

1) Random variable  $X$  and  $Y$  have joint density function:

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} a \cdot (x^2y + 2xy^2) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

a) Find the value of  $a$  that makes  $f$  a valid joint density function.

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^2 a \cdot (x^2y + 2xy^2) dy dx = \frac{10a}{3} \quad \text{so} \quad a = \frac{3}{10}$$

b) Find the joint cumulative distribution function  $F(x, y)$

$$F(x, y) = \int_0^x \int_0^y f(u, v) dv du = \frac{x^3y^2 + 2x^2y^3}{20}$$

c) Find marginal density function of  $x$ ,  $f_x(x)$

$$f_x(x) = \int_0^2 f(x, y) dy = \frac{8}{5}x + \frac{3}{5}x^2$$

d) Find marginal density function of  $y$ ,  $f_y(y)$

$$f_y(y) = \int_0^1 f(x, y) dx = \frac{1}{10}y + \frac{3}{10}y^2$$

d) Find the expected value and variance of  $X$ ,  $E(X)$  and  $V(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(x) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^2 x \cdot f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 x \cdot f_x(x) dx = \frac{41}{60} \\ E(x^2) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^2 x^2 \cdot f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot f_x(x) dx = \frac{13}{25} \\ V(x) &= E(x^2) - [E(x)]^2 = \frac{13}{25} - \left(\frac{41}{60}\right)^2 = \frac{191}{3600} \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, one could use the definition directly and evaluate

$$V(x) = \int_0^1 \int_0^2 \left(x - \frac{41}{60}\right)^2 f(x, y) dy dx$$

The result would be the same.

e) Find the expected value and variance of  $Y$ ,  $E(Y)$  and  $V(Y)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(y) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^2 y \cdot f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 y \cdot f_y(y) dy = \frac{22}{15} \\ E(y^2) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^2 y^2 \cdot f(x, y) dy dx = \int_0^1 y^2 \cdot f_y(y) dy = \frac{58}{25} \end{aligned}$$

$$V(y) = E(y^2) - [E(y)]^2 = \frac{58}{25} - \left(\frac{22}{15}\right)^2 = \frac{38}{225}$$

Alternatively, one could use the definition directly and evaluate

$$V(y) = \int_0^1 \int_0^2 \left(y - \frac{22}{15}\right)^2 f(x, y) dy dx$$

f) Find the covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$

$$E(xy) = \int_0^1 \int_0^2 xy \cdot f(x, y) dy dx = 1$$

Then

$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = E(xy) - E(x)E(y) = 1 - \frac{41}{60} \cdot 2215 = \frac{-1}{450}$$

Alternatively, one could evaluate

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^2 \left(x - \frac{41}{60}\right) \left(y - \frac{22}{15}\right) \cdot f(x, y) dy dx$$

with the same result.

g) Find the conditional density  $f_{x|y}(x)$  of  $X$  given  $Y$  The conditional density is:

$$f_{x|y} = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_y(y)} = \frac{\frac{3x^2y+6xy^2}{10}}{\frac{y+3y^2}{10}}$$

where  $y$  is taken to be a constant equal to the given value.

h) Find the conditional density  $f_{y|x}(y)$  of  $Y$  given  $X$  The conditional density is:

$$f_{y|x} = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_x(x)} = \frac{\frac{3x^2y+6xy^2}{10}}{\frac{3x^2+8x}{5}}$$

where  $x$  is taken to be a constant equal to the given value.

2) A random variable  $Y$  has density function

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} a \cdot e^{-(2x+y)} & \text{if } x, y \in [0, \infty) \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

a) Find the value of  $a$  that makes  $f$  a valid joint density function.

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty a \cdot e^{-(2x+y)} dy dx = \text{so } a = 2$$

b) Find the joint cumulative distribution function  $F(x, y)$

$$F(x, y) = \int_0^x \int_0^y 2 \cdot e^{-(2u-v)} dv du = 1 - e^{-y} - e^{-2x} + e^{-(2x+y)}$$

c) Find marginal density function of  $x$ ,  $f_x(x)$

$$f_x(x) = \int_0^\infty f(x, y) dy = 2e^{-2x}$$

d) Find marginal density function of  $y$ ,  $f_y(y)$

$$f_y(y) = \int_0^\infty f(x, y) dx = e^{-y}$$

d) Find the expected value and variance of  $X$ ,  $E(X)$  and  $V(X)$

$$E(X) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty x \cdot 2e^{-(2x+y)} dy dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty x^2 \cdot 2e^{-(2x+y)} dy dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

e) Find the expected value and variance of  $Y$ ,  $E(Y)$  and  $V(Y)$

$$E(Y) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty y \cdot 2e^{-(2x+y)} dy dx = 1$$

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

$$V(Y) = E(Y^2) - [E(Y)]^2 = 2 - 1^2 = 1$$

f) Find the covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$ ,  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty xy \cdot 2e^{-(2x+y)} dy dx = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = \frac{1}{2} - 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

This is to be expected because  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.

g) Find the conditional density  $f_{x|y}(x)$  of  $X$  given  $Y$

$$f_{x|y}(x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_y(y)} = \frac{2e^{-2x-y}}{e^{-y}}$$

where  $y$  is a constant equal to the given value of the random variable  $Y$ .

h) Find the conditional density  $f_{y|x}(y)$  of  $Y$  given  $X$

$$f_{y|x}(y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_x(x)} = \frac{2e^{-2x-y}}{2e^{-2x}}$$

where  $x$  is a constant equal to the given value of the random variable  $X$ .

3) A random vector  $Y = \{Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n\}$  consists of  $n$  independent, identically distributed random variables  $Y_i$ , where each  $Y_i$  has a beta distribution,

$$f(y_i) = \left[ \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \right] y_i^{\alpha-1} (1 - y_i)^{\beta-1}, \quad y_i \in (0, 1), \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

and  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are positive constants common to all  $y_i$ .

a) Find the joint density function of the random vector  $Y$ . Because the  $Y_i$  are independent, the joint density is the product of the marginals, that is,

$$f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_i^{\alpha-1} (1 - y_i)^{\beta-1}$$

or

$$f(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \left( \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \right)^n \left( \prod_{i=1}^n y_i \right)^{\alpha} \left( \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - y_i) \right)^{\beta}$$

b) Suppose  $\bar{y}$  is the mean of the  $Y_i$ ,

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

Use Theorem 5.12 to find the mean and variance of  $\bar{y}$ . (hint:  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 1/n$ )

The expected value of  $\bar{y}$  is:

$$E(\bar{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \mu = \mu = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

$$V(\bar{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n^2} \sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \frac{\alpha\beta}{n \cdot (\alpha + \beta)^2 (\alpha + \beta + 1)}$$