

## HW 7, Harry Luo

### 5.8

We can solve for the probability density function by differentiating the cumulative distribution function.  $X \in [-1, 2] \Rightarrow X^2 \in [0, 4]$ . When  $X^2 \in [0, 4]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} F_{Y(y)} &= P(Y \leq y) \\ &= P(X^2 \leq y) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) \\ &= F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y}) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Differentiating Equation 1, we get the probability density function as:

$$f_Y(y) = F'_{Y(y)} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} f_X(\sqrt{y}) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} f_X(-\sqrt{y}) \quad (2)$$

The probability density function of  $X$  is given as  $f_{X(x)} = \frac{1}{3}$  when  $x \in [-1, 2]$  and zero otherwise.

Considering when  $y \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\sqrt{y} \in [0, 1]$  and  $-\sqrt{y} \in [-1, 0]$ , which are within the range of  $x$ ,

so  $f_X(\sqrt{y}) = f_X(-\sqrt{y}) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_{Y(y)} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} * \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}} * \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{y}} \quad (3)$$

when  $y \in [0, 1]$ .

When  $y \in [1, 4]$ ,  $\sqrt{y} \in [1, 2]$ , but  $-\sqrt{y} \in [-2, -1]$  out of range

so  $f_X(\sqrt{y}) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $f_X(-\sqrt{y}) = 0$ ,

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{6\sqrt{y}} \quad (4)$$

when  $y \in [1, 4]$ .

Thus,

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } y < 0 \\ \frac{1}{3\sqrt{y}} & \text{when } 0 \leq y < 1 \\ \frac{1}{6\sqrt{y}} & \text{when } 1 \leq y < 4 \\ 1 & \text{when } y \geq 4 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

### 5.28

We know  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,  $x \in (-1, 2)$  and 0 otherwise, while  $Y = X^4 \in [0, 16]$  thus

$$f_Y(y) = 0, y \notin [0, 16] \quad (6)$$

When  $y \in [0, 16]$ , we can find the probability density function by differentiating the cumulative distribution function.

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(X^4 \leq y) = F_X(y^{1/4}) - F_X(-y^{1/4}) \quad (7)$$

Differentiating Equation 7, we get the probability density function as:

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{4} y^{-3/4} f_X(y^{1/4}) + \frac{1}{4} y^{-3/4} f_X(-y^{1/4}) \quad (8)$$

When  $y \in [0, 1]$ ,  $y^{1/4} \in [0, 1]$  and  $-y^{1/4} \in [-1, 2]$ , which are within the range of  $x$ , thus  $f_X(y^{1/4}) = f_X(-y^{1/4}) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{6y^{3/4}} \quad (9)$$

When  $y \in [1, 16]$ ,  $y^{\frac{1}{4}} \in [1, 2]$  and  $-y^{\frac{1}{4}} \in [-2, -1]$ , which are within the range of  $x$ , thus  $f_X(y^{\frac{1}{4}}) = f_X(-y^{\frac{1}{4}}) = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{12y^{\frac{3}{4}}} \quad (10)$$

In summary,

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } y < 0 \\ \frac{1}{6y^{3/4}} & \text{when } 0 \leq y < 1 \\ \frac{1}{12y^{3/4}} & \text{when } 1 \leq y < 16 \\ 0 & \text{when } y \geq 16 \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

## 5.32

Given  $X \in (0, 1)$ , possible values for  $Y$  is the interval  $(1, \infty)$  Therefore, when  $t < 1$ ,  $f_Y(t) = 0$  and when  $t \geq 1$ , we can find the probability density function by differentiating the mass function.

$$P(Y \leq t) = P\left(\frac{1}{x} \leq t\right) = P\left(X \geq \frac{1}{t}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{t} \quad (12)$$

$$f_Y(t) = \frac{d}{dt}P(Y \leq t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \text{ when } t \geq 1$$

## 6.6

- (a) Marginal of  $X$ , when  $x > 0$ , is

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^\infty x e^{-x(1+y)} dx = e^{-x} \quad (13)$$

and zero otherwise.

The marginal of  $Y$  when  $y > 0$ , similarly, is

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^\infty x e^{-x(1+y)} dx = \frac{1}{(1+y)^2} \quad (14)$$

and zero otherwise.

- (b) Expectation:

$$\begin{aligned} E[XY] &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty xy \times f(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty x^2 y e^{-x(1+y)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-y} dy \\ &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

- (c) Expectation:

$$\begin{aligned} E\left[\frac{X}{1+Y}\right] &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{x}{1+y} x e^{-x(1+y)} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1+y} \frac{2}{(1+y)^3} dy = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{(1+y)^4} dy \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

## 6.18

- (a) We can write the pmf as a table:

X\Y	1	2	3	4
1	1/4	0	0	0
2	1/8	1/8	0	0
3	1/12	1/12	1/12	0
4	1/16	1/16	1/16	1/16

we can confirm that the terms are non negative, and the sum of all terms is 1. This certifies that  $p_{X,Y}$  is a **valid pmf**.

- (b) Marginal of X and Y can be found by summing the rows and columns:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &X : \\
 &P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{4}, P(X = 2) = \frac{1}{4}, P(X = 3) = \frac{1}{4}, P(X = 4) = \frac{1}{4} \\
 &Y : \\
 &P(Y = 1) = \frac{25}{48}, P(Y = 2) = \frac{13}{48}, P(Y = 3) = \frac{7}{48}, P(Y = 4) = \frac{1}{16}
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

- (c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = Y + 1) &= P(X = 2, Y = 1) + P(X = 3, Y = 2) + P(X = 4, Y = 3) \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{16} \\
 &= \frac{13}{48}
 \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

## 6.24

We can use binomial distribution with  $n = 3$  and  $p = 1/4$ . The probability of having exactly two balls are green and one is not green is

$$\binom{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{9}{64} \tag{19}$$

By the same logic, the probability of having exactly 2 R ball, 2 Y ball or 2 W balls are also 9/64.

So the probability of having exactly 2 balls of the same color is

$$\boxed{\frac{9}{64} \times 4 = \frac{9}{16}}$$

### 6.34

Consider a random point  $(X, Y)$  uniformly distributed over the quadrilateral region  $D$  with vertices at  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(2, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1)$ , and  $(0, 1)$ .

(a) Given that the area of  $D$  equals  $\frac{3}{2}$ , the joint probability density function is:

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} & \text{for } (x, y) \in D, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Note that the boundary of  $D$  includes a line segment from  $(1, 1)$  to  $(2, 0)$ , described by  $y = 2 - x$ . We can derive the marginal density functions as follows:

For the marginal density of  $X$ :

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \text{ or } x \geq 2, \\ \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} dy = \frac{2}{3}, & 0 < x \leq 1, \\ \int_0^{2-x} \frac{2}{3} dy = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3}x, & 1 < x < 2. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} dy = \frac{2}{3}, & 0 < x \leq 1, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

$$\int_0^{2-x} \frac{2}{3} dy = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3}x, \quad 1 < x < 2. \quad (3)$$

To verify that this is a valid density function:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} dx + \int_1^2 \left( \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3}x \right) dx \\ &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

confirming that  $f_X(x)$  is indeed a proper density function.

Similarly, for the marginal density of  $Y$ :

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y \leq 0 \text{ or } y \geq 1, \\ \int_0^{2-y} \frac{2}{3} dx = \frac{4}{3} - \frac{2}{3}y, & 0 < y < 1. \end{cases}$$

(b) To find  $\mathbb{E}[X]$  and  $\mathbb{E}[Y]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} x dx + \int_1^2 \left( \frac{4}{3}x - \frac{2}{3}x^2 \right) dx \\ &= \frac{7}{9}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Y] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{4}{3}y - \frac{2}{3}y^2 \right) dy \\ &= \frac{4}{9}. \end{aligned}$$

### 6.36

Suppose that the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint probability density function

$$f(x, y) = ce^{-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{2}}, \quad x, y \in (-\infty, \infty),$$

where  $c$  is a constant.

(a) To determine the value of  $c$ , we require that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1.$$

Evaluating this double integral:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ce^{-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dx dy &= c \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dy dx \\ &= \sqrt{2\pi} c \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = 2\pi c. \end{aligned}$$

Setting this equal to 1 yields  $c = \frac{1}{2\pi}$ .

(b) The marginal density function of  $X$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which is the density of a standard normal random variable.

Similarly, for the marginal density of  $Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{(x-y)^2}{2}} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Completing the square in the exponent and simplifying:

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} e^{-y^2/4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-(x-y/2)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} e^{-y^2/4}. \end{aligned}$$

The last step uses the fact that  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-(x-y/2)^2}$  is the pdf of an  $N(y/2, 1)$  distributed random variable. Thus,  $Y \sim N(0, 2)$ .

In summary,  $X \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $Y \sim N(0, 2)$ .