

Solutions to practice problems for Expectation Value,  
Variance and Covariance.

**Problem 1.**  $E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x, y) dx dy = \int_{-a}^a \int_{-\sqrt{a^2-y^2}}^{\sqrt{a^2-y^2}} \frac{1}{\pi a^2} dx dy =$   
0

**Problem 2.**  $E[X] = 0 \times 0.41 + 1 \times 0.37 + 2 \times 0.16 + 3 \times 0.05 + 4 \times 0.01 = 0.88$

**Problem 3.**  $E[X] = \$4000 \times 0.3 + \$1000 \times 0.7 = \$500.$   
 $Var[X] = \sum [x - E[X]]^2 \cdot f(x) = (4000 - 500)^2 \cdot 0.3 + (-1000 - 500)^2 \cdot 0.7 =$   
\$5250000.

**Problem 4.** Premium  $- 0.002 \times 200000 + 100000 \times 0.01 + 50000 \times 0.1 =$   
 $500 \Rightarrow$  Premium = 6900

**Problem 5.**

(a)  $E[g(X)] = [2(-3) + 1]^2 \frac{1}{6} + [2(6) + 1]^2 \frac{1}{2} + [2(9) + 1]^2 \frac{1}{3} = 209.$

(b)  $Var[g(X)] = E \left[ \{g(X) - \mu_{g(X)}\}^2 \right] = \{[2(-3) + 1]^2 - 209\}^2 \frac{1}{6} + \{[2(6) + 1]^2 - 209\}^2 \frac{1}{2} +$   
 $\{[2(9) + 1]^2 - 209\}^2 \frac{1}{3} = 14144$

**Problem 6.**

(a)  $E[g(X, Y)] = 2 \cdot 1(0.1) + 2 \times 9(0.2) + 2 \times 25(0.1) + 4 \times 1(0.15) + 4 \times$   
 $9(0.3) + 4 \times 25(0.15) = 35.2.$

(b)  $\mu_X = 2 \times (0.1 + 0.2 + 0.1) + 4 \times (0.15 + 0.3 + 0.15) = 3.2$   
 $\mu_Y = 1 \times 0.25 + 3 \times 0.5 + 5 \times 0.25 = 3$

**Problem 7.**

(a)  $Var[X] = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = 4 \times 0.01 + 9 \times 0.25 + 16 \times 0.4 + 25 \times$   
 $0.3 + 36 \times 0.04 - [2 \times 0.01 + 3 \times 0.25 + 4 \times 0.4 + 5 \times 0.3 + 6 \times 0.04]^2 =$   
 $17.63 - (4.11)^2 = 0.738$

(b)  $E[Z] = E[3X - 2] = 3E[X] - 2 = 3 \times 4.11 - 2 = 10.33$   
 $Var[Z] = Var[3X - 2] = 9Var[X] = 9 \times 0.738 = 6.64.$

**Problem 8.**  $Cov[X, Y] = E[XY] - \mu_X \mu_Y$   
 $E[XY] = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 x y \frac{2}{3} (x + 2y) dx dy = \frac{1}{3}$   
 $f(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} (x + 2y) dy = \frac{2}{3} (x + 1)$   
 $\mu_X = \int_0^1 x f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x \frac{2}{3} (x + 1) dx = \frac{5}{9}$

$$g(y) = \int_0^1 \frac{2}{3} (x + 2y) \, dx = \frac{1}{3} (4y + 1)$$

$$\mu_Y = \int_0^1 y \frac{1}{3} (4y + 1) dy = \frac{33}{54}$$

$$Cov[X, Y] = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{9} \frac{33}{54} = -0.00617$$

**Problem 9.**  $Var[Z] = Var[-2X + 4Y - 3] = Var[-2X] + Var[4Y] = 4Var[X] + 16Var[Y] = 68$

**Problem 10.**  $E[Z] = E[XY] = E[X] \cdot E[Y] = \int_2^\infty x \frac{8}{x^3} \, dx \cdot \int_0^1 y \frac{2}{y} \, dy = 8$

Note: Pay attention to the indefinite integral.