

HW4 Solutions

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Problem 1. (a). The integral of joint *p.d.f.* should be 1.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{2-2x} Cxydydx \\ &= C \int_0^1 x \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_0^{2-2x} dx \\ &= C \int_0^1 \frac{x(2-2x)^2}{2} dx \\ &= C \int_0^1 2x(1-x)^2 dx \\ &= C \int_0^1 (2x^3 - 4x^2 + 2x) dx \\ &= C \left(\frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{4x^3}{3} + x^2 \right) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= C \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{3} + 1 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}C. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have $C = 6$.

(b). We firstly find the marginal density of X .

$$f_x(x) = \int_0^{2-2x} 6xydy = 3x(2-2x)^2, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[1/(1+X)] &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} f_X(x) dx \\
&= (\text{let } t = 1+x) \int_1^2 \frac{1}{t} 3(t-1)(4-2t)^2 dt \\
&= 12 \int_1^2 \frac{1}{t} (t^3 - 5t^2 + 8t - 4) dt \\
&= 12 \int_1^2 (t^2 - 5t + 8 - \frac{4}{t}) dt \\
&= 12 [\frac{t^3}{3} - \frac{5t^2}{2} + 8t - 4\ln t]_1^2 \\
&= 12 [\frac{8}{3} - 10 + 16 - 4\ln 2 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{5}{2} - 8] \\
&= 34 - 48\ln 2
\end{aligned}$$

(c) As $2X + Y < 1$ implies that $X < \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P(2X + Y < 1) &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{1-2x} 6xy dy dx \\
&= 6 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{x}{2} (1-2x)^2 dx \\
&= 3 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} (4x^3 - 4x^2 + x) dx \\
&= 3 [x^4 - \frac{4}{3}x^3 + \frac{x^2}{2}]_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= \frac{1}{16}
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 2.

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X > Y > Z \text{ or } X < Y < Z) &= 2P(X > Y > Z) \\
&= 2 \int_0^1 \int_y^1 \int_0^y 1 dz dx dy \\
&= 2 \int_0^1 y(1-y) dy \\
&= 2 (\frac{y^2}{2} - \frac{y^3}{3})_0^1 \\
&= \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

Problem 3. (a) For $X = 1$, conditional mass function of Y are

$$\begin{aligned} P_{Y|X}(Y = 1|X = 1) &= \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 1)}{P(X = 1)} = \frac{p(1, 1)}{p(1, 1) + p(1, 2)} = \frac{1}{3} \\ P_{Y|X}(Y = 2|X = 1) &= \frac{P(X = 1, Y = 2)}{P(X = 1)} = \frac{p(1, 2)}{p(1, 1) + p(1, 2)} = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

For $X = 2$, conditional mass function of Y are

$$\begin{aligned} P_{Y|X}(Y = 1|X = 2) &= \frac{P(X = 2, Y = 1)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{p(2, 1)}{p(2, 1) + p(2, 2)} = \frac{1}{5} \\ P_{Y|X}(Y = 2|X = 2) &= \frac{P(X = 2, Y = 2)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{p(2, 2)}{p(2, 1) + p(2, 2)} = \frac{4}{5} \end{aligned}$$

(b). Since conditional mass function of Y are different given $X = 1$ and $X = 2$, we can conclude that X and Y are not independent.

(c).

$$\begin{aligned} P(XY \leq 5/2) &= P(\{X = 1, Y = 1\} \cup \{X = 1, Y = 2\} \cup \{X = 2, Y = 1\}) \\ &= p(1, 1) + p(1, 2) + p(2, 1) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(X + Y \geq 7/3) &= P(\{X = 1, Y = 2\} \cup \{X = 2, Y = 1\} \cup \{X = 2, Y = 2\}) \\ &= p(1, 2) + p(2, 1) + p(2, 2) = \frac{7}{8} \\ P(X/Y > 3/2) &= P(\{X = 2, Y = 1\}) = p(2, 1) = \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4. (a). The integral of joint $p.d.f.$ should be 1.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^{+\infty} Cye^{-y(2+x)} dx dy \\ &= C \int_0^{+\infty} -e^{-y(2+x)} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=+\infty} dy \\ &= C \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-2y} dy = -\frac{1}{2} Ce^{-2y} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=+\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} C. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have $C = 2$.

(b). We firstly find the marginal density of Y .

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_0^{+\infty} Cye^{-y(2+x)} dx \\ &= -Ce^{-y(2+x)} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=+\infty} \\ &= Ce^{-2y} = 2e^{-2y}, \quad y > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the conditional density of X given Y is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{Cye^{-y(2+x)}}{Ce^{-2y}} = ye^{-xy}, \quad x, y > 0.$$

(c). We first find the cdf of Z .

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= P(Z \leq z) = P(XY \leq z) = \int_0^{+\infty} \int_0^{\frac{z}{y}} 2ye^{-y(2+x)} dx dy \\ &= 2 \int_0^{+\infty} -e^{-y(2+x)} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\frac{z}{y}} dy = 2 \int_0^{+\infty} (e^{-2y} - e^{-(z+2y)}) dy \\ &= 2(1 - e^{-z}) \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-2y} dy = -(1 - e^{-z})e^{-2y} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=+\infty} \\ &= 1 - e^{-z}, \quad z > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $f_Z(z) = \frac{dF_Z(z)}{dz} = e^{-z}$ when $z > 0$.

Problem 5. (a). The integral of joint *p.d.f.* should be 1.

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= C \int_1^{+\infty} \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^3 y^2} dy dx \\ &= C \int_1^{+\infty} -\frac{1}{x^3 y} \Big|_{y=1}^{y=+\infty} dx \\ &= C \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx = -\frac{1}{2} C x^{-2} \Big|_{x=1}^{x=+\infty} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} C. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have $C = 2$.

(b). We first write out the Jacobian,

$$J(x, y) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{y} & -\frac{x}{y^2} \\ y & x \end{vmatrix} = \frac{2x}{y}.$$

Notice that $X = \sqrt{UV} \geq 1$ and $Y = \sqrt{\frac{V}{U}} \geq 1$, so $U > 0$, $V \geq 1$ and $\frac{1}{V} \leq U \leq V$.

The joint density of U, V is

$$f_{U,V}(u, v) = f_{X,Y}(x, y) |J(x, y)|^{-1} = \frac{2}{x^3 y^2} \frac{y}{2x} = \frac{1}{x^4 y} = \frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}} v^{\frac{5}{2}}},$$

with $u > 0$, $v \geq 1$ and $\frac{1}{v} \leq u \leq v$.

(c). We find marginal of X, Y, U, V below:

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= 2 \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^3 y^2} dy \\ &= \frac{-2}{x^3 y} \Big|_{y=1}^{y=+\infty} \\ &= \frac{2}{x^3}, \quad x \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_Y(y) &= 2 \int_1^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^3 y^2} dx \\
&= \left. \frac{-1}{x^2 y^2} \right|_{x=1}^{x=+\infty} \\
&= \frac{1}{y^2}, \quad y \geq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that we have $\frac{1}{v} \leq u \leq v$, this means $v \geq \frac{1}{u}$ and $v \geq u$. Let's discuss two cases. The first one is that $0 < u \leq 1$, this means $\frac{1}{u} \geq 1$, so in this case

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \int_{\frac{1}{u}}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}} v^{\frac{5}{2}}} dv \\
&= \left. -\frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{2}{3} v^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right|_{v=\frac{1}{u}}^{v=+\infty} \\
&= \frac{2}{3}, \quad 0 < u \leq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

The second case is that $u \geq 1$, this means $\frac{1}{u} \leq 1$, so in this case

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \int_u^{+\infty} \frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}} v^{\frac{5}{2}}} dv \\
&= \left. -\frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{2}{3} v^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right|_{v=u}^{v=+\infty} \\
&= \frac{2}{3} u^{-3}, \quad u \geq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

For the density of V , much simpler.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_V(v) &= \int_{\frac{1}{v}}^v \frac{1}{u^{\frac{3}{2}} v^{\frac{5}{2}}} du \\
&= \left. -2v^{-\frac{5}{2}} u^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right|_{\frac{1}{v}}^v \\
&= 2(v^{-2} - v^{-3}), \quad v \geq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

To summarize, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{X,Y}(x,y) &= 2x^{-3}y^{-2}\mathcal{I}(x \geq 1)\mathcal{I}(y \geq 1), \\
f_X(x) &= \frac{2}{x^3}\mathcal{I}(x \geq 1), \\
f_Y(y) &= \frac{1}{y^2}\mathcal{I}(y \geq 1), \\
f_{U,V}(u,v) &= u^{-\frac{3}{2}}v^{-\frac{5}{2}}\mathcal{I}(u \geq 0)\mathcal{I}(v \geq 1)\mathcal{I}\left(\frac{1}{v} \leq u \leq v\right), \\
f_V(v) &= 2(v^{-2} - v^{-3})\mathcal{I}(v \geq 1), \\
f_U(u) &= \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3}u^{-3}, & u \geq 1 \\ 2/3, & 0 < u \leq 1. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Here the indicator function $\mathcal{I}(A) = 1$ if A happens, otherwise, it equals 0. Therefore, from the above, we can see that X and Y are independent. However, U and V are not independent. (The reason is that the indicator function in $f_{U,V}(u, v)$ cannot be written into the product of two functions of u and v only.)