

In some places you might want to use the Leibniz Integral Rule, which states that when everything is nice and differentiable we have

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{u(x)}^{v(x)} g(x, t) dt = g(x, v(x)) \frac{dv}{dx} - g(x, u(x)) \frac{du}{dx} + \int_{u(x)}^{v(x)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x, t) dt.$$

- 1.** In class we noted that from the expected value rule for joint pdfs, which says

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

it follows that

$$\mathbb{E}(X + Y) = \mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(Y).$$

- (a) Show that expected value rule implies the last identity above.
- (b) Let $Z = X + Y$. Given z , sketch the subset W of the x - y plane with the property that $Z \leq z$ if and only if $(X, Y) \in W$.
- (c) Show that

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, z-x) dx.$$

(Suggestion: find the cdf of Z first, then differentiate. The result of (b) might help.)

- (d) Compute $\mathbb{E}(Z)$ using the result of (c) along with the definition

$$\mathbb{E}(Z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_Z(z) dz.$$

Verify that your answer agrees with what you know to be true, namely that $\mathbb{E}(Z) = \mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(Y)$.

- 2.** This problem is about marginal pdfs not determining joint pdfs.

- (a) Suppose X and Y are jointly uniform on the unit square $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$, i.e.

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find the marginal pdfs $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$.

- (b) Now suppose instead that X and Y have joint pdf

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x(1-y) + 2y(1-x) & \text{when } 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find the marginal pdfs $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$.

- 3.** Sam breaks a stick of length 1 at a point X distributed uniformly over the interval $(0, 1)$. As a function of $p \in (0, 1)$, find the expected length of the piece that contains the point p .

- 4.** The time in minutes that it takes Maddy to commute to work is a continuous random variable X with cdf $F_X(x)$. If she is s minutes late to work, she incurs a cost αs , where $\alpha > 0$. If she is s minutes early, she incurs a cost βs , where $\beta > 0$.

- (a) Maddy would like to determine how many minutes before the start of work she should depart so as to minimize her expected cost. Show that the optimal solution t^* satisfies

$$F_X(t^*) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}.$$

- (b) How can we interpret the parameter $\gamma = \alpha/(\alpha + \beta)$?

Now suppose X is uniformly distributed over the interval $[0, t_{\max}]$.

- (c) Find the mean $\mu = \mathbb{E}(X)$ and standard deviation $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$.
- (d) Calculate t^* from part (a) in terms of γ , μ , and σ .
- (d) Describe how the optimal solution t^* depends on the mean and variance of X .

- 5.** The input X to a binary communication channel is either $+c$ or $-c$ with respective probabilities $1/4$ and $3/4$. Here, $c \geq 0$ is given. The channel output is

$$Y = X + N,$$

where N is Gaussian with zero mean and variance 1. In parts (b) and (c), please provide closed-form expressions for your answers. In part (c), you may express your answer in terms of the standard normal cdf Φ .

- (a) Find the conditional pdf $f_{Y|A}(y)$, where A is the event $\{X = x\}$. What kind of pdf is this?
- (b) Find the marginal pdf $f_Y(y)$. Plot $f_Y(y)$ on the interval $-10 \leq y \leq 10$ for $c = 0$ and $c = 5$.
- (c) Find $\mathbb{P}(\{X = c\} \mid \{Y > 0\})$. What happens to this probability as c gets larger? Why does this make intuitive sense?

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(1)

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

(a) $g(X, Y) = X + Y$

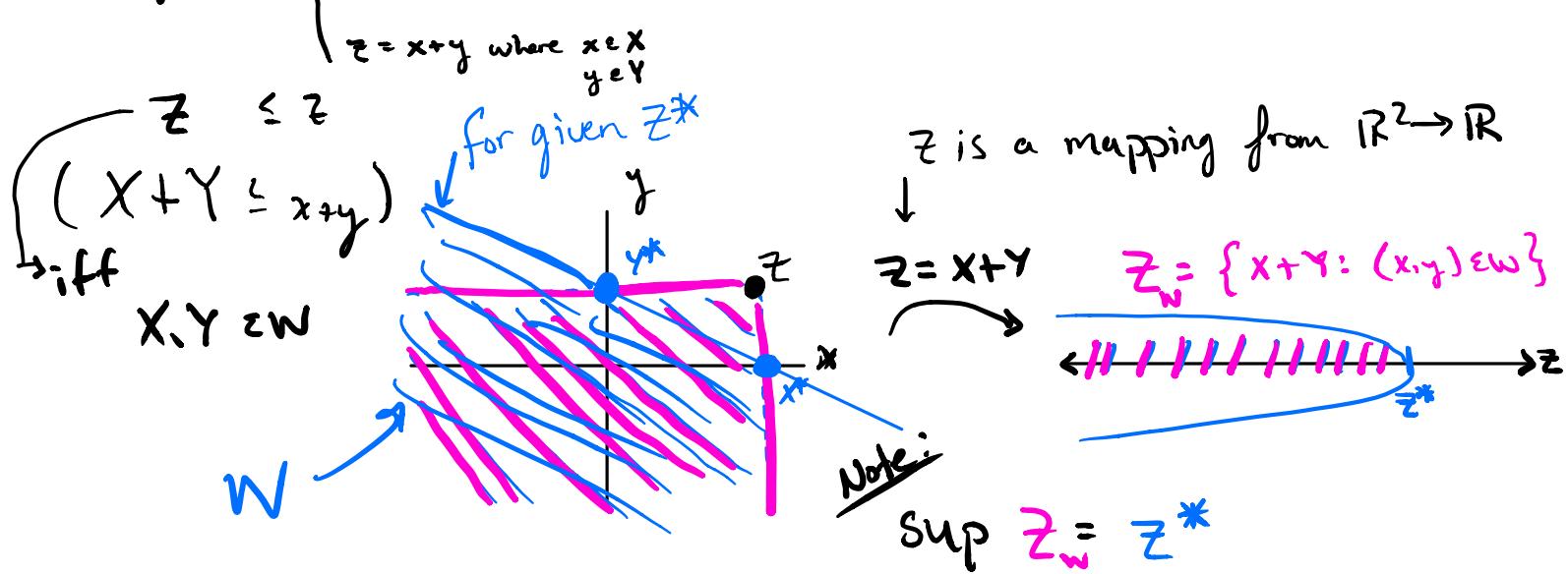
$$\mathbb{E}(X + Y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x+y) f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \underbrace{\left(f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy \right)}_{f_X(x)} dx + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y \underbrace{\left(f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx \right)}_{f_Y(y)} dy$$

$$= \mathbb{E}(X) + \mathbb{E}(Y)$$

(b) $Z = X + Y \quad (Z = g(X, Y)) \quad g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

given z^* , sketch $W \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ w/ property $Z \leq z$ iff $(x, y) \in W$



(c) Show

$$f_z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{x,y}(x, z-x) dx$$

$$F_z(z) = P(\{Z \leq z\}) = \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{y=-\infty}^{z-x} f_{x,y}(x, y) dy dx$$

$$f_z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_z(z) = \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \int_{y=-\infty}^{z-x} f_{x,y}(x, y) dy \right) dx$$

$$= \int_{x=-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{x,y}(x, z-x) dx \quad \} \text{ By Leibniz Rule}$$

$$(d) |E(Z)| = \int_{z=-\infty}^{z=+\infty} z f_z(z) dz = \int_{z=-\infty}^{z=+\infty} z \left(\int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} f_{x,y}(x, z-x) dx \right) dz$$

$$= \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} \left(\int_{z=-\infty}^{z=+\infty} z f_{x,y}(x, z-x) dz \right) dx$$

$$= \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=+\infty} \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=+\infty} (x+y) f_{x,y}(x, y) dy dx$$

$$= |E(X+Y)| = |E(X)| + |E(Y)|$$

Let

$$y = z - x$$

$$dy = dz$$

$$z = x+y$$

②

(a) X, Y are jointly uniform on $[0,1] \times [0,1]$.

i.e

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 1 dy = y \Big|_0^1 = 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 1 dx = x \Big|_0^1 = 1, & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Thus, $X \sim Y \sim \text{Uniform}[0,1]$ (b) X, Y have joint pdf

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2x(1-y) + 2y(1-x), & 0 \leq x, y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy = \int_0^1 2x(1-y) + 2y(1-x) dy \\ &= 2x(y - \frac{1}{2}y^2) + (1-x)y^2 \Big|_0^1 \\ &= 2x\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + (1-x) - (0+0) \\ &= x + 1 - x \\ &= 1 \quad \text{when } x \in [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx = \int_0^1 2x(1-y) + 2y(1-x) dx \\
 &= x(1-y) + 2y\left(x - \frac{1}{2}x^2\right) \quad \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} \\
 &= 1-y + 2y\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) - (0+0) \\
 &= 1-y+y \\
 &= 1 \quad \text{when } y \in [0,1]
 \end{aligned}$$

Moral: X, Y can be individually uniform on $[0,1]$ but not jointly uniform on $[0,1] \times [0,1]$

③ Sam breaks a stick of length 1 at a point X distributed uniformly over the interval $(0, 1)$. As a function of $p \in (0, 1)$, what's the expected length of the piece that contains the point p .

Know: - Uniform on $(0, 1)$

So

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in (0, 1) \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \int_0^1 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$\frac{b+a}{2}$
expected location
to break stick

Let Y be the length of the piece that contains the point p .

Then

$$Y = g(X) = \begin{cases} X, & X > p \\ 1-X, & X < p \end{cases}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(Y) &= \int_0^p (1-x) \, dx + \int_p^1 x \, dx \\ &= x - x^2 \Big|_0^p + \frac{1}{2} x^2 \Big|_p^1 \\ &= p(1-p) + \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(4) Time it takes Maddy to get to work is a continuous rv X w/ CDF $F_X(x)$.

- If s minutes LATE to work, incurs cost αs , $\alpha > 0$
- If s minutes EARLY to work, incurs cost βs , $\beta > 0$.

(a) Time she should depart to MINIMIZE cost. Call this time t^* .

optimal solution
satisfies

$$\rightarrow F_X(t^*) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

let the time she arrives = t_a .

let the time work starts = t_s .

let the time she departs = t_d .

Put $x = t_s - t_d$.

$$s = t_a - t_s$$

If $s < 0$, cost is αs

If $s > 0$, cost is βs

The cost is a function of commute time is thus

$$c(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha(x - t_a), & t_a \leq x \\ \beta(t_a - x), & t_a > x \end{cases} \quad \leftarrow x = t_s - t_d$$

Minimize cost.

$$IE(c(x)) = \int_0^\infty c(x) f_x(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{t_a} \beta(t-x) f_x(x) dx + \int_{t_a}^\infty \alpha(x-t) f_x(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{t_a} \beta t f_x(x) dx - \int_0^{t_a} \beta x f_x(x) dx + \int_{t_a}^\infty \alpha x f_x(x) dx - \int_{t_a}^\infty \alpha t f_x(x) dx$$

To minimize,

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_0^t \beta t f_x(x) dx - \int_0^t \beta x f_x(x) dx + \int_t^\infty \alpha x f_x(x) dx - \int_t^\infty \alpha t f_x(x) dx \right] = 0$$

$$\cancel{\beta t f_x(t)} + \cancel{\beta F_x(t)} - \cancel{\beta t F_x(t)} + \alpha F_x(t) - \alpha = 0$$

$$(\alpha + \beta) F_x(t) = \alpha$$

$$F_x(t) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} \quad \leftarrow \text{call this } t^*$$

$$(b) f = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

(c) $X \sim \text{Uniform}[0, t_{\max}]$

$$\mu = \frac{b+a}{2} = \frac{t_{\max}}{2}, \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} = \frac{t_{\max}^2}{12} \Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{t_{\max}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

(d) $F_X(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a} = \frac{x}{t_{\max}}$

$$F_X(t^*) = \frac{t^*}{t_{\max}} = \gamma$$

$$t^* = \gamma t_{\max} = \sqrt{12} \sigma = 2\mu\gamma$$

(e) t^* is linear in the mean of X and also in the standard deviation of X .

⑤ Input X to binary communication channel either $+c$ or $-c$ with probabilities $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}$ respectively. Here, $c > 0$ is given.

Channel output is

$$Y = X + N$$

where N is $\text{Gaussian}(0, 1)$

(a) $f_{Y|A}(y)$ where $A = \{X=x\}$?

$$Y = c + N \sim \text{Gaussian}(\mu=c, \sigma^2=1)$$

Thus

$$f_{Y|A}(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-c)^2}{2}}$$

and

$$f_{Y|A^c}(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y+c)^2}{2}} \quad \text{i.e. } Y = N - c \sim \text{Gaussian}(-c, 1)$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_{Y|A}(y) P(A) + f_{Y|A^c} P(A^c) \\ &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-c)^2}{2}} + \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y+c)^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) P(\{X=c\} \mid \{Y>0\}) = \frac{P(\{Y>0\} \mid \{X=c\}) P(\{X=c\})}{P(\{Y>0\})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\{Y>0\} \mid \{X=c\}) P(\{X=c\}) &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-c)^2}{2}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{y=-c}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{4} (1 - \Phi(-c)) \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\{Y>0\}) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y-c)^2}{2}} + \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(y+c)^2}{2}} dy$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int_{y=-c}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt + \frac{3}{4} \int_{y=+c}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (1 - \Phi(-c)) + \frac{3}{4} (1 - \Phi(c))$$

Thus

$$P(\{X=c\} \mid \{Y>0\}) = \frac{\frac{1}{4} (1 - \Phi(-c))}{\frac{1}{4} (1 - \Phi(-c)) + \frac{3}{4} (1 - \Phi(c))}$$