

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS (UCS401)

Lecture-17

Two-dim. c.r.v.'s (Joint, Marginal and conditional distribution)
Two-dim. r.v.'s and Joint Distributions (Unit -V)



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Two-dimensional random variables - Continuous variables (Joint, marginal and Conditional distribution)

A two-dimensional random variable (X, Y) is said to be continuous, if there exists a non-negative function $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for every pair $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we have

$$F(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f(x, y) dy dx.$$

where F is the distribution function of (X, Y) .

The function f is called joint density function (j.d.f.) if

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, y) &\geq 0 \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy dx &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Marginal density functions :

For two-dimensional r.v.'s X and Y the marginal density function of X , denoted by $f_X(x)$, is given as

$$f_X(x) = \int_Y f(x, y) dy \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} x \text{ fixed,} \\ y \text{ varies} \end{array} \right)$$

* The marginal density function of Y , denoted by $f_Y(y)$, is given as

$$f_Y(y) = \int_X f(x, y) dx \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} y \text{ fixed,} \\ x \text{ varies} \end{array} \right)$$

Conditional density function :

The conditional density function for X given Y , denoted by $f(X/Y)$ or $f_{X/Y}$ is defined as

$$f(X/Y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

where $f_Y(y)$ is marginal density function of Y .

Similarly, the conditional density function for y given x , denoted by $f(y/x)$ or $f_{y/x}$ is defined as:

$$f(y/x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_x(x)}$$

Where $f_x(x)$ is the Marginal density function of x .

Independent Random Variables:

Two random variable X and Y are said to be independent if

$$f(x, y) = f_x(x) \cdot f_y(y) \text{ for all } (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Question-: The joint density function of random variables X and Y is given by

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

Find (i) value of k

(ii) Marginal density function of X and Y

(iii) check whether X and Y are independent or not?

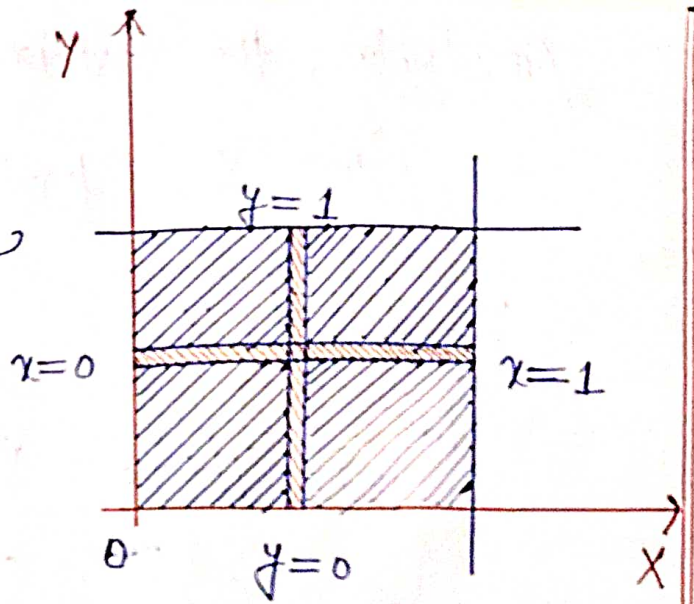
(iv) $P(X+Y \leq 1)$.

Solution:

Since $f(x, y)$ is J.d.f.,

So

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 f(x, y) dy dx = 1$$



$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \int_0^1 kxy dx dy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 ky \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)_0^1 dy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k=4} \quad \text{Ans}$$

* Marginal density function of x

$$f_x(x) = \int_y f(x, y) dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 4xy dy = 4x \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^1$$

$$\boxed{f_x(x) = 2x \quad ; \quad 0 < x < 1}$$

Ans

and Marginal density function of y

$$f_y(y) = \int_x f(x, y) dx = \int_0^1 4xy dx \\ = 4y \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)_0^1$$

$$f_y(y) = 2y ; \quad 0 < y < 1$$

(iii) Check for the independence of X and y

we have

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4xy & ; 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$$f_x(x) = 2x \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$f_y(y) = 2y \quad 0 < y < 1$$

$$\text{Since } f(x, y) = f_x(x) \cdot f_y(y)$$

Thus, variables x and y are independent.

$$(iv) \quad P(X+Y \leq 1)$$

$$= \int_x \int_y f(x,y) dy dx$$

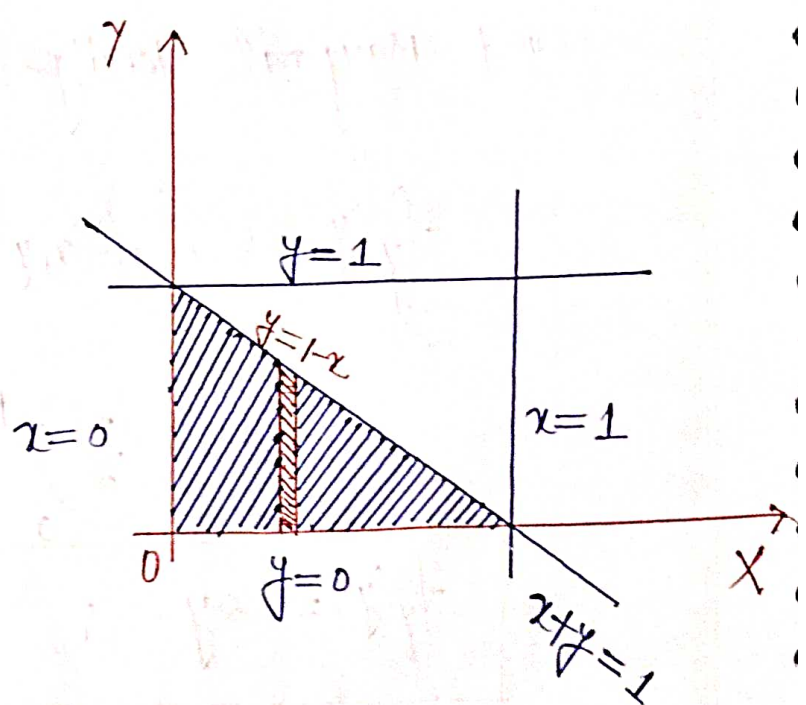
$$= \int_0^1 \int_{y=0}^{y=1-x} xy dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (4x) \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^{1-x} dx = \int_0^1 2x(1-x)^2 dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 2x(1+x^2-2x) dx = \int_0^1 2(x+x^3-2x^2) dx$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{2}{3}x^3 \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{P(X+Y \leq 1) = \frac{1}{6}}$$



Question: The joint density function of random variables X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} kxy & ; 0 < x, y < 1, x+y \leq 1 \\ 0 & ; \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find (i) value of k (ii) Marginal density function of X and Y

(iii) check whether X and Y are independent or not?

(iv) $P(X+Y \leq \frac{1}{2})$.

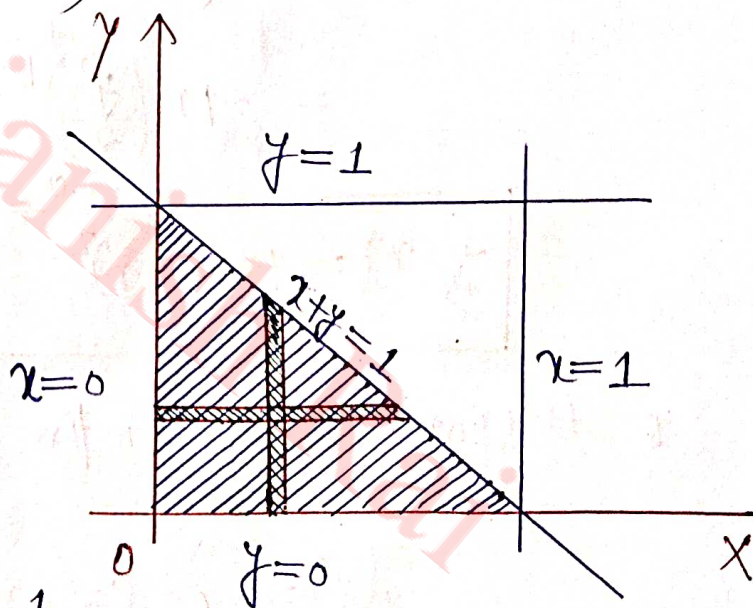
Solution:

Since $f(x, y)$ is
J.d.f., so

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} f(x, y) dy dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} kxy dy dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 kx \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^{1-x} dx = 1$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \int_0^1 x(1-x)^2 dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{2}{3} x^3 \right) \Big|_0^1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \left(\frac{1}{12} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k = 24} \quad \text{Ans}$$

* Marginal density function of X

$$f_X(x) = \int_y f(x,y) dy = \int_0^{1-x} 24xy dy$$

$$= 24x \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^{1-x}$$

$$\boxed{f_X(x) = 12x(1-x)^2 \quad 0 < x < 1}$$

* Marginal density function of Y

$$f_Y(y) = \int_x f(x,y) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{1-y} 24xy dx = 24y \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^{1-y}$$

$$\boxed{f_Y(y) = 12y(1-y)^2 \quad ; \quad 0 < y < 1}$$

Check for the independence of x and y

Since

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 24xy & ; \quad 0 < x, y < 1, \quad x+y \leq 1 \\ 0 & ; \quad \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$f_x(x) = 12x(1-x)^2 \quad ; \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$f_y(y) = 12y(1-y)^2 \quad ; \quad 0 < y < 1$$

Since, $f(x, y) \neq f_x(x) \cdot f_y(y)$. Ans

Thus, variables x and y are NOT independent.

(iv)

$$P(x+y \leq \frac{1}{2})$$

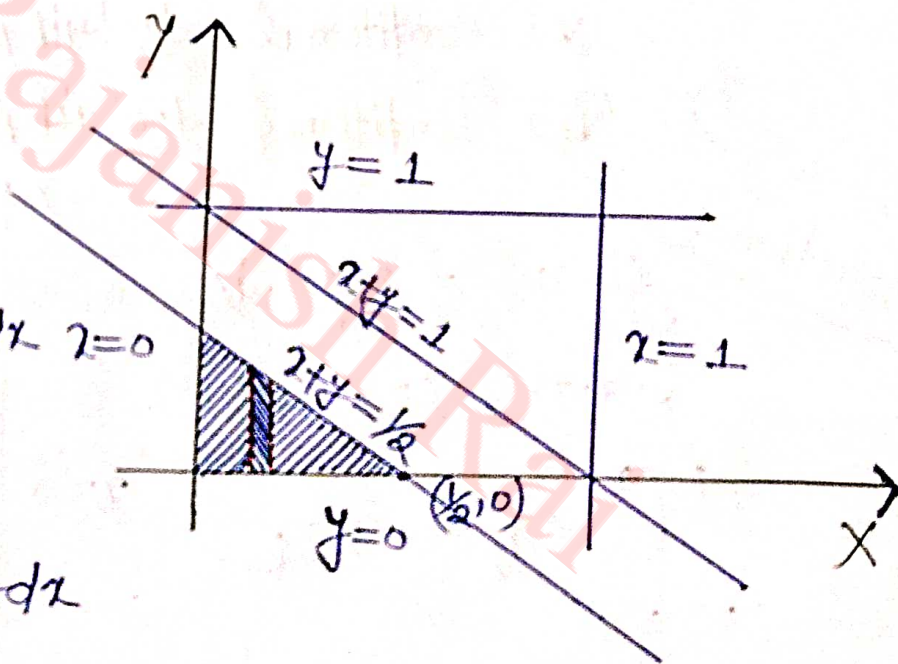
$$= \int_x \int_y f(x, y) dy dx \quad x=0$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}-x} 24xy dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} 24x \left(\frac{y^2}{2} \right)_0^{\frac{1}{2}-x} dx = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} 12x \left(\frac{1}{2}-x \right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{16}$$

$$P(x+y \leq \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{16}$$

Ans



Question: The joint density function of random variables X and Y is given by

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

Find (i) value of α ,

(ii) Marginal density function of X and Y ,

(iii) Check whether X and Y are independent or not?

(iv) $P(X \leq \frac{1}{4})$.

(v) Conditional distribution of Y given $X=x$.

(vi) Conditional distribution of X given $Y=y$.

Solution:

Since $f(x, y)$ is

J.d.f., so

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^x \alpha \, dy \, dx = 1$$

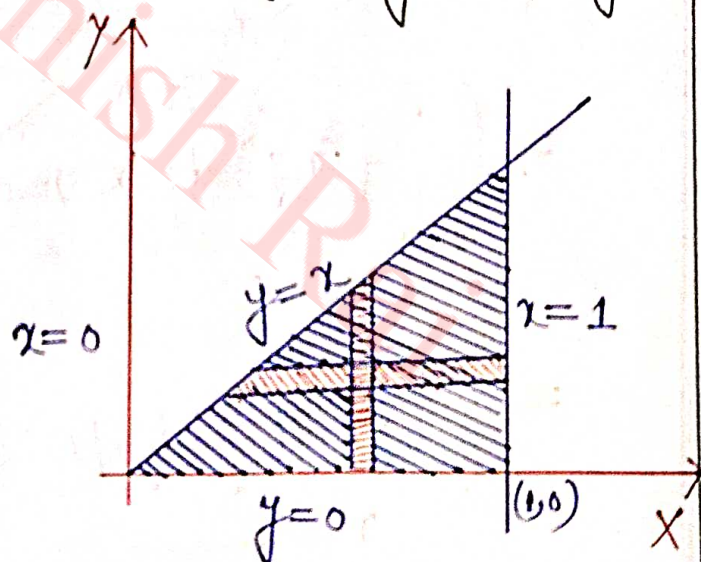
$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \alpha (y)_0^x \, dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \int_0^1 x \, dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right)_0^1 = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\alpha = 2}$$

A



$$\therefore f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < x \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

\therefore Marginal density function of X

$$f_X(x) = \int_y f(x, y) dy = \int_0^x 2 dy = 2x$$

$$f_X(x) = 2x \quad ; \quad 0 < x < 1 \quad \underline{A}$$

and Marginal density function of y

$$f_Y(y) = \int_x f(x, y) dx = \int_{x=y}^1 2 dx = 2(1-y)$$

$$f_Y(y) = 2(1-y) \quad ; \quad 0 < y < 1 \quad \underline{A}$$

Check for independence of X and Y

Since, $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2 & ; 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < x \\ 0 & ; \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

$$f_X(x) = 2x \quad ; \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = 2(1-y) \quad ; \quad 0 < y < 1$$

Since,

$$f(x, y) \neq f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$$

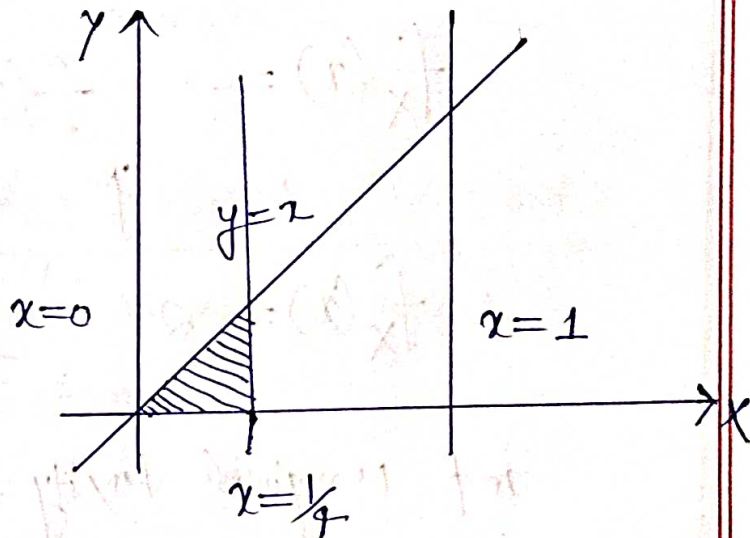
Thus, variables x and y are NOT independent.

(iv)

$$P\left(x \leq \frac{1}{4}\right) = \int_x f_X(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} 2x dx$$

$$= (x^2)_0^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{1}{16}$$



$$\therefore P\left(x \leq \frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{16}$$

(v) Conditional distribution of y given $x=x$

$$f(y|x=x) = \frac{f(y, x)}{f_X(x)}$$
$$= \frac{2}{2x}$$

$$\therefore f(x, y) = 2$$

$$f_X(x) = 2x$$

$$f_Y(y) = 2(1-y)$$

$$0 < x < 1$$

$$0 < y < x$$

$$f(y|x=x) = \frac{1}{x} \quad 0 < x < 1$$

Conditional distribution of x given $y=y$

$$f(x/y=y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_y(y)}$$

where, $f_y(y)$ is the marginal distribution function of y .

$$= \frac{2}{2(1-y)} \quad 0 < y < x < 1$$

$$f(x/y=y) = \frac{1}{1-y} \quad 0 < y < 1$$

Question:- The joint density function of random variables x and y is given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} e^{-2y} & ; x, y \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find $P(x > 1)$, $E(x)$, $E(y)$, $E(xy)$
and $E(x+y)$.

check whether x and y are independent or not?

Solution:- Since
 $P(X > 1) = \int_1^{\infty} f_X(x) dx$

$$E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy$$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} xy f(x, y) dy dx$$

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

$$E(X+Y) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} (x+y) f(x, y) dy dx$$

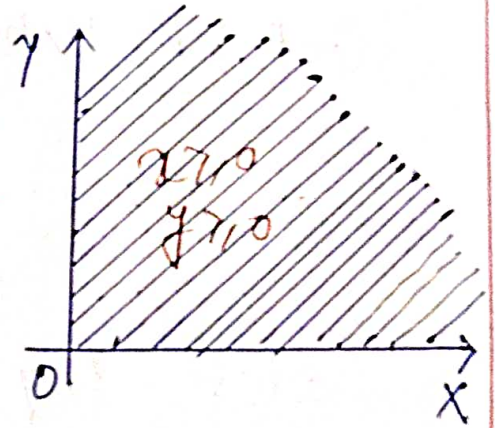
* Marginal probability density function of X

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_y f(x, y) dy = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x-y} dy \\ &= e^{-x} (-e^{-y})_0^{\infty} = e^{-x} (-\cancel{e^{-\infty}}^0 + e^0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{f_X(x) = e^{-x} \quad ; \quad x > 0}$$

Similarly

$$f_Y(y) = \int_x f(x, y) dx = e^{-y} \quad y > 0.$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (i) \quad \therefore P(X > 1) &= \int_1^{\infty} f_X(x) dx \\
 &= \int_1^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = \left(-e^{-x} \right)_1^{\infty} \\
 P(X > 1) &= \cancel{-e^{-\infty}} + e^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{P(X > 1) = \frac{1}{e}} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad E(X) &= \int_0^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x} dx \\
 &= \left(\cancel{-x e^{-x}} \right)_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} \cancel{e^{-x}} dx = \left(-e^{-x} \right)_0^{\infty}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{E(X) = 1} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (iii) \quad E(Y) &= \int_0^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy = \int_0^{\infty} y e^{-y} dy \\
 &= \left(\cancel{-y e^{-y}} \right)_0^{\infty} + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-y} dy = - \left(e^{-y} \right)_0^{\infty} \\
 &= - (e^{-\infty} - e^0) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{E(Y) = 1} \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

$$(iv) E(xy) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} xy e^{-x-y} dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x} \left(\int_0^{\infty} y e^{-y} dy \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x} (1) dx$$

$$\boxed{E(xy) = 1}$$

$$(v) E(x+y) = E(x) + E(y) = 2$$

$$E(x+y) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} (x+y) e^{-x-y} dy dx = 2$$

Check for independence of x and y :

Since $f(x,y) = f_x(x) \cdot f_y(y)$

$$f(x,y) = e^{-x-y}$$

$$f_x(x) = e^{-x}$$

$$f_y(y) = e^{-y}$$

Thus, variables x and y are independent. $\#$