#### **Lec 15**

#### **Conditioning by a Random Variable**

#### **Conditional PMF**

For any event [Y = y] such that  $[P_Y[y] > 0]$ , the conditional PMF of [X] given Y = y is

$$\bullet \qquad P_{X|Y}[x|y] = P[X = x|Y = y]$$

$$\begin{cases}
P_{X,Y}[x,y] = P_{X|Y}[x|y] \cdot P_{Y}[y] = P_{Y|X}[y|x] \cdot P_{X}[x] \\
P_{X|Y}[x|y] = \frac{P_{X,Y}[x,y]}{P_{Y}[y]}
\end{cases}$$

#### **Conditional PDF**

For y such that  $f_Y(y) > 0$ , the conditional PDF of X given (Y = y) is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_{X|Y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x)$$

## Ex. 4.19 Random variables X and Y have joint PDF

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 \le y \le x \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

Find the conditional pdf  $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$  and  $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$ .

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}$$

a. 
$$\begin{cases} \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\ = \int_{0}^{x} 2 dy \\ = 2x \qquad 0 \le x \le 1 \end{cases}$$

b. 
$$\begin{cases} f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} \\ = \frac{2}{2x} = \frac{1}{x} & 0 \le y \le x \end{cases}$$

c. 
$$\begin{cases} \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx \\ = \int_{y}^{1} 2 dx \\ = 2(1-y) \end{cases} \quad 0 \le y \le 1$$

d. 
$$\begin{cases} f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} \\ = \frac{2}{2(1-y)} = \frac{1}{(1-y)} \end{cases} \quad y \le x \le 1$$

#### **Conditional Expected Value of a Function**

For continuous r.v [X and Y] and any y such that  $f_Y(y) > 0$ , the conditional expected value of g(X,Y) given Y = y is

$$E(g(X,Y)|Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x,y) f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

$$E(X|Y=y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

The conditional expected value E(X|Y) is a function of random variable Y s.t. if Y = y then E(X|Y) = E(X|Y = y)

Ex 4.20) The conditional PDF of X given Y is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_{Y}(y)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-y} & y \le x \le 1\\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

Find the conditional expected values E(X|Y = y) and E(X|Y).

$$E(X|Y=y) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx \\ = \int_{y}^{1} x \cdot \frac{1}{1-y} dx \\ = \frac{x^{2}}{2(1-y)} \Big|_{x=y}^{x=1} \\ = \frac{1-y^{2}}{2(1-y)} = \frac{1+y}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$E(X|Y) = \frac{1+Y}{2}$$

Quiz 4.9) A) The probability model for random variable A is

$$P_{A}[a] = \begin{cases} 0.4 & a = 0 \\ 0.6 & a = 2 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

The conditional probability model for random variable B given A is

$$P_{B|A}[b|0] = \begin{cases} 0.8 & b = 0 \\ 0.2 & b = 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases} \qquad P_{B|A}[b|2] = \begin{cases} 0.5 & b = 0 \\ 0.5 & b = 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

- 1) What is the probability model for [A and B]? Write the joint PMF  $P_{A,B}[a,b]$  as a table.
- 2) The conditional expected value E[B|A=2]
- 3) If [B=0], what is the conditional PMF  $P_{A|B}[a|0]$
- 4) If [B=0], what is the conditional variance Var[A|B=0]

1)

| $P_{A,B}[a,b]$ | b = 0  | b = 1           |
|----------------|--|-----------------|
| a = 0          | $P[A=0, B=0] = P_{B A}[0 0]P_A[a] = 0.8 \cdot 0.4$ | $0.2 \cdot 0.4$ |
| a=2            | 0.5 · 0.6  | 0.5 · 0.6       |

2) 
$$E[B|A=2] = \sum_{b=0}^{1} b \cdot P_{B|A}[b|2] = 0 \cdot (0.5) + 1 \cdot (0.5) = 0.5$$

3) 
$$P_{A|B}[a|0] = \frac{P_{A,B}[a,0]}{P_{B}[0]} = \begin{cases} \frac{0.8 \cdot 0.4}{0.32 + 0.3} & a = 0\\ \frac{0.5 \cdot 0.6}{0.32 + 0.3} & a = 2\\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} Var[A|B=0] = E[A^{2}|B=0] - (E[A|B=0])^{2} \\ \begin{cases} E[A^{2}|B=0] = \sum_{a=0,2} a^{2}P_{A|B}[a|0] = 0^{2} \cdot \frac{0.32}{0.62} + 2^{2} \cdot \frac{0.30}{0.62} = \frac{1.2}{0.62} \\ E[A|B=0] = \sum_{a=0,2} a \cdot P_{A|B}[a|0] = 0 \cdot \frac{0.32}{0.62} + 2 \cdot \frac{0.30}{0.62} = \frac{0.6}{0.62} \end{cases} \\ Var[A|B=0] = E[A^{2}|B=0] - (E[A|B=0])^{2} = \frac{1.2}{0.62} - (\frac{0.6}{0.62})^{2} \end{cases}$$

B) The PDF of random variable X and the conditional PDF of random variable Y given X are

$$f_{X}(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^{2} & 0 \le x \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases} \qquad f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2y}{x^{2}} & 0 \le y \le x, \ 0 \le x \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

- 1) Find  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$
- 2) If  $X = \frac{1}{2}$  find the conditional PDF  $f_{Y|X}(y|\frac{1}{2})$
- 3) If  $Y = \frac{1}{2}$  find the conditional PDF  $f_{X|Y}(x|\frac{1}{2})$

4) If 
$$Y = \frac{1}{2}$$
 find the conditional variance  $Var\left(X \middle| Y = \frac{1}{2}\right)$ 

1)  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x)f_X(x) = \frac{2y}{x^2} \cdot 3x^2 = \begin{cases} 6y & 0 \le y \le x, \ 0 \le x \le 1\\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$ 

2) 
$$f_{Y|X}(y|\frac{1}{2}) = \begin{cases} \frac{2y}{x^2} = \frac{2y}{(\frac{1}{2})^2} = 8y & 0 \le y \le \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

3) 
$$\begin{cases} f_{X|Y}(x|\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,\frac{1}{2})}{f_Y(\frac{1}{2})} \\ f_Y(\frac{1}{2}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,\frac{1}{2}) dx = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} 6 \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{3}{2} \\ \text{for } \frac{1}{2} \le x \le 1 \\ f_{X|Y}(x|\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,\frac{1}{2})}{f_Y(\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{6\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{3}{2}} = 2 \end{cases}$$

4) If  $Y = \frac{1}{2}$ , the conditional PDF of X is uniform for  $\frac{1}{2} \le x \le 1$ . As we saw from theorem 3.6 of textbook page 114, the variance is  $\left| \frac{1}{12} (b-a)^2 \right|$ .

$$\frac{\left(b-a\right)^2}{12} = \frac{\left(1-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2}{12} = \frac{1}{48}$$

#### 4.10 Independent Random Variables

In page 21in Ch1, it is defined that events [A and B] are independent **if and** only if

$$P[AB] = P[A] \cdot P[B].$$

And when events [A and B] have nonzero probabilities, the following formulas are equivalent to the definitions of independent events:

$$\begin{cases}
P[A \mid B] = P[A] \\
P[B \mid A] = P[B]
\end{cases}$$

The above theorem can be applied to the random variable case with PMF and PDF. Random variables [A and B] are independent if and only if

Discrete:  $P_{X,Y}[x, y] = P_X[x]P_Y[y]$ 

Continuous:  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$ 

As we can see from the independent definition of conditional probability theorem, it also implies that if X and Y are independent discrete/continuous random variables, then

$$\begin{cases} P_{X|Y} [x | y] = P_X [x] \\ P_{Y|X} [y | x] = P_Y [y] \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} f_{X|Y} (x | y) = f_X (x) \\ f_{Y|X} (y | x) = f_Y (y) \end{cases}$$

**Ex 4.23**) Are [X and Y] independent?

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 4xy & 0 \le x \le 1, & 0 \le y \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

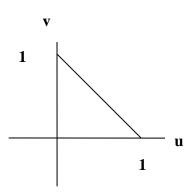
If it is true  $[f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)]$ , then it is independent. So we need to find out the marginal probability of [X and Y]

$$f_{X}(x) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\ = \int_{0}^{1} 4xy dy \\ = \frac{4}{2}xy^{2} \Big|_{0}^{1} \\ = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \le x \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases} \end{cases} \qquad f_{Y}(y) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx \\ = \int_{0}^{1} 4xy dx \\ = \frac{4}{2}x^{2}y \Big|_{0}^{1} \\ = \begin{cases} 2y & 0 \le y \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_{X}(x) \cdot f_{Y}(y) = f_{X,Y}(x,y) \\ 2x \cdot 2y = 4xy \end{cases}$$
 so it is independent

#### Ex 4.24) Are U and V independent?

$$f_{U,V}(u,v) = \begin{cases} 24uv & 0 \le u, \ 0 \le v, \ u+v \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$



We need to test  $f_{U,V}(u,v) = f_U(u) f_V(v)$ 

$$f_{U}(u) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{U,V}(u,v) dv \\ = \int_{0}^{1-u} 24uv \cdot dv \\ = \frac{24}{2}uv^{2} \Big|_{0}^{1-u} \end{cases} \qquad f_{V}(v) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{U,V}(u,v) du \\ = \int_{0}^{1-v} 24uv du \\ = \frac{24}{2}u^{2}v \Big|_{0}^{1-v} \\ = \begin{cases} 12u(1-u)^{2} & 0 \le u \le 1 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{U,V}(u,v) \neq f_U(u) \cdot f_V(v)$$

$$24uv \qquad \neq \left[12u(1-u)^2\right] \cdot \left[12v(1-v)^2\right]$$

It is **not** independent

For **independent random variables** X and Y,

a. 
$$E(g(X)h(Y)) = E(g(X))E(h(Y))$$

b. 
$$r_{X,Y} = E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$$

c. 
$$Cov(X,Y) = \rho_{X,Y} = 0$$
 independent r.v  $\stackrel{\longrightarrow}{\swarrow}$  uncorrelated.

d. 
$$Var(X+Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y)$$

e. 
$$E(X | Y = y) = E(X)$$
 for all  $y \in S_Y$ 

f. 
$$E(Y | X = x) = E(Y)$$
 for all  $x \in S_X$ 

Independent random variables are uncorrelated, but the reverse is not true all the time.

**Ex 4.25**) Are *X* and *Y* independent? Are *X* and *Y* uncorrelated?

| $P_{X,Y}[x,y]$ | y = -1 | y = 0 | <i>y</i> = 1 |
|----------------|--------|-------|--------------|
| <i>x</i> = −1  | 0      | 0.25  | 0            |
| x = 1          | 0.25   | 0.25  | 0.25         |

$$\begin{cases} P_X [-1] = 0.25 \\ P_X [1] = 0.75 \end{cases} \begin{cases} P_Y [-1] = 0.25 \\ P_Y [0] = 0.5 \\ P_Y [1] = 0.25 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} P_{X,Y}[-1,-1] = 0 \\ P_X[-1]P_Y[-1] = [0.25] \cdot [0.25] \end{cases}$$
Not independent
$$\begin{cases} E[X] = \sum_{x=-1,1} x \cdot P_X[x] = (-1) \cdot [0.25] + 1 \cdot [0.75] = 0.5 \\ E[Y] = \sum_{y=-1,0,1} y \cdot P_Y[y] = (-1) \cdot [0.25] + 0 + 1 \cdot [0.25] = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
E[XY] = \begin{cases}
\sum_{x=-1,1} \sum_{y=-1,0,1} xy P_{X,Y}[x,y] \\
= [-1 \cdot -1 \cdot 0] + [-1 \cdot 0 \cdot 0.25] + [-1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0] + [1 \cdot -1 \cdot 0.25] + [1 \cdot 0 \cdot 0.25] + [1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0.25] \\
= 0 + 0 + 0 - 0.25 + 0 + 0.25 \\
= 0
\end{cases}$$

$$Cov[X,Y] = \begin{cases} E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] \\ = 0 - 0.5 \cdot 0 \Rightarrow \rho_{X,Y} = 0 \\ = 0 \end{cases}$$

This is **uncorrelated**.

# Quiz 4.10) Random variables $X_1$ and $X_2$ are independent and identically distributed (iid) with PDF

$$f_{x}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{x}{2} & 0 \le x \le 2\\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

### a) What is the joint PDF?

Since  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent,

$$f_{X_1,X_2}(x_1,x_2) = \begin{cases} f_{X_1}(x_1) \cdot f_{X_2}(x_2) \\ = \begin{cases} \left(1 - \frac{x_1}{2}\right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{x_2}{2}\right) & 0 \le x_1 \le 2, \ 0 \le x_2 \le 2 \\ 0 & o.w \end{cases}$$

b) Find the CDF of  $Z = \max(X_1, X_2)$ 

$$P(Z \le z) = \begin{cases} P(X_1 \le z, X_2 \le z) \\ = P(X_1 \le z) P(X_2 \le z) \\ = (F_X(z))^2 \end{cases}$$

$$F_{X}(x) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X}(x) dx \\ = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{X}(x) dx \\ = \int_{0}^{x} \left(1 - \frac{x}{2}\right) dx \end{cases} \Rightarrow F_{Z}(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & z < 0 \\ \left(z - \frac{z^{2}}{4}\right)^{2} & 0 \le z < 2 \\ = \left(x - \frac{x^{2}}{4}\right)_{0}^{x} & z < z \end{cases}$$

#### 4.11 Bivariate Gaussian Random Variables

The Bivariate Gaussian distribution is a probability model for [X] and Y with the property that X and Y are each Gaussian random variables.

Random Variables X and Y have a **Bivariate Gaussian PDF** with parameters  $\mu_1$ ,  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\mu_2$ ,  $\sigma_2$ , and  $\rho$ 

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}\sqrt{1-\rho^{2}}} \exp \left[ -\left( \frac{\left(\frac{x-\mu_{1}}{\sigma_{1}}\right)^{2} - \frac{2\rho(x-\mu_{1})(y-\mu_{2})}{\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}} + \left(\frac{y-\mu_{2}}{\sigma_{2}}\right)^{2}}{2(1-\rho^{2})} \right] \right]$$

where  $\mu_{\!_1}$  and  $\mu_{\!_2}$  can be any real numbers,  $\sigma_{\!_1} > 0$  ,  $\sigma_{\!_2} > 0$  ,and  $-1 < \rho < 1$ 

Let 
$$\tilde{\mu}_{2}(x) = \mu_{2} + \rho \frac{\sigma_{2}}{\sigma_{1}}(x - \mu_{1}), \quad \tilde{\sigma}_{2} = \sigma_{2}\sqrt{1 - \rho^{2}} \text{ to examine properties of}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_{1}\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{\frac{-(x-\mu_{1})^{2}}{2\sigma_{1}^{2}}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\sigma}_{2}\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{\frac{-(y-\tilde{\mu}_{2}(x))^{2}}{2\tilde{\sigma}_{2}^{2}}}\right)$$
(4.11-1)

The equation (4.11-1) becomes the products of two Gaussian PDFs.

If X and Y are the Bivariate Gaussian random variables in the equation (4.11-1)

- *X* is the Gaussian  $(\mu_1, \sigma_1)$  random variable
- *Y* is the Gaussian  $(\mu_2, \sigma_2)$  random variable

• 
$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-(x-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}}$$

• 
$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-(y-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma_2^2}}$$

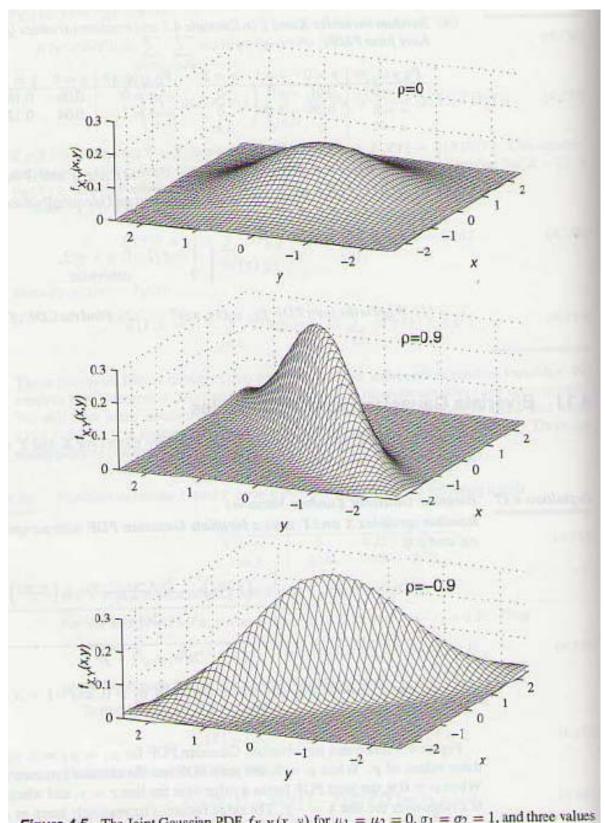


Figure 4.5 The Joint Gaussian PDF  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  for  $\mu_1 = \mu_2 = 0$ ,  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 1$ , and three values of  $\rho$ .

If X and Y are the Bivariate Gaussian random variables in the equation (4.11-1), the conditional PDF of Y given Y is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{\tilde{\sigma}_2 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-(y-\tilde{\mu}_2(x))^2}{2\tilde{\sigma}_2^2}}$$

where, given X = x, the conditional expected value and variance of Y are

$$\tilde{\mu}_2(x) = \mu_2 + \rho \frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}(x - \mu_1), \quad \tilde{\sigma}_2^2 = \sigma_2^2 \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$$

If X and Y are the Bivariate Gaussian random variables in the equation (4.11-1), the conditional PDF of X given Y is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{\tilde{\sigma}_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{\frac{-(x-\tilde{\mu}_1(y))^2}{2\tilde{\sigma}_1^2}}$$

where, given Y = y, the conditional expected value and variance of X are

$$\tilde{\mu}_1(x) = \mu_1 + \rho \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}(y - \mu_2), \quad \tilde{\sigma}_1^2 = \sigma_1^2 \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$$

Bivariate Gaussian random variables X and Y have correlation coefficient

$$\rho_{XY} = \rho$$

Bivariate Gaussian random variables X and Y are uncorrelated if and only if they are independent.

**Quiz 4.11** Let *X* and *Y* be jointly Gaussian (0,1) random variables with correlation coefficient,  $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$ .

(1) What is the joint PDF of X and Y?

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}\sqrt{1-\rho^{2}}} \exp\left[\frac{\left(\frac{x-\mu_{1}}{\sigma_{1}}\right)^{2} - \frac{2\rho(x-\mu_{1})(y-\mu_{2})}{\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}} + \left(\frac{y-\mu_{2}}{\sigma_{2}}\right)^{2}}{2(1-\rho^{2})}\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}}} \exp\left[2\left(\frac{x^{2}-xy+y^{2}}{3}\right)\right]$$

where  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  can be any real numbers,  $\sigma_1>0$ ,  $\sigma_2>0$ , and  $-1<\rho<1$   $\mu_1=\mu_2=0,\ \sigma_1=\sigma_2=1$ 

