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Probability and Statistics (UCS410)
Practice Sheet: 5

- Define the following: (a) two-dimensional random variable (b) marginal and conditional probability distributions.
- If X denotes the number of kings and Y denotes number of aces when two cards are drawn at random without replacement from a deck of well shuffled pack of 52 cards, find (i) The joint probability distribution of (X, Y).

(ii) The marginal distribution

(iii) $P(X = 2/Y = 1)$ (iv) $P(X < 2/0 < Y < 2)$ (v) $P(1 \leq X \leq 2/Y = 0, 2)$

(Ans- (iii) 0, (iv) 1, (v) 13/81)

- Let the joint pdf of a random variable (X, Y) is defined as

$$f(x, y) = k(xy + y^2), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq 1.$$

Find (i) the value of k (ii) $P(X > 1)$ (iii) $P(X + Y < 1)$ (iv) $P\left(X < 1, Y > \frac{1}{2}\right)$ (v)

$f_X(x), f_Y(y)$. Also test whether X and Y are independent?

(Ans- $k=3/5$, $13/20$, $3/40$, $23/80$, not independent)

- The pdf of (X, Y) be defined as

$$f(x, y) = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) e^{-|x|+|y|}, \quad -\infty \leq x \leq \infty, -\infty \leq y \leq \infty$$

Are X and Y independent? Find the probability that $X \leq 1$ and $Y \leq 0$.

(Ans- independent, $1/2 - 1/4e$)

- Random variable (X, Y) has a joint probability density function $f(x, y) = (2x + y)/27$, where x and y can assume only integer values 0, 1, 2. Find the conditional distribution of Y for $X = x$.
- Two ideal dice are thrown. Let X_1 be the score on the first die and X_2 the score on the other die. Let Y denote the maximum of X_1 and X_2 i.e. $\max(X_1, X_2)$.
 (a) Write down the joint distribution of Y and X_1 ,
 (b) Find $E(Y)$ and $\text{Var}(Y)$.

(Ans- $E(Y)=161/36$, $\text{Var}(Y)=2555/1296$).

- Let $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 21x^2y^2, & 0 \leq x < y \leq 1. \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$ be the joint pdf X, Y.

Find the conditional mean and variance of X given $Y=y$ and $0 < y < 1$.

(Ans- $E(X/Y) = 3y/4$, $\text{Var}(X/Y) = 3/80y^2$, $0 \leq y < 1$).

- A pair of fair dice is thrown and let X be the number of 6's turned up. Find the moment generating function (MGF), mean and variance of X.

(Ans. $\text{MGF} = \frac{25}{36} + \frac{10}{36}\left(1 + \frac{t}{1!} + \frac{t^2}{2!} + \dots\right) + \frac{1}{36}\left(1 + \frac{2t}{1!} + \frac{4t^2}{2!} + \dots\right)$; Mean=1/3, Var=5/18)

9. Find MGF of X whose probability density function is given by $f(x) = k \frac{e^{-|x|}}{5}$, $-\infty < x < \infty$. Find first three moments of X about the origin. What is the variance of X?

(Ans. Three moments are 0, 2, 0; $\text{Var}(X) = 2$)

10. The joint pdf of a two-dimensional random variables (X, Y) is given as:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2), & \text{if } 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find C_{XY} , $E(XY)$ and ρ_{XY} . (Ans. $C_{XY} = -\frac{1}{64}$, $E(XY) = \frac{3}{8}$, $\rho_{XY} = -\frac{15}{73}$)

11. The joint pdf of a two-dimensional random variables (X, Y) is $P_X(k) = \frac{1}{k!}e^{-2}2^k$ and $P_Y(k) = \frac{1}{k!}e^{-3}3^k$. Compute the MGF of $Z = 2X + 3Y$.

(Ans. $e^{(2e^{2t} + 3e^{3t} - 5)}$)