

ISyE 2027 Exam # 3  
Fall 2014

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GOOD LUCK.

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(25) 1. Suppose  $X$  is a uniform random variable in the interval  $(0,1)$  (i.e.  $f(x) = 1$  for  $0 < x < 1$  and 0 otherwise). Define  $Y = 2X^2$  Compute

(a) (15) the cumulative distribution function of  $Y$ .

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ x & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$P(Y \leq y) = P(2X^2 \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq \frac{y}{2}) = P(X \leq \sqrt{\frac{y}{2}}) = \sqrt{\frac{y}{2}}$$

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } y < 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{y}{2}} & \text{if } 0 < y < 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } y \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

(b) (10) the probability density function of  $Y$ .

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} y^{-\frac{1}{2}} & 0 < y < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(25) 2. (a) (15) Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint density function  $f(x, y) = x + 2y^3$  for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $0 < y < 1$  and 0 otherwise. Compute the probability density function of  $X$ .

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^1 (x + 2y^3) dy = xy + \frac{2y^4}{4} \Big|_0^1 = x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} x + \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

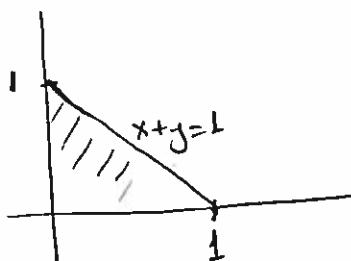
(b) (10) Compute  $E[X]$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_0^1 x(x + \frac{1}{2}) dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{4} \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \\ &= \frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$

(25) 3. (a) (10) Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint density function  $f(x, y) = 6xy^2$  for  $0 < x < 1$  and  $0 < y < 1$  and 0 otherwise. Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Justify your answer.

Yes.  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent since the joint density function can be factored into two functions of  $x$  and  $y$ .

(b) (15) Compute  $P\{X + Y < 1\}$ .



$$\begin{aligned}
 P\{X + Y < 1\} &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-y} 6xy^2 dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 3x^2 y^2 \Big|_0^{1-y} dy = 3 \int_0^1 y^2 (1-y)^2 dy \\
 &= 3 \int_0^1 (y^2 - 2y^3 + y^4) dy \\
 &= 3 \left( \frac{y^3}{3} - \frac{2y^4}{4} + \frac{y^5}{5} \right) \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= 3 \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} \right) \\
 &= 3 \left( \frac{10 - 15 + 6}{30} \right) = \frac{1}{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

(25) 4. (15) (a) Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables and take values 1, 2, 3, and 4 with probabilities 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, and 0.4. Compute the probability mass function of  $X + Y$

$$P\{X+Y=2\} = P\{X=1\}P\{Y=1\} = 0.01$$

$$P\{X+Y=3\} = P\{X=1\}P\{Y=2\} + P\{X=2\}P\{Y=1\} = 0.04$$

$$P\{X+Y=4\} = P\{X=1\}P\{Y=3\} + P\{X=3\}P\{Y=1\} + P\{X=2\}P\{Y=2\} = 0.1$$

$$P\{X+Y=5\} = P\{X=1\}P\{Y=4\} + P\{X=4\}P\{Y=1\} + P\{X=2\}P\{Y=3\} + P\{X=3\}P\{Y=2\} = 0.2$$

$$P\{X+Y=6\} = P\{X=2\}P\{Y=4\} + P\{X=4\}P\{Y=2\} + P\{X=3\}P\{Y=3\} = 0.25$$

$$P\{X+Y=7\} = P\{X=3\}P\{Y=4\} + P\{X=4\}P\{Y=3\} = 0.24$$

$$P\{X+Y=8\} = P\{X=4\}P\{Y=4\} = 0.16$$

(b) (10) Compute  $E[X + Y]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E[X+Y] &= 2 \times 0.01 + 3 \times 0.04 + 4 \times 0.1 + 5 \times 0.2 + 6 \times 0.25 + 7 \times 0.24 + 8 \times 0.16 \\ &= 0.02 + 0.12 + 0.4 + 1 + 1.5 + 1.68 + 1.28 \\ &= 6.0 \end{aligned}$$