

Statistics 430
HW #8 Solutions

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1 Ch 6 Problem 23

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy \\&= \int_0^1 12xy(1-x) dy \\&= 6x(1-x) \quad 0 < x < 1 \\f_Y(y) &= \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx \\&= 2y \quad 0 < y < 1\end{aligned}$$

a

Because $f(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y) = 12xy(1-x)$, X and Y are independent.

b

$$\begin{aligned}E[X] &= \int_0^1 xf_X(x) dx \\&= \int_0^1 6x^2(1-x) dx \\&= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

c

$$\begin{aligned}E[Y] &= \int_0^1 yf_Y(y) dy \\&= \int_0^1 2y^2 dy \\&= \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}\end{aligned}$$

d

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[X] &= E[X^2] - E[X]^2 \\ E[X^2] &= \int_0^1 x^2 f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 6x^3(1-x) dx \\ &= \frac{3}{10} \\ \text{Var}[X] &= \frac{3}{10} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{20}} \end{aligned}$$

e

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[Y] &= E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2 \\ E[Y^2] &= \int_0^1 y^2 f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 2y^3 dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \text{Var}[Y] &= \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{18} = .056} \end{aligned}$$

2 Ch 6 Problem 26

a

$$\begin{aligned} F(a, b, c) &= P(A \leq a, B \leq b, C \leq c) \\ &= P(A \leq a)P(B \leq b)P(C \leq c) \quad \text{because A, B, C are independent} \\ &= \boxed{abc} \end{aligned}$$

b

We should first mention that the joint density of A, B, C is equal to 1. The roots of a quadratic are real when the discriminant is nonnegative, that is, when $B^2 - 4AC \geq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
P(B^2 - 4AC \geq 0) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{\min(\frac{1}{4c}, 1)} \int_{2\sqrt{AC}}^1 dB \, dA \, dC \\
&= \int_{.25}^1 \int_0^{\frac{1}{4c}} \int_{2\sqrt{AC}}^1 dB \, dA \, dC + \int_0^{.25} \int_0^1 \int_{2\sqrt{AC}}^1 dB \, dA \, dC \\
&= \int_{.25}^1 \int_0^{\frac{1}{4c}} 1 - 2\sqrt{AC} \, dA \, dC + \int_0^{.25} \int_0^1 1 - 2\sqrt{AC} \, dA \, dC \\
&= \int_{.25}^1 A - 2\sqrt{C} * \frac{2}{3} A^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{4c}} dC + \int_0^{.25} A - 2\sqrt{C} * \frac{2}{3} A^{\frac{3}{2}} \Big|_0^1 dC \\
&= \int_{.25}^1 \frac{1}{4c} - \frac{1}{6C} dC + \int_0^{.25} 1 - \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{C} dC \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{12} \ln C \right) \Big|_{.25}^1 + \left(C - \frac{8}{3} C^{\frac{3}{2}} \right) \Big|_0^{.25} \\
&= -\frac{1}{12} \ln \frac{1}{4} + .25 - \frac{8}{9} * \frac{1}{8} \\
&= \boxed{\frac{1}{12} \ln \frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{36} = .2544}
\end{aligned}$$

3 Ch 6 Problem 38

a

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X = j, Y = i) &= P(Y = i | X = j) P(X = j) \\
&= \frac{1}{j} * \frac{1}{5} \\
&= \boxed{\frac{1}{5j} \quad 1 \leq i \leq j, 1 \leq j \leq 5}
\end{aligned}$$

b

First find the marginal mass function of Y:

$$\begin{aligned}
P(Y = i) &= \sum_{j=i}^5 P(Y = i | X = j) P(X = j) \\
&= \boxed{\sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{k} * \frac{1}{5}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X = j | Y = i) &= \frac{P(X = j, Y = i)}{P(Y = i)} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{5j}}{\sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{k} * \frac{1}{5}} \\
&= \frac{1}{j \sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{k}}
\end{aligned}$$

In tabular form:

Table 1: Conditional distribution of X given Y

$X \setminus Y$	1	2	3	4	5
1	.440	0	0	0	0
2	.219	.390	0	0	0
3	.146	.260	.426	0	0
4	.109	.195	.319	.556	0
5	.088	.156	.255	.444	1

c

No. For example, $P(Y = 1|X = 1) = 1 \neq P(Y = 1)$.

4 Ch 6 Problem 39

$$P(Y = j|X = i) = \frac{P(X = i, Y = j)}{P(X = i)}$$

The joint density was computed in the previous homework. The method for computing the marginal density is the same as in the previous problem. For $1 \leq i \leq 6$,

$$P(Y = j|X = i) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{2i-1} & 1 \leq j < i \\ \frac{1}{2i-1} & j = i \end{cases}$$

X and Y are not independent. For example, $P(X = 6|Y = 6) = 1 \neq P(X = 6)$.

5 Ch 6 Problem 40

First compute the marginal mass function of Y:

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y = 1) &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4} \\ P(Y = 2) &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

a

$$\begin{cases} P(X = 1|Y = 1) = \frac{p(1,1)}{P(Y=1)} = \frac{1/8}{1/4} = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(X = 2|Y = 1) = \frac{p(2,1)}{P(Y=1)} = \frac{1/8}{1/4} = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(X = 1|Y = 2) = \frac{p(1,2)}{P(Y=2)} = \frac{1/4}{3/4} = \frac{1}{3} \\ P(X = 2|Y = 2) = \frac{p(2,2)}{P(Y=2)} = \frac{1/2}{3/4} = \frac{2}{3} \end{cases}$$

b

X and Y are not independent. For example, $P(X = 1|Y = 1) \neq P(X = 1|Y = 2)$.

6 Ch 6 Problem 42

We first find the marginal density of x , $f_X(x)$, and the value of the constant c in one fell swoop:

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \int_{-x}^x \int_0^{\infty} f(x, y) dy dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-x}^x c(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x} dy dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} c \left[e^{-x} \left(x^2 y - \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{-x}^x \right] dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \underbrace{c * \frac{4}{3} e^{-x} x^3}_{f_X(x)} dx \text{ integrate by parts} \\
 &= c * \frac{4}{3} * e^{-x} (x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 6) \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
 &= 8c
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $c = \frac{1}{8}$ and $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{6}e^{-x}x^3$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \frac{f(x, y)}{f_X(x)} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{8}(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x}}{\frac{1}{6}e^{-x}x^3} \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{y^2}{x^3} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

7 Ch 6 Problem 44

Because X_1, X_2 and X_3 are independent, the joint density is the product of the marginals: $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 1 * 1 * 1 = 1$, $0 < x_i < 1$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\text{one } X_i \text{ is larger than the sum of the others}) &= 3P(X_1 > X_2 + X_3) \\
 &= 3 * \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-X_3} \int_1^{X_2+X_3} 1 dX_1 dX_2 dX_3 \\
 &= 3 * \frac{1}{6} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

8 Ch 6 Problem 48

a

$$\begin{aligned}P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_5) \leq a) &= 1 - P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_5) > a) \\&= 1 - P(X_1 > a, \dots, X_5 > a) \\&= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^5 P(X_i > a) \quad \text{by independence} \\&= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^5 (1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda a})) \\&= 1 - e^{-5\lambda a}\end{aligned}$$

b

In order for the maximum of the five random variables to be less than a ¹

$$\begin{aligned}P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_5) \leq a) &= P(X_1 \leq a, \dots, X_5 \leq a) \\&= \prod_{i=1}^5 P(X_i \leq a) \quad \text{by independence} \\&= \prod_{i=1}^5 (1 - e^{-\lambda a}) \\&= \boxed{(1 - e^{-\lambda a})^5}.\end{aligned}$$

¹For example, let $a = 50$, and let X_i equal your homework score on your i th to last assignment. If you violated the rules of engagement and copied down answers from a solutions website, then $\max(X_i)$ is now $\leq a$ in the grades spreadsheet.