

Agenda.

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Joint probability.

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Pdf to CDF.

Marginal probability.

Conditional probability.

Joint probability

X & Y are 2 continuous random variables

pdf of X, Y

$$f(x, y) = c(x+y)$$

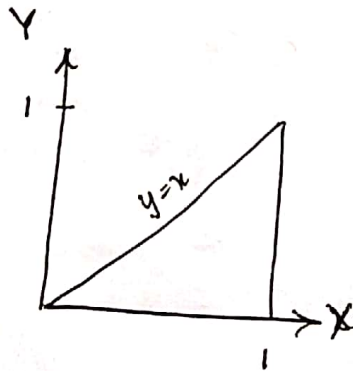
on support X ranges between 0 and 1
 $Y = X$

given pdf $f(x, y) = c(x+y)$

what could be the value of c ?

pdf when integrated gives CDF which should add upto 1 (across support).

Let's start with drawing the support and respective pdf.



the support was given as x ranging from 0 to 1 & $y = x$.

The area trapped by the support is a triangle, on top of which the probability function $c(x+y)$ is distributed.

pdf to CDF

we know that CDF should add upto 1

across support. There are 2 dimensions to the support, so we would need 2 integration.

$$\text{CDF} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy dx = 1.$$

(similar to squishing along both Y axis and x axis resulting to 1).

- ① while squishing across Y axis, the range of support of Y is from 0 to x.

(note: the support should have been written as Y range from 0 to x).
so this range becomes the integral limit.

- ② while squishing across x axis, the range of support of x is clear 0 to 1.

$$\therefore \text{CDF} = \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \int_{y=0}^{y=x} c(x+y) dy dx = 1.$$

$$= c \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \left[xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{y=0}^{y=x} dx$$

$$= c \int_{x=0}^{x=1} \left[x^2 + \frac{x^2}{2} \right] dx = \frac{3c}{2} \int_{x=0}^{x=1} x^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{3c}{2} \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{3c}{2} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{c}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore c = 2$$

$c=2$ makes the pdf and CDF meaningful.

Marginal Probability

There are 2 dimensions on the support.
If we squish one support, then we have only 1 Random Variable, based on which the pdf can be computed.

$$c=2 \Rightarrow f(x,y) = 2x+2y$$

(x) Squishing across Y-axis, leaves us with just x variable \rightarrow so probability is distributed across just x (ranging from 0 to 1).

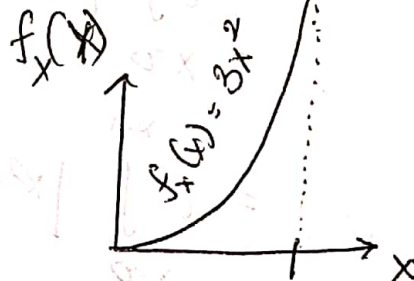
Y ranges between 0 & x.

so. $f_x(x) = \int_{y=0}^{y=x} (2x+2y) dy$

$$= \left[2xy + \frac{2y^2}{2} \right]_{y=0}^{y=x} = 2x^2 + x^2$$

$$f_x(x) = 3x^2$$

so the pdf of $f_x(x)$ is shown here



the reason why at $x=1$, $f_x(x)=3$ (highest)

is because squishing across Y axis gathers so much of mass at $x=1$, compared at any other points so it's the highest at $x=1$.

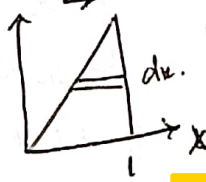
now let's squish the joint probability across X-axis, so x variable is removed and pdf varies across Y (ranging between 0 and x).

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{x=y}^{x=1} (2x+2y) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{2x^2}{2} + 2xy \right]_y^1 = 1 + 2y - y^2 - 2y^2$$

$$f_Y(y) = 1 + 2y - 3y^2$$

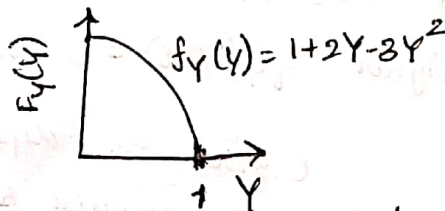
Note: the range we have taken here for squishing across x variable is from $x=y$ to $x=1$.
the reason is y in this diagram



we are computing the area of the small rectangle of thickness dy (extremely small) and the length of the rectangle is from $x=y$ and $x=1$.

so pdf $f_Y(y)$ when $y=1$ $f_Y(y=1) = 0$.
at $y=1$ the apex is too thin, and gathers no mass while squishing, whereas at $y=0$, there is a huge mass that gets gathered so $f_Y(y=0) = 1$ (maximum).

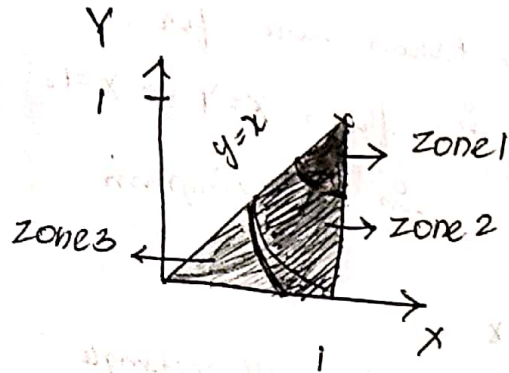
so the pdf $f_Y(y)$ looks like $f_Y(y)$



$f_X(x=1) = 3$ } these are the maximum values of the respective pdf.
 $f_Y(y=0) = 1$

the reason pdf at $x=1$ is way higher than pdf at $y=0$ is, the pdf near $x=0.8$ to 1 and $y=0.8$ to 1 are large numbers (joint prob $f(x,y) = 2x+2y$, which gets squished across y axis and lands near $x=1$ is $f_X(x)$. whereas while squishing across x axis, only

smaller such points are gathered ~~at~~ near $Y=1$.
 even though more such points are gathered
 near $Y=0$, the quantity of such points
 (x ranging from 0 to 1, y ranging from 0 to 0.2)
 is much smaller resulting in $f_Y(Y=0)=1$,
 which is much smaller than $f_X(X=1)=3$.



joint probability $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = 2(x+y)$

so across the support (X axis and
 Y axis) the height is pdf.

In zone 1 the height is huge,

zone 2 height is moderate,

zone 3 the height is low. so when squished
 across Y axis, the entire zone 1, part of zone 2 falls
 near $x=1$, thus $f_X(X=1)$ is high. while squishing
 across X axis, just a part of zone 1 gathers near $Y=1$
 in $f_Y(Y=1)$, and the top is too thin to gather any
 mass, so $f_Y(Y=1)=0$. near $Y=0$, it gathers entire
 of zone 3, (wide) and zone 2, thus it comparatively
 higher $f_Y(Y=0)=1$, but not as high as $f_X(X=1)=3$.

(given the different pdf points when $x=1$ and
 $Y=0$, what would be the expected value of x ?
 and what would be the expected value of Y ?).

Discussing on the expected value of X at the
 further right corner ~~and~~ would be obvious!

But what about the expected value of Y ?

we can discuss with the actual numbers in hand
 during the next class.

conditional probability

pdf of Y for a given value of x

$$f_{Y|x}(y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_x(x)} = \frac{2x+2y}{3x^2}$$

pdf of x for a given value of Y

$$f_{x|Y}(x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{2x+2y}{1+2y-3y^2}$$

these formulae, when we substitute for the respective conditioning, becomes a function on its own.

$$f_{Y|x}(y) = \frac{2x+2y}{3x^2} \text{ when } x=0.1, \text{ would}$$

$$\text{be } \frac{2(0.1)+2y}{3(0.01)} = \frac{2y+0.2}{0.03} \text{ which is a}$$

pdf across the line $x=0.1$.

Note: conditional probability would be more fun if the conditioning is done across a range.