

**MA 20205 Probability and Statistics**  
**Hints/Solutions to Assignment No. 6**

1.  $P(1 < X + Y < 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_0^1 \int_{1-y}^{2-y} e^{-(x+y)} dx dy + \int_1^2 \int_0^{2-y} e^{-(x+y)} dx dy \\ &= (e^{-1} - e^{-2}) + (e^{-1} - 2e^{-2}) = (2e^{-1} - 3e^{-2}). \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X < Y | X < 2Y) = \frac{P(X < Y)}{P(X < 2Y)}. \text{ Now}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X < Y) &= \int_0^\infty \int_x^\infty e^{-(x+y)} dy dx = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(X < 2Y) &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\frac{x}{2}}^\infty e^{-(x+y)} dy dx = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

So the required probability is 0.75.

Clearly  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent. So

$$P(0 < X < 1 | Y = 2) = P(0 < X < 1) = 1 - e^{-1}.$$

$P(X + Y < m) = \frac{1}{2}$  is equivalent to  $2(m+1)e^{-m} - 1 = 0$ . This is a

nonlinear equation and can be solved numerically. Elementary numerical methods such as bisection gives  $m \approx 1.68$ .

2. The marginal densities of  $X$  and  $Y$  are

$$f_X(x) = x + \frac{1}{2}, 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } f_Y(y) = y + \frac{1}{2}, 0 < y < 1.$$

Clearly  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.

$$E(X) = \frac{7}{12}, E(X^2) = \frac{5}{12}, V(X) = \frac{11}{144}$$

$$E(Y) = \frac{7}{12}, E(Y^2) = \frac{5}{12}, V(Y) = \frac{11}{144}$$

$$E(XY) = \frac{1}{3}, Cov(X, Y) = -\frac{1}{144}$$

$$Var(X + Y) = V(X) + V(Y) + 2Cov(X, Y) = \frac{5}{36}$$

$$Corr(X, Y) = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}} = -\frac{1}{11}$$

The conditional pdf of  $X|Y = y$  is given by

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{2(x+y)}{2y+1}, 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1.$$

$$E(X|Y = y) = \frac{2+3y}{3(2y+1)}, E(X^2|Y = y) = \frac{3+4y}{6(2y+1)},$$

$$V(X|Y = y) = \frac{6y^2 + 6y + 1}{18(2y+1)^2}$$

3. The marginal densities of  $X$  and  $Y$  are respectively

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{4}(3-x), 0 < x < 2 \text{ and } f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{4}(5-y), 2 < y < 4.$$

The conditional densities of  $Y|X = x$  and  $X|Y = y$  are respectively

$$f_{Y|X=x}(y|x) = \frac{(6-x-y)}{2(3-x)}, 2 < y < 4, 0 < x < 2$$

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{(6-x-y)}{2(5-y)}, 0 < x < 2, 2 < y < 4$$

$$\text{We get } E(Y|X = x) = \frac{26-9x}{3(3-x)}, E(Y^2|X = x) = \frac{78-28x}{3(3-x)}.$$

$$E(X|Y = y) = \frac{14-3y}{3(5-y)}, E(X^2|Y = y) = \frac{18-4y}{3(5-y)}.$$

Rest of the calculations can be done as before.

4.  $(X, Y) \sim BVN(24, 28, 36, 49, 0.8)$ . Then  $X \sim N(24, 36)$ . So

$$P(X > 30) = \Phi(-1) = 0.1587.$$

The conditional distribution of  $X$  given  $Y = 35$  is  $N(28.8, 12.96)$ .

$$\text{So } Var(X|Y = 35) = 12.96.$$

$$P(X > 30|Y = 35) = P\left(Z > \frac{30 - 28.8}{\sqrt{12.96}}\right) = \Phi(-0.33) = 0.3707.$$

The conditional distribution of  $Y$  given  $X = 22$  is  $N(26.13, 17.64)$ .

$$E(Y|X=22) = 26.13.$$

5. Similar to Q. 4.

6. The marginal density of  $Y$  is  $f_Y(y) = e^{-y}, y > 0$ .

The conditional density of  $X$  given  $Y = y$  is

$$f_{X|y=y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{y} e^{-\frac{x}{y}}, x > 0.$$

$$E(Y) = 1, E(X) = EE(X|Y) = E(Y) = 1. V(Y) = 1.$$

$$V(X) = VE(X|Y) + EV(X|Y) = V(Y) + E(Y^2) = 1 + 2 = 3.$$

$$E(XY) = E(Y E(X|Y)) = E(Y^2) = 2. Cov(X, Y) = 1.$$

$$Corr(X, Y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

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9. In order that  $f(x, y)$  is a valid density,  $-1 < \alpha < 1$ .

The marginal densities of  $X$  and  $Y$  are

$$f_X(x) = 1, 0 < x < 1 \text{ and } f_Y(y) = 1, 0 < y < 1.$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{2}, E(Y) = \frac{1}{2}, V(X) = \frac{1}{12}, V(Y) = \frac{1}{12}$$

$$Cov(X, Y) = E\left(X - \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(Y - \frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{\alpha}{36}, Corr(X, Y) = -\frac{\alpha}{3}$$

Clearly  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent if and only if  $\alpha = 0$ .

$$10. \quad a. P(X \leq 1, Y \geq 2) = p_{X,Y}(0,2) + p_{X,Y}(0,3) + p_{X,Y}(0,4)$$

$$+ p_{X,Y}(1,2) + p_{X,Y}(1,3) + p_{X,Y}(1,4) = 0.356.$$

b. The conditional p.m.f.'s of  $X$  and  $Y$  are respectively

$$p_X(0) = 0.210, p_X(1) = 0.298, p_X(2) = 0.277, p_X(3) = 0.215.$$

$$p_Y(1) = 0.267, p_Y(2) = 0.397, p_Y(3) = 0.302, p_Y(4) = 0.034.$$

$$E(X) = 1.497, E(Y) = 2.103, E(X^2) = 3.341, E(Y^2) = 5.117$$

$$Var(X) = 1.099991, Var(Y) = 0.694391,$$

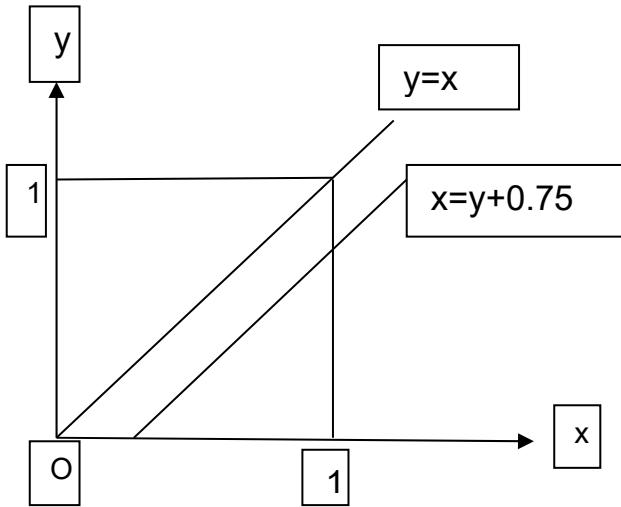
$$E(XY) = 3.279, Cov(X, Y) = 0.130809, Corr(X, Y) \approx 0.1498.$$

c.  $P(Y \geq 2|X = 1) = \frac{p_{X,Y}(1,2) + p_{X,Y}(1,3) + p_{X,Y}(1,4)}{p_X(1)} \approx 0.6897.$

11.  $X \rightarrow$  time to switch off the lights

$Y \rightarrow$  time to switch on the lights

- (a) The desired region is the area between the lines  $y = x$  and  $x = y + 0.75$  inside the unit square as shown in the figure below:



The required probability  $= P(Y < 0.5, X < Y + 0.25)$   
 $= \int_0^{0.75} \int_y^{y+0.25} 8xy \, dx \, dy + \int_{0.75}^1 \int_y^1 8xy \, dx \, dy = \frac{139}{256} \approx 0.543.$

- (b) The marginal density of  $Y$  is

$$f_y(y) = 4y(1 - y^2), 0 < y < 1.$$

The conditional density of  $X$  given  $Y = y$  is

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{2x}{1-y^2}, \quad y < x < 1 \text{ for } 0 < y < 1.$$

So the conditional density of  $X$  given  $Y = \frac{1}{6}$  is

$$g(x) = \frac{72x}{35}, \quad \frac{1}{6} < x < 1.$$

The required probability

$$= P\left(X < \frac{3}{4} \mid Y = \frac{1}{6}\right) = \int_{\frac{1}{6}}^{\frac{3}{4}} g(x) dx = \frac{17}{35} .$$

(c)  $E\left(X \mid Y = \frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{43}{63}$

(d) The marginal density of  $X$  is

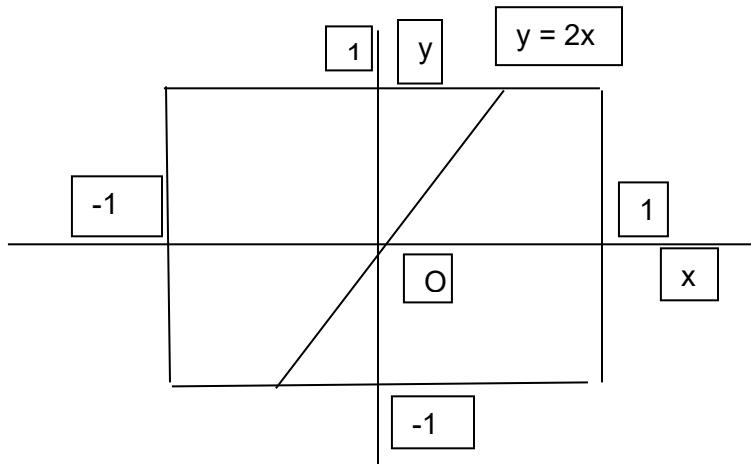
$$f_X(x) = 4x^3, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

$$E(X) = \frac{4}{5}, E(Y) = \frac{8}{15}, E(X^2) = \frac{2}{3}, E(Y^2) = \frac{1}{3}, E(XY) = \frac{4}{9}.$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{6}{25}, Var(Y) = \frac{11}{225}, Cov(X, Y) = \frac{4}{225}$$

$$Corr(X, Y) = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{66}} = 0.1641.$$

12. The desired area is the region to the left of the line  $y = 2x$  in the square below.



$$P(2X < Y) = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^{\frac{y}{2}} (1 + xy) dx dy = \frac{1}{2}$$

The desired area is the region between lines  $x + y = -1$  and  $x + y = 1$  in the same square.

As the density is symmetric in  $X$  and  $Y$

$$P(|X + Y| < 1) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \int_{-1-y}^{1-y} (1 + xy) dx dy = \frac{31}{48}.$$

The marginal distributions of  $X$  and  $Y$  are  $U(-1,1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) = E(Y) &= 0, \text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}(Y) = \frac{1}{3}, E(XY) = \frac{1}{9} \\ \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \frac{1}{9}, \text{Corr}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

13.  $c = \frac{1}{6}$ . The marginal densities of  $X$  and  $Y$  are

$$f_X(x) = 6x(1-x), \quad 0 < x < 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f_Y(y) = 6(\sqrt{y} - y), \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

$$P\left(\frac{1}{3} < X < \frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{13}{27}, \quad P\left(\frac{1}{4} < Y < \frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{3\sqrt{3} - 4}{2} \approx 0.598$$

The conditional densities of  $X|Y = y$  and  $Y|X = x$  are respectively

$$f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}-y}, \quad y < x < \sqrt{y}, \quad 0 < y < 1$$

$$f_{Y|X=x}(y|x) = \frac{1}{x-x^2}, \quad x^2 < y < x, \quad 0 < x < 1$$

The conditional density of  $X|Y = \frac{1}{4}$  is

$$g(x) = 4, \quad \frac{1}{4} < x < \frac{1}{2}. \quad \text{So} \quad P\left(\frac{5}{16} < X < \frac{7}{16} | Y = \frac{1}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

The conditional density of  $Y|X = \frac{1}{2}$  is

$$h(y) = 4, \frac{1}{4} < y < \frac{1}{2}. \text{ So } P\left(\frac{3}{8} < Y < \frac{5}{8} \mid X = \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

The region  $|X - Y| < 0.5$  contains the region of the density  $x^2 < y < x, 0 < x < 1$ . So  $P(|X - Y| < 0.5) = 1$ .

14. The marginal densities of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are given by

$$f_{X_1}(x_1) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + x_1)e^{-x_1}, x_1 > 0 \text{ and}$$

$$f_{X_2}(x_2) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + x_2)e^{-x_2}, x_2 > 0$$

The conditional densities of  $X_1 \mid X_2 = 2$  and  $X_2 \mid X_1 = 4$  are

$$g(x_1) = \frac{1}{3}(x_1 + 2)e^{-x_1}, x_1 > 0 \text{ and}$$

$$h(x_2) = \frac{1}{5}(x_2 + 4)e^{-x_2}, x_2 > 0.$$

$$E(X_2 \mid X_1 = 4) = \frac{6}{5}, \text{Var}(X_1 \mid X_2 = 2) = \frac{14}{9}$$

$$E(X_1) = E(X_2) = \frac{3}{2}, V(X_1) = V(X_2) = \frac{7}{4}, E(X_1 X_2) = 2$$

$$\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2) = -\frac{1}{4}, \text{Corr}(X_1, X_2) = -\frac{1}{7}.$$

15. Here  $\mu_1 = -1, \mu_2 = 1, \sigma_1^2 = 4, \sigma_2^2 = 9, \rho = -0.5$ . Then

$$X \sim N(-1, 4), Y \sim N(1, 9), X \mid Y = y \text{ has } N\left(\frac{-2-y}{3}, 3\right) \text{ and } Y \mid X = x \text{ has } N\left(\frac{1-3x}{4}, \frac{27}{4}\right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} E\{(X + 1)^2(Y - 1)^2\} &= E^Y[(Y - 1)^2 E\{(X + 1)^2 \mid Y\}] \\ &= E\left[(Y - 1)^2 \left\{\frac{(1-Y)^2}{9} + 9\right\}\right] = \frac{1}{9} E(Y - 1)^4 + 9E(Y - 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \cdot 3.9^2 + 9.9 = 108. \end{aligned}$$

$$P(X < 1) = \Phi(1) = 0.8413, P(Y > 4) = \Phi(-1) = 0.1587.$$

Now  $X|Y = \frac{3}{2}$  follows  $N\left(-\frac{7}{6}, 3\right)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } P\left(-\frac{3}{2} < X < -\frac{1}{2} | Y = \frac{3}{2}\right) &= \Phi\left(\frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}}\right) - \Phi\left(-\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}}\right) \\ &= \Phi(0.39) - \Phi(-0.19) = 0.6517 - 0.4247 = 0.227. \end{aligned}$$

Also  $Y|X = -\frac{1}{2}$  follows  $N\left(\frac{5}{8}, \frac{27}{4}\right)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } P\left(\frac{1}{2} < Y < \frac{3}{2} | X = -\frac{1}{2}\right) &= \Phi\left(\frac{7}{12\sqrt{3}}\right) - \Phi\left(-\frac{1}{12\sqrt{3}}\right) \\ &= \Phi(0.34) - \Phi(0.05) = 0.6331 - 0.5199 = 0.1132. \end{aligned}$$

16. Here  $(X, Y) \sim BVN\left(1, 1, 1, 1, \frac{1}{3}\right)$ . So  $2X + 3Y \sim N(5, 17)$ .

Remaining parts can be answered as before.

17. Q. 17 can be solved as earlier questions 12, 13 etc..