

# CFRM 505 Homework 1

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## 1 Problem 1

Consider the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with the following joint distribution:

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy^2 + 2xy}{Z} & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $Z$  is some constant. Calculate the following quantities analytically (**not** by simulation).

By the Probability Axiom,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{xy^2 + 2xy}{Z} dx dy &= 1 \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{xy^2 + 2xy}{Z} dx dy &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{y^2 + 2y}{Z} x dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y^2 + 2y}{Z} \left[ \frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_0^1 dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{y^2 + 2y}{2Z} dy \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{3} y^3 + y^2}{2Z} \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{3} + 1}{2Z} \\ &= \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{2Z} \\ &= \frac{2}{3Z} \end{aligned}$$

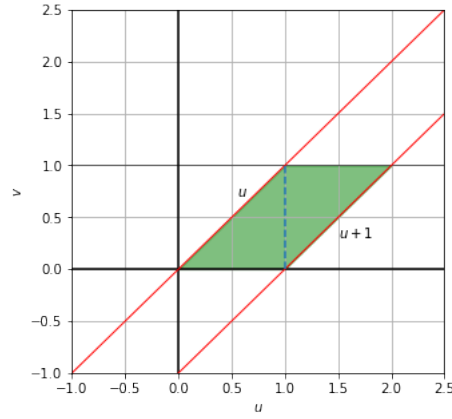
Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{3Z} &= 1 \\ Z &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}x(y^2 + 2y) & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1)

Consider the following variable transformation  $\begin{matrix} U = X + Y \\ V = Y \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} X = U - V \\ Y = V \end{matrix}$ ,  
with support  $S' = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : v < u < 1 + v, 0 < v < 1\}$



The Jacobian of the Transformation is given by,  $|J| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{pmatrix} \right| = \left| \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right| = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{U,V}(u, v) &= \frac{3}{2}(u - v)(v^2 + 2v) \cdot |J| \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}(u - v)(v^2 + 2v) & (u, v) \in S' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that the support  $S'$  has the following region.

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{U,V}(u, v) dv \\ &= \begin{cases} \int_0^u f_{U,V}(u, v) dv & 0 < u < 1 \\ \int_{u-1}^1 f_{U,V}(u, v) dv & 1 < u < 2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Since we're only interested in the region of  $U = X + Y < 0.5$ , we'll just use the first case.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \int_0^u \frac{3}{2}(u-v)(v^2+2v) dv \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^u uv^2 + 2uv - v^3 - 2v^2 dv \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^u -v^3 + (u-2)v^2 + 2uv dv \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \left[ -\frac{1}{4}v^4 + \frac{u-2}{3}v^3 + uv^2 \right]_0^u \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{4}u^4 + \frac{u-2}{3}u^3 + u^3 \right) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \left( -\frac{1}{4}u^4 + \frac{1}{3}u^4 - \frac{2}{3}u^3 + u^3 \right) \\
&= \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{1}{12}u^4 + \frac{1}{3}u^3 \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{8}u^4 + \frac{1}{2}u^3
\end{aligned}$$

$$f_U(u) = \frac{1}{8}u^4 + \frac{1}{2}u^3 \quad 0 < u < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P[X + Y < 0.5] &= \int_0^{0.5} f_U(u) du \\
&= \int_0^{0.5} \frac{1}{8}u^4 + \frac{1}{2}u^3 du \\
&= \frac{1}{40}u^5 + \frac{1}{8}u^4 \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= \frac{1}{2^3 \cdot 5} \cdot \frac{1}{2^5} + \frac{1}{2^3} \cdot \frac{1}{2^4} \\
&= \frac{1}{2^8 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{2^7} \\
&= \frac{1}{2^7} \cdot \frac{11}{10} \\
&= \frac{11}{1280}
\end{aligned}$$

2)

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}x(y^2+2y) & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_X(x) &= \int_0^1 f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\
&= \int_0^1 x \left( \frac{3}{2}y^2 + 3y \right) dy \\
&= x \left[ \frac{1}{2}y^3 + \frac{3}{2}y^2 \right]_0^1 \\
&= 2x
\end{aligned}$$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & o.w. \end{cases}$$

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

3)

$$Var[Y] = E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2}x(y^2 + 2y) & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Notice that the joint pdf on the support can be factorized into two parts  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = g(x) \cdot h(y)$ , which implies that  $X, Y$  are independent. Thus, by the definition of independence, we can get the marginal pdf of  $Y$ ,  $f_Y$  by deviding the joint pdf  $f_{X,Y}$  with the marginal pdf of  $X$ ,  $f_X$ , which we calculated above.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_Y(y) &= \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} \\
&= \frac{\frac{3}{2}x(y^2 + 2y)}{2x} \\
&= \frac{3}{4}(y^2 + 2y) \\
&= \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4}(y^2 + 2y) & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & o.w. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[Y] &= \int_0^1 y \cdot f_Y(y) dy \\
&= \int_0^1 \frac{3}{4}y^3 + \frac{3}{2}y^2 dy \\
&= \left[ \frac{3}{16}y^4 + \frac{1}{2}y^3 \right]_0^1 \\
&= \frac{3}{16} + \frac{1}{2} \\
&= \frac{11}{16}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[Y^2] &= \int_0^1 y^2 f_Y(y) dy \\
&= \int_0^1 \frac{3}{4}y^4 + \frac{3}{2}y^3 dy \\
&= \left[ \frac{3}{20}y^5 + \frac{3}{8}y^4 \right]_0^1 \\
&= \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{8} \\
&= \frac{6}{40} + \frac{15}{40} \\
&= \frac{21}{40}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Var[Y] &= \frac{21}{40} - \left( \frac{11}{16} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{21}{40} - \frac{121}{256} \\
&= \frac{67}{1280}
\end{aligned}$$

4)

Since  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ ,  $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$ .

$$Cov(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X] \cdot E[Y] = 0$$

5)

$$Corr(X, Y) = 0 \quad (\because Cov(X, Y) = 0)$$

6)

Since  $0 < x < 1$ ,  $0 < y < 1$ , and  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ ,

$$P(X > 0.5|Y > 0.5) = \frac{P(X > 0.5, Y > 0.5)}{P(Y > 0.5)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > 0.5, Y > 0.5) &= P(X > 0.5) \cdot P(Y > 0.5) \\ &= (1 - P(X \leq 0.5)) \cdot (1 - P(Y \leq 0.5)) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \leq 0.5) &= \int_0^{0.5} 2x \, dx \\ &= x^2 \Big|_0^{0.5} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y \leq 0.5) &= \int_0^{0.5} \frac{3}{4}y^2 + \frac{3}{2}y \, dy \\ &= \frac{1}{4}y^3 + \frac{3}{4}y^2 \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{32} + \frac{3}{16} \\ &= \frac{7}{32} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > 0.5, Y > 0.5) &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{7}{32}\right) \\ &= \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{25}{32} \\ &= \frac{75}{128} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X > 0.5|Y > 0.5) = \frac{75}{128} \cdot \frac{32}{25} = \frac{3}{4}$$

7)

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}, \quad 0 < x, y < 1 \\ &= \frac{f_X(x)f_Y(y)}{f_Y(y)} \\ &= f_X(x) \\ &= 2x \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{X|Y=0.25}(x) = 2x$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X|Y = 0.25] &= E[X] \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

## 2 Problem 2

Use Monte Carlo integration to estimate

$$\int_{-2}^3 3x^2 + 2x \, dx$$

(The exact answer is 40. You don't need to rederive it.)

Use a sample size of at least  $n = 100,000$ .

Let  $u = \frac{1}{5}x + \frac{2}{5} \Leftrightarrow x = 5u - 2, \quad \frac{dx}{du} = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-2}^3 3x^2 + 2x \, dx &= \int_0^1 (3(5u - 2)^2 + 2(5u - 2)) \frac{dx}{du} \, du \\ &= \int_0^1 (3(25u^2 - 20u + 4) + 10u - 4) \cdot 5 \, du \\ &= \int_0^1 (75u^2 - 60u + 12 + 10u - 4) \cdot 5 \, du \\ &= \int_0^1 375u^2 - 250u + 40 \, du \\ &= E[f(U)] \end{aligned}$$

where  $U \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$  and  $f(u) = 375u^2 - 250u + 40$

By default, `np.random.random()` method uses Mersenne Twister algorithm (MT19937) for its Pseudo Random Number Generator (PRNG). However, the official numpy documentation recommends to use other modern PRNG instead of MT19937, since MT19937 fails some statistical tests and does not have any significant advantage in its generation speed.

Therefore, for the generation of Uniform random samples, I used Permutation Congruential Generator (PCG64) as recommended.

In addition, I used parallel processing to generate very large numbers of sample. As shown in below, multi-threaded generator made a significant improvement in speed compared to a single-threaded generator.

Ref: <https://numpy.org/doc/stable/reference/random/performance.html>

```
[5]: import numpy as np
      rng = np.random.default_rng(12)
      # Use Permutation Congruential Generator(PCG64) instead of Mersenne
      ↪ Twister(MT19937)
```

```
[6]: from numpy.random import default_rng, SeedSequence
import multiprocessing
import concurrent.futures
import numpy as np

class MultithreadedRNG:
    def __init__(self, n, seed=None, threads=None):
        if threads is None:
            threads = multiprocessing.cpu_count()
        self.threads = threads

        seq = SeedSequence(seed)
        self._random_generators = [default_rng(s)
                                   for s in seq.spawn(threads)]

        self.n = n
        self.executor = concurrent.futures.ThreadPoolExecutor(threads)
        self.values = np.empty(n)
        self.step = np.ceil(n / threads).astype(np.int_)

    def fill(self):
        def _fill(random_state, out, first, last):
            random_state.random(out=out[first:last])

        futures = {}
        for i in range(self.threads):
            args = (_fill,
                    self._random_generators[i],
                    self.values,
                    i * self.step,
                    (i + 1) * self.step)
            futures[self.executor.submit(*args)] = i
        concurrent.futures.wait(futures)

    def __del__(self):
        self.executor.shutdown(False)
```

```
[7]: mrng = MultithreadedRNG(100_000_000, seed=12)
```

```
[8]: from timeit import timeit
print("Single Thread")
value = np.empty(100_000_000)
%timeit rng.random(out=value)
print(f"Multi Thread (num_threads={mrng.threads})")
%timeit mrng.fill()
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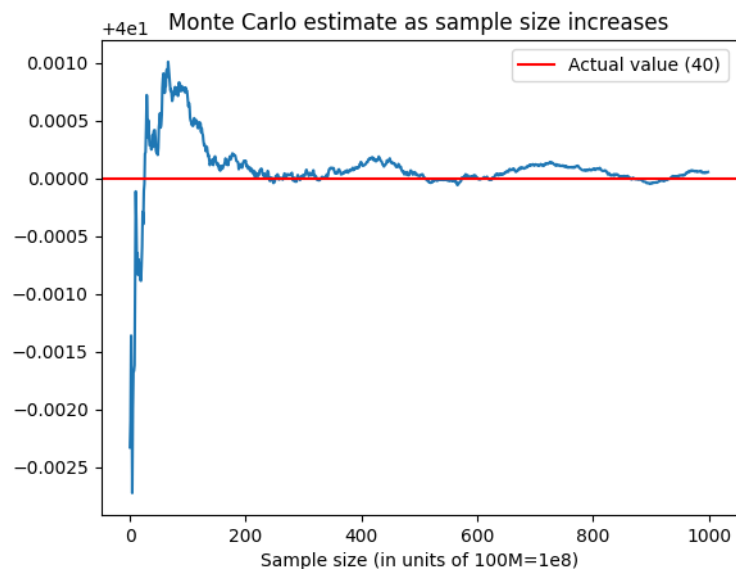
Single Thread



437 ms  $\pm$  19.5 ms per loop (mean  $\pm$  std. dev. of 7 runs, 1 loop each)  
Multi Thread (num\_threads=8)  
75.1 ms  $\pm$  1.5 ms per loop (mean  $\pm$  std. dev. of 7 runs, 10 loops each)

```
[9]: from tqdm import tqdm
val = 0.
ests = []
for i in tqdm(range(1000)):
    mrng.fill()
    smpls = mrng.values
    val += np.sum(375 * (smpls ** 2) - 250 * smpls + 40)
    ests.append(val / ((i+1) * int(1e8)))
```

```
[10]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.plot(ests)
plt.axhline(40, color='red', label="Actual value (40)")
plt.xlabel("Sample size (in units of 100M=1e8)")
plt.legend()
plt.title("Monte Carlo estimate as sample size increases")
plt.show()
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```
[11]: print(f"{'Monte Carlo estimate ': <21} = {ests[-1]}")
print(f"{'Theoretical value ': <21} = {40}")
```

Monte Carlo estimate = 40.0000533971071  
Theoretical value = 40

### 3 Problem 3

Use Monte Carlo integration to estimate

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{xy}{1+x^4} dy dx$$

(The exact answer is  $\pi/8$ . You don't need to rederive it.)

Use a sample size of at least  $n = 100,000$ .

Let  $z = \frac{x}{1+x} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}+1} \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{z}{1-z}, \quad \frac{dx}{dz} = \frac{1}{(1-z)^2}$

Notice that  $0 < x < \infty \Leftrightarrow 0 < z < 1$  since

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0+} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}+1} = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}+1} = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{xy}{1+x^4} dy dx &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{z}{1-z}y}{1 + \left(\frac{z}{1-z}\right)^4} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-z)^2} dx dz \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{\frac{z}{(1-z)^3}y}{1 + \frac{z^4}{(1-z)^4}} dz dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{(1-z) \cdot z}{(1-z)^4 + z^4} y dz dy \\ &= E[f(Z) \cdot Y] \end{aligned}$$

where  $Y, Z \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Unif}(0,1)$  and  $f(z) = \frac{(1-z) \cdot z}{(1-z)^4 + z^4}$

```
[12]: u1 = mrng.values.copy()
      mrng.fill()
      u2 = mrng.values.copy()
      est = np.mean((((1-u1) * u1) / ((1-u1) ** 4 + u1 ** 4)) * u2)
      print(f"{'Monte Carlo estimate ' : <21} = {est}")
      print(f"{'Theoretical value ' : <21} = {np.pi / 8}")
```

```
Monte Carlo estimate = 0.39275503717035704
Theoretical value    = 0.39269908169872414
```

### 4 Problem 4

Let  $U \sim U(0,1)$  and  $X = 1 - U$ . Use Monte Carlo simulation to confirm that

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \text{Var}[X] = \frac{1}{12} \text{ and } \text{Cov}[U, X] = -\frac{1}{12}$$

Use a sample size of at least  $n = 100,000$ .

```
[13]: u = mrng.values
      x = 1 - u
```

```
[14]: print("Monte Carlo estimates")
      print("----" * 15)
      print(f"{'E[X] ' : <10} = {np.mean(x)}")
      print(f"{'Var[X] ' : <10} = {np.cov(u,x)[0,0]}")
      print(f"{'Cov[U, X] ' : <10} = {np.cov(u,x)[0,1]}")
      print("----" * 15, "\n")
      print("Theoretical values")
      print("----" * 15)
      print(f"{'E[X] ' : <10} = {1/2}")
      print(f"{'Var[X] ' : <10} = {1/12}")
      print(f"{'Cov[U, X] ' : <10} = {-1/12}")
```

Monte Carlo estimates

```
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E[X]          = 0.4999481238364926
Var[X]        = 0.08332875314388954
Cov[U, X]     = -0.08332875314388954
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```

Theoretical values

```
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E[X]          = 0.5
Var[X]        = 0.08333333333333333
Cov[U, X]     = -0.08333333333333333
```

## 5 Problem 5

Let  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  be i.i.d. uniform random variables on  $(0, 1)$ . Define  $X = \max(U_1, U_2)$ . Derive the following by hand and then use Monte carlo simulation to estimate them:

- 1)  $\mathbb{E}[X]$
- 2)  $\mathbb{P}[X < 0.25]$

Use a sample size of at least  $n = 100,000$  for each part.

$$X = \max(U_1, U_2), \quad \text{where } U_1, U_2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Unif}(0, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X \leq x) &= P(\max(U_1, U_2) \leq x) \\
&= P(U_1 \leq x) \cdot P(U_2 \leq x) \\
&= \int_0^x 1 \, du_1 \cdot \int_0^x 1 \, du_2 \\
&= x^2
\end{aligned}$$

By definition of cdf,

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 1 \leq x \\ x^2 & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

and the pdf is

$$f_X(x) = F'_X(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & o.w. \end{cases}$$

1)

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X] &= \int_0^1 x f_X(x) \, dx \\
&= \int_0^1 2x^2 \, dx \\
&= \left. \frac{2}{3} x^3 \right|_0^1 \\
&= \frac{2}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

2)

$$P(X \leq 0.25) = F_X\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{16}$$

```
[15]: x = np.max([u1, u2], axis=0)
```

```
[16]: print(f"{'Monte Carlo estimate ': <21}" + f"= {np.mean(x)}")
      print(f"{'Theoretical value ': <21}" + f"= {2/3}")
```

```
Monte Carlo estimate = 0.66668394507005
Theoretical value    = 0.6666666666666666
```

```
[17]: print(f"{'Monte Carlo estimate ': <21}" + f"= {np.mean(x < 0.25)}")
      print(f"{'Theoretical value ': <21}" + f"= {1/16}")
```

```
Monte Carlo estimate = 0.06248674
Theoretical value    = 0.0625
```