

## Department of Mathematics

### Tutorial Sheet 5

#### MTL 106

1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables. The range of  $X$  is  $\{1, 3, 4\}$  and the range of  $Y$  is  $\{1, 2\}$ .

Partial information on the probability mass function is as follows:

$$p_X(3) = 0.50; \quad p_Y(2) = 0.60; \quad p_{X,Y}(4, 2) = 0.18.$$

(a) Determine  $p_X$ ,  $p_Y$  and  $p_{X,Y}$  completely.

(b) Determine  $P(|X - Y| \geq 2)$ .

2. Evaluate all possible marginal and conditional distributions if  $(X, Y)$  has the following joint probability distribution:

$$(a) P(X = j, Y = k) = q^{k-j} p^j, j = 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } k = j + 1, j + 2, \dots \quad q = 1 - p$$

$$(b) P(X = j, Y = k) = \frac{15!}{j!k!(15-j-k)!} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^j \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^k \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{15-j-k}$$

for all admissible non negative integral values of  $j$  and  $k$ .

3. Show that

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

is not a distribution function.

4. Find  $k$ , if the joint probability density of  $(X, Y)$  is

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} k e^{-3x-4y}, & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Also find the probability that the value of  $X$  falls between 0 and 1 while  $Y$  falls between 0 and 2.

5. Consider a transmitter sends out either a 0 with probability  $p$ , or a 1 with probability  $(1 - p)$ , independently of earlier transmissions. Assume that the number of transmissions within a given time interval is Poisson distributed with parameter  $\lambda$ . Find the distribution of number of 1's transmitted in that same time interval?

6. Suppose that the two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint pdf

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

Find the pdf of  $X + Y$ .

7. Romeo and Juliet have a date at a given time, and each, independently, will be late by an amount of time, denoted by  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively, that is exponentially distributed with parameter  $\lambda$ . Find the pdf of,  $X - Y$ , the difference between their times of arrival?
8. (a) Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be independent and identically distributed random variables each having a uniform distribution over the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Find the joint density function of  $(V, W)$  where  $V = XY$  and  $W = Z^2$ .
- (b) The random variable  $X$  represents the amplitude of cosine wave;  $Y$  represents the amplitude of a sine wave. Both are independent and uniformly distributed over the interval  $(0, 1)$ . Let  $R$  represent the amplitude of their resultant, i.e.,  $R^2 = X^2 + Y^2$  and  $\theta$  represent the phase angle of the resultant, i.e.,  $\theta = \tan^{-1}(Y/X)$ . Find the joint and marginal pdfs of  $\theta$  and  $R$ .
9. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables having joint distribution which is uniform over the square which has corners at  $(2, 2), (-2, 2), (-2, -2)$  and  $(2, -2)$ . Determine  $P(|Y| > |X| + 1)$ .
10. Suppose that the two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint pdf
- $$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} kx(x - y), & 0 < x < 2, -x < y < x \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
- Find  $k$ . Evaluate  $P(X < 1 / Y = 0.5)$  and  $P(Y < 1.5 / X = 1)$ .
11. Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be independent random variables each with uniform distributed on interval  $(0, 1)$ . What is the probability that  $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$  has real roots?