

## Homework 2 - Part A

① Suppose that one letter is to be selected at random from the 42 letters in the sentence:

"The shortest distance between 2 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  $E(Y)$ ?

Probability of selecting a letter =  $\frac{\# \text{ of letters in the word}}{\text{total \# of letters in sentence}}$

$$E(Y) = \left[ \frac{3}{42} \times 3 + \frac{8}{42} \times 8 + \frac{8}{42} \times 8 + \frac{7}{42} \times 7 + \frac{3}{42} \times 3 + \frac{6}{42} \times 6 + \frac{2}{42} \times 2 + \frac{1}{42} \times 1 + \frac{4}{42} \times 4 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{42} \times [3^2 + 8^2 + 8^2 + 7^2 + 3^2 + 6^2 + 2^2 + 1^2 + 4^2]$$

$$= 252/42$$

② Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  have a continuous joint distribution for which the joint pdf is:

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

checking for PDF  $f(x, y)$ :

$$F(x, y) = \int_0^x \int_0^y 12y^2 dy dx = \int_0^x \left[ \frac{12y^3}{3} \right]_0^y dx$$

$$= \int_0^x 4x^3 dx$$

$$= \left[ \frac{4}{4} x^4 \right]_0^1$$

$$= 1$$

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~~$$= \frac{1}{4} \times \left[ \frac{12}{4} y^4 \right]_0^x dx$$~~

$$= 1/2$$

Suppose that 3 RV  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  form a random sample from the uniform Distribution on the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Find  $E[(X_1 - 2X_2 + X_3)^2]$

Since  $X_1, X_2$  and  $X_3$  are RV from a random sample from  $[0, 1]$ , their expected values are:

$$E(X_1) = E(X_2) = E(X_3) = 0.5$$

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

$$= [0.5 - 2(0.5) + 0.5]^2$$

$$= 0$$

4) X has PDF.

$$f(x) = e^{-x}, x > 0$$

$$Y = e^{3x/4}$$

Find  $E(Y)$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{3x/4} \cdot e^{-x} dx \Rightarrow \text{WOLFRAM ALPHA: integrate } e^{(3x/4)} * e^{(-x)} \text{ from } x=0 \text{ to infinity}$$

$$= 4$$

5) X is the outcome of rolling a fair die.

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

Find  $E(Y)$

Probability of the outcome of rolling a fair die:

$$P(X) = 1/n \text{ for an } n\text{-sided die}$$

$$E(Y) = \sum_{x=1}^n (2x^2 + 1) \frac{1}{n}$$

Assuming the die has 6 sides,  $n = 6$

$$E(Y) = \sum_{x=1}^6 (2x^2 + 1) \frac{1}{6}$$

~~$$= \frac{1}{6} (2(1^2) + 1 + 2(2^2) + 1 + 2(3^2) + 1 + 2(4^2) + 1 + 2(5^2) + 1 + 2(6^2) + 1)$$~~

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$$= \left( \sum_{x=1}^6 2x^2 \right) + 1 = \frac{2}{6} \left( \sum_{x=1}^6 x^2 \right) + 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{6} \left( 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 + 6^2 \right) + 1$$

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⑥ X has PDF  
 $f(x) = 2(1-x), 0 < x < 1$

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

Find  $E(Y^2)$

Checking for PDF:  $F(x) = \int_0^x 2(1-x) dx = 1$

$$E(Y^2) = \int_0^1 2(2x+1)^2(1-x) dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 (x^2 + 4x + 1)(1-x) dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 (4x^2 + 4x + 1 - 4x^3 - 4x^2 - x) dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^1 (-4x^3 + 3x + 1) dx$$

$$= 2 \left[ -x^4 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + x \right]_0^1$$

$$= 2 \left[ -1 + \frac{3}{2} + 1 \right] = 3$$

⑦ Remember the binomial theorem:

$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k \quad \text{for } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

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

~~$$(x+y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} x^{n-k} y^k$$~~

$$E[(ax+b)^n] = E \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} (ax)^{n-k} b^k \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k E(x^{n-k})$$

Since  $a$  and  $b$  are constant



8) Proportion of defective parts in 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.  
Find  $E(X - Y)$ .

If the sample size is 20 and  $p$  is 5%, what is  $E(X - Y)$ ?  
Proportion of defective parts =  $p$

$$E(X) = np$$

$$E(X - Y) = E[X - (n - X)]$$

$$= E(2X - n)$$

$$n = 20, p = 0.05$$

$$E(X - Y) = E(2 \times 20 \times 0.05 - 20)$$

$$= 2 - 20$$

$$= -18$$

# of defective parts in the sample =  $20 \times 0.05 = 2$

~~To summarize it is~~