

# Homework 2 Solution

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**1.**

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\text{car is behind door 1} | \text{host opens door 2}) \\ &= \frac{P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 1})}{P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 1}) + P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 3})} \\ &= \frac{p}{1+p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\text{car is behind door 3} | \text{host opens door 2}) \\ &= \frac{P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 3})}{P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 1}) + P(\text{host opens door 2} | \text{car is behind door 3})} \\ &= \frac{1}{1+p} \end{aligned}$$

$P(\text{car is behind door 1} | \text{host opens door 2}) = P(\text{car is behind door 3} | \text{host opens door 2}) \Rightarrow p = 1.$

**2.**

**(a)**

Independent.

**(b)**

Not independent.

**(c)**

Not independent.

(d)

Not independent.

**3.**

(a)

4 games:  $ABAA, BAAA, AB BB, BAB B$ .

$$P(\text{exactly 4 games played}) = 2p^3(1-p) + 2(1-p)^3p.$$

(b)

Denote  $p_k = P(\text{A wins after } 2k \text{ games})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} p_k &= P(\text{A wins after } 2k \text{ games}) \\ &= P(\text{tie after the first two games})P(\text{A wins after } 2(k-1) \text{ games} | \text{tie after the first two games}) \\ &= 2p(1-p) \cdot p_{k-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$p_1 = p^2.$$

$$P(\text{A wins}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_k = \frac{p^2}{1-2p+2p^2}.$$

**4.**

Obviously,  $P(X = i) = 0, i = 7, 8, 9, 10$ .

$$P(X = 6) = \frac{5!5!}{10!} = \frac{1}{252}.$$

$$P(X = 5) = \frac{5 \cdot 5!5!}{10!} = \frac{5}{252}.$$

$$P(X = 4) = \frac{5 \cdot 6!2!5!}{10!} = \frac{5}{84}.$$

$$P(X = 3) = \frac{5 \cdot 7!3!5!}{10!} = \frac{5}{36}.$$

$$P(X = 2) = \frac{5 \cdot 8!4!5!}{10!} = \frac{5}{18}.$$

$$P(X = 4) = \frac{5 \cdot 9! / 5! 5!}{10!} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

**5.**

$$P(x = 0) = 0.5, P(x = 1) = 0.1, P(x = 2) = 0.2, P(x = 3) = 0.1, P(x = 3.5) = 0.1$$

**6.**

(a)

$$P(x = 1) = F(1) - F_{b \rightarrow 1^-}(b) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$P(x = \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$P(x = 3) = F(3) - F_{b \rightarrow 3^-}(b) = 1 - \frac{11}{12} = \frac{1}{12}$$

(b)

$$P(\frac{1}{2} < X < \frac{3}{2}) = F_{b \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}^-}(b) - F(\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{8} = 0.5$$

**7.**

(a)

$$P(X = 2k + 1) = (1 - p_1)^k (1 - p_2)^k p_1, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$P(X = 2k) = (1 - p_1)^k (1 - p_2)^{k-1} p_2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

(b)

$$P(A \text{ wins}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(X = 2k + 1) = \frac{p_1}{p_1 + p_2 - p_1 p_2}$$

**8.**

(a)

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1 \Rightarrow c = 3$$

(b)

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0 \\ x^3, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

(c)

$$P(0.1 \leq X < 0.5) = \int_{0.1}^{0.5} f(x)dx = 0.5^3 - 0.1^3 = 0.124$$

**9.**

(a)

$$P(X = 0.1) = 0.19, P(X = 0.2) = 0.32, P(X = 0.3) = 0.31, P(X = 0.4) = 0.18$$

$Y$  is the same.

(b)

$$\text{Not independent. } P(X = 1, Y = 1) \neq P(X = 1)P(Y = 1).$$

(c)

$$P(X = 1|Y = 1) = \frac{10}{19}, P(X = 2|Y = 1) = \frac{5}{19}, P(X = 3|Y = 1) = \frac{2}{19}, P(X = 4|Y = 1) = \frac{2}{19}.$$

$Y$  given  $X = 1$  is the same.

**10.**

The pdf  $f(x, y) = c$ ,  $x \in [-a, a]$ ,  $y \in [-b, b]$ .

$$\iint f(x, y)dx dy = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{\pi ab}$$

$$\text{pdf of } x: f(x) = \int f(x, y)dy = \int_{y^2 \leq \frac{b^2}{a^2}(a^2 - x^2)} \frac{1}{\pi ab} dy = \frac{2}{\pi a^2} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}, \quad x \in [-a, a].$$
$$f(x) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

$$\text{pdf of } y: f(y) = \frac{2}{\pi b^2} \sqrt{b^2 - y^2}, \quad y \in [-b, b]. \quad f(y) = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

**11.**

(a)

Since  $P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = F(x, y) = (1 - e^{-\alpha x})(1 - e^{-\beta y}) = F(x)F(y) = P(X \leq x)P(Y \leq y)$ ,  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.

(b)

$F(x) = (1 - e^{-\alpha x})$ ,  $x \geq 0$ . Therefore,  $f(x) = \alpha e^{-\alpha x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .  $f(x) = 0$  otherwise.

Similarly,  $f(y) = \beta e^{-\beta y}$ ,  $y \geq 0$ .  $f(y) = 0$  otherwise.

Joint pdf:  $f(x, y) = f(x)f(y) = \alpha\beta e^{-\alpha x - \beta y}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ ,  $y \geq 0$ .  $f(x, y) = 0$  otherwise.

**12.**

$f(x) = \int_{-x}^x f(x, y)dy = \frac{4}{3}c \cdot e^{-x}x^3$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .  $f(x) = 0$  otherwise.

When  $y \geq 0$ ,  $f(y) = \int_y^\infty f(x, y)dx = 2c(1 + y)e^{-y}$ . When  $y < 0$ ,  $f(y) = 2c(1 - y)e^{-|y|}$ .  
So  $f(y) = 2c(1 + |y|)e^{-y}$ .

$\int f(y)dy = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{8}$ .

Therefore, the marginal pdf:

$f(x) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot e^{-x}x^3$ ,  $x \geq 0$ .  $f(x) = 0$  otherwise.  
 $f(y) = \frac{1}{4}(1 + |y|)e^{-y}$ .

The conditional pdf:

$f(y|x) = \frac{3(x^2 - y^2)}{4x^3}$ ,  $f(x|y) = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{2(1 + |y|)}e^{|y| - x}$ ,  $0 \leq x < \infty$ ,  $-x \leq y \leq x$ .

Not independent, because  $f(y|x) = \frac{3(x^2 - y^2)}{4x^3} \neq f(y)$  in some non-zero measure set like  $\{1 < x < 2, |y| < x\}$ .

**13.**

If  $a > 0$ ,  $f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \frac{dF_X(\frac{y-b}{a})}{a \cdot dx} = \frac{1}{a}f_X(\frac{y-b}{a})$ .

Similarly, when  $a < 0$ ,  $f_Y(y) = -\frac{1}{a}f_X(\frac{y-b}{a})$ .

So  $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{|a|} f_X(\frac{y-b}{a})$ .

## 14.

For  $\forall y$ , let  $m = [y], \epsilon = y - [y]$ .

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(Y \leq m + \epsilon) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^m P(Y = k) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^m P(F(k-1) < U \leq F(k)) \\ = P(U \leq F(m)) = F(m) = F([y]) = F(y).$$

So  $Y$  has cdf  $F$ .

## 15.

(a)

$$P(X = x) = a \cdot (x+1)(8-x), x = 0, \dots, 7.$$

$$\sum P(X = x) = 1 \Rightarrow a = 1/120.$$

So p.m.f. of  $X$ :  $P(X = x) = (x+1)(8-x)/120, x = 0, \dots, 7. P(X) = 0$  otherwise.

(b)

$$P(X \geq 5) = \sum_{x=5}^7 P(X = x) = 1/3.$$

## 16.

(a)

$$1/4 = P(X \leq t) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{8} x dx = t^2/16 \Rightarrow t = 2.$$

(b)

$$1/2 = P(X \leq t) = \int_0^t \frac{1}{8} x dx = t^2/16 \Rightarrow t = 2\sqrt{2}.$$

**17.**

**(a)**

$$\begin{aligned}P(1 \leq X \leq 2 \text{ and } 1 \leq Y \leq 2) &= F(2, 2) - F(1, 2) - F(2, 1) + F(1, 1) \\&= \frac{2}{13} - \frac{1}{26} - \frac{5}{78} + \frac{1}{78} = \frac{5}{78}\end{aligned}$$

**(b)**

$$\begin{aligned}P(2 \leq X \leq 4 \text{ and } 2 \leq Y \leq 4) &= P(2 \leq X \leq 3 \text{ and } 2 \leq Y \leq 4) \\&= F(3, 4) - F(2, 4) - F(3, 2) + F(2, 2) \\&= 1 - \frac{16}{39} - \frac{11}{26} + \frac{2}{13} = \frac{25}{78}\end{aligned}$$

**(c)**

The c.d.f of  $Y$ :  $F_Y(y) = F(3, y) = \frac{y^2+9y}{52}$ .

**(d)**

The joint p.d.f:  $f(x, y) = \frac{dF(x, y)}{dxdy} = \frac{3x^2+2y}{156}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 3, 0 \leq y \leq 4$ .  $f(x, y) = 0$  otherwise.

**(e)**

$$P(Y \leq X) = \int_0^3 dx \int_0^x f(x, y) dy = \frac{93}{208}.$$