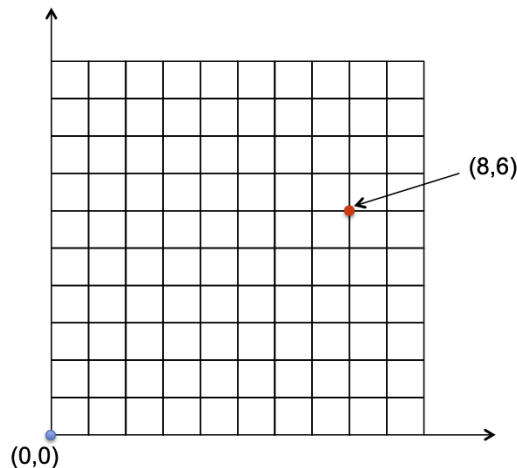


This is the third homework assignment. The problems are to be presented on **April 13, 2021**. Students should tick in TUWEL problems they have solved and are prepared to present their detailed solutions. The problems should be ticked and solution paths uploaded by **23:59 on April 12, 2021**.

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(1) **Random walk of a robot**

A robot is placed at the origin (the point  $(0,0)$ ) on a two-dimension integer grid (see the figure below). Denote the position of the robot by  $(x,y)$ . The robot can either move right to  $(x+1,y)$  or move up to  $(x,y+1)$ .



- (a) Suppose each time the robot randomly moves right or up with equal chance. What is the probability that the robot will ever reach the point  $(8,6)$ ?
- (b) Suppose another robot has a  $\frac{2}{3}$  chance to move right and a  $\frac{1}{3}$  chance to move up when  $x+y$  is even, otherwise it has a  $\frac{1}{4}$  chance to move right and a  $\frac{3}{4}$  chance to move up. It stops whenever  $|x-y| \geq 2$ . Find the probability that  $x-y=2$  when it stops.

(2) **Continuous two-dimensional random variable**

The joint pdf of two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined by

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

- (a) Find the value of  $c$  and the marginal distribution of  $Y$ .
- (b) Find the joint cdf of  $X$  and  $Y$ .
- (c) Find the marginal distribution of  $X$  and the pdf of  $Z = \frac{9}{(X+1)^2}$ .

(3) **Chi squared distribution**

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.)  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  random variables. Define  $Z = \min\{X, Y\}$ . Show that  $Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$ , i.e. show that the pdf of  $Z^2$  is given by

$$f_{Z^2}(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot z^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{z}{2}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\{z>0\}},$$

(4) **Random variables on the unit disk**

Let  $(X, Y)$  be uniformly distributed on the unit disk  $\{f(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$ . Let

$$R = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2}.$$

Find the cdf, pdf, and the expectation the random variable  $R$ .

(5) **Transformations**

Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent gamma distributed random variables with  $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, \beta)$  and  $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, \beta)$ . Consider the following two random variables

$$U = X + Y \quad \text{and} \quad V = \frac{X}{X + Y}.$$

(a) Show that  $U \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \beta)$ .

(b) Show that  $U$  and  $V$  are also independent random variables.