

**Department of Mathematics**  
**Tutorial Sheet No. 4**  
**MAL 250/MTL 106 (Probability and Stochastic Processes)**

1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables. The range of  $X$  is  $\{1, 3, 4\}$  and the range of  $Y$  is  $\{1, 2\}$ . Partial information on the probability mass function is as follows:

$$p_X(3) = 0.50; \quad p_Y(2) = 0.60; \quad p_{X,Y}(4, 2) = 0.18.$$

- (a) Determine  $p_X, p_Y$  and  $p_{X,Y}$  completely.

$$p_X(4) = 0.3 \Rightarrow p_X(1) = 0.2$$

- (b) Determine  $P(|X - Y| \geq 2)$ .

$$p_Y(1) = 0.4$$

2. Evaluate all possible marginal and conditional distributions if  $(X, Y)$  has the following joint probability distribution

(a)  $P(X = j, Y = k) = q^{k-j} p^j, j = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $k = j + 1, j + 2, \dots$   $q = 1 - p$

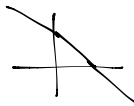
(b)  $P(X = j, Y = k) = \frac{15!}{j!k!(15-j-k)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^k \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{15-j-k}$   
 for all admissible non negative integral values of  $j$  and  $k$ .

$$P_X = \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} q^{k-j} p^j = \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^j = \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^j$$

3. Show that

$$F(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0, y < 0 \text{ or } x + y < 1 \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is not a distribution function.



$$F(x_1, y_1) + F(x_2, y_2) - F(x_1, y_2) - F(x_2, y_1) \geq 0$$

4. Find  $k$ , if the joint probability density of  $(X_1, X_2)$  is

$$k = 2$$

$$f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} k e^{-3x_1 - 4x_2}, & x_1 > 0, x_2 > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Also find the probability that the value of  $X_1$  falls between 0 and 1 while  $X_2$  falls between 0 and 2.

5. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables with  $X \sim B(3, \frac{1}{3})$  and  $Y \sim B(2, \frac{1}{2})$ . Find  $P(X = Y)$ .

6. Suppose that the two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint pdf

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} 3 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3-n} 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2-n}$$

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

Find the pdf of  $X + Y$ .

$$= \text{pdf } Z = \frac{1}{2} \quad 0 < Z < 1$$

$$p(Z) = \frac{1}{2} \quad 0 < Z < 2$$

7. Suppose that a two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint probability density function

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-(x+y)} x^8 y^4}{8!4!}, & 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the pdf of  $U = \frac{X}{Y}$ .

$$u = \frac{x}{y} \quad v = y$$

- (b) Find  $E(U)$ .

$$h(u, v) = (u, v)$$

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} v & 0 \\ u & 1 \end{vmatrix} = v$$

8. Let the execution times  $X$  and  $Y$  of two independent processes be uniformly distributed in the interval  $(0, t_X)$  and  $(0, t_Y)$ , respectively, with  $t_X \leq t_Y$ .

- (a) Find the probability that the former process has execution time smaller than the later and the total time of execution of two processes does not exceed  $\frac{1}{2}(t_X + t_Y)$ .

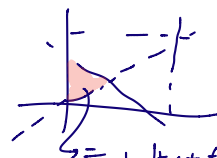
- (b) Find the distribution of the total time of execution of two processes.

$$X \sim U(0, t_x)$$

$$Y \sim U(0, t_y)$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{t_x} \frac{1}{t_y}$$

$$a) P(X \leq Y, X + Y \leq \frac{1}{2}(t_x + t_y))$$



$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left(\frac{t_x + t_y}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{t_x + t_y}{4}\right) \times \frac{1}{t_x t_y}$$

$$T = X + Y, \quad V = Y$$

$$X = U - V$$

$$Y = V$$

$$f_{U,V}(u, v) = f_{X,Y}(u-v, v) |J| \quad ; \quad 0 < u-v < t_x$$

$$= \frac{1}{t_x t_y} \times |1| = \frac{1}{t_x t_y}$$

$$f_U(u) = \int f_{U,V}(u, v) dv$$

$$= \int_{t_x-t_y}^{t_x} \frac{1}{t_x t_y} dv$$

$$= \frac{1}{t_x} \quad 0 < u < t_x$$

9. The random variable  $X$  represents the amplitude of cosine wave;  $Y$  represents the amplitude of a sine wave. Both are independent and uniformly distributed over the interval  $(0,1)$ . Let  $R$  represent the amplitude of their resultant, i.e.,  $R^2 = X^2 + Y^2$  and  $\theta$  represent the phase angle of the resultant, i.e.,  $\theta = \tan^{-1}(Y/X)$ . Find the joint and marginal pdfs of  $\theta$  and  $R$ .

10. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent continuous random variables. Show that

$$P[X \leq Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(y) f_Y(y) dy$$

where  $f_Y$  is the probability density function of  $Y$  and  $F_X$  is the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ . Also, find the value of  $P[X \leq Y]$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are i.i.d. random variables with common density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

11. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables having joint distribution which is uniform over the square which has corners at  $(2, 2)$ ,  $(-2, 2)$ ,  $(-2, -2)$  and  $(2, -2)$ . Determine  $P(|Y| > |X| + 1)$ .

12. Suppose that the two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint pdf

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} kx(x - y), & 0 < x < 2, -x < y < x \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find  $k$ . Evaluate  $P(X < 1/Y = \frac{1}{2})$  and  $P(Y < \frac{3}{2}/X = 1)$ .

13. Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be independent random variables each with uniform distributed on interval  $(0, 1)$ . What is the probability that  $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$  has real roots?

14. Let  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  be a time homogeneous Poisson process with  $X(0) = j$ . Consider the random variable

$$T_j = \inf\{t : X(t) = j + 1\}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots$$

$T_j$  is the time of occurrence of the first jump after the  $j$ th. Find the distribution of  $T_j$  for  $j \geq 0$ . Also, find the joint distribution of  $(T_{2012}, T_{2013}, T_{2014})$ .

15. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be two iid random variables each  $N(0, 1)$  distributed.

(a) Are  $X_1 + X_2$  and  $X_1 - X_2$  independent random variables? Justify your answers.

(b) Obtain  $E[X_1^2 + X_2^2 | X_1 + X_2 = t]$

16. Prove that the correlation coefficient between any two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  lies in the interval  $[-1, 1]$ .

17. Given

$$E(X_1) = 3, \quad E(X_2) = 2, \quad E(X_3) = 1$$

$$Var(X_1) = \frac{3}{2}, \quad Var(X_2) = \frac{4}{3}, \quad Var(X_3) = \frac{5}{6}$$

$$cov(X_1, X_2) = -1, \quad cov(X_1, X_3) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad cov(X_2, X_3) = \frac{-1}{3}.$$

Determine the following

(a)  $E(X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2)$  (b)  $Var(X_1 - X_2 + X_3)$  (c)  $cov(X_1 + X_2, X_3)$ .

18. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_5$  be i.i.d random variables each having uniform distributions in the interval  $(0, 1)$ .

(a) Find the probability that  $\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_5)$  lies between  $(1/4, 3/4)$ .

(b) Find the probability that  $X_1$  is the minimum and  $X_5$  is the maximum among these random variables?

19. Let  $X, Y, Z$  be i.i.d random variables each having uniform distribution in the interval  $(1, 2)$ . Find  $Var\left(\frac{4X}{3Y} + \frac{3Y}{2Z}\right)$ .

$$1) a) P_X = \begin{cases} 0.2 & x=1 \\ 0.5 & x=3 \\ 0.3 & x=4 \end{cases}$$

$$P_Y = \begin{cases} 0.4 & y=1 \\ 0.6 & y=2 \end{cases}$$

$$P_{X,Y} = P_X P_Y$$

$$b) P(|X-Y| \geq 2)$$

1, 3, 4	1, 2	
3, 1		= 0.2
4, 1		= 0.12
4, 2		= 0.18
		<u>0.50</u>

$$7) f_{u,v}(u,v) = \frac{v e^{-(u+v)} u^8 v^{12}}{8! 4!}$$

$$\frac{u^8 \int_0^\infty e^{-(u+v)} v^{13} dv}{8! 4!}$$

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-(u+v)} v^{13} dv = \frac{1}{(u+1)^{14}} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{13} dt = \frac{\Gamma(14)}{(u+1)^{14}} = \frac{13!}{(u+1)^{14}}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(u) = \frac{13! u^8}{(u+1)^{14} 8! 4!} \quad u > 0$$

$$b) E(u) = \frac{13!}{8! 4!} \int_0^\infty \frac{u^9}{(u+1)^{14}} du$$

$$\frac{13!}{8! 4!} \int_0^{1/2} \frac{2 \tan^{18} \theta \tan \theta \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sec^{28} \theta}$$

$$\frac{13!}{8! 4!} \times 2 \int_0^{1/2} \sin^{19} \theta \cos^7 \theta d\theta$$

$$\frac{13!}{8! 4!} \frac{\Gamma_{10} \Gamma_4}{\Gamma_{14}}$$

$$= \frac{13!}{8! 4!} \frac{1}{3} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$g) X = U(0,1)$$

$$Y = U(0,1)$$

$$R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(Y/X)$$

$$X^2 + Y^2 = R^2$$

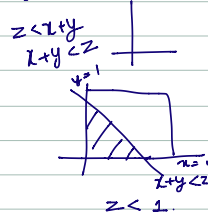
$$Y = X \tan \theta$$

$$X^2 (\sec^2 \theta) = R^2 \Rightarrow X = R \cos \theta$$

$$Y = R \sin \theta$$

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -R \sin \theta & R \cos \theta \end{vmatrix} = R$$

$$\int \int xy \, dx \, dy$$



$$u = x+y$$

$$v = y$$

$$h \quad u=v, v$$

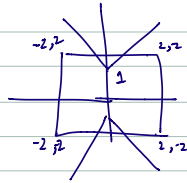
$$J = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 1$$

$$P(R, \theta) = \begin{cases} R \\ 0 \end{cases}$$

$$10) P(X \leq y)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^y F(x) dy$$

11)



$$|y| > |x|$$

$$2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{16} = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$12) \begin{cases} kx(x-y) & 0 < x < 2, -x < y < x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$k \int_0^2 \int_{-x}^x x(x-y) dy dx = 1$$

$$k \int_0^2 2x^3 dx = k \frac{2^4}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow k = 1/8$$

$$P(X < 1 | Y = \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{\int_{1/2}^1 x(x-\frac{1}{2}) dx}{\int_{1/2}^2 x(x-\frac{1}{2}) dx} = \frac{\frac{1^2 - \frac{1}{2}}{2} - \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}}{4}}{\frac{2^2 - \frac{1}{2}}{2} - \frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}}{4}} = \frac{\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{8}}{\frac{15}{8} - \frac{1}{8}} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$13) Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$$

$$B^2 - 4AC \geq 0$$

$$B^2 \geq 4AC$$

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 1 \quad \text{fix limits.}$$

14)

$$15) \begin{aligned} X_1 &\sim N(0,1) \\ X_2 &\sim N(0,2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Zu } 14) \quad u &= x-y, \quad v = x+y \\ \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u^2+v^2)} &= \frac{1}{4} e^{-\frac{1}{4}(u^2+v^2)} \quad N(0,2) \\ \text{yes.} \end{aligned}$$

$$12) \quad E(X_1^2) = \frac{21}{2} \quad E(X_2^2) = \frac{16}{3} \quad E(X_3^2) = \frac{11}{6}$$

$$a) \quad 53/3$$

$$\begin{aligned} E([X_1 - X_2 + X_3 - (2)]^2) \\ E([X_1 - 3] - [X_2 - 2] + [X_3 - 1])^2 \\ (X_1 - 3)^2 + (X_2 - 2)^2 + (X_3 - 1)^2 - 2(X_1 - 3)(X_2 - 2) - 2(X_2 - 2)(X_3 - 1) + 2(X_1 - 3)(X_3 - 1) \\ \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{5}{6} + 2 + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{3}{2} + \frac{8}{3} + \frac{5}{6} + 2 = \frac{9+16+5}{6} + 2 = 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E((X_1 + X_2 - 5)(X_3 - 1)) \\ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$18) \int_0^{3/4} \int_0^x \int_0^x \int_0^x 1 \, dx \, dx \, dx \, dx$$

$$a) \quad \frac{\frac{3}{2}^5 - \frac{1}{2}^5}{5} \times 5$$

$$b) \quad 1/25$$

$$19) \quad X, Y, Z \sim U(1,2)$$

$$\frac{4X}{3Y}$$

$$u = x/y, \quad v = y$$

$$x = uv, \quad y = v$$

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} v & 0 \\ u & 1 \end{vmatrix} = v$$

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{cases} v & \frac{1}{v} \leq X \leq \frac{2}{v} \text{ for } v < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$f(u) = \int_1^2 v \, dv$$

