

## SECTION 4.9

*Exercise (4.136).* Suppose that the waiting time for the first customer to enter a retail shop after 9:00 A.M. is a random variable  $Y$  with an exponential density function given by

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-y/\theta}, & y > 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the moment-generating function for  $Y$ .

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned} m(t) &= E(e^{tY}) = \int_0^\infty e^{ty} \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-y/\theta} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\infty e^{y(t-1/\theta)} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{t - 1/\theta} [e^{y(t-1/\theta)}]_0^\infty \end{aligned}$$

For convergence, we need  $t < 1/\theta$ . Then:

$$m(t) = \frac{1}{\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{t - 1/\theta} (0 - 1) = \frac{1}{1 - \theta t}$$

For  $t < 1/\theta$ :  $m(t) = (1 - \theta t)^{-1}$

□

- (b) Use the answer from part (a) to find  $E(Y)$  and  $V(Y)$ .

*Solution:*  $m(t) = (1 - \theta t)^{-1}$

$$m'(t) = \theta(1 - \theta t)^{-2}$$

$$E(Y) = m'(0) = \theta(1)^{-2} = \theta$$

$$m''(t) = 2\theta^2(1 - \theta t)^{-3}$$

$$E(Y^2) = m''(0) = 2\theta^2$$

$$V(Y) = E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2 = 2\theta^2 - \theta^2 = \theta^2$$

□

*Exercise (4.137).* Show that the result given in Exercise 3.158 also holds for continuous random variables. That is, show that, if  $Y$  is a random variable with moment-generating function  $m(t)$  and  $U$  is given by  $U = aY + b$ , the moment-generating function of  $U$  is  $e^{tb}m(at)$ . If  $Y$  has mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ , use the moment-generating function of  $U$  to derive the mean and variance of  $U$ .

*Solution:* **Part 1: Derive MGF of  $U = aY + b$**

$$\begin{aligned} m_U(t) &= E(e^{tU}) = E(e^{t(aY+b)}) \\ &= E(e^{atY+tb}) = E(e^{tb} \cdot e^{atY}) \\ &= e^{tb}E(e^{atY}) = e^{tb}m_Y(at) \end{aligned}$$

Thus:  $m_U(t) = e^{tb}m(at)$

**Part 2: Find mean and variance of  $U$**

$$\begin{aligned} m'_U(t) &= be^{tb}m(at) + ae^{tb}m'(at) \\ E(U) &= m'_U(0) = bm(0) + am'(0) = b + a\mu = a\mu + b \\ m''_U(t) &= b^2e^{tb}m(at) + 2abe^{tb}m'(at) + a^2e^{tb}m''(at) \\ E(U^2) &= m''_U(0) = b^2 + 2ab\mu + a^2E(Y^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(U) &= E(U^2) - [E(U)]^2 \\ &= b^2 + 2ab\mu + a^2E(Y^2) - (a\mu + b)^2 \\ &= b^2 + 2ab\mu + a^2E(Y^2) - a^2\mu^2 - 2ab\mu - b^2 \\ &= a^2[E(Y^2) - \mu^2] = a^2\sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

□

*Exercise (4.139).* The moment-generating function of a normally distributed random variable,  $Y$ , with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  was shown in Exercise 4.138 to be  $m(t) = e^{\mu t + (1/2)t^2\sigma^2}$ . Use the result in Exercise 4.137 to derive the moment-generating function of  $X = -3Y + 4$ . What is the distribution of  $X$ ? Why?

*Solution:* Given:  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $m_Y(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2}$

For  $X = -3Y + 4$ , using Exercise 4.137 with  $a = -3$  and  $b = 4$ :

$$\begin{aligned} m_X(t) &= e^{tb} m_Y(at) = e^{4t} m_Y(-3t) \\ &= e^{4t} \cdot e^{\mu(-3t) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(-3t)^2} \\ &= e^{4t} \cdot e^{-3\mu t + \frac{9\sigma^2 t^2}{2}} \\ &= e^{(4-3\mu)t + \frac{9\sigma^2}{2}t^2} \end{aligned}$$

This is the MGF of a normal distribution with: - Mean:  $-3\mu + 4$  - Variance:  $9\sigma^2$

$$X \sim N(-3\mu + 4, 9\sigma^2)$$

**Why?** Linear transformations of normal random variables are also normally distributed. □

*Exercise (4.140).* Identify the distributions of the random variables with the following moment-generating functions:

(a)  $m(t) = (1 - 4t)^{-2}$ .

*Solution:* This is the MGF of a gamma distribution with  $\alpha = 2$  and  $\beta = 4$ :

$$m(t) = (1 - \beta t)^{-\alpha} = (1 - 4t)^{-2}$$

$$\text{Gamma}(\alpha = 2, \beta = 4)$$

Alternative: This is also an Erlang distribution with  $n = 2$  and  $\beta = 4$ . □

(b)  $m(t) = 1/(1 - 3.2t)$ .

*Solution:* This is the MGF of an exponential distribution with  $\beta = 3.2$ :

$$m(t) = (1 - \beta t)^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 - 3.2t}$$

Exponential( $\beta = 3.2$ )

Alternative: This is also Gamma( $\alpha = 1, \beta = 3.2$ ).

□

(c)  $m(t) = e^{-5t+6t^2}$ .

*Solution:* This is the MGF of a normal distribution. Rewrite in standard form:

$$m(t) = e^{-5t+6t^2} = e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2}$$

Comparing coefficients:  $-\mu = -5 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} = 6 \implies \sigma^2 = 12$

$$N(\mu = -5, \sigma^2 = 12)$$

□

*Exercise (4.145).* A random variable  $Y$  has the density function

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} e^y, & y < 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find  $E(e^{3Y/2})$ .

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned} E(e^{3Y/2}) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{3y/2} \cdot e^y dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{5y/2} dy \\ &= \left[ \frac{2}{5} e^{5y/2} \right]_{-\infty}^0 \\ &= \frac{2}{5} (1 - 0) = \frac{2}{5} \end{aligned}$$

□

(b) Find the moment-generating function for  $Y$ .

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned} m(t) &= E(e^{tY}) = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{ty} \cdot e^y dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(t+1)y} dy \\ &= \left[ \frac{1}{t+1} e^{(t+1)y} \right]_{-\infty}^0 \end{aligned}$$

For convergence, need  $t + 1 > 0$  (i.e.,  $t > -1$ ):

$$m(t) = \frac{1}{t+1}(1 - 0) = \frac{1}{1+t} \text{ for } t > -1$$

□

(c) Find  $V(Y)$ .

*Solution:* From part (b):  $m(t) = (1+t)^{-1}$

$$m'(t) = -(1+t)^{-2}$$

$$E(Y) = m'(0) = -1$$

$$m''(t) = 2(1+t)^{-3}$$

$$E(Y^2) = m''(0) = 2$$

$$V(Y) = E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2 = 2 - (-1)^2 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

□

#### SECTION 4.10

*Exercise (4.147).* The amount of flour used per day by a bakery is a random variable  $Y$  that has an exponential distribution with mean equal to 4 tons. The cost of the flour is proportional to  $U = 3Y + 1$ .

(a) Find the mean and variance for the cost  $U$  in terms of the mean and variance of  $Y$ .

*Solution:* For exponential with  $\beta = 4$ :  $E(Y) = 4$ ,  $V(Y) = 16$

$$E(U) = E(3Y + 1) = 3E(Y) + 1 = 3(4) + 1 = 13$$

$$V(U) = V(3Y + 1) = 9V(Y) = 9(16) = 144$$

□

(b) Use Tchebysheff's theorem to find a lower bound for  $P(1 \leq U \leq 25)$ .

*Solution:* Rewrite in terms of  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$ : -  $\mu_U = 13$ ,  $\sigma_U = 12$  - Interval  $(1, 25)$  is

$$(13 - 12, 13 + 12) = (\mu - \sigma, \mu + \sigma)$$

This is  $k = 1$  standard deviation, but Tchebysheff requires  $k > 1$ .

For  $k = 1$ : Tchebysheff gives no useful bound.

□

*Exercise (4.149).* Find  $P(|Y - \mu| \leq 2\sigma)$  for the uniform random variable. Compare with the corresponding probabilistic statements given by Tchebysheff's theorem and the empirical rule.

*Solution:* For uniform on  $(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ :

$$\mu = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2}, \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{(\theta_2 - \theta_1)^2}{12}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_1}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

The interval  $\mu \pm 2\sigma$ :

$$\mu - 2\sigma = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2} - \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}{3}$$

$$\mu + 2\sigma = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}{3}$$

Since  $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.732$ , we have  $2\sigma \approx 0.577(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$ .

The interval  $(\mu - 2\sigma, \mu + 2\sigma)$  has length  $4\sigma = \frac{2(\theta_2 - \theta_1)}{\sqrt{3}} \approx 1.155(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$ .

Since this exceeds  $(\theta_2 - \theta_1)$ , the entire support is contained:

$$P(|Y - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) = 1$$

**Comparisons:**

- **Tchebysheff:**  $P(|Y - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{4} = 0.75$
- **Empirical Rule:**  $P(|Y - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) \approx 0.95$  (for normal)
- **Actual (Uniform):**  $P(|Y - \mu| \leq 2\sigma) = 1$

The uniform distribution is more concentrated than Tchebysheff predicts. □

## SECTION 5.2

*Exercise (5.1).* Contracts for two construction jobs are randomly assigned to one or more of three firms, A, B, and C. Let  $Y_1$  denote the number of contracts assigned to firm A and  $Y_2$  the number of contracts assigned to firm B. Recall that each firm can receive 0, 1, or 2 contracts.

- (a) Find the joint probability function for  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ .

*Solution:* □

- (b) Find  $F(1, 0)$ .

*Solution:* □

*Exercise (5.3).* Of nine executives in a business firm, four are married, three have never married, and two are divorced. Three of the executives are to be selected for promotion. Let  $Y_1$  denote the number of married executives and  $Y_2$  denote the number of never-married executives among the three selected for promotion. Assuming that the three are randomly selected from the nine available, find the joint probability function of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ .

*Solution:* □

*Exercise (5.7).* Let  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  have joint density function

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} e^{-(y_1+y_2)}, & y_1 > 0, y_2 > 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) What is  $P(Y_1 < 1, Y_2 > 5)$ ?

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y_1 < 1, Y_2 > 5) &= \int_0^1 \int_5^\infty e^{-(y_1+y_2)} dy_2 dy_1 \\
 &= \int_0^1 e^{-y_1} [-e^{-y_2}]_5^\infty dy_1 \\
 &= \int_0^1 e^{-y_1} \cdot e^{-5} dy_1 \\
 &= e^{-5} [-e^{-y_1}]_0^1 \\
 &= e^{-5}(1 - e^{-1}) = e^{-5}(1 - e^{-1}) \approx 0.00428
 \end{aligned}$$

□

(b) What is  $P(Y_1 + Y_2 < 3)$ ?

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y_1 + Y_2 < 3) &= \int_0^3 \int_0^{3-y_1} e^{-(y_1+y_2)} dy_2 dy_1 \\
 &= \int_0^3 e^{-y_1} [-e^{-y_2}]_0^{3-y_1} dy_1 \\
 &= \int_0^3 e^{-y_1} (1 - e^{-(3-y_1)}) dy_1 \\
 &= \int_0^3 (e^{-y_1} - e^{-3}) dy_1 \\
 &= [-e^{-y_1} - 3e^{-3}]_0^3 \\
 &= (-e^{-3} - 3e^{-3}) - (-1 - 0) \\
 &= 1 - 4e^{-3} = 1 - 4e^{-3} \approx 0.8009
 \end{aligned}$$

□

*Exercise (5.9).* Let  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  have the joint probability density function given by

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} k(1 - y_2), & 0 \leq y_1 \leq y_2 \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the value of  $k$  that makes this a probability density function.



*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{y_2} k(1 - y_2) dy_1 dy_2 \\
 &= \int_0^1 k(1 - y_2) [y_1]_0^{y_2} dy_2 \\
 &= \int_0^1 k(1 - y_2) y_2 dy_2 \\
 &= k \int_0^1 (y_2 - y_2^2) dy_2 \\
 &= k \left[ \frac{y_2^2}{2} - \frac{y_2^3}{3} \right]_0^1 \\
 &= k \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{k}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$k = 6$$

□

(b) Find  $P(Y_1 \leq 3/4, Y_2 \geq 1/2)$ .

*Solution:*

$$P(Y_1 \leq 3/4, Y_2 \geq 1/2) = \int_{1/2}^1 \int_0^{\min(3/4, y_2)} 6(1 - y_2) dy_1 dy_2$$

Split into two regions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \int_0^{y_2} 6(1 - y_2) dy_1 dy_2 + \int_{3/4}^1 \int_0^{3/4} 6(1 - y_2) dy_1 dy_2 \\
 &= \int_{1/2}^{3/4} 6(1 - y_2) y_2 dy_2 + \int_{3/4}^1 6(1 - y_2) \cdot \frac{3}{4} dy_2 \\
 &= 6 \left[ \frac{y_2^2}{2} - \frac{y_2^3}{3} \right]_{1/2}^{3/4} + \frac{9}{2} \left[ y_2 - \frac{y_2^2}{2} \right]_{3/4}^1 \\
 &= \frac{57}{128}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

*Exercise (5.11).* Suppose that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are uniformly distributed over the triangle shaded in the accompanying diagram with vertices at  $(-1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ , and  $(0, 1)$ .

(a) Find  $P(Y_1 \leq 3/4, Y_2 \leq 3/4)$ .

*Solution:* Triangle area:  $\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = 1$

Density:  $f(y_1, y_2) = 1$  over the triangle.

Triangle region:  $0 \leq y_2 \leq 1 - |y_1|$ ,  $-1 \leq y_1 \leq 1$

$$P(Y_1 \leq 3/4, Y_2 \leq 3/4) = \int_{-1}^{3/4} \int_0^{\min(3/4, 1-|y_1|)} 1 \, dy_2 \, dy_1$$

$$P = \frac{39}{64}$$

□

(b) Find  $P(Y_1 - Y_2 \geq 0)$ .

*Solution:* Region where  $Y_1 \geq Y_2$ : right side of triangle

By symmetry:  $P(Y_1 - Y_2 \geq 0) = \frac{1}{2}$

□

*Exercise (5.13).* The joint density function of  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  is given by

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} 30y_1y_2^2, & y_1 - 1 \leq y_2 \leq 1 - y_1, 0 \leq y_1 \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find  $F(1/2, 1/2)$ .

*Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned} F(1/2, 1/2) &= \int_0^{1/2} \int_{y_1-1}^{1/2} 30y_1y_2^2 \, dy_2 \, dy_1 \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} 30y_1 \left[ \frac{y_2^3}{3} \right]_{y_1-1}^{1/2} \, dy_1 \\ &= \int_0^{1/2} 10y_1 \left[ \frac{1}{8} - (y_1 - 1)^3 \right] \, dy_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$F(1/2, 1/2) = \frac{13}{16}$$

□

(b) Find  $F(1/2, 2)$ .

*Solution:* Since  $y_2 \leq 1 - y_1 \leq 1$ , and we want  $y_2 \leq 2$ :

$$F(1/2, 2) = F(1/2, 1) = P(Y_1 \leq 1/2)$$

Calculate or note:  $F(1/2, 2) = 1/2$

□

(c) Find  $P(Y_1 > Y_2)$ .

*Solution:* Region where  $Y_1 > Y_2$ :

$$P(Y_1 > Y_2) = \int_0^1 \int_{\max(y_1-1, 0)}^{\min(y_2, 1-y_1)} 30y_1y_2^2 dy_2 dy_1$$

$$P(Y_1 > Y_2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

□

*Exercise (5.15).* Suppose that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are continuous random variables with joint density function

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} 8y_1y_2, & 0 \leq y_1 \leq y_2 \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Find  $P(Y_1 > 1/2 \mid Y_2 = 3/4)$ .

*Solution:* Find marginal density of  $Y_2$  first:

$$f_2(y_2) = \int_0^{y_2} 8y_1y_2 dy_1 = 4y_2^3$$

Conditional density:

$$f(y_1 \mid y_2) = \frac{f(y_1, y_2)}{f_2(y_2)} = \frac{8y_1y_2}{4y_2^3} = \frac{2y_1}{y_2^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y_1 > 1/2 \mid Y_2 = 3/4) &= \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \frac{2y_1}{(3/4)^2} dy_1 \\
 &= \frac{2}{9/16} \left[ \frac{y_1^2}{2} \right]_{1/2}^{3/4} \\
 &= \frac{32}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{9}{16} - \frac{1}{4} \right) \\
 &= \frac{5}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

□

## SECTION 5.3

*Exercise (5.19).* In Exercise 5.1, we determined that the joint distribution of  $Y_1$ , the number of contracts awarded to firm A, and  $Y_2$ , the number of contracts awarded to firm B, is given by the entries in the following table.

$y_1$	$y_2$		
	0	1	2
0	1/9	2/9	1/9
1	2/9	2/9	0
2	1/9	0	0

- (a) Find the marginal probability distribution of  $Y_1$ .

*Solution:* Sum over all values of  $y_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_1(0) &= \frac{1}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{1}{9} = \frac{4}{9} \\
 p_1(1) &= \frac{2}{9} + \frac{2}{9} + 0 = \frac{4}{9} \\
 p_1(2) &= \frac{1}{9} + 0 + 0 = \frac{1}{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$p_1(y_1) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{9}, & y_1 = 0, 1 \\ \frac{1}{9}, & y_1 = 2 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

□

- (b) According to results in Chapter 4,  $Y_1$  has a binomial distribution with  $n = 2$  and  $p = 1/3$ . Is there any conflict between this result and the answer you provided in part (a)?

*Solution:* For binomial with  $n = 2$ ,  $p = 1/3$ :

$$P(Y_1 = k) = \binom{2}{k} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^k \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{2-k}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 0) = \binom{2}{0} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^0 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 1) = \binom{2}{1} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 2) = \binom{2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 = \frac{1}{9}$$

No conflict - the marginal matches the binomial distribution

□

*Exercise (5.20).* Refer to Exercise 5.2.

- (a) Derive the marginal probability distribution for your winnings on the side bet.

*Solution:* From Exercise 5.2, winnings  $Y_2 \in \{-1, 1, 2, 3\}$ .

Sum joint probabilities over all values of  $Y_1$ :

$$p_2(-1) = P(\text{no heads}) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p_2(1) = P(\text{first head on toss 1}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p_2(2) = P(\text{first head on toss 2}) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$p_2(3) = P(\text{first head on toss 3}) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$p_2(y_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}, & y_2 = 1 \\ \frac{1}{4}, & y_2 = 2 \\ \frac{1}{8}, & y_2 = -1, 3 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

□

- (b) What is the probability that you obtained three heads, given that you won \$1 on the side bet?

*Solution:*

$$P(Y_1 = 3 | Y_2 = 1) = \frac{P(Y_1 = 3, Y_2 = 1)}{P(Y_2 = 1)}$$

$Y_2 = 1$  means first head on toss 1, so all three tosses give HHH:

$$P(Y_1 = 3, Y_2 = 1) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 3 | Y_2 = 1) = \frac{1/8}{1/2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

□

*Exercise (5.21).* In Exercise 5.3, we determined that the joint probability distribution of  $Y_1$ , the number of married executives, and  $Y_2$ , the number of never-married executives, is given by

$$p(y_1, y_2) = \frac{\binom{4}{y_1} \binom{3}{y_2} \binom{2}{3-y_1-y_2}}{\binom{9}{3}}$$

where  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are integers,  $0 \leq y_1 \leq 3$ ,  $0 \leq y_2 \leq 3$ , and  $1 \leq y_1 + y_2 \leq 3$ .

- (a) Find the marginal probability distribution of  $Y_1$ , the number of married executives among the three selected for promotion.

*Solution:* Sum over all valid values of  $y_2$ :

$$p_1(y_1) = \sum_{y_2} \frac{\binom{4}{y_1} \binom{3}{y_2} \binom{2}{3-y_1-y_2}}{\binom{9}{3}} = \frac{\binom{4}{y_1} \binom{5}{3-y_1}}{\binom{9}{3}}$$

This is hypergeometric with  $N = 9$ ,  $n = 3$ ,  $r = 4$ .

$$p_1(0) = \frac{\binom{4}{0}\binom{5}{3}}{84} = \frac{10}{84} = \frac{5}{42}$$

$$p_1(1) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{5}{2}}{84} = \frac{40}{84} = \frac{10}{21}$$

$$p_1(2) = \frac{\binom{4}{2}\binom{5}{1}}{84} = \frac{30}{84} = \frac{5}{14}$$

$$p_1(3) = \frac{\binom{4}{3}\binom{5}{0}}{84} = \frac{4}{84} = \frac{1}{21}$$

□

(b) Find  $P(Y_1 = 1|Y_2 = 2)$ .

*Solution:*

$$P(Y_1 = 1|Y_2 = 2) = \frac{P(Y_1 = 1, Y_2 = 2)}{P(Y_2 = 2)}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 1, Y_2 = 2) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{3}{2}\binom{2}{0}}{84} = \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 1}{84} = \frac{12}{84} = \frac{1}{7}$$

$$P(Y_2 = 2) = \frac{\binom{3}{2}\binom{6}{1}}{84} = \frac{3 \cdot 6}{84} = \frac{18}{84} = \frac{3}{14}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 1|Y_2 = 2) = \frac{1/7}{3/14} = \frac{1}{7} \cdot \frac{14}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

□

(c) If we let  $Y_3$  denote the number of divorced executives among the three selected for promotion, then  $Y_3 = 3 - Y_1 - Y_2$ . Find  $P(Y_3 = 1|Y_2 = 1)$ .

*Solution:*  $Y_3 = 1$  and  $Y_2 = 1$  means  $Y_1 = 3 - 1 - 1 = 1$ .

$$P(Y_3 = 1|Y_2 = 1) = P(Y_1 = 1|Y_2 = 1) = \frac{P(Y_1 = 1, Y_2 = 1)}{P(Y_2 = 1)}$$

$$P(Y_1 = 1, Y_2 = 1) = \frac{\binom{4}{1}\binom{3}{1}\binom{2}{1}}{84} = \frac{4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{84} = \frac{24}{84} = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$P(Y_2 = 1) = \frac{\binom{3}{1}\binom{6}{2}}{84} = \frac{3 \cdot 15}{84} = \frac{45}{84} = \frac{15}{28}$$

$$P(Y_3 = 1|Y_2 = 1) = \frac{2/7}{15/28} = \frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{28}{15} = \frac{8}{15}$$

□

- (d) Compare the marginal distribution derived in (a) with the hypergeometric distributions with  $N = 9$ ,  $n = 3$ , and  $r = 4$  encountered in Section 3.7.

*Solution:*

The marginal distribution of  $Y_1$  is exactly hypergeometric( $N = 9, n = 3, r = 4$ )

□

*Exercise (5.22).* In Exercise 5.4, you were given the following joint probability function for

$$Y_1 = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if child survived} \\ 1, & \text{if not} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_2 = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if no belt used} \\ 1, & \text{if adult belt used} \\ 2, & \text{if car-seat belt used} \end{cases}$$

$y_2$	$y_1$		Total
	0	1	
0	.38	.17	.55
1	.14	.02	.16
2	.24	.05	.29
Total	.76	.24	1.00

- (a) Give the marginal probability functions for  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$ .

*Solution:*

$$p_1(0) = 0.76, \quad p_1(1) = 0.24$$

$$p_2(0) = 0.55, \quad p_2(1) = 0.16, \quad p_2(2) = 0.29$$

□

- (b) Give the conditional probability function for  $Y_2$  given  $Y_1 = 0$ .



*Solution:*

$$p(y_2|y_1 = 0) = \frac{p(y_2, 0)}{p_1(0)}$$

$$p(0|0) = \frac{0.38}{0.76} = 0.5$$

$$p(1|0) = \frac{0.14}{0.76} = \frac{7}{38} \approx 0.184$$

$$p(2|0) = \frac{0.24}{0.76} = \frac{6}{19} \approx 0.316$$

$$p(y_2|0) = \begin{cases} 0.5, & y_2 = 0 \\ \frac{7}{38}, & y_2 = 1 \\ \frac{6}{19}, & y_2 = 2 \end{cases}$$

□

- (c) What is the probability that a child survived given that he or she was in a car-seat belt?

*Solution:*

$$P(Y_1 = 0|Y_2 = 2) = \frac{P(Y_1 = 0, Y_2 = 2)}{P(Y_2 = 2)} = \frac{0.24}{0.29} = \frac{24}{29} \approx 0.828$$

□