# CS 107 Section A - Probability

## Spring 2020, AUA

## Homework No. 11

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**Note:** Supplementary Problems will not be graded, but you are very advised to solve them and to discuss later with TA or Instructor.

## Joint Distribution of r.v.s

#### **A** Joint PDFs

**Problem 1.** Is the function f(x,y) a Joint PDF for some r.v.'s X and Y? Explain your reasoning.

a. 
$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2, & (x,y) \in [0,1] \times [0,0.5]; \\ 1, & (x,y) \in [1,2] \times [0.5,1]; \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$
  
b.  $f(x,y) = \begin{cases} x \cdot y, & \text{if } 0 \le x \le 1, \ 0 \le y \le x; \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$ 

**Problem 2.** Let *X* and *Y* be Jointly distributed r.v.s with the following Joint PDF:

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 4xy \cdot e^{-x^2 - y^2}, & \text{if } x \ge 0, \ y \ge 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- a. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X < 3, Y > 2)$ ;
- b. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(2X 3Y = 1)$ ;
- c. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X^2 + Y^2 \le 4)$ ;
- d. Find the Marginal PDFs of *X* and *Y*;
- e. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X > 1)$  by using the Joint PDF or the Marginal PDF of X.

**Problem 3.** (Supplementary, but placed here) Assume the PDF of the random vector (X, Y) is

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} K \cdot (x+2y), & \text{if } 0 \le x \le 1, \ 0 \le y \le 1; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

for some constant *K*.

a. Find *K*;

- b. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}((X,Y) \in D)$ , where D is a trapezoid with vertices at (0,0), (0,1), (1,1) and (3,0);
- c. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X^2 + Y^2 \le 1)$ ;
- d. Find the Marginal PDF of Y.

## **B** Some important Multivariate Distributions

**Problem 4.** Assume we are picking at random a point, uniformly, in  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , and let X and Y be the x- and y- coordinates of that point. We consider two cases, when

- I. *D* is the triangle with vertices at (-1,0), (1,0) and (0,1);
- II. (Supplementary)  $D = \{(x, y) : 1 \le x^2 + y^2 \le 4\}.$

For each case of *D*,

- a. Find the Joint PDF of *X* and *Y*;
- b. Find the (Marginal) PDFs of *X* and *Y*;
- c. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X \in [0, 1], Y \in [0, 1])$ .

Problem 5. Assume

$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $(X, Y) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ .

- a. Construct the PDF of (X, Y);
- b. Plot some level curves of the PDF of (X, Y).
- c. (Supplementary) Calculate, using **R** or any other software, the probabilities

$$\mathbb{P}(X^2 + (Y - 3)^2 < 3)$$
 and  $\mathbb{P}(X > 2)$ ;

d. (Supplementary) Plot, using some software, or your calculus knowledge, the graph of the Joint PDF of *X* and *Y*;

# C Independence of r.v.s

**Problem 6.** a. Assume that X and Y are Discrete r.v.'s, and assume X and Y are Independent:  $X \perp \!\!\! \perp Y$ . Find the Joint PMF of X and Y, if

$Y \setminus X$	-2	1	2	PMF of Y
-10				$\frac{1}{4}$
10				$\frac{3}{4}$
PMF of X	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	

b. Assume that the Joint PMF of Discrete r.v. X and Y is given by

$Y \setminus X$	2	3
-3	0.1	0.3
1	0.2	0.4

Are *X* and *Y* Independent? Prove your statement.

c. Assume *X* and *Y* are Discrete r.v. with the following PMFs:

X	0		– and	Y	0	2
$\mathbb{P}(X=x)$	0.3	0.7	– and	$\mathbb{P}(Y = y)$	0.3	0.7

Are *X* and *Y* Dependent? Explain.

**Problem 7.** Assume  $X \sim Binom(4,0.2)$  and  $Y \sim Pois(1)$  and X and Y are Independent:  $X \perp \!\!\! \perp Y$ . Calculate

$$\mathbb{P}(X + Y < 2)$$
.

**Problem 8.** Assume  $(X,Y) \sim Unif(D)$ , where D is the square  $D = \{(x,y) : |x| + |y| \le 1\}$ . Are X and Y Independent? Prove your statement.

**Problem 9.** Assume  $X \sim Unif[-1,2]$  and  $Y \sim Exp(3)$ , and X and Y are Independent.

- a. Find the Joint PDF of X and Y;
- b. Calculate  $\mathbb{P}(X \in [1, 2], Y \in [0, 1])$ .

**Problem 10.** a. Assume  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(1, 2^2)$  and  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(2, 4^2)$ . Are X and Y Independent? Explain.

b. Assume again that  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(1,2^2)$  and  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(2,4^2)$ , and now assume that X and Y are Independent. Calculate the Joint PDF of X and Y.

# **D** Supplementary Problems

**Problem 11.** (Supplementary) Assume  $X \sim Unif([0,2])$ ,  $Y \sim Bernoulli(0.5)$  and  $X \perp \!\!\! \perp Y$ . Find the CDF of X + Y.

**Problem 12.** (Supplementary) Assume  $X_1 \sim Unif([0,1])$ ,  $X_2 \equiv 1$ ,  $Y \sim Bernoulli(0.5)$  and Y is independent of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Consider the r.v.

$$Z = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} X_1, & Y = 0 \\ X_2, & Y = 1. \end{array} \right.$$

Find and plot the CDF of *Z*.

**Problem 13.** (Supplementary) Let  $q_{\alpha}$  be the  $\alpha$ -level quantile of some distribution  $\mathcal{D}$  with continuous and strictly increasing CDF F, i.e. , for  $X \sim \mathcal{D}$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(X \le q_{\alpha}) = \alpha.$$

Which one is larger:  $q_{0.7}$  or  $q_{0.8}$ ?

- **Problem 14.** (Supplementary) Express the Joint CDF (PDF) of U, V in terms of the Joint CDF (PDF) of X, Y, if
  - a. U = 3X + 2, V = 4Y 2;
  - b. U = X + Y, V = X Y.
- **Problem 15.** (Supplementary) Assume X and Y are Jointly Continuous with Joint CDF F(x, y) and Joint PDF f(x, y). Express (no proof is necessary):
  - a. F(x,y) in terms of f(x,y);
  - b. f(x,y) in terms of F(x,y);
  - c1. the (Marginal) CDF of X,  $F_X(x)$  in terms of F(x,y);
  - c2. the (Marginal) CDF of X,  $F_X(x)$  in terms of f(x, y);
  - d1. the (Marginal) PDF of Y,  $f_Y(x)$  in terms of F(x,y);
  - d2. the (Marginal) PDF of Y,  $f_Y(x)$  in terms of f(x,y);
  - e1.  $\mathbb{P}(a \le X \le b, Y \ge c)$  in terms of F(x, y);
  - e2.  $\mathbb{P}(a \le X \le b, Y \ge c)$  in terms of f(x, y);
  - f1.  $\mathbb{P}(X \ge a, Y \le b)$  in terms of F(x, y);
  - f2.  $\mathbb{P}(X \ge a, Y \le b)$  in terms of f(x, y);
  - g.  $\mathbb{P}(X^4 + Y^4 \le 5)$  in terms of f(x,y); write also the double integral in the iterated integrals form;
  - h.  $\mathbb{P}(|X| + Y \le 5)$  in terms of f(x,y); write also the double integral in the iterated integrals form;
  - i.  $\mathbb{P}(X \in [0,2], Y \leq \sin(X))$  in terms of f(x,y); write also the double integral in the iterated integrals form;
  - j. the CDF of the 1D random variable Z = X + Y in terms of f(x, y);
  - k. the CDF of the 1D random variable  $Z = \max\{X,Y\}$  in terms of F(x,y) and f(x,y);
  - l. the CDF of the 1D random variable  $Z = \min\{X,Y\}$  in terms of F(x,y) and f(x,y).
- **Problem 16.** (Supplementary) Assume X and Y are discrete r.v.'s with values  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  and  $y_1, y_2, \dots$ , respectively, and their Joint PMF is  $\mathbb{P}(X = x_i, Y = y_j)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, j = 1, 2, \dots$ . Express in terms of the Joint PMF:
  - a. Their Joint CDF F(x, y);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Finite or countably infinite, also not necessarily of the same size.

- b.  $\mathbb{P}(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d)$ ;
- c. The (Marginal) CDF of X,  $F_X(x)$ ;
- d.  $\mathbb{P}(X = x, Y \leq y)$ ;
- e.  $\mathbb{P}(a \leq X \leq b)$ .
- **Problem 17.** (Supplementary) Assume X and Y are Independent. Prove that 2X + 1 and  $Y^3$  are Independent too.
- **Problem 18.** (Supplementary) Assume  $(U, V) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ , where

$$\mu = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Prove that *U* and *V* are Independent.

**Problem 19.** (Supplementary) Assume X, Y and Z are IID, i.e., Independent and Identically Distributed, i.e., they all have the same CDF F(x). Calculate the CDF of

$$U = \max\{X, Y, Z\}$$
 and  $V = \min\{X, Y, Z\}.$ 

Generalize for n IID random variables.

**Note:** This result is important in Statistics.