

HOMework 7

MA 222 Probability and Statistics

Problem One. Annie and Alvie have agreed to meet between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. for dinner at a local health-food restaurant. Let X = Annie's arrival time and Y = Alvie's arrival time. Suppose X and Y are independent with each uniformly distributed on the interval $[5, 6]$.

- a. What is the joint pdf of X and Y ?

Two random variables X and Y are independent if and only if:

1. $p(x, y) = p_x(x) * p_y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's
2. $f(x, y) = f_x(x) * f_y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's

Otherwise, they are dependent.

Since X and Y are independent and uniformly distributed. The joint pdf of X and Y is:

$$f(x, y) = f_x(x) * f_y(y) = 1 * 1 = 1, \quad 5 \leq x \leq 6, 5 \leq y \leq 6,$$

$$f(x, y) = 0$$

That means:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1, & 5 \leq x \leq 6, 5 \leq y \leq 6 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- b. What is the probability that they both arrive between 5:15 and 5:45?

Multiplication Property: Two events A and B are independent if and only if:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B)$$

Converting 5:15 to 5.25 and 5:45 to 5.75. (Because 15 minutes is 0.25 of an hour)

$$\begin{aligned} P(5.25 \leq x \leq 5.75, 5.25 \leq y \leq 5.75) &= P(5.25 \leq x \leq 5.75) * P(5.25 \leq y \leq 5.75) \\ &= \int_{5.25}^{5.75} 1 \, dx * \int_{5.25}^{5.75} 1 \, dy \\ &= 0.5 * 0.5 \\ &= 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

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- c. If the first one to arrive will wait only 10 min before leaving to eat elsewhere, what is the probability that they have dinner at the health-food restaurant? [Hint: The event of interest is $A = \{(x, y) : |x - y| \leq 1/6\}$.]

1/6 of an hour = 10 minutes.

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] = \iint_A f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] = \iint_A 1 dx dy = \frac{11}{36} = 0.31$$

Problem Two. You have two lightbulbs for a particular lamp. Let X = the lifetime of the first bulb and Y = the lifetime of the second bulb (both in 1000s of hours). Suppose that X and Y are independent and that each has an exponential distribution with parameter

- a. What is the joint pdf of X and Y ?

Two random variables X and Y are independent if and only if:

1. $p(x, y) = p_x(x) * p_y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's
2. $f(x, y) = f_x(x) * f_y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's

Otherwise, they are dependent.

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f_y(y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y}, & y \geq 0 \\ 0, & y < 0 \end{cases}$$

That means:

$$f(x, y) = f_x(x) * f_y(y) = \begin{cases} e^{-x-y}, & x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- b. What is the probability that each bulb lasts at most 1000 hours

Multiplication Property: Two events A and B are independent if and only if:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) * P(B)$$

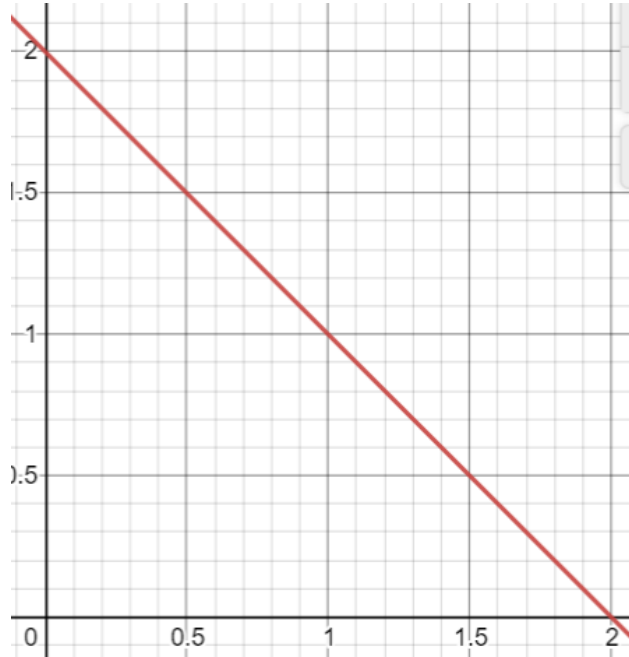
Converting 5:15 to 5.25 and 5:45 to 5.75. (Because 15 minutes is 0.25 of an hour)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 1 \text{ and } Y \leq 1) &= P(X \leq 1) * P(Y \leq 1) \\ &= (1 - e^{-1}) * (1 - e^{-1}) \\ &= 0.4 \end{aligned}$$

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- c. What is the probability that the total lifetime of the two bulbs is at most 2? [Hint: Draw a picture of the region $A = \{(x, y):$ integrating.]

$$P(X + Y \leq 2) = \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} e^{-x-y} dy dx = 1 - e^{-2} - 2e^{-2} = 0.594$$



- d. What is the probability that the total lifetime is between 1 and 2?

$$P(X + Y \leq 2) = \int_0^2 \int_0^{2-x} e^{-x-y} dy dx = 1 - e^{-2} - 2e^{-2} = 0.594$$

$$P(X + Y \leq 1) = \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} e^{-x-y} dy dx = 1 - e^{-1} - e^{-1} = 0.264$$

$$P(1 \leq X + Y \leq 2) = P(X + Y \leq 2) - P(X + Y \leq 1) = 0.594 - 0.264 = 0.33$$

Problem Three. Annie and Alvie have agreed to meet for lunch between noon (0:00 p.m.) and 1:00 p.m. Denote Annie's arrival time by X , Alvie's by Y , and suppose X and Y are independent with pdf's

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 2y & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the expected amount of time that the one who arrives first must wait for the other person?

Two random variables X and Y are independent if and only if:

1. $p(x, y) = p_X(x) * p_Y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's
2. $f(x, y) = f_X(x) * f_Y(y)$ for every (x, y) , and when X and Y discrete rv's

Otherwise, they are dependent.

Since X and Y are independent and uniformly distributed. The joint pdf of X and Y is:

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x) * f_Y(y) = 3x^2 * 2y = 6x^2y, \quad 0 \leq x, y \leq 1$$

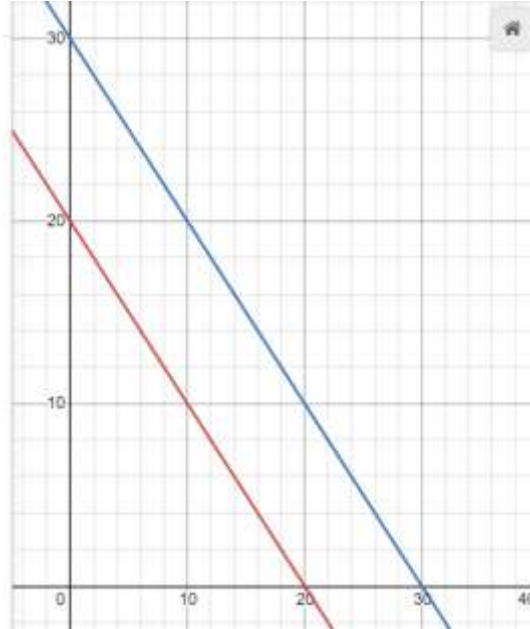
$$f(x, y) = 0$$

$$E[g(X, Y)] = E[|X - Y|] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x - y| * f(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |x - y| * 6x^2y dx dy = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{3} - \frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Problem Four. A health-food store stocks two different brands of a certain type of grain. Let X = the amount (lb) of brand A on hand and Y = the amount of brand B on hand. Suppose the joint pdf of X and Y is

- a. Draw the region of positive density and determine the value of k .



$$0 \leq x \leq 20 \rightarrow \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} f(x, y) dy dx = \frac{70000}{3}k$$

$$20 \leq x \leq 30 \rightarrow \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} f(x, y) dy dx = \frac{70000}{3}k$$

$$\frac{70000}{3}k + 3750k = \frac{81250}{3}k \rightarrow k = \frac{3}{81250}$$

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b. Are X and Y independent? Answer by first deriving the marginal pdf of each variable.

No, X and Y are not independent. You do not get the joint pdf when you multiple the marginal distributions.

$$f_x(x) = \int_{20-x}^{30-x} f(x,y)dy = \int_{20-x}^{30-x} kxydy = 250kx - 10kx^2$$

$$f_x(x) = \int_0^{30-x} f(x,y)dy = \int_0^{30-x} kxydy = 450kx - 30kx^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^3$$

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 250kx - 10kx^2, & 0 \leq x \leq 20 \\ 450kx - 30kx^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^3, & 20 < x \leq 30 \end{cases}$$

$$f_y(y) = \begin{cases} 250ky - 10ky^2, & 0 \leq y \leq 20 \\ 450ky - 30ky^2 + \frac{1}{2}ky^3, & 20 < y \leq 30 \end{cases}$$

c. Compute $P(X + Y \leq 25)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X + Y \leq 25 | 0 \leq X \leq 20) &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{25-x} f(x,y)dydx \\ &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{25-x} kxydydx \\ &= 125k(20)^2 - (10/3)k(20)^3 = (27500/3)k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X + Y \leq 25 | 20 < X \leq 30) &= \int_{20}^{25} \int_0^{25-x} f(x,y)dydx \\ &= \int_{20}^{25} \int_0^{25-x} kxydydx \\ &= (10625/24)k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X + Y \leq 25) &= \frac{27500}{3}k + \frac{10625}{24}k = \frac{76875}{8}k = \frac{76875}{8} \frac{3}{81250} = \frac{369}{1040} \\ &= 0.35 \end{aligned}$$

- d. What is the expected total amount of this grain on hand?

Total amount of grain on this hand is $X + Y$.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq X \leq 20 &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} (x+y)f(x,y)dydx = \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} kx^2ydydx \\ &= 125k(20)^2 - \frac{10}{3}k(20)^3 = 600000k \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 20 < X \leq 30 &= \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} (x+y)f(x,y)dydx = \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} kx^2ydydx \\ &= \frac{310000}{3}k \end{aligned}$$

$$E(X+Y) = 600000k + \frac{310000k}{3} = \frac{2110000k}{3} = \frac{2110000}{3} * \frac{3}{81250} = \frac{1688}{65} = 25.96$$

- e. Compute $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ and $\text{Corr}(X, Y)$.

Calculating the mean:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_x = E(X) &= \int_0^{30} xf(x)dx \\ &= \int_0^{20} 250kx^2 - 10kx^3 dx \\ &+ \int_{20}^{30} 450kx^2 - 30kx^3 + \frac{1}{2}kx^4 dx = \frac{800000k}{3} + 85000k \\ &= \frac{1055000}{30}k \end{aligned}$$

Calculating expected value of XY :

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} xyf(x,y)dydx + \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} xyf(x,y)dydx \\ &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} kx^2y^2dydx + \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} kx^2y^2dydx \\ &= \frac{29600000k}{9} + \frac{3650000k}{9} = \frac{33250000k}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Calculating the Variance:

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_x^2 &= E((X - \mu_x)^2) \\
 &= \int_0^{30} (x - \frac{1055000}{3})^2 f_X(x) dx \\
 &= \frac{400000k}{27} (243 - 12660000k + 194779375000k^2) + \frac{25000k}{3} (233 \\
 &\quad - 7174000k + 55651250000k^2) \\
 &= \frac{16625000k}{3} - \frac{2226050000000k^2}{9} + \frac{90433281250000000k^3}{27}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculating Covariance:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y = \frac{33250000k}{9} - \frac{1055000}{3} \frac{1055000}{3} k^2 \\
 &= \frac{33250000}{9} \frac{3}{81250} - \frac{1055000}{3} \frac{1055000}{3} \frac{3^2}{81250^2} = -\frac{408008}{12675} \\
 &= \mathbf{-32.19}
 \end{aligned}$$

Calculating the Correlation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Corr}(X, Y) &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{-\frac{408008}{12675}}{\frac{16625000k}{3} - \frac{226050000000k^2}{9} + \frac{90433281250000000k^3}{27}} \\
 &= \frac{-\frac{408008}{12675}}{\frac{16625000}{3} \frac{3}{81250} - \frac{226050000000}{9} \frac{3^2}{81250^2} + \frac{90433281250000000}{27} \frac{3^3}{81250^3}} \\
 &= -\frac{102002}{114123} = \mathbf{-0.894}
 \end{aligned}$$

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f. What is the variance of the total amount of grain on hand?

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X + Y) &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} (x + y - 25.97)^2 f(x, y) dy dx + \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} (x + y - 25.97)^2 f(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_0^{20} \int_{20-x}^{30-x} (x + y - 25.97)^2 kxy dy dx + \int_{20}^{30} \int_0^{30-x} (x + y - 25.97)^2 kxy dy dx \\ &= 184056k + 23141k = 207197k = 207197 \frac{3}{81250} = \frac{621591}{81250} \\ &= 7.6504\end{aligned}$$

Problem Five. We have seen that if $E(X_1) = E(X_2) = \dots = E(X_n) = \mu$, then $E(X_1 + \dots + X_n) = n\mu$. In some applications, the number of X_i 's under consideration is not a fixed number n but instead is a random variable N . For example, let N = the number of components that are brought into a repair shop on a particular day, and let X_i denote the repair shop time for the i th component. Then the total repair time is $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_N$, the sum of a random number of random variables. When N is independent of the X_i 's, it can be shown that

- a. If the expected number of components brought in on a particular day is 10 and expected repair time for a randomly submitted component is 40 min, what is the expected total repair time for components submitted on any particular day?

$$E(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_N) = 400$$

- b. Suppose components of a certain type come in for repair according to a Poisson process with a rate of 5 per hour. The expected number of defects per component is 3.5. What is the expected value of the total number of defects on components submitted for repair during a 4-hour period? Be sure to indicate how your answer follows from the general result just given.

Proposition: Number of events during a time interval of length t can be modeled using Poisson random variable with parameter $\mu = \alpha t$. This indicates that:

$$P_k(t) = e^{-\alpha t} * \frac{(\alpha t)^k}{k!}$$

$$\mu_N = \alpha * t = 5 * 4 = 20$$

Proposition: For random variable X with Poisson Distribution with parameter $\mu > 0$, the following is true:

$$E(X) = V(X) = \mu$$

$$E(N) = \mu_N = 20$$

$$E(N) * \mu = 20 * 3.5 = 70 \text{ (Given: } \mu = 3.5 \text{)}$$