## Exercise 0.1

- (a) 2 black aces and 2 red queens:  $\frac{2}{52} + \frac{2}{52} = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}$ . (b) 12 face cards, of which 6 are black, and 26 black cards overall:  $\frac{12}{52} + \frac{26}{52} \frac{6}{52} = \frac{32}{52} = \frac{8}{13}$ .
- (c) 13 hearts, 4 queens of which 1 queen of hearts: probability of finding a heart or a queen
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## Exercise 0.2

- (a)  $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$ , so here  $E(X) = \int_{1}^{2} x 6(x-1)(2-x) dx = 1.5$ . (b) First, we determine the variance  $\text{Var}(X) = E((X-E(X))(X-E(X))) = E(X^2) E(X)^2$ .  $E(X^2) = \int_{1}^{2} x^2 f(x) dx = 2.3$ . Therefore,  $\text{Var}(X) = 2.3 (1.5)^2 = 0.05$ . The standard deviation is the square root of that,  $\sqrt{0.05} \approx 0.223$ .
- (c) Denoting the 7 times given as  $x_i$ ,  $\mu = \frac{1}{7} \sum_{i=1}^{7} x_i = \frac{1}{7} (1.5 + 1.5 + 1.5 + 1.67 + 1.67 + 1.2 + 1.9) \approx 1.563$  hours. The unbiased estimate of the sample variance is  $\frac{1}{7-1} \sum_{i=1}^{7} (x_i \mu)^2 \approx 0.0467$ and so the standard deviation  $\approx \sqrt{0.0467} \approx 0.216$ .

#### Exercise 0.3

Let X be a normally distributed random variable with mean 125 and standard deviation 10. Then  $Z = \frac{X-125}{10}$  is a random variable with standard normal distribution. The probability of one student having an IQ larger than 135 is  $P(X \ge 135) = P(\frac{X-125}{10} \ge \frac{135-125}{10}) = P(\frac{X-125}{10} \ge 1) = P(Z \ge 1) = 1 - \Phi(1) \approx 1 - 0.8413 = 0.1587$ . Therefore, the probability that out of 20 randomly selected Delft students, five have an IQ of at least 135 is  $\binom{20}{5}$   $(0.1587)^5(0.8413)^{15} \approx$ 0.117.

# Exercise 0.4

- (a)  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = \int_0^x \int_x^y kxy dy dx = \frac{1}{8}kx^2(2y^2 x^2)$ . (b) The cumulative distribution function should be 1 for  $(x,y) = (\infty,\infty)$ , but here does not change for (x, y) larger than (1, 1). So setting  $F_{X,Y}(1, 1) = 1$  gives k = 8.
- (c) A:  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = 0$
- C:  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_{X,Y}(x,y)$  for y = 1:  $x^2(2-x^2)$
- D:  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = 1$
- E:  $F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_{X,Y}(x,y)$  for x = y:  $y^4$

(d)  $f_X(x) = \int_x^1 8xy dy = 4x(1-x^2)$  for  $0 \le x \le 1$ , 0 otherwise;  $f_Y(y) = \int_0^y 8xy dx = 4y^3$  for  $0 \le y \le 1$ , 0 otherwise.

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$$var(Y) = E(Y^2) - E(Y)^2 = \frac{4}{6} - (\frac{4}{5})^2 = \frac{2}{75}$$

(f) No: for independent random variables  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$ . This is not the case here.

### Exercise 0.5

(a) Call X the length of the first piece, then the second piece has length Y = 1 - X. X is uniformly distributed, with PDF f(x) = 1 for  $0 \le x < 1$  and 0 otherwise.

The covariance of X and Y, Cov(X,Y) is defined as E((X-E(X))(Y-E(Y))). E(X) = $\int_0^1 x 1 dx = \frac{1}{2}$ ; likewise,  $E(Y) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$E((X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))) = E((X - \frac{1}{2})(Y - \frac{1}{2})) = \int_0^1 (x - \frac{1}{2})((1 - x) - \frac{1}{2})dx = \int_0^1 x - x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}dx = \int_0^1 -x^2 + x - \frac{1}{4}dx = -\frac{1}{12}.$$

 $\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4}dx = \int_0^1 -x^2 + x - \frac{1}{4}dx = -\frac{1}{12}.$ (b) The correlation coefficient  $\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$ .  $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$  with  $E(X^2) = \frac{1}{2}$  $\int_0^1 x^2 1 dx = \frac{1}{3}; E(X) = \int_0^1 x 1 dx = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ so } Var(X) = \frac{1}{3} - (\frac{1}{2})^2 = \frac{1}{12} \text{ and } \sigma_X = \sqrt{Var(X)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12}}.$ Likewise,  $\sigma_Y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{12}}$  and therefore  $\rho = \frac{-\frac{1}{12}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{12}}\sqrt{\frac{1}{12}}} = -1$ .

(c) No, since they are correlated.

#### Exercise 0.6

If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are not correlated,  $R_{12} = R_{21} = 0$  and so  $\Sigma$  becomes a diagonal matrix. This means we can write  $f(\boldsymbol{x})$  as  $f(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{((2\pi)^2 \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(x_1 - \mu_1)^T (x_1 - \mu_1)}{\sigma_1^2} + \frac{(x_2 - \mu_2)^T (x_2 - \mu_2)}{\sigma_2^2}\right)\right) = 0$  $\frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_1^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x_1-\mu_1)^T (x_1-\mu_1)}{\sigma_1^2}\right) \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x_2-\mu_2)^T (x_2-\mu_2)}{\sigma_2^2}\right) = f(x_1) f(x_2), \text{ i.e. } X_1 \text{ and } X_1 = 0$  $X_2$  are independent.

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 $P(+|H) = 0.95$  and  $P(-|\neg H) = 0.95$ ; so  $P(+|\neg H) = 1 - P(-|\neg H) = 1 - 0.95 = 0.05$ .  
 $P(\neg H) = 1 - P(H) = 1 - \frac{1}{1000} = \frac{999}{1000}$  and so  $P(+) = 0.95 \cdot \frac{1}{1000} + 0.05 \cdot \frac{999}{1000} = 0.0509$ , giving

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, giving

$$P(H|+) = \frac{0.95 \cdot \frac{1}{1000}}{0.0509} = 0.0187.$$

(c) The answer is modelled by a binomial random variable with n = 100 and p = P(+) =

$$P(\ge 1+) = 1 - P(0+) = 1 - \binom{n}{0}(1-p)^n = 1 - (1 - 0.0509)^{100} = 1 - 0.0054 = 0.9946.$$