

# Homework 6

MSSC 6010- Computational Probability

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**Question 1.** (5.8.14) From book. Given the joint density function

$$f(x, y) = 6x, \quad 0 < x < y < 1$$

find the  $E[Y|X]$  that is the regression line resulting from regressing Y on X.

First let's compute the marginals

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy = \int_x^1 6x dy = 6x(1 - x) \\ f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx = \int_0^y 6x dx = 3y^2 \end{aligned}$$

then the conditional pdf

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{6x}{6x(1 - x)} = \frac{1}{1 - x}, 0 < x < y < 1 \\ E[Y|X] &= \int_0^1 y \left( \frac{1}{1 - x} \right) dy = \frac{y^2}{2(1 - x)} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2(1 - x)} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 2.** (5.8.17) From book. If  $f(x, y) = e^{-(x+y)}$ ,  $x > 0$  and  $y > 0$ , find  $\mathbb{P}(X+3 > Y | X > \frac{1}{3})$ .

From conditional probability, we get

$$\mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y | X > \frac{1}{3}) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y, X > \frac{1}{3})}{\mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{3})}$$

Let's first compute  $\mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{3})$

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(x+y)} dy = e^{-x} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} dy = e^{-x}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{3}) = \int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = e^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

Now  $\mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y, X > \frac{1}{3})$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y, X > \frac{1}{3}) &= \int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} \int_0^{x+3} e^{-(x+y)} dy dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} e^{-x} \int_0^{x+3} e^{-y} dy dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} -e^{-x} e^{-(x+3)} + e^{-x} dx \\ &= \int_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} -e^{-(2x+3)} + e^{-x} dx \\ &= \left( \frac{e^{-(2x+3)}}{2} - e^{-x} \right) \Big|_{\frac{1}{3}}^{\infty} \\ &= -\frac{e^{-(2/3+3)}}{2} + e^{-1/3} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging back to the conditional probability, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y | X > \frac{1}{3}) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(X + 3 > Y, X > \frac{1}{3})}{\mathbb{P}(X > \frac{1}{3})} \\ &= \frac{-\frac{e^{-(2/3+3)}}{2} + e^{-1/3}}{e^{-1/3}} \\ &= 0.982163 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3.** (5.8.26) From book. Given the joint density function  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = x + y, 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$ ,

- (a) Show that  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) \geq 0$  for all  $x$  and  $y$  and that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = 1$ .

The smallest  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  can ever be is whenever  $x$  and  $y$  are the smallest it can ever be, since it is addition. Therefore since  $x \geq 0$  and  $y \geq 0$ ,  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  is the smallest value at  $x = y = 0$  then  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x + y dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{2} + y \right) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the cumulative distribution function.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{X,Y}(x, y) &= \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{X,Y}(r, s) ds dr \\
 &= \int_0^x \int_0^y r + s ds dr \\
 &= \int_0^x \left( rs + \frac{s^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^y dr \\
 &= \int_0^x \left( ry + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) dr \\
 &= \frac{yx^2}{2} + \frac{y^2x}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Find the marginal means of X and Y.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy = \int_0^1 x + y dy = x + \frac{1}{2} \\
 E[X] &= \int_0^1 x \left( x + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{4} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \\
 f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx = \int_0^1 x + y dx = y + \frac{1}{2} \\
 E[Y] &= \int_0^1 y \left( y + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{y^3}{3} + \frac{y^2}{4} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (d) Find the marginal variances of X and Y.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[X^2] &= \int_0^1 x^2 \left( x + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^3}{6} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} \\
 Var(X) &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} - \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 = \frac{11}{144} \\
 E[Y^2] &= \int_0^1 y^2 \left( y + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \left( \frac{y^4}{4} + \frac{y^3}{6} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} \\
 Var(Y) &= \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} - \left( \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^2 = \frac{11}{144}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 4.** (5.8.31) From book. Let X and Y have joint density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} Ky & -2 \leq x \leq 2, 1 \leq y \leq x^2 \text{ and} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find K such that  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  is a valid pdf.

Since  $1 \leq y \leq x^2$ , then  $x^2 \geq 1$ , so  $x \geq 1$  or  $x \leq -1$ , then combining with the original constraint we have  $1 \leq x \leq 2$  and  $-2 \leq x \leq -1$  so

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \int_1^2 \int_1^{x^2} K y dy dx + \int_{-2}^{-1} \int_1^{x^2} K y dy dx \\
 &= K \int_1^2 \left( \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) dx + K \int_{-2}^{-1} \left( \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) dx \\
 &= K \left( \frac{x^5}{10} - \frac{x^2}{4} \right) \Big|_1^2 + K \left( \frac{x^5}{10} - \frac{x^2}{4} \right) \Big|_{-2}^{-1} \\
 &= K \left( \frac{62}{10} - \frac{2}{10} \right) \\
 K &= \frac{10}{62}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the marginal densities of X and Y

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy \\
 &= \int_1^{x^2} \frac{10}{62} y dy \\
 &= \frac{10}{62} \left( \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{10}{62} \left( \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) & \text{if } -2 \leq x \leq -1 \text{ or } 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $1 \leq y \leq x^2$ , then  $1 \leq (y)^{1/2} \leq x$ , then  $-2 \leq -\sqrt{y} \leq x$ , and  $x \leq \sqrt{y} \leq 2$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \int_{-2}^{-\sqrt{y}} \frac{10}{62} y dx + \int_{\sqrt{y}}^2 \frac{10}{62} y dx \\
 &= \frac{10}{62} y (-\sqrt{y} + 2 + 2 - \sqrt{y}) \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{10}{62} y (-2\sqrt{y} + 4) & \text{if } -2 \leq -\sqrt{y} \leq -1 \text{ or } 1 \leq \sqrt{y} \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases} \\
 &= \begin{cases} \frac{10}{62} y (-2\sqrt{y} + 4) & \text{if } 1 \leq y \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Find  $\mathbb{P}(Y > \frac{3}{2} | X < \frac{1}{2})$

Since y values are  $\frac{3}{2} \leq y \leq x^2$ , and x values are  $-2 \leq y \leq -1$ , since  $-1 < \frac{1}{2}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{P}(Y > \frac{3}{2} | X < \frac{1}{2}) &= \frac{\int_{-2}^{-\sqrt{3/2}} \int_{3/2}^{x^2} \frac{10}{62} y dy dx}{\int_{-2}^{-1} \frac{10}{62} (x^4/4 - 1/2) dx} \\
 &= \frac{\int_{-2}^{-\sqrt{3/2}} \int_{3/2}^{x^2} y dy dx}{\int_{-2}^{-1} (x^4/4 - 1/2) dx} \\
 &= \frac{\int_{-2}^{-\sqrt{3/2}} (y^2/2) \Big|_{\frac{3}{2}}^{x^2} dx}{(\frac{-1}{10} + \frac{1}{2}) - (\frac{-2^5}{10} + 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\left( \frac{x^5}{10} - \frac{(3/2)^2}{2} x \right) \Big|_{-2}^{-\sqrt{3/2}}}{26/10} \\
 &= 0.789335
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 5.** (5.8.32) From book. An engineer has designed a new diesel motor that is used in a prototype earth mover. The prototype's diesel consumption in gallons per mile  $C$  follows the equation  $C = 3 + 2X + \frac{3}{2}Y$ , where  $X$  is a speed coefficient and  $Y$  is the quality diesel coefficient. Suppose the joint density for  $X$  and  $Y$  is  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = ky, 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq x$ .

- (a) find  $k$  so that  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  is a valid density function.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \int_0^2 \int_0^x ky dy dx \\
 &= k \int_0^2 \frac{x^2}{2} dx \\
 &= k \frac{8}{6} \\
 k &= \frac{3}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent?

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^x \frac{3}{4} y dy = \frac{3}{8} x^2$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_y^2 \frac{3}{4} y dy = \frac{6}{4} y - \frac{3}{4} y^2$$

Since  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y) = \frac{3}{8}x^2(\frac{6}{4}y - \frac{3}{4}y^2)$ , then they are not independent

- (c) Find the mean diesel consumption for the prototype.

Since the diesel consumption  $C = 3 + 2X + \frac{3}{2}Y$ , we need to find  $E[C]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[3 + 2X + \frac{3}{2}Y] &= E[3] + 2E[X] + \frac{3}{2}E[Y] \\
 &= 3 + 2 \int_0^2 x \frac{3}{8} x^2 dx + \frac{3}{2} \int_0^2 y (\frac{6}{4}y - \frac{3}{4}y^2) dy \\
 &= 3 + 2 \frac{3}{8} (\frac{2^4}{4}) + \frac{3}{2} (\frac{6}{4} \frac{2^3}{3} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{2^4}{4}) \\
 &= 6 + \frac{3}{2} \\
 &= \frac{15}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$