

HW 7

Problem 2

Problem 2.a

X_1 -value	X_2 -value	
$\mathbb{P}(X_1, X_2)$	0	1
0	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{7}{12} = \frac{14}{39}$	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{5}{12} = \frac{20}{39}$
1	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{8}{12} = \frac{10}{39}$	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{4}{12} = \frac{5}{39}$

Problem 2.b

X_1	X_2	X_3	$\mathbb{P}(X_1, X_2, X_3)$
0	0	0	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{6}{11} = \frac{28}{143}$
1	0	0	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{11} = \frac{70}{286}$
1	1	0	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{4}{12} \cdot \frac{8}{11} = \frac{40}{429}$
1	1	1	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{4}{12} \cdot \frac{3}{11} = \frac{5}{143}$
0	1	1	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{11} = \frac{40}{429}$
1	0	1	$\frac{5}{13} \cdot \frac{8}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{11} = \frac{40}{429}$
0	1	0	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{11} = \frac{70}{286}$
0	0	1	$\frac{8}{13} \cdot \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{5}{11} = \frac{140}{286}$

Problem 8

Problem 8.a

Since the distribution must be normalized,

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= c \int_0^\infty \int_{-y}^y (y^2 - x^2) e^{-y} dx dy \\
 &= \frac{4c}{3} \int_0^\infty y^3 e^{-y} dy \\
 &= 8c
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $c = \frac{1}{8}$

Problem 8.b

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} \int_{|x|}^{\infty} (y^2 e^{-y} - x^2 e^{-y}) \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{|x|}^{\infty} y e^{-y} \, dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} |x| e^{-|x|} + \frac{1}{4} e^{-|x|} \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{4} (|x| + 1) e^{-|x|}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{8} \int_{-y}^y f(x, y) \, dx \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{6} y^3 e^{-y}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that this is only defined when $y \geq 0$. When $y < 0$, $f_Y(y) = 0$.

Problem 8.c

Using the definition of expected value,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-y}^y x f(x, y) \, dx \, dy \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_{-y}^y x (y^2 e^{-y} - x^2 e^{-y}) \, dx \, dy
 \end{aligned}$$

We note that $x(y^2 e^{-y} - x^2 e^{-y})$ is an odd function in x , so when integrated over symmetric bounds, the integral is 0. Therefore, $\boxed{\mathbb{E}(X) = 0}$.

Problem 10**Problem 10.a**

By definition, we simply adjust the bounds of one of the definite integrals so that we only evaluate over the region where $X < Y$. This is equivalent to saying $Y > X$, so we can start the integral with respect to y at

x instead of at 0.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X < Y) &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_x^{\infty} e^{-(x+y)} dy dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} dx \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

This makes sense, because by symmetry, the same number of values of x are less than y and greater than y .

Problem 10.b

We can find $\mathbb{P}(X < a)$ by integrating.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X < a) &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^a e^{-(x+y)} dx dy \\ &= (1 - e^{-a}) \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} dy \\ &= \boxed{(1 - e^{-a})}\end{aligned}$$

Problem 20

We split this problem up into two subparts, since each subpart is only tangentially related to the other.

Problem 20.a

We find the marginal distributions for each variable, $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$, and compare their product to the original density function.

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-(x+y)} dy \\ &= x e^{-x}\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}f_Y(y) &= \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-(x+y)} dx \\ &= e^{-y}\end{aligned}$$

We see that $f_X(x) f_Y(y) = x e^{-(x+y)} = f(x, y)$. Therefore, X and Y are independent random variables.

Problem 20.b

We find each of the marginal distributions.

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_0^1 2 \, dy \\ &= 2 \\ f_Y(y) &= \int_0^y 2 \, dx \\ &= 2y \end{aligned}$$

We see that $f_X(x) f_Y(y) = 4y \neq f(x, y)$. Therefore, X and Y are not independent.