

## Module 7 - Homework 7

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### Problem 1

Suppose the conditional random variable  $X|N$  has a binomial distribution with parameters  $p$  and  $N$ , where  $N$  has a Poisson distribution with mean  $\lambda$ . What is the marginal distribution for  $X$ ?

The marginal distribution is defined as

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, n) dn$$

We are given:

$$p_{X|N}(k|n) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}, k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$p_N(n) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}, n = 0, 1, \dots$$

We can find the marginal distribution of  $X$  by using the total probability theorem:

$$P(X = k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_{X|N}(k, n) p_N(n)$$

Note that the lower bound is zero because the Poisson and binomial distributions aren't defined for those regions.

$$P(X = k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \right) e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$$

$$P(X = k) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \right) e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$$

$$P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} p^k \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda^n}{k!(n-k)!} (1-p)^{n-k} \right)$$

Notice that because  $(n - k)!$  can't have negative terms, we need to adjust the lower bound of the summation:

$$P(X = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!} \sum_{n=k}^N \left( \frac{\lambda^n}{(n - k)!} (1 - p)^{n-k} \right)$$

I think there is a way to simplify this... let me come back to it.

## Problem 2

The input  $X$  to a communication channel is a zero-mean, unit-variance Gaussian random variable. The channel output  $Y$  is the sum of  $X$  and a noise signal  $N$ , where  $N$  is a zero-mean Gaussian random variable with variance  $\sigma_N^2$ .  $X$  and  $N$  are independent random variables.

### (A)

Find the conditional pdf of  $Y$  given  $X=x$ . Hint:  $Y = N + x$  is a linear function of  $N$ . Let's find the mean and variance of  $Y$ . Note that  $x$  is constant:

$$E[Y] = E[x] + E[N] = x + 0 = x$$

$$\text{Var}[Y] = \text{Var}[x + N] = \text{Var}[N] = \sigma_N^2$$

$$\boxed{f_{Y|X}(y) \sim N(x, \sigma_N^2)}$$

### (B)

Find the joint pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) =$$

The joint pdf of a 2-dimensional Gaussian random vector is given by

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{1-r^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-r^2)} \left[ \frac{(x_1 - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma_1^2} - 2r \frac{(x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2)}{\sigma_1\sigma_2} + \frac{(x_2 - \mu_2)^2}{\sigma_2^2} \right] \right\}$$

where  $r$  is the correlation coefficient and  $-\infty < x_1 < \infty$  and  $-\infty < x_2 < \infty$ . For our case, we need to first find the correlation between  $X$  and  $Y$ , then substitute the respective variables.

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[X(X + N)] - 0$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[X^2 + NX] = E[X^2] + E[X]E[N]$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[X^2] + 0 = 1$$

This leaves us with a correlation coefficient:

$$r = \frac{Cov(x, y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{1}{\sigma_N}$$

Now we can go back to our equation with  $x_1 = x$ ,  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_X = 1$ ,  $x_2 = y$ ,  $\sigma_2 = \sigma_Y = \sigma_N$ ,  $\mu_1 = \mu_X$ ,  $\mu_2 = \mu_Y$ :

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi(1)(\sigma_y)\sqrt{1 - (\frac{1}{\sigma_N})^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1 - (\frac{1}{\sigma_N})^2)} \left[ \frac{(x - \mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} - 2\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_N}\right) \frac{(x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} + \frac{(y - \mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} \right] \right\}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi(\sigma_y)\sqrt{1 - (\frac{1}{\sigma_N})^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1 - (\frac{1}{\sigma_N})^2)} \left[ \frac{(x)^2}{1} - 2\frac{(x)(y)}{\sigma_N^2} + \frac{(y)^2}{\sigma_N^2} \right] \right\}$$

(C)

Find the conditional pdf of the input  $X$  given the observation  $Y = y$ . We have  $X = Y - N$  when we solve for  $X$ .

$$E[X] = E[y] - E[N] = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$Var[X] = Var[y - N] = Var[-N] = (-1)^2 Var[N] = \sigma_N^2$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x) \sim N(0, \sigma_N^2)$$

(D)

Suppose that when  $Y = y$  we estimate the input  $X$  by the value  $x_0 = g(y)$  that maximizes the probability  $P[x_0 < X < x_0 + dx | Y = y]$ . Find  $x_0$ . What happens to  $g(y)$  as  $\sigma_N^2$  approaches zero? As  $\sigma_N^2$  approaches infinity? Evaluate  $E[(X - g(Y))^2]$ , the mean square error of the estimate

First find  $x_0$  by finding the max value of  $P(X|Y = y)$

$$0 = \frac{d}{dx} P(X|Y = y)$$

Let's now find the mean-square error of the estimate:

$$E[(X - g(Y))^2]$$

### Problem 3

Let  $X, Y$ , and  $Z$  be independent zero-mean, unit-variance Gaussian random variables and let  $R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2}$ . Find the PDF of  $R$

First note that the joint density function is (remember that they are independent):

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(x^2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(y^2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(z^2)}$$

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(x,y,z) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(x+y+z)^2}$$

Let  $x = r\cos(\theta)$ ,  $y = r\sin(\theta)$ ,  $z = 0$ , and substitute into our distribution:

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(r\cos(\theta)+r\sin(\theta)+0)^2}$$

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(r^2(\cos(\theta)+\sin(\theta))^2)}$$

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(r^2(\cos^2(\theta)+2\cos(\theta)\sin(\theta)+\sin^2(\theta)))}$$

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(r^2(1+2\cos(\theta)\sin(\theta)))}$$

$$f_{X,Y,Z}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-1/2(r^2(1+\sin(2\theta)))}$$

The reason why we set  $z = 0$  is so that we only have to do a transformation involving 2 variables. To find the distribution of  $R$ , we will need to solve for the following:

$$f_{R,\theta}(r, \theta) = f_{X,Y}(r\cos(\theta), r\sin(\theta), 0)|J|$$

The jacobian is:

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Problem 4

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent exponential random variables with parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , respectively. Let  $Z=X+Y$

(A)

Find the characteristic function of  $Z$ . Because  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent we can use the following property:

$$C_{X+Y}(t) = E[e^{jt(X+Y)}] = E[e^{jtX}]E[e^{jtY}] = C_X(t)C_Y(t)$$

Thus we get the following characteristic function for  $Z$ :

$$C_Z(t) = C_X(t)C_Y(t) = \boxed{\frac{\alpha}{\alpha - jt} \frac{\beta}{\beta - jt}}$$

(B)

Find the PDF of  $Z$  from the characteristic function found in part (a). Hint: Use partial fractions.

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} C_Z(t) e^{-jtz} dt$$

Above is the definition of the pdf in terms of the characteristic function. Note that we are dealing with exponential RVs so the lower bound is  $t=0$ .

$$f_Z(z) = \int_0^{\infty} C_X(t) C_Y(t) e^{-jtz} dt$$

$$f_Z(z) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - jt} \frac{\beta}{\beta - jt} e^{-jtz} dt$$

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{-\alpha\beta}{(t + j\alpha)(t + j\beta)} e^{-jtz} dt$$

Use partial fraction decomposition to break this up:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-\alpha\beta}{(t + j\alpha)(t + j\beta)} &= \frac{\theta_1}{(t + j\alpha)} + \frac{\theta_2}{(t + j\beta)} \\ -\alpha\beta &= \theta_1(t + j\beta) + \theta_2(t + j\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

If you let  $t = -bj$  and  $t = -aj$ , then we can find the thetas... and get:

$$\theta_1 = \frac{-\alpha\beta j}{a - b}, \theta_2 = \frac{\alpha\beta j}{a - b}$$

Plug it into our initial calculations:

$$\begin{aligned} f_Z(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{-\alpha\beta j}{a-b}}{t + j\beta} + \frac{\frac{\alpha\beta j}{a-b}}{t + j\alpha} e^{-jtz} dt \\ f_Z(z) &= \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - \beta} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\beta}{\beta - jt} e^{-jtz} dt + \frac{\beta}{\alpha - \beta} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - jt} e^{-jtz} dt \end{aligned}$$

Notice that we have the sum of two scaled exponential pdfs. There is a trick here to simplify it but I haven't figured it out yet... I'll come back to it.

## Problem 5

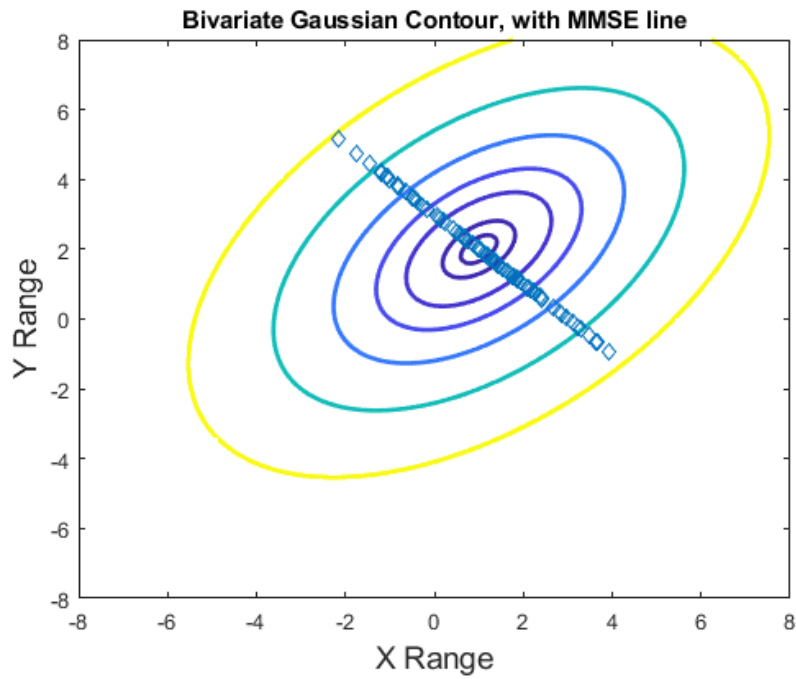
If a bivariate Gaussian PDF has a mean vector and a covariance matrix given below. plot the contours of constant PDF. Next find the minimum mean square error (MMSE) prediction of  $Y$  given  $X=x$  and plot it on top of the contour plot. Explain the significance of the plot

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mu_X \\ \mu_Y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall that the MMSE in this case is given by:

$$E[Y|x] = \mu_y + \frac{\rho_{X,Y}\sigma_Y}{\sigma_X}(x - \mu_X)$$

Below is a plot for this problem. I took the liberty to plot several MMSE points to show the pattern and deduct the significance. Notice that it forms a line that intersects the origin, and how it crosses the contour lines. The MMSE line crosses the contour along a path such that the Y realization is most likely,  $y = -x + 3$ .  $E[Y]=2$  and  $E[X]=1$ , and plugging in  $x=E[X]$  will yield  $E[Y]$  and produce the resulting MMSE line.



## Matlab Code

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1  %% %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
2  % Problem 5
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5  % the goal of this plot is to show the regression line.
6  % See slide 19 of
7  % this week's lecture notes.
8
9  % Bivariate gaussian mean and covariance matrix
10 mu = [1;2];
11 C = [2, -1; -1, 2];
12
13 % plot the contours of the constant bivariate gaussian
14 % PDF
15 gridVec = -8:0.1:8;
16 muVec = mu';
17 varVec = [C(1) C(4)]; % the diag of the covariance matrix
18 % is the var
19 r = 1/2;
20 [X,Y,Z,f] = hw4prob4SP21ContourPDF(gridVec, muVec, varVec, r);
21
22 figure(1)
23 csq = [1/16 1/4 1 2 4 8 16];
24 [cmat,h] = contour(X,Y,Z,csq,'LineWidth',2);
25 title("Bivariate Gaussian Contour, with MMSE line")
26 xlabel('X Range','FontSize',14);
27 ylabel('Y Range','FontSize',14);
28
29 % Find the minimum mean square error prediction Y given X
30 % =x
31 mu_y = mu(2);
32 mu_x = mu(1);
33 std_dev_X = sqrt(C(1));
34 std_dev_Y = sqrt(C(4));
35
36 % remember that the covariance of X and Y are the
37 % bordering matrix values
38 % of their respective variance values in said matrix
39 cov_XY = C(2); % also C(3)
40
41 % Realization of X
42 x = std_dev_X.*randn(1,100)+mu_x;
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38 E_Y = mu_y + (cov_XY*std_dev_Y)/std_dev_X * (x-mu_x);
39
40 hold on
41 plot(x,E_Y, 'd');

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