

ECE 3100 - PSet 6

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1 Answers

1. Bills w/ Gollum

- (a) Let rv X be the number of dollar bills in the envelope X. Let rv Y be the number of dollar bills in the envelope Y.

$$\begin{aligned} p_X(7) &= \sum_{z \in Z} p_Z(z) p_{X|Z}(x | z) \\ &= 0 + \cdots + 0 + p_Z(21) p_{X|Z}(7 | 21) + 0 + \cdots + 0 \\ &= p(1-p)^{(21/3)-1} (0.5) \\ &= 0.5p(1-p)^6 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Prob $X = 6$.

$$\begin{aligned} p_X(6) &= \sum_{z \in Z} p_Z(z) p_{X|Z}(x | z) \\ &= p_Z(9) p_{X|Z}(6 | 9) + p_Z(18) p_{X|Z}(6 | 18) \\ &= p(1-p)^{(9/3)-1} (0.5) + p(1-p)^{(18/3)-1} (0.5) \\ &= 0.5p(1-p)^2 + 0.5p(1-p)^5 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) If Gollum finds an odd number of bills in X, then he should take the contents of Y instead. The envelope with the two-thirds of the bills will always be even, so if the # of bills in X is odd, we know Y has more bills.

- (d)

$$p_{Y|X}(2m | m) = \frac{p_{X,Y}(m, 2m)}{p_X(m)}$$

- (e)

2. Three-sided Dice

- (a) Find the joint pmf $p_{X,Y}(x, y)$.

$$\begin{aligned} p_{X,Y}(x, y) &= \mathbb{P}(\{X = x \cap \{Y = y\}\}) \\ &= 1/9 \forall x, y \in \{1, 2, 3\} \times \{1, 2, 3\} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) PMF of Z .

$$p_Z(k) = \begin{cases} 1/9 & k = 2, 6 \\ 2/9 & k = 3, 5 \\ 1/3 & k = 4 \end{cases}$$

(c) Expectation and Variance of Z

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(Z) &= \sum_{x \in X} \sum_{y \in Y} g(x, y) p_{X,Y}(x, y) \\ &= 2(1/9) + 3(2/9) + 4(1/3) + 5(2/9) + 6(1/9) \\ &= 4\end{aligned}$$

3. RV Joint PMF

(a) Find the constant c .

$$1 = c(1)(1) + c(3)(1) + c(4)(1) + c(1)(4) + c(3)(4) + c(4)(4)c = 1/40 = 0.025$$

(b) Find $\mathbb{P}(\{Y = 2\})$.

$$\mathbb{P}(\{Y = 2\}) = \sum_x p_{X,Y}(x, 2) = 4/40 + 12/40 + 16/40 = 32/40 = 0.8$$

(c) Find marginal pmfs $p_X(x)$, $p_Y(y)$.

$$p_X(x) = \sum_y p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 5/40(0.125) & x = 1 \\ 15/40(0.375) & x = 3 \\ 20/40(0.5) & x = 4 \end{cases}$$

$$p_Y(y) = \sum_x p_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8/40(0.2) & y = 1 \\ 32/40(0.8) & y = 2 \end{cases}$$

(d) Find $\mathbb{E}(X)$, $\mathbb{E}(Y)$, $\mathbb{E}(XY)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(X) &= \sum_x x p_X(x) \\ &= (1)(5/40) + 3(15/40) + 4(20/40) \\ &= 2.75\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(Y) &= \sum_y y p_Y(y) \\ &= (1)(8/40) + (2)(32/40) \\ &= 1.8\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}(XY) &= \sum_x \sum_y (xy) p_{X,Y}(x, y) \\ &= 1(1/40) + 3(3/40) + 4(4/40) + 2(4/40) + 6(12/40) + 8(16/40) \\ &= 5.85\end{aligned}$$

(e) Find $Var(X)$ and $Var(Y)$.