .

$$p(X=2, Y=1) = p(X=2)p(Y=1) = \binom{13}{2} (0.04)^2 (0.96)^{11} \cdot \binom{7}{1} (0.04)^1 (0.96)^6$$

$$X \sim \text{binomial}(13, 0.04)$$

$$\approx 0.0175$$

$$Y \sim \text{binomial}(7, 0.04)$$

• Continuous case

X and Y are independent if and only if

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 f(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\bar{f}_x(x) \bar{f}_y(y)}{\partial x \partial y} \quad \text{TA}$$

Ex 8.12

Stores A and B

prob. density function of the weekly profit of each store

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{4} & 1 < x < 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

the profit of one store is independent of the other

the prob. that next week one store makes at least \$500 more than the other store?

Ans: X : the profit of A
 Y : the profit of B

$$P(X > Y + \frac{1}{2}) + P(Y > X + \frac{1}{2}) = 2P(X > Y + \frac{1}{2})$$

symmetric

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{4} & 1 < x < 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y}{4} & 1 < y < 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{16} & 1 < x, y < 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$2P(X > Y + \frac{1}{2}) = 2P\left[(X, Y) \in \{(x, y) : \frac{3}{2} < X < 3, 1 < y < x - \frac{1}{2}\}\right]$$

$$= 2 \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^3 \int_1^{x-\frac{1}{2}} f(x, y) dy dx$$

$$= 2 \left[\int_{\frac{3}{2}}^3 \int_1^{x-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{xy}{16} dy dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_{\frac{3}{2}}^3 \left[\frac{xy^2}{2} \right]_1^{x-\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left[\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \frac{3}{8}x^2 \right]_{\frac{3}{2}}^3 = \frac{549}{1024} \approx 0.54$$

Ex: 8.15

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8xy & 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$ x, y independent?

$$\underbrace{f(x, y)}_{\text{joint density}} = \underbrace{f_X(x)}_{\text{marginal density}} \underbrace{f_Y(y)}_{\text{marginal density}}$$

$$f_X(x) = \int_x^1 8xy \, dy = 4x(1-x^2)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^y 8xy \, dx = 4y^3$$

$$\therefore f(x, y) \neq f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

$\Rightarrow X$ and Y are dependent

8.3 Conditional distributions

Discrete case

Continuous case

If the value of Y is known, the conditional prob. mass function of X
given that $Y=y$ $P_{X|Y}(x|y)$

$$P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{P(x, y) \rightarrow \text{joint mass}}{P_Y(y) \rightarrow \text{marginal mass of } Y}$$

$$\sum_{x \in A} P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \sum_{x \in A} \frac{P(x, y)}{P_Y(y)} = \frac{1}{P_Y(y)} \underbrace{\sum_{x \in A} P(x, y)}_{\text{marginal mass of } Y}$$

prob. mass function
with the set of possible values A

$$= \frac{1}{P_Y(y)} \cdot P_Y(y) = 1$$

If X and Y are independent

$$P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{P(x, y)}{P_Y(y)} = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P_Y(y)} = \frac{P(X=x)P(Y=y)}{P_Y(y)} = P(X=x) = P_X(x)$$

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

(conditional distribution function of X , given that $Y=y$)

$$= P(X \leq x \mid Y=y)$$

$$= \sum_{t \leq x} P(X=t \mid Y=y) = \sum_{t \leq x} P_{X|Y}(t|y)$$

Ex 8.16

$$p(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{15} (x+y) & x=0, 1, 2, \quad y=1, 2 \end{cases}$$

$$P_{X|Y}(x|y) \text{ and } p(X=0 | Y=2)$$

$$\textcircled{1} P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{p(x, y)}{P_{Y|Y}(y)}$$

$$P_{Y|Y}(y) = \sum_{x=0}^2 p(x, y) = \sum_{x=0}^2 \left(\frac{1}{15} (x+y) \right) = \frac{1+y}{5}$$

$$\therefore P_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{(x+y)/15}{\frac{(1+y)}{5}} = \frac{x+y}{3(1+y)}$$

$x=0, 1, 2$, when
 $y=1$ or 2

$$P(X=0 | Y=2) = \frac{0+2}{3(1+2)} = \frac{2}{9} \quad \#$$

conditional expectation

$$E[X | Y=y] = \sum_{x \in A} x \cdot P_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

$$E[h(X) | Y=y] = \sum_{x \in A} h(x) P_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

Ex 8-18

Calculate the expected number of aces in a randomly selected poker hand that is found to have exactly two jacks.

Ans: X : # of aces

Y : # of jacks

$$E[X | Y=2] = \sum_{x=0}^3 x \cdot P_{X|Y}(x|2) = \sum_{x=0}^3 x \cdot \frac{P_{(X,Y)}(x,2)}{P_Y(2)} = \sum_{x=0}^3 x \cdot \frac{\binom{4}{x} \binom{4}{2} \binom{44}{5-2-x}}{\binom{4}{2} \binom{48}{3} \binom{52}{5}}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^3 x \cdot \frac{\binom{4}{x} \binom{44}{3-x}}{\binom{48}{3}} \approx 0.25$$

Continuous case

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

(conditional prob. density function of X given that $Y=y$)

$$= \frac{f(x, y) \rightarrow \text{joint density}}{f_Y(y) \rightarrow \text{marginal density of } Y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} dx = \frac{1}{f_Y(y)} \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx}_{\text{marginal density of } Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{f_Y(y)} \cdot f_Y(y) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{f_X(x)f_Y(y)}{f_Y(y)} = f_X(x)$$

if X and Y are independent

conditional prob. distribution function

$$F_{X|Y}(x|y) = P[X \leq x | Y=y] = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(t|y) dt$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} F_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

Ex 8.21

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) & 0 < x < 1 \quad 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2)}{\int_0^1 f(x, y) dx} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2)}{\int_0^1 \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx}$$

Ex 8.22

First, a point Y is selected at random from $(0, 1)$.

$$= \frac{\frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2)}{\frac{3}{2}y^2 + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3(x^2 + y^2)}{3y^2 + 1}$$

Then another point X is chosen at random from $(0, 1)$

Find the prob. density function of X ?

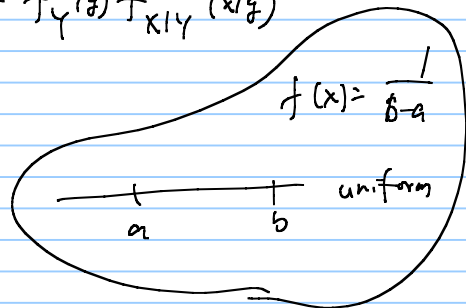
$$f(x, y) \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

$f(x, y)$?

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} \quad \therefore f(x, y) = f_Y(y) f_{X|Y}(x|y)$$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{y} & 0 < y < 1, 0 < x < y \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$



$$f(x, y) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{y}$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \int_x^1 \frac{1}{y} dy = \ln y \Big|_x^1 = \ln 1 - \ln x$$

$$= 0 - \ln x = -\ln x$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \begin{cases} -\ln x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Ex 8.23

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{(1+y)} e^{-x}$$

$$P(X < 1 \mid Y = 2)$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|2) = \frac{x+2}{3} e^{-x}$$

$$\int_0^1 f_{X|Y}(x|2) dx = \frac{1}{3} \left[\int_0^1 x e^{-x} dx + \int_0^1 2 e^{-x} dx \right]$$

$$= 1 - \frac{4}{3} e^{-1} \approx 0.509$$

$$E[X | Y=y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

(conditional expectation of X
given $Y=y$)

$$E[h(X) | Y=y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

conditional variance of X given that $Y=y$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \overline{E[(X - E[X])^2]} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (X - E[X])^2 \underline{\underline{f_X(x) dx}}$$

$\swarrow$
 σ_X^2

$$\sigma_{X|Y=y}^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (X - E[X|Y=y])^2 f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

Ex 8.24

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} & \text{if } y > 0, 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$\downarrow$

$$E[X | Y=2] ?$$

$$\text{Ans: } E[X | Y=2] = \int_0^1 x f_{X|Y}(x|2) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x \frac{f(x,2)}{f_Y(2)} dx = \int_0^1 x \frac{e^{-2}}{f_Y(2)} dx$$

$$f_Y(2) = \int_0^1 f(x,2) dx = \int_0^1 e^{-2} dx = e^{-2} \quad \uparrow$$

$$\therefore E[X | Y=2] = \int_0^1 x \frac{e^{-2}}{e^{-2}} dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

ex 8.25

The lifetimes of batteries are identically distributed with F and f .

$\Rightarrow$ expected lifetime of an s -hour-old battery?
in terms of F, f, s

Ans: X : the lifetime of the s -hour old battery

$$E[X | X > s] ?$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} F_{X|X>s}(t) = P(X \leq t | X > s) \\ f_{X|X>s}(t) \end{array} \right.$$

$$E(X|X>S) = \int_0^{\infty} t \underbrace{f_{X|X>S}(t)} dt$$

$$f_{X|X>S}(t) ?$$

$$\bar{F}_{X|X>S}(t) = P(X \leq t | X > S) = \frac{P(X \leq t, X > S)}{P(X > S)} = \begin{cases} 0 & t \leq S \\ \frac{P(S < X \leq t)}{P(X > S)} & t > S \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore f_{X|X>S}(t) = \frac{d \bar{F}_{X|X>S}(t)}{d t}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & t \leq S \\ \frac{\bar{F}(t) - \bar{F}(S)}{1 - \bar{F}(S)} & t > S \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & t \leq s \\ \frac{f(t)}{1-F(s)} & t > s \end{cases}$$

$$E(X|X>s) = \int_0^{\infty} t f_{X|X>s}(t) dt = \frac{1}{1-F(s)} \int_s^{\infty} t f(t) dt \quad \text{X}$$