

# PROBABILITY THEORY

## Answer to homework 8

### Problem 1

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2 y^2} & x \geq 1, y \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1. Let  $U = XY$  and  $V = \frac{X}{Y}$ . Solving the following for system for X and Y leads to  $X = \sqrt{UV}$  and  $Y = \sqrt{\frac{U}{V}}$

a) *Joint distribution of U and V*

The Jacobian of this transformation is obtained by taking derivatives of U and V with respect to X and Y.

We have:

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial X} = Y, \quad \frac{\partial U}{\partial Y} = X, \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial X} = \frac{1}{Y}, \quad \frac{\partial V}{\partial Y} = -\frac{X}{Y^2}$$

Therefore, we have

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} Y & x \\ \frac{1}{Y} & -\frac{X}{Y^2} \end{vmatrix} = -2\frac{X}{Y} = -2V$$

By definition, we have:

$$f_{U,V}(u, v) = |J|^{-1} f(X(U, V), Y(U, V))$$

Which leads to

$$f_{U,V}(u, v) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2u^2 v} & u \geq 1, \frac{1}{u} < v < u \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_U(u) = \begin{cases} \int_{\frac{1}{u}}^u \frac{1}{2u^2 v} du = \frac{1}{u^2} \log u & u \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_V(v) = \begin{cases} \int_{\frac{1}{v}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2u^2 v} du = \frac{1}{2v^2} & v > 1 \\ \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2u^2 v} du = \frac{1}{2} & 0 < v < 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

2. Let  $u = x + y$ ,  $v = x + z$  and  $w = y + z$ . Taking derivative of x,y, and z with respect to u,v and w leads to the following Jacobian value:

$$|J| = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = |-2| = 2$$

Solving for x, y and z leads to  $x = \frac{u+v-w}{2}$ ,  $y = \frac{u+v-w}{2}$ , and  $z = \frac{-u+v+w}{2}$

The joint distribution of u,v and w is given by:

$$f(u, v, w) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u+v+w)} \text{ for } u + v > w, u + w > v \text{ and } u + v + w > 0.$$

### Problem 2

At  $Y = y, X|Y \sim U(0, y + 1)$ .

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

Since it is known that  $f_Y(y) = y$  for  $0 < y < \sqrt{2}$ , the joint density of X and Y is the product of the conditional distribution of X given Y and the marginal distribution of Y.

a) Joint density of X and Y

Given that  $Y=y$ ,

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y}{y+1} & 0 < x < y + 1, 0 < y < \sqrt{2} \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

b) Marginal density of X

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{y}{y+1} dy = \sqrt{2} - \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) & 0 < x < 1 \\ \int_{x-1}^{\sqrt{2}} \frac{y}{y+1} dy = \ln x - x + \sqrt{2} + 1 - \ln(\sqrt{2} + 1) & 1 < x < \sqrt{2} + 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For more information look at the graph. **Problem 3**

$E[(X - Y)^2] = E(X^2 - 2XY + Y^2) = E(X^2) - 2E(X)E(Y) + E(Y^2)$  since X and Y are independent.

Now using the fact that both X and Y are uniformly distributed over (0,1), we have:  $E(X^2) = E(Y^2) = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $E(X) = E(Y) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Therefore,  $E[(X - Y)^2] = 2 \times \frac{1}{3} - 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{6}$

### Problem 4

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Define X as the value of the first roll and Y the value of second roll. Let  $S=X+Y$  be the sum X and Y. Also, let D be their difference.

That is:  $D=X-Y$ .

$$\text{Cov}(S, D) = \text{Cov}(X + Y, X - Y) = \text{Cov}(X, X - Y) + \text{Cov}(Y, X - Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Cov}(X, Y) - \text{Cov}(X, Y) - \text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(X) - \text{Var}(Y) = 0.$$

Since this is the same experiment conducted twice. The variance is the same at each trial.

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$$Cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^x y 2e^{-2x} dy dx = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$E(X) = \int_0^\infty x \left( \int_0^x \frac{2e^{-2x}}{x} dy \right) dx = \int_0^\infty 2e^{-2x} dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^\infty y \left( \int_y^\infty \frac{2e^{-2x}}{x} dx \right) dy = \int_0^\infty y^2 e^{-2y} dy = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$Cov(X, Y) = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{8}$$

**Problem 5**

a)  $M_x(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \frac{1}{3}(e^{-t} + e^{3t} + e^{7t})$

$$E(X) = M'_x(0) = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + 3 + 7) = \frac{9}{3} = 3$$

$$E(X^2) = M''_x(0) = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 9 + 49) = \frac{59}{3}$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{59}{3} - 3^2 = \frac{29}{3}$$

Computing directly, we have  $E(X) = \frac{1}{3}(-1 + 3 + 7) = \frac{9}{3} = 3$

$$E(X^2) = \frac{1}{3}((-1)^2 + 3^2 + 7^2) = \frac{1}{3}(1 + 9 + 49) = \frac{59}{3}$$

b)  $M_x(t) = e^{2(e^t-1)} \Rightarrow X \sim Poisson(2)$

$$M_x(t) = \left(\frac{3}{4}e^t + \left(1 - \frac{3}{4}\right)\right)^1 \Rightarrow Y \sim Bin\left(1, \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$P(XY = 0) = P(X = x, Y = 0) + P(X = 0, Y = y)$$

$$= P(X = x)P(Y = 0) + P(X = 0)P(Y = y) \quad \forall X > 0, y = 0, 1.$$

Therefore,  $P(X = x) = 1$  and  $P(Y = y) = 1$ .

$$P(XY = 0) = P(X = 0) + P(Y = 0) = e^{-2} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$E(XY) = E(X)E(Y) = 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$