

**Problem 1:** Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly continuous random variables with density

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 24xy & : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, x + y \leq 1, \\ 0 & : \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Compute the expectation  $E(XY)$ .

**Problem 2:** Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are jointly continuous random variables with the same density from Problem 1. Compute a formula for the conditional expectation  $E(Y \mid X = x)$ . Take care to precisely state the domain of this function.

**Problem 3:** Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables on the probability space  $S = \{a, b, c\}$ . Suppose that the probability distribution  $P$  on  $S$  has mass function  $p(s)$  and that  $X$  and  $Y$  are defined according to the following table:

$s$	$p(s)$	$X(s)$	$Y(s)$
$a$	0.2	1	2
$b$	0.5	2	1
$c$	0.3	1	1

Compute the random variable  $E(Y | X)$ .

**Problem 4:** Suppose that a point  $X = x$  is chosen uniformly in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . After  $x$  has been chosen, suppose that a second point  $Y = y$  is chosen uniformly in the interval  $[x, 1]$ . Compute the expectation  $E(Y)$ .

**Problem 5:** The waiting time  $X$  in minutes between calls to a 911 center is exponentially distributed with mean  $\mu = 2$  minutes. Compute the distribution of the transformed random variable  $Y = 60X$  that measures the waiting time in seconds.

**Problem 6:** Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are two random variables such that  $Y = e^X$  and  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Compute the density of  $Y$ .

**Problem 7:** Suppose that  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2)$  is a two-dimensional continuous random vector with density

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 4x_1x_2 & : 0 < x_1 < 1, 0 < x_2 < 1, \\ 0 & : \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Letting  $T$  be the support of the density, define  $r : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by setting

$$r(x_1, x_2) = \left( \frac{x_1}{x_2}, x_1x_2 \right)$$

for  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Compute the density of the random vector  $\mathbf{Y} = r(\mathbf{X})$ .

**Problem 8:** Suppose that  $X$  is a continuous random variable with uniform distribution on  $[a, b]$ . Compute its moment generating function  $\psi(t)$ , and then find all moments  $E(X^k)$ , for  $k \geq 1$ .

**Problem 9:** Use moment generating functions to confirm that the mean and variance of a random variable  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  are indeed  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$ .

**Problem 10:** Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables with the joint density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2xy + 0.5 & : 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1, \\ 0 & : \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Compute the covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

**Problem 11:** Compute the correlation  $\rho_{XY}$  of the random variables in the previous problem.

**Problem 12:** Many students applying for college take the SAT, which consists of math and verbal components (the latter is currently called evidence-based reading and writing). Let  $X$  and  $Y$  denote the math and verbal scores, respectively, for a randomly selected student. According to the College Board, the population of students taking the exam in 2017 had the following results:

$$\mu_X = 527, \quad \sigma_X = 107, \quad \mu_Y = 533, \quad \sigma_Y = 100, \quad \rho_{XY} = 0.77.$$

Supposing that  $(X, Y) \sim \mathcal{N}_2(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , determine the probability that a student's total score  $X + Y$  exceeds 1250, the minimum admission score for a particular university.