

## Assignment 2: CS 215

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Ans 1.

$$Z = XY$$

We know that  $f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz}(F_Z(z))$

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= P(XY \leq z) = \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{z}{x}} f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_{\frac{z}{x}}^\infty f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \\ \Rightarrow f_Z(z) &= \frac{d}{dz}(F_Z(z)) = \frac{d}{dz} \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{z}{x}} f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \right) + \frac{d}{dz} \left( \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_{\frac{z}{x}}^\infty f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \right) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{d}{dz} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{z}{x}} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{d}{dz} \left( \int_{\frac{z}{x}}^\infty f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{f_{XY}(x, \frac{z}{x})}{x} dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 (-1) \frac{f_{XY}(x, \frac{z}{x})}{x} dx \\ \text{Now } P(X \leq Y) &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty \int_x^\infty f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \end{aligned}$$

Ans 2.

$$Y_1 = \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \text{ and } Y_2 = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

Since  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are identically distributed, their cdf(=  $F_X(x)$ ) and pdf(=  $f_X(x) = F'_X(x)$ )

$$P(X_i \leq x) = F_X(x) \forall i \in [1, n]$$

For  $Y_1 \leq x$ , each of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \leq x$ ,

$$\text{Thus } P(Y_1 \leq x) = P(X_1 \leq x, X_2 \leq x, \dots, X_n \leq x)$$

Since  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independent,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cdf of } Y_1 &= F_{Y_1}(x) = P(Y_1 \leq x) = P(X_1 \leq x)P(X_2 \leq x) \dots P(X_n \leq x) \\ &= (F_X(x))^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{pdf of } Y_1 = F'_{Y_1}(x) = ((F_X(x))^n)' = n(F_X(x))^{n-1}F'_X(x)$$

Now  $P(X_i > x) = 1 - P(X_i \leq x) = 1 - F_X(x) \forall i \text{ in } [1, n]$

For  $Y_2 > x$ , each of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n > x$ ,

Thus  $P(Y_2 > x) = P(X_1 > x, X_2 > x, \dots, X_n > x)$

Since  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independent,

$$P(Y_2 > x) = P(X_1 > x)P(X_2 > x) \dots P(X_n > x)$$

$$= (1 - F_X(x))^n$$

$$P(Y_2 > x) = 1 - P(Y_2 \leq x) = (1 - F_X(x))^n$$

$$\text{cdf of } Y_2 = F_{Y_2}(x) = P(Y_2 \leq x) = 1 - (1 - F_X(x))^n$$

$$\text{pdf of } Y_2 = F'_{Y_2}(x) = ((1 - F_X(x))^n)' = n(1 - F_X(x))^{n-1} F'_X(x)$$

Ans 3.

Since the total amount doubles in each trial, the amount bet in the  $n^{th}$  trial  $= 2^{n-1}x$

Amount won in the  $n^{th}$  trial  $= 2^{n-1}x$  Total amount lost in the previous  $n-1$  trials  $= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^{i-1}x$  Net amount won

$$= 2^{n-1}x - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^{i-1}x$$

$$= 2^{n-1}x - \frac{2^{n-1} - 1}{2 - 1}x$$

$$= 2^{n-1}x - (2^{n-1} - 1)x$$

$$= x$$

Ans 4.

$$\text{Covariance} = E((x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y))$$

$$= E(XY - X\mu_y - Y\mu_x + \mu_x\mu_y)$$

$$= E(XY) - \mu_y E(X) - \mu_x E(Y) + \mu_x\mu_y (\because E() \text{ is a linear operator.})$$

$$= E(XY) - \mu_y\mu_x - \mu_x\mu_y + \mu_x\mu_y$$

$$= E(XY) - \mu_x\mu_y$$

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

$$E(XY) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

If X and Y are independent  $f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f_X(x) f_Y(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy \\ &= E(X)E(Y) \\ \implies E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus independence implies Covariance is 0. But the converse may not always be true.

**Counter Example:** Consider the set 1,2,3 with equal probability of selecting any one of the elements.

Now we select one element from the set.

Consider the random variables  $X_1, X_2$  such that,

$$X_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{Selected number is even} \\ 0 & \text{Selected number is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$X_2 = \text{Selected number}$$

$$\text{Now } E(X_1) = 1 * \frac{1}{3} + 0 * \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$E(X_2) = 1 * \frac{1}{3} + 2 * \frac{1}{3} + 3 * \frac{1}{3} = 2$$

$$E(X_1 X_2) = 1 * 2 * \frac{1}{3} + 0 = \frac{2}{3} = E(X_1)E(X_2)$$

Hence Covariance of  $X_1, X_2$  is 0.

Now when  $X_2 = 1$ , then  $X_1$  must be 0 (since 1 is odd). Hence,

$$P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1) = 0$$

$$\text{But } P(X_1 = 1) = 1 * \frac{1}{3} \text{ and } P(X_2 = 1) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Thus } P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1) \neq P(X_1 = 1)P(X_2 = 1)$$

Hence  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are not independent. Thus Covariance = 0  $\nRightarrow$  Independence

Ans 5.

$$\text{Var}(X) = E((x - \mu)^2)$$

We know that  $E((x - c)^2)$  is minimum when  $c = \mu$

$$\text{Let } c = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$\text{Thus } \text{Var}(X) \leq E((x - \frac{a+b}{2})^2)$$

$$= \int_a^b (x - \frac{a+b}{2})^2 f_X(x) dx$$

$\frac{a+b}{2}$  is the mid-point of the interval [a,b]. Now to maximise  $(x - \frac{a+b}{2})^2$  we need to take the value farthest from  $\frac{a+b}{2}$  in the interval [a,b]. These values are  $x=a$  and  $x=b$  which give

$$(x - \frac{a+b}{2})^2 = (a - \frac{a+b}{2})^2 = (b - \frac{a+b}{2})^2 = (\frac{b-a}{2})^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } \int_a^b \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 f_X(x) dx &\leq \left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^2 \int_a^b f_X(x) dx \\ &= \left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^2 (\because \text{the total probability over the entire range is } 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence } \text{Var}(X) \leq \left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{4}$$

Ans 6.

The equation of tangent at  $x = x_o$  is

$$\frac{y - g(x_o)}{x - x_o} = g'(x_o)$$

$$\implies y = (x - x_o)g'(x_o) + g(x_o)$$

As  $g(x)$  is a convex function

$$g(x) \geq y = (x - x_o)g'(x_o) + g(x_o)$$

$$\implies g(x) \geq (x - x_o)g'(x_o) + g(x_o)$$

$$\implies \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx \geq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ((x - x_o)g'(x_o) + g(x_o)) f_X(x) dx$$

$$E(g(x)) \geq (E(x) - x_o)g'(x_o) + g(x_o)$$

This holds for all  $x = x_o$  Let  $x_o = E(x)$

$$E(g(x)) \geq g(E(x))$$

Hence proved.