

Problem Set 4

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Problem 1: [3, Exercise 2.54]

The joint probability function of two discrete random variables X and Y is given by $f(x, y) = cxy$ for $x = 1, 2, 3$ and $y = 1, 2, 3$, and equals zero otherwise. Find (a) the constant c , (b) $P(X = 2, Y = 3)$, (c) $P(1 \leq X \leq 2, Y \leq 2)$, (d) $P(X \geq 2)$, (e) $P(Y < 2)$, (f) $P(X = 1)$, (g) $P(Y = 3)$.

Solution:

a)

X \ Y	1	2	3	Total ↓
1	c	2c	3c	6c
2	2c	4c	6c	12c
3	3c	6c	9c	18c
Total ⇒	6c	12c	18c	36c

From the table, we have:

$$\sum_x \sum_y f(x, y) = 1 \Rightarrow 36c = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{36}$$

b)

$$P(X = 2, Y = 3) = 6c = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} P(1 \leq X \leq 2, Y \leq 2) &= P(X = 1, Y = 1) + P(X = 1, Y = 2) + P(X = 2, Y = 1) + P(X = 2, Y = 2) \\ &= c + 2c + 2c + 4c = 9c = \frac{9}{36} = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - P(X = 1) = 1 - 6 * \frac{1}{36} = \frac{5}{6}$$

Or:

$$P(X \geq 2) = P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) = 12c + 18c = 30c = \frac{30}{36} = \frac{5}{6}$$

e)

$$P(Y < 2) = P(Y = 1) = 6c = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

f)

$$P(X = 1) = 6c = \frac{6}{36} = \frac{1}{6}$$

g)

$$P(Y = 3) = 18c = \frac{18}{36} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Problem 2: [3, Exercise 2.55]

Find the marginal probability functions of (a) X and (b) Y for the random variables of Problem 1. (c) Determine whether X and Y are independent.

Solution:

a) Marginal probability function of X :

$$P(X = x) = f(x) = \begin{cases} 6c = 1/6 & x = 1 \\ 12c = 1/3 & x = 2 \\ 18c = 1/2 & x = 3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow f_1(x) = \begin{cases} x/6 & x = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

b) Marginal probability function of Y :

$$P(Y = y) = f(y) = \begin{cases} 6c = 1/6 & y = 1 \\ 12c = 1/3 & y = 2 \\ 18c = 1/2 & y = 3 \end{cases} \Rightarrow f_2(y) = \begin{cases} y/6 & y = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

c) If X and Y are independent:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X = x, Y = y) &= P(X = x)P(Y = y) \\ \Rightarrow f(x, y) &= f_1(x)f_2(y) \end{aligned}$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &= cxy = \frac{1}{36} * xy = \frac{xy}{36} \\ f_1(x)f_2(y) &= \frac{x}{6} * \frac{y}{6} = \frac{xy}{36} \\ \Rightarrow f(x, y) &= \frac{xy}{36} = f_1(x)f_2(y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

X and Y are independent

Problem 3: [3, Exercise 2.56]

Let X and Y be continuous random variables having joint density function

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

Determine (a) the constant c , (b) $P(X < \frac{1}{2}, Y > \frac{1}{2})$, (c) $P(\frac{1}{4} < X < \frac{3}{4})$, (d) $P(Y < \frac{1}{2})$, (e) whether X and Y are independent.

Solution:

a)

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) &= \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{y=-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1 \Rightarrow \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^1 c(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = 1 \\ &= c \int_{y=0}^1 \left(\frac{x^3}{3} + xy^2 \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 dy = c \int_{y=0}^1 \left(\frac{1}{3} + y^2 \right) dy \\ &= c \left(\frac{1}{3}y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^1 = c \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3}c = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(X < \frac{1}{2}, Y > \frac{1}{2}\right) &= \int_{x=0}^{1/2} \int_{y=1/2}^1 \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy \\ &= \int_{x=0}^{1/2} \frac{3}{2} \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{y=1/2}^1 dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_{x=0}^{1/2} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{24} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int_{x=0}^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{7}{24} \right) dx = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{6}x^3 + \frac{7}{24}x \right) \Big|_0^{1/2} = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{1}{4} < X < \frac{3}{4}\right) &= \int_{x=1/4}^{3/4} \int_{y=0}^1 \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int_{x=1/4}^{3/4} \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_{y=0}^1 dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_{x=1/4}^{3/4} \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) dx = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{1}{3}x \right) \Big|_{1/4}^{3/4} = \frac{29}{64} \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(Y < \frac{1}{2}\right) &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^{1/2} \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = \frac{3}{2} \int_{y=0}^{1/2} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} + y^2 x \right) \Big|_{x=0}^1 dy \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int_{y=0}^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{3} + y^2 \right) dy = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3}y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^{1/2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} \right) = \frac{5}{16} \end{aligned}$$

e) If X and Y are independent:

$$P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = P(X \leq x)P(Y \leq y)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x, y) = F_1(x)F_2(y)$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x) &= \int_0^x \int_0^1 \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^x \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^1 dx \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^x \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{3} \right) dx = \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{3} (x^3 + x) = \frac{1}{2} (x^3 + x) \\ F_2(y) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^y \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^y \frac{x^3}{3} + y^2 x \Big|_0^1 dy \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \int_0^y \left(\frac{1}{3} + y^2 \right) dy = \frac{3}{2} * \frac{1}{3} (y^3 + y) = \frac{1}{2} (y^3 + y) \\ F(x, y) &= \int_0^x \int_0^y \frac{3}{2}(x^2 + y^2) dx dy = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^x x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \Big|_0^y dx = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^x \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left(x^2 y + \frac{y^3}{3} \right) \Big|_0^x = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{3} y + \frac{y^3}{3} x \right) = \frac{1}{2} (x^3 y + x y^3) \\ \Rightarrow F(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} (x^3 y + x y^3) \neq \frac{1}{4} (x^3 + x)(y^3 + y) = F_1(x)F_2(y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

X and Y are not independent

Problem 4: [3, Exercise 2.57]

Find the marginal distribution functions (a) of X and (b) of Y for the density function of Problem 3.

Solution:

a)

$$F_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} (x^3 + x) & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

b)

$$F_2(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} (y^3 + y) & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 1 & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Problem 5: [3, Exercise 2.58]

Find the conditional probability function (a) of X given Y , (b) of Y given X , for the distribution of Problem 1.

Solution:

a)

$$f(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)} = \frac{xy/36}{y/6} = \frac{x}{6} = f_1(x)$$

b)

$$f(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)} = \frac{xy/36}{x/6} = \frac{y}{6} = f_2(y)$$

Problem 6: [3, Exercise 2.59]

Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the conditional density function of (a) X given Y , (b) Y given X .

Solution:

$$f_1(x) = \int_0^1 (x + y) dy = xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 = x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$f_2(y) = \int_0^1 (x + y) dx = xy + \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 = y + \frac{1}{2}$$

a)

$$f(x|y) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)} = \frac{x + y}{y + 1/2} & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{other } x, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

b)

$$f(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)} = \frac{x + y}{x + 1/2} & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & 0 \leq x \leq 1, \text{ other } y \end{cases}$$

Problem 7: [3, Exercise 2.60]

Find the conditional density function of (a) X given Y , (b) Y given X , for the distribution of Problem 3.

Solution:

$$f_1(x) = F_1'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x^3 + x)' = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 + 1)$$

$$f_2(y) = F_2'(y) = \frac{1}{2}(y^3 + y)' = \frac{1}{2}(3y^2 + 1)$$

a)

$$f(x|y) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)} = \frac{3/2(x^2 + y^2)}{1/2(3y^2 + 1)} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{y^2 + 1/3} & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{other } x, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

b)

$$f(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)} = \frac{3/2(x^2 + y^2)}{1/2(3x^2 + 1)} = \frac{x^2 + y^2}{x^2 + 1/3} & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & 0 \leq x \leq 1, \text{ other } y \end{cases}$$

Problem 8: [3, Exercise 2.61]

Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x+y)} & x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

be the joint density function of X and Y . Find the conditional density function of (a) X given Y , (b) Y given X .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-(x+y)} dy = -e^{-x} e^{-y} \Big|_0^{+\infty} \\ &= -e^{-x} \left(-e^{-0} + \lim_{y \rightarrow +\infty} e^{-y} \right) = e^{-x} \\ f_2(y) &= \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-(x+y)} dx = -e^{-y} e^{-x} \Big|_0^{+\infty} \\ &= -e^{-y} \left(-e^{-0} + \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{-x} \right) = e^{-y} \end{aligned}$$

a)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x|y) &= \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)} = \frac{e^{-(x+y)}}{e^{-y}} = e^{-x} = f_1(x) \\ f(x|y) &= \begin{cases} e^{-x} & x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0, y \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} f(y|x) &= \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)} = \frac{e^{-(x+y)}}{e^{-x}} = e^{-y} = f_2(y) \\ f(y|x) &= \begin{cases} e^{-y} & x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0 & x \geq 0, y < 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 9: [3, Exercise 2.81]

Suppose that $f(x) = c/3^x$, $x = 1, 2, \dots$, is the probability function for a random variable X . (a) Determine c . (b) Find the distribution function. (c) Graph the probability function and the distribution function. (d) Find $P(2 \leq X < 5)$. (e) Find $P(X \geq 3)$.

Solution:

$$f(x) = \frac{c}{3^x} = c \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^x$$

a)

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= c \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^1 + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^n \right] = \frac{c}{3} \left(1 + \dots + \frac{1}{3^{n-1}} \right) \\ &= \frac{c}{3} * \left(\frac{1 - \frac{1}{3^n}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \right) = \frac{c}{3} * \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^n} \right) = \frac{c}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow c = 2 \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) &= 2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^1 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^y \right] = \frac{2}{3} \left(1 + \dots + \frac{1}{3^{y-1}} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{3} * \left(\frac{1 - \frac{1}{3^y}}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \right) = \frac{2}{3} * \frac{3}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3^y} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{3^y} = 1 - 3^{-y} \\
 F(x) &= \begin{cases} 0 & x < 1 \\ 1 - 3^{-y} & y \leq x < y+1; y = 1, 2, 3, \dots \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$P(2 \leq x < 5) = P(X = 4) - P(X = 2) = (1 - 3^{-4}) - (1 - 3^{-2}) = 3^{-2} - 3^{-4} = \frac{26}{81}$$

e)

$$P(X \geq 3) = 1 - P(X < 3) = 1 - P(X = 2) = 1 - (1 - 3^{-2}) = 3^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

Problem 10: [3, Exercise 2.82]

Suppose that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cxe^{-2x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is the density function for a random variable X . (a) Determine c . (b) Find the distribution function. (c) Graph the density function and the distribution function. (d) Find $P(X \geq 1)$. (e) Find $P(2 \leq X < 3)$.

Solution:

a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x)dx = 1 \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^0 0dx + \int_0^{+\infty} cxe^{-2x}dx = c \int_0^{+\infty} xe^{-2x}dx \\
 &= c \left(-\frac{1}{2}xe^{-2x} + \int -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2x}dx \right) \Big|_0^{+\infty} \\
 &= \frac{c}{2} \left(xe^{-2x} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2x} \right) \Big|_0^{+\infty} = \frac{c}{4} (2xe^{-2x} - e^{-2x}) \Big|_0^{+\infty} \\
 &= \frac{c}{4} e^{-2x} (2x - 1) \Big|_0^{+\infty} = \frac{c}{4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2x - 1}{e^{2x}} - 1 \right) \\
 &= \frac{c}{4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{2}{2e^x} - 1 \right) \text{ (by L'Hospital's Rule)} \\
 &= \frac{c}{4} \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{-2x} - 1 \right) = \frac{c}{4} = 1 \Rightarrow c = 4
 \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(x) &= \int 4xe^{-2x} dx = 4 \int xe^{-2x} dx \\
 &= 4 \left(\frac{-xe^{-2x}}{2} + \int \frac{e^{-2x}}{2} dx \right) = 2 \left(-xe^{-2x} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2x} + k \right) \\
 F(0) &= 0 - \frac{1}{2}e^0 + 1 = -\frac{1}{2} + k = 0 \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow F(x) &= 2 \left(-xe^{-2x} - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2x} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = 1 - e^{-2x}(2x + 1) \\
 F(x) &= \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-2x}(2x + 1) & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X < 1) = 1 - (1 - e^{-2 \cdot 1}(2 \cdot 1 + 1)) = 3e^{-2}$$

e)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(2 \leq X \leq 3) &= P(X < 3) - P(X < 2) \\
 &= [1 - e^{-6}(3 \cdot 2 + 1)] - [1 - e^{-4}(2 \cdot 2 + 1)] = 5e^{-4} - 7e^{-6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 11: [3, Exercise 2.83]

The probability function of a random variable X is given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2p & x = 1 \\ p & x = 2 \\ 4p & x = 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where p is a constant. Find (a) $P(0 \leq X < 3)$, (b) $P(X > 1)$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \begin{cases} 2p & x = 1 \\ p & x = 2 \\ 4p & x = 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
 \Rightarrow 2p + p + 4p &= 1 \Rightarrow 7p = 1 \Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

a)

$$P(0 \leq X < 3) = P(X = 0) + P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) = 0 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{7} = \frac{3}{7}$$

b)

$$P(X > 1) = 1 - P(X \leq 1) = 1 - [P(X = 0) + P(X = 1)] = 1 - \left(0 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{7} \right) = \frac{5}{7}$$

Problem 12: [3, Exercise 2.84](a) Prove that for a suitable constant c ,

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ c(1 - e^{-x})^2, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

is the distribution function for a random variable X , and find this c . (b) Determine $P(1 < X < 2)$.

Solution:

a)

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 0dx + \int_0^{+\infty} f(x)dx = c(1 - e^{-x})^2 \Big|_0^{+\infty} = 1 \\ &= c \left[\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} (1 - e^{-x})^2 - 0 \right] = c \Rightarrow c = 1 \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$P(1 < X < 2) = F(2) - F(1) = (1 - e^{-2})^2 - (1 - e^{-1})^2 = e^{-4} - 3e^{-2} + 2e^{-1}$$

Problem 13: [3, Exercise 2.86]Two independent random variables, X and Y , have respective density functions

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \begin{cases} c_1 e^{-2x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & x \leq 0 \end{cases} \\ g(y) &= \begin{cases} c_2 y e^{-3y} & y > 0 \\ 0 & y \leq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Find (a) c_1 and c_2 , (b) $P(X + Y > 1)$, (c) $P(1 < X < 2, Y \geq 1)$, (d) $P(1 < X < 2)$, (e) $P(Y \geq 1)$.

Solution:

a)

$$c_1 = 2, c_2 = 9$$

b)

$$P(X + Y > 1) = 9e^{-2} - 14e^{-3}$$

c)

$$P(1 < X < 2, Y \geq 1) = 4e^{-5} - 4e^{-7}$$

d)

$$P(1 < X < 2) = e^{-2} - e^{-4}$$

e)

$$P(Y \geq 1) = 4e^{-3}$$

Problem 14: [3, Exercise 2.88]

Let X and Y be random variables having joint density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(2x + y) & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find (a) the constant c , (b) $P(X > \frac{1}{2}, Y < \frac{3}{2})$, (c) the (marginal) density function of X , (d) the (marginal) density function of Y .

Solution:

a)

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y) = 1 &= \int_{x=0}^1 \int_{y=0}^2 c(2x + y) dx dy = \int_{x=0}^1 \left. 2xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right|_{y=0}^2 dx \\ &= c \int_{x=0}^1 (4x + 2) dx = c(2x^2 + 2x) \Big|_0^1 = 4c = 1 \Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(P > \frac{1}{2}, Y < \frac{3}{2} \right) &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{x=1/2}^1 \int_{y=0}^{3/2} (2x + y) dx dy = \frac{1}{4} \int_{x=1/2}^1 \left. 2xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right|_{y=0}^{3/2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{x=1/2}^1 \left(3x + \frac{9}{8} \right) dx = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3x^2}{2} + \frac{9x}{8} \right) \Big|_{1/2}^1 = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{9}{8} - \frac{3 * 1/2^2}{2} - \frac{9}{8} * \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{27}{64} \end{aligned}$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(x) &= \int_0^2 \frac{1}{4}(2x + y) dy = \frac{1}{4} \left(2xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left(2x * 2 + \frac{4}{2} \right) = x + \frac{1}{2} \\ f_1(x) &= \begin{cases} x + \frac{1}{2} & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(y) &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{4}(2x + y) dx = \frac{1}{4} (x^2 + xy) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{4} (y + 1) \\ f_2(y) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}(y + 1) & 0 < y < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 15: [3, Exercise 2.91]

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1/y & 0 < x < y, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Determine whether X and Y are independent, (b) Find $P(X > \frac{1}{2})$. (c) Find $P(X < \frac{1}{2}, Y > \frac{1}{3})$. (d) Find $P(X + Y > \frac{1}{2})$.

Solution:

a)

X and Y are not independent

b)

$$P\left(X > \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \ln 2)$$

c)

$$P\left(X < \frac{1}{2}, Y > \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{2}\ln 2$$

d)

$$P\left(X + Y > \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\ln 2$$

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