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AI1103 Assignment 2

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https://github.com/MShah134/AI1103/blob/main/ Assignment-2/main.tex

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Let *X* and *Y* be two random variables having the joint probability density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{for } 0 < x < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then the conditional probability $Pr\left(X \le \frac{2}{3}|Y = \frac{3}{4}\right)$ is equal to —-

- 1) 5/9
- 2) 2/3
- 3) 7/9
- 4) 8/9

Solution

From the definition of joint probability density function (PDF), we have:

$$\Pr((X, Y) \in A) = \iint_{A} f_{XY}(x.y) \, dx \, dy \qquad (0.0.1)$$

Since,

$$Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(AB)}{Pr(B)}$$
(0.0.2)

Therefore, we have

$$\Pr\left(X \le \frac{2}{3} | Y = \frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{\Pr\left(X \le \frac{2}{3}, Y = \frac{3}{4}\right)}{\Pr\left(Y = \frac{3}{4}\right)} \tag{0.0.3}$$

So we have to consider: $Pr(X \le 2/3, Y = 3/4)$ and Pr(Y = 3/4). They are both lines.

Hence instead of integrating over area in the XY plane, we have to integrate over line segments:

$$L_1: 0 < X \le 2/3, Y = 3/4$$
 (0.0.4)

$$L_2: 0 < X < 3/4, Y = 3/4$$
 (0.0.5)

Therefore, we have:

$$\Pr\left(X \le \frac{2}{3}|Y = \frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{\int\limits_{L_1} f_{XY}(x,y) \, dx}{\int\limits_{L_2} f_{XY}(x,y) \, dx} \tag{0.0.6}$$

$$= \frac{\int\limits_{2/3}^{2/3} 2 \, dx}{\int\limits_{0}^{3/4} 2 \, dx} \tag{0.0.7}$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{9} \tag{0.0.8}$$

Hence the correct option is (d) 8/9.