

1. [-/12 Points] DETAILS DEVORESTAT9 5.1.001.MI. MY NOTES ASK YOUR TEACHER PRACTICE ANOTHER

A service station has both self-service and full-service islands. On each island, there is a single regular unleaded pump with two hoses. Let  $X$  denote the number of hoses being used on the self-service island at a particular time, and let  $Y$  denote the number of hoses on the full-service island in use at that time. The joint pmf of  $X$  and  $Y$  appears in the accompanying tabulation.

$p(x, y)$	$y$	0	1	2
$x$	0	0.10	0.05	0.02
	1	0.06	0.20	0.08
	2	0.06	0.14	0.29

(a) What is  $P(X = 1 \text{ and } Y = 1)$ ?  
 $P(X = 1 \text{ and } Y = 1) = 0.20$

(b) Compute  $P(X \leq 1 \text{ and } Y \leq 1)$ .  
 $P(X \leq 1 \text{ and } Y \leq 1) = 0.20 + 0.05 + 0.06 + 0.10 = 0.41$

(c) Give a word description of the event  $(X \neq 0 \text{ and } Y \neq 0)$ .  
☐ At most one hose is in use at both islands.  
☒ At least one hose is in use at both islands.  
☐ One hose is in use on both islands.  
☐ One hose is in use on one island.  
Compute the probability of this event.  
 $P(X \neq 0 \text{ and } Y \neq 0) = 0.20 + 0.08 + 0.14 + 0.29 = 0.71$

Definition

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two discrete rv's defined on the sample space  $\mathcal{S}$  of an experiment. The **joint probability mass function**  $p(x, y)$  is defined for each pair of numbers  $(x, y)$  by

$$p(x, y) = P(X = x \text{ and } Y = y)$$

It must be the case that  $p(x, y) \geq 0$  and  $\sum_x \sum_y p(x, y) = 1$ .

Now let  $A$  be any particular set consisting of pairs of  $(x, y)$  values (e.g.,  $A = \{(x, y) : x + y = 5\}$  or  $\{(x, y) : \max(x, y) \leq 3\}$ ). Then the probability  $P[(X, Y) \in A]$  that the random pair  $(X, Y)$  lies in the set  $A$  is obtained by summing the joint pmf over pairs in  $A$ :

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] = \sum_{(x, y) \in A} p(x, y)$$

(d) Compute the marginal pmf of  $X$ .

$x$	0	1	2
$p_X(x)$	$0.17 + 0.24 + 0.49 = 0.90$	$0.06 + 0.20 + 0.14 = 0.40$	$0.02 + 0.08 + 0.29 = 0.39$

Compute the marginal pmf of  $Y$ .

$y$	0	1	2
$p_Y(y)$	$0.10 + 0.06 + 0.06 = 0.22$	$0.05 + 0.20 + 0.14 = 0.39$	$0.02 + 0.08 + 0.29 = 0.39$

Using  $p_X(x)$ , what is  $P(X \leq 1)$ ?  
 $P(X \leq 1) = 0.34 + 0.17 = 0.51$

(e) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent rv's? Explain.  
☒  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent because  $P(X, Y) \neq p_X(x) \cdot p_Y(y)$ .  
☐  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent because  $P(X, Y) = p_X(x) \cdot p_Y(y)$ .  
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Definition

The **marginal probability mass function** of  $X$ , denoted by  $p_X(x)$ , is given by

$$p_X(x) = \sum_{y: p(x, y) > 0} p(x, y) \quad \text{for each possible value } x$$

Similarly, the **marginal probability mass function** of  $Y$  is

$$p_Y(y) = \sum_{x: p(x, y) > 0} p(x, y) \quad \text{for each possible value } y.$$

2. [-/6 Points] DETAILS DEVORESTAT9 5.1.003. MY NOTES ASK YOUR TEACHER PRACTICE ANOTHER

A certain market has both an express checkout line and a superexpress checkout line. Let  $X_1$  denote the number of customers in line at the express checkout at a particular time of day, and let  $X_2$  denote the number of customers in line at the superexpress checkout at the same time. Suppose the joint pmf of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is as given in the accompanying table.

	$X_2$	0	1	2	3
$X_1$	0	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.00
	1	0.05	0.15	0.04	0.04
	2	0.05	0.03	0.10	0.06
	3	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.07
	4	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.08

(a) What is  $P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1)$ , that is, the probability that there is exactly one customer in each line?  
 $P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1) = 0.15$

(b) What is  $P(X_1 = X_2)$ , that is, the probability that the numbers of customers in the two lines are identical?  
 $P(X_1 = X_2) = 0.24 + 0.15 + 0.10 + 0.07 = 0.56$

(c) Let  $A$  denote the event that there are at least two more customers in one line than in the other line. Express  $A$  in terms of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .  
☐  $A = \{X_1 \geq 2 + X_2 \text{ or } X_2 \geq 2 + X_1\}$   
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Calculate the probability of this event.  
 $P(A) = 0.17 + 0.06 + 0.04 + 0.07 + 0.01 + 0.05 + 0.08 = 0.68$

(d) What is the probability that the total number of customers in the two lines is exactly four? At least four?  
 $P(\text{exactly four}) = 0.08 + 0.05 + 0.04 + 0.01 = 0.18$   
 $P(\text{at least four}) = 0.07 + 0.15 + 0.10 + 0.04 + 0.03 + 0.07 + 0.01 + 0.05 + 0.08 = 0.66$

Definition

Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be **independent** if for every pair of  $x$  and  $y$  values

$$p(x, y) = p_X(x) \cdot p_Y(y) \quad \text{when } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are discrete} \quad (5.1)$$

or

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \quad \text{when } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are continuous}$$

If (5.1) is not satisfied for all  $(x, y)$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be **dependent**.

Topics:

- 5.1 Jointly Distributed Random Variables
  - Two Discrete Random Variables
  - Two Continuous Random Variables
  - Independent Random Variables
  - More than Two Random Variables
  - Conditional Distributions

Exercises Section 5.1 (1–21)

- 5.2 Expected Values, Covariance, and Correlation
  - Covariance
  - Correlation
  - The Bivariate Normal Distribution

3. [-5 Points]

DETAILS

DEVORESTAT9 5.1.009.

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Each front tire on a particular type of vehicle is supposed to be filled to a pressure of 28 psi. Suppose the actual air pressure in each tire is a random variable  $X$  for the right tire and  $Y$  for the left tire, with joint pdf

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} k(x^2 + y^2) & 20 \leq x \leq 30, 20 \leq y \leq 30 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) What is the value of  $k$ ? (Enter your answer as a fraction.)  
 $k = \frac{3}{380,000}$  use:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = 1$   
 $\int_{20}^{30} \int_{20}^{30} k(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = 1 \Rightarrow k \cdot \int_{20}^{30} \int_{20}^{30} (x^2 + y^2) dx dy = 1$   
 $k \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{20}^{30} = 1 \Rightarrow k \cdot \left( \frac{1}{3} (30^3 - 20^3) + \frac{1}{3} (30^3 - 20^3) \right) = 1$   
 $k \cdot \frac{2}{3} (30^3 - 20^3) = 1 \Rightarrow k = \frac{3}{380,000}$

(b) What is the probability that both tires are underinflated? (Round your answer to four decimal places.)  
 $P(X < 28 \cup Y < 28) = \frac{3}{380,000} \int_{20}^{28} \int_{20}^{30} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx + \frac{3}{380,000} \int_{20}^{28} \int_{20}^{28} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx + \frac{3}{380,000} \int_{28}^{30} \int_{20}^{28} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx$   
 $= \frac{3}{380,000} \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{20}^{28} \Big|_{20}^{30} + \frac{3}{380,000} \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{20}^{28} \Big|_{20}^{28} + \frac{3}{380,000} \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{28}^{30} \Big|_{20}^{28}$   
 $\approx 0.5875$

(c) What is the probability that the difference in air pressure between the two tires is at most 2 psi? (Round your answer to four decimal places.)  
 $P(|X - Y| \leq 2) = \int_{20}^{30} \int_{x-2}^{x+2} \frac{3}{380,000} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx + \int_{20}^{28} \int_{x-2}^{x+2} \frac{3}{380,000} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx + \int_{28}^{30} \int_{x-2}^{x+2} \frac{3}{380,000} (x^2 + y^2) dy dx$   
 $\approx 0.3593$

(d) Determine the (marginal) distribution of air pressure in the right tire alone.  
 $f_X(x) = \int_{20}^{30} \frac{3}{380,000} (x^2 + y^2) dy = \frac{3}{380,000} \left[ \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{3} y^3 \right]_{20}^{30} = \frac{3}{380,000} \left[ 10x^3 + \frac{1}{3} (30^3 - 20^3) \right]$

(e) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent r.v's?  
☐ Yes,  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$ , so  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.  
☐ Yes,  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \neq f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$ , so  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.  
☐ No,  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \neq f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$ , so  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.  
☒ No,  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \neq f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$ , so  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.

The eq'n for  $f_X(x)$  &  $f_Y(y)$  are not close to  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$

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Definition

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous r.v's. A **joint probability density function**  $f(x,y)$  for these two variables is a function satisfying  $f(x,y) \geq 0$  and  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = 1$ . Then for any two-dimensional set  $A$

$$P\{(X,Y) \in A\} = \iint_A f(x,y) dx dy$$

In particular, if  $A$  is the two-dimensional rectangle  $\{a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$ , then

$$P\{(X,Y) \in A\} = P(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y) dy dx$$

4. [-4 Points]

DETAILS

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Annie and Alvie have agreed to meet between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm for dinner at a local health-food restaurant. Let  $X$  = Annie's arrival time and  $Y$  = Alvie's arrival time. Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent with each uniformly distributed on the interval  $[5, 6]$ .

(a) What is the joint pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?  
 $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1 & 5 \leq x \leq 6, 5 \leq y \leq 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  b/c  $f(x) = \frac{1}{6-5} = 1$  for  $5 \leq x \leq 6$  and  $f(y) = \frac{1}{6-5} = 1$  for  $5 \leq y \leq 6$ . ind.  $\therefore f(x,y) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$

(b) What is the probability that they both arrive between 5:15 and 5:45?  
 $P(5.25 \leq X \leq 5.75, 5.25 \leq Y \leq 5.75) = [P(5.25 \leq X \leq 5.75)]^2 = [P(5.25 \leq X \leq 5.75)]^2 = [0.5]^2 = 0.25$

(c) If the first one to arrive will wait only 15 min before leaving to eat elsewhere, what is the probability that they have dinner at the health-food restaurant? [Hint: The event of interest is  $A = \{(x,y) : |x - y| \leq 1/4\}$ .] (Round your answer to three decimal places.)  
 $P(|X - Y| \leq 0.25) = P(Y - 0.25 \leq X \leq Y + 0.25) = \int_{5.25}^6 \int_{y-0.25}^{y+0.25} f(x,y) dx dy + \int_5^{5.75} \int_{y-0.25}^{y+0.25} f(x,y) dx dy + \int_{5.75}^6 \int_{y-0.25}^{y+0.25} f(x,y) dx dy$   
 $= \int_{5.25}^6 \int_y^{y+0.25} 1 dx dy + \int_5^{5.75} \int_{y-0.25}^{y+0.25} 1 dx dy + \int_{5.75}^6 \int_{y-0.25}^6 1 dx dy$   
 $= 0.438$

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5. [-2 Points]

DETAILS

DEVORESTAT9 5.2.022.MI.

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An instructor has given a short quiz consisting of two parts. For a randomly selected student, let  $X$  = the number of points earned on the first part and  $Y$  = the number of points earned on the second part. Suppose that the joint pdf of  $X$  and  $Y$  is given in the accompanying table.

	$Y$	0	5	10	15
$X$	0	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.10
	5	0.04	0.16	0.30	0.10
	10	0.01	0.15	0.12	0.01

(a) If the score recorded in the grade book is the total number of points earned on the two parts, what is the expected recorded score  $E(X + Y)$ ? (Enter your answer to one decimal place.)  
 $E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y) = [0(0.03) + 5(0.06) + 10(0.02) + 15(0.10)] + [0(0.04) + 5(0.16) + 10(0.30) + 15(0.10)] = 13.8$

(b) If the maximum of the two scores is recorded, what is the expected recorded score? (Enter your answer to two decimal places.)  
 $E(\max(X,Y)) = \max(0,0) \cdot (0.03) + \max(5,0) \cdot (0.06) + \max(10,0) \cdot (0.02) + \max(15,0) \cdot (0.10) + \max(0,5) \cdot (0.04) + \max(5,5) \cdot (0.16) + \max(10,5) \cdot (0.30) + \max(15,5) \cdot (0.10) + \max(0,10) \cdot (0.01) + \max(5,10) \cdot (0.15) + \max(10,10) \cdot (0.12) + \max(15,10) \cdot (0.01)$   
 $= 9.45$

Proposition

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be jointly distributed r.v's with pmf  $p(x,y)$  or pdf  $f(x,y)$  according to whether the variables are discrete or continuous. Then the expected value of a function  $h(X,Y)$ , denoted by  $E[h(X,Y)]$  or  $\mu_{h(X,Y)}$ , is given by

$$E[h(X,Y)] = \begin{cases} \sum_x \sum_y h(x,y) \cdot p(x,y) & \text{if } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x,y) \cdot f(x,y) dx dy & \text{if } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are continuous} \end{cases}$$

6. [-1 Points]

DETAILS

DEVORESTAT9 5.2.029.

The joint and marginal pdf's of  $X$  = amount of almonds and  $Y$  = amount of cashews are

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 24xy & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, x+y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 12x(1-x)^2 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 12y(1-y)^2 & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with  $f_X(x)$  obtained by replacing  $x$  by  $y$  in  $f_X(x)$ . It is easily verified that  $\mu_X = \mu_Y = \frac{2}{3}$  and  $E(XY) = \frac{2}{15}$ . Thus  $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = -\frac{2}{15}$ .

Compute the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  for  $X$  and  $Y$ .  
 $\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y} = \frac{(-2/15)}{(2/3) \cdot (2/3)} = -\frac{2}{5}$

Covariance

When two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent, it is frequently of interest to assess how strongly they are related to one another.

Definition

The **covariance** between two r.v's  $X$  and  $Y$  is

$$\text{Cov}(X,Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]$$

