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HW2

1. Suppose that one letter is to be selected at random from the 42 letters in the sentence, "The shortest distance between two points is a taxi." If  $Y$  denotes the number of letters in the word in which the selected letter appears, what is the value of  $E(Y)$ ?

We can see that we have 9 words

Let  $X$  denote the probability of the number of letters of selected word

$$P(X) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{42} & Y=1 \\ \frac{2}{42} & Y=2 \\ \frac{6}{42} & Y=3 \\ \frac{4}{42} & Y=4 \\ 0 & Y=5 \\ \frac{6}{42} & Y=6 \\ \frac{7}{42} & Y=7 \\ \frac{16}{42} & Y=8 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } E(Y) = \frac{1}{42} + \frac{2}{42} \times 2 + \frac{6}{42} \times 3 + \frac{4}{42} \times 4 + \frac{6}{42} \times 6 + \frac{7}{42} \times 7 + \frac{16}{42} \times 8 \\ = 6$$

2. Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  have a continuous joint distribution where the joint pdf is

$$f(x,y) = 12y^2 \text{ for } 0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1$$

Find the value of  $E(XY)$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^1 \int_y^1 xy \cdot f_{XY}(y) \cdot f_{X|Y=y}(x) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_y^1 xy \cdot 12y^2 dx dy = 12 \int_0^1 \int_y^1 xy^3 dx dy = 6 \int_0^1 (y^3 - y^5) dy$$

$$= 6 \left( \frac{1}{4}y^4 - \frac{1}{6}y^6 \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

3. Suppose that three random variables,  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_3$  from a random sample from the uniform distribution on the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Find  $E[(X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2]$ .

The pdf of  $X_1, X_2, X_3$ :  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

$$E[(X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2] = E[X_1^2 + 4X_2^2 + X_3^2 - 4X_1 \cdot X_2 - 4X_2 \cdot X_3 + 2X_1 \cdot X_3]$$

$$\text{Let } g(X_1, X_2, X_3) = (X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2$$

Theorem

~~Area:~~

$$E[(X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2] = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2 \cdot 1 \, dx_1 \, dx_2 \, dx_3$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (X_1^2 + 4X_2^2 + X_3^2 - 4X_1 \cdot X_2 - 4X_2 \cdot X_3 + 2X_1 \cdot X_3) \, dx_1 \, dx_2 \, dx_3$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{3}X_1^3 + 4X_2^2 \cdot X_1 + X_3^2 \cdot X_1 - 2X_2 \cdot X_1^2 - 2X_2 \cdot X_3^2 + 4X_2 \cdot X_3 \cdot X_1 + X_3 \cdot X_1^2 \right) \, dx_2 \, dx_3$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{3}X_1^3 + 4X_2^2 \cdot X_1 + X_3^2 \cdot X_1 - 2X_2 \cdot X_1^2 - 2X_2 \cdot X_3^2 + 4X_2 \cdot X_3 \cdot X_1 + X_3 \cdot X_1^2 \right) \, dx_2 \, dx_3$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left( \frac{2}{3}X_1^3 + X_3^2 - X_1 \right) \, dx_3$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

4.  $X$  has pdf,  $f(x) = e^{-x}$ ,  $x > 0$ ,  $Y = e^{\frac{3x}{4}}$ , Find  $E(Y)$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^\infty Y f(x) \, dx = \int_0^\infty e^{\frac{3x}{4}} \cdot e^{-x} \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{x}{4}} \, dx = \left[ -4e^{-\frac{x}{4}} \right]_0^\infty$$

$$= -(-4 \cdot 1) = 4$$

5.  $X$  is the outcome of rolling a die.

$$Y = g(X) = 2X^2 + 1$$

Find  $E(Y)$

From the question we know the pdf of  $X$  is  ~~$f(x) = \frac{1}{6}$~~   $P(X=i) = \frac{1}{6}$ ,  $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) &= \sum_i \frac{1}{6}(2X_i^2 + 1) = \frac{1}{6}(2 \times 1^2 + 1 + 2 \times 2^2 + 1 + \dots + 2 \times 6^2 + 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}[2 \times (1^2 + \dots + 6^2) + 6] = \frac{1}{3}(1^2 + \dots + 6^2) + 1 \\ &= \frac{94}{3} \end{aligned}$$

6.  $X$  has pdf

$$f(x) = 2(1-x), 0 < x < 1$$

$Y = (2x+1)$ , Find  $E(Y^2)$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = (2x+1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[(2x+1)^2] &= \int_0^1 (2x+1)^2 \cdot 2 \cdot (1-x) dx = 2 \int_0^1 (2x+1)^2 (1-x) dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 (-4x^3 + 3x + 1) dx \\ &= 2(-x^4 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + x) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= 2(\frac{3}{2} - 0) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

7. Remember the binomial theorem:  $(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,

$$\text{Show that } E[(ax+b)^n] = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^{n-i} b^i E(x^{n-i})$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[(ax+b)^n] &= \sum (ax+b)^n \cdot f(ax+b) \\ &= E[C_n^0 (ax)^n \cdot b^0 + C_n^1 (ax)^{n-1} b^1 + \dots + C_n^n (ax)^0 \cdot b^n] \\ &= E(C_n^0 (ax)^n b^0) + E(C_n^1 (ax)^{n-1} b^1) + \dots + E(C_n^n (ax)^0 b^n) \\ &= C_n^0 a^n \cdot E(x^n) + C_n^1 a^{n-1} b \cdot E(x^{n-1}) + \dots + C_n^n b^n a^0 E(x^0) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} a^{n-i} b^i E(x^{n-i}) \end{aligned}$$

8. The proportion of defective parts in a large shipment is  $p$ . A random sample of  $n$  parts is selected from the shipment. Let  $X$  denote the number of defective parts in the sample, and  $Y$  denote the number of good parts in the sample. Find  $E(X-Y)$ .

If the sample size is 20 and  $p$  is 5%, What is  $E(X-Y)$ ? Write out your answer as a complete sentence that expresses the meaning of your result.

(1)  $\bar{E}(\cancel{X-Y})$  We know that  $X$  follows the binomial distribution  $(n, p)$

$$f(x) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\text{Thus, } f(y) = \binom{n}{k} (1-p)^k \cdot p^{n-k}$$

Notice that  $X+Y=n$ , thus

$$\bar{E}(X-Y) = \cancel{\bar{E}(X)} - \bar{E}(n-X) = \bar{E}(2X-n) = 2\bar{E}(X) - n = 2np - n$$

$$\text{If } n=20, p=5\%, \text{ then } \bar{E}[X-Y] = 20(2 \times 0.05 - 1) = -18.$$

This means when we have 20 samples with 5% to find the defective parts, we expect good part would be 18 more than the defective one