

Probability and Statistics
Chapter # 5

1.(#5.1) A joint PDF is defined by

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} c(x + 2y), & \text{if } 0 < y < 1 \text{ and } 0 < x < 2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the value of c ;
- (b) Find the marginal PDF of X ;
- (c) Find the joint CDF of X and Y ;

Solution:

(a) To be a valid PDF, $\int_0^1 \int_0^2 C(x + 2y) dx dy = 4C = 1$, therefore $C = \frac{1}{4}$

$$(b) f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{4}(x + 2y) dy = \frac{x+1}{4}, & 0 < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$(c) F_{XY}(x, y) = \int_0^y \int_0^x \frac{1}{4}(x + 2y) dx dy = \frac{1}{8}x^2y + \frac{1}{4}xy^2, \text{if } 0 < x < 2 \text{ and } 0 < y < 1$$

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$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \int_0^y \int_0^2 \frac{1}{4}(x + 2y) dx dy = \frac{1}{2}y + \frac{1}{2}y^2, \text{if } x \geq 2 \text{ and } 0 < y < 1$$

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = 1, \text{if } x \geq 2 \text{ and } y \geq 1$$

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = 0, \text{otherwise}$$

2.(#5.2) Suppose (X, Y) has a joint pdf

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 + \theta x & \text{if } -y < x < y, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where θ is a constant.

- (a) Determine the possible value(s) of θ so that $f_{XY}(x, y)$ is a joint PDF. Give your reasoning;
- (b) Let $\theta = 0$. Check if X and Y are independent. Give your reasoning.

Solution:

(a) First notice $\int_0^1 \int_{-y}^y (1 + \theta x) dx dy = 1$ for any θ . Also we have $f_{XY}(x, y) \geq 0$. From the support, we know $-1 < x < 1$. Suppose $\theta \geq 0$, this implies $1 - \theta < 1 + \theta x < 1 + \theta$. $f_{XY}(x, y) \geq 0$ implies $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$. Similarly when $\theta \leq 0$. In conclusion, we have $\theta \in [-1, 1]$.

(b) $f_X(x) = \int_{-x}^1 1 dy = 1 + x$ if $-1 < x < 0$ and $f_X(x) = \int_x^1 1 dy = 1 - x$ if $0 < x < 1$. So $f_X(x) = 1 - |x|$ when $-1 < x < 1$. $f_Y(y) = \int_{-y}^y 1 dx = 2y$ for $0 < y < 1$. Since $f_{XY}(xy) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y)$, they are not independent.

3.(#5.4)

(a) Find $P(X > \sqrt{Y})$ if X and Y are jointly distributed with PDF $f_{XY}(x, y) = x + y$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$;

(b) Find $P(X^2 < Y < X)$ if X and Y are jointly distributed with PDF $f_{XY}(x, y) = 2x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$.

Solution:

$$(a) P(X > \sqrt{Y}) = \int_0^1 \int_0^{x^2} (x + y) dy dx = \frac{7}{20}$$

$$(b) P(X^2 < Y < X) = \int_0^1 \int_{x^2}^x 2x dy dx = \frac{1}{6}$$

4.(#5.5) Prove that if the jointly CDF of X and Y satisfies $F_{XY}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$, that is, if X and Y are independent, then for any pair of intervals (a, b) and (c, d) , $P(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) = P(a \leq X \leq b)P(c \leq Y \leq d)$.

Solution:

Let $a_{-1} = a$ when X is continuous and $a_{-1} = \operatorname{argmax}_{x \in \Omega_X \text{ and } x < a} (x - a)$ when X is discrete. Define $c_{-1} = c$ when Y is continuous and $c_{-1} = \operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \Omega_Y \text{ and } y < c} (y - c)$ when Y is discrete.

$$\begin{aligned} P(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) &= P(X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) - P(X \leq a_{-1}, c \leq Y \leq d) \\ &= P(X \leq b, Y \leq d) - P(X \leq b, Y \leq c_{-1}) - P(X \leq a_{-1}, Y \leq d) \\ &\quad + P(X \leq a_{-1}, Y \leq c_{-1}) \\ &= F(b, d) - F(b, c_{-1}) - F(a_{-1}, d) + F(a_{-1}, c_{-1}) \\ &= F_X(b)F_Y(d) - F_X(b)F_Y(c_{-1}) - F_X(a_{-1})F_Y(d) \\ &\quad + F_X(a_{-1})F_Y(c_{-1}) \\ &= P(X \leq b)[P(Y \leq d) - P(Y \leq c_{-1})] - P(X \leq a_{-1})[P(Y \leq d) - P(Y \leq c_{-1})] \\ &= P(X \leq b)P(c \leq Y \leq d) - P(X \leq a_{-1})P(c \leq Y \leq d) \\ &= P(a \leq X \leq b)P(c \leq Y \leq d) \end{aligned}$$

5. (#5.9) Suppose $g(x) \geq 0$ and $\int_0^\infty g(x)dx = 1$, show that $f(x, y) = \frac{2g(\sqrt{x^2+y^2})}{\pi\sqrt{x^2+y^2}}$, for $x, y > 0$, is a joint PDF.

Solution:

(i) It is trivial that $f(x, y) \geq 0$. (ii) Substituting x and y with $r \cos \theta$ and $r \sin \theta$ respectively, we obtain

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty f(x, y) dx dy = \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^\infty \frac{2g(r)}{\pi r} r dr d\theta = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^\infty g(r) dr d\theta = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} 1 d\theta = 1$$

6. Suppose a joint PDF is

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} kx, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 - x, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find (a) the value of k ; (b) the marginal PDF $f_X(x)$; (c) the marginal PDF $f_Y(y)$; (d) the conditional PDF of Y given $X = x$; (e) the conditional PDF of X given $Y = y$; (f) check if X and Y are independent.

Solution:

(a) $\int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} kx dy dx = \frac{k}{6} = 1$, therefore $k = 6$.

(b) $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \int_0^{1-x} 6x dy = 6x - 6x^2, & 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(c) $f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \int_0^{1-y} 6x dx = 3(1-y)^2, & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(d) $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-x}, & 0 < y < 1-x, 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(e) $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{(1-y)^2}, & 0 < y < 1-x, 0 < x < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(f) X and Y are not independent.

7. (#5.10) Suppose (X, Y) has a joint PDF

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = ke^{-y} \text{ for } 0 < x < y < \infty$$

Find (a) the value of k ; (b) the marginal PDF $f_X(x)$; (c) the marginal PDF $f_Y(y)$; (d) the conditional PDF of Y given $X = x$; (e) the conditional PDF of X given $Y = y$.

Solution:

(a) $\int_0^\infty \int_0^y k e^{-y} dx dy = \int_0^\infty k y e^{-y} dy = k = 1$, therefore $k = 1$.

(b) $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \int_x^\infty e^{-y} dy = e^{-x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(c) $f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \int_0^y e^{-y} dx = y e^{-y}, & y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(d) $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \begin{cases} e^{x-y}, & 0 < x < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(e) $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{y}, & 0 < x < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

8.(#5.11) (X, Y) follows a bivariate normal distribution if their joint PDF

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\left(\frac{x-\mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2 - 2\rho\left(\frac{x-\mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)\left(\frac{y-\mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right) + \left(\frac{y-\mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2 \right]}$$

where $-\infty < \mu_1, \mu_2 < \infty, 0 < \sigma_1, \sigma_2 < \infty, -1 \leq \rho \leq 1$. Find

(a) $f_X(x)$; (b) $f_Y(y)$; (c) $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$; (d) $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$; (e) Under what conditions on parameters $(\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \rho)$, X and Y will be independent. [Hint: When finding $f_X(x)$, you can form a term with form

$$z^2 = \left[\left(\frac{y-\mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right) - \rho\left(\frac{x-\mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right) \right]^2$$

and integrate it out first.]

Solution: [See Chapter 5 section 5.6 pages 149-151.]

9.(#5.6) The random pair (X, Y) has the joint distribution

		X		
		1	2	3
Y	2	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{12}$
	3	$\frac{1}{6}$	0	$\frac{1}{6}$
	4	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	0

(a) Show that X and Y are dependent;

(b) Give a probability table for random variables U and V that have the same marginals as X and Y but are independent.

Solution:

- (a) To show X and Y are dependent, we can first calculate the marginal pmfs, by summing corresponding rows or columns. We have

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4}, & x = 1 \\ \frac{1}{2}, & x = 2 \\ \frac{1}{4}, & x = 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & x = 2 \\ \frac{1}{3}, & x = 3 \\ \frac{1}{3}, & x = 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that $f_{XY}(x, y) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y)$. Thus X and Y are not independent of each other.

- (b) The probability table for random variable U and V independent is:

		U		
		1	2	3
V	2	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{12}$
	3	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{12}$
	4	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{12}$

10. (#5.7) Suppose X and Y are independent $N(0,1)$ random variables.

- (a) Find $P(X^2 + Y^2 < 1)$;
 (b) Find $P(X^2 < 1)$, after verifying that X^2 is distributed χ_1^2 .

Solution:

- (a) By Example 5.21 of the textbook, we know the distribution of $U = X^2 + Y^2$ is $f_U(u) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{u}{2}}$ when $u > 0$ and 0 otherwise. So $P(U < 1) = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2}e^{-\frac{u}{2}} du = 1 - e^{-1/2}$.
 (b) Using the transformation result, easy to see it follows the pdf of χ_1^2 . Then $P(X^2 < 1) = \frac{1}{\pi}(1 - 1/e)\ln(\sqrt{2} + 1)$.

11. (#5.8) Let X be an exponential(1) random variable, and define Y to be the integer part of $X + 1$, that is $Y = i + 1$ if and only if $i \leq X < i + 1, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

- (a) Find the distribution of Y . What well-known distribution does Y have?
 (b) Find the conditional distribution of $X - 4$ given $Y \geq 5$.

Solution:

(a) Since Y is a discrete random variable, to find the distribution of Y , we just need to find the probability weighting in terms of X for Y taking value y . When $Y = y$, X takes value from $y - 1$ to y . Thus $P(Y = y) = P(1 - y \leq X \leq y) = \int_{y-1}^y e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_{y-1}^y = e^{-(y-1)} - e^{-y} = (e-1)e^{-y} = (1 - \frac{1}{e})e^{1-y} = (1 - \frac{1}{e})(\frac{1}{e})^{y-1}$, for $y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, and 0 elsewhere.

Thus Y follows Geometric distribution with $p = 1 - \frac{1}{e}$.

(b) $Y \geq 5 \iff X \geq 4$. The conditional distribution of $X - 4$ given $Y \geq 5$ is the same with conditional distribution of $X - 4$ given $X \geq 4$. Define $Z = X - 4$, then we try to find $F_{Z|X \geq 4}(z|x \geq 4)$.

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} F_{Z|X \geq 4}(z|x \geq 4) &= P(Z \leq z | X \geq 4) \\ &= P(X - 4 \leq z | X \geq 4) \\ &= \frac{P(X \leq z + 4, X \geq 4)}{P(X \geq 4)} \\ &= \frac{P(4 \leq X \leq z + 4)}{1 - P(X \leq 4)} \\ &= \frac{P(X \leq z + 4) - P(X \leq 4)}{1 - P(X \leq 4)} \\ &= \frac{1 - e^{-(z+4)} - (1 - e^{-4})}{1 - (1 - e^{-4})} \\ &= \frac{e^{-4} - e^{-(z+4)}}{e^{-4}} \\ &= 1 - e^{-z}. \end{aligned}$$

We can see that the new random variable $Z = X - 4$ conditioning on $X \geq 4$ has an exponential distribution with rate parameter to be 1. Thus, the conditional distribution of $X - 4$ given $X \geq 4$ has identical distribution to X . We call this the memoryless property of exponential distribution.

12. (#5.13) Suppose the random variables X and Y have the following joint pdf

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8xy & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Also, let $U = X/Y$ and $V = Y$. Determine the joint pdf of U and V .

Solution:

First notice the support is $\Omega_{U,V} = \{(u, v) \in R^2, 0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1\}$. And Jacobian $J_{XY}(u, v) = v$. Therefore the joint distribution of $f_{UV}(u, v) = 8uv^3$ on $\Omega_{U,V}$ and 0 elsewhere.

13. (#5.14) (1) Let X_1 and X_2 be independent $N(0,1)$ random variables. Find the PDF of $(X_1 - X_2)^2/2$. (2) If $X_i, i = 1, 2$, are independent Gamma($\alpha_i, 1$) random variables, find the

marginal distributions of $X_1/(X_1 + X_2)$ and $X_2/(X_1 + X_2)$.

Solution:

- (a) • To solve this question, it is crucial to define the "right" U and V . If we define U to be $\frac{(X_1 - X_2)^2}{2}$, then we run into a problem, since no matter how we define V , the mapping is not one-to-one. Thus, let's first focus on the distribution of $\frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{2}}$. The intuition is that X_1 and X_2 are both standard normal random variable and they are independent of each other. Then $X_1 - X_2$ will also be a normal random variable with variance to be 2. Then $\frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{2}}$ should be a standard normal random variable and its square should be a chi-square random variable with degree of freedom 1. With this reasoning, we first construct a bivariate transformation as following:

$$U = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$V = \frac{X_1 - X_2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- The support of (U, V) is $\Omega_{U, V} = \{(u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2, -\infty < u < \infty, -\infty < v < \infty\}$.
- Jacobian $J_{X, Y}(u, v)$ is computed as following:

$$J_{X, Y}(u, v) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{vmatrix} = 1.$$

- Apply the Bivariate Transformation Theorem, we have the joint distribution of (u, v) is:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{U, V}(u, v) &= f_{X, Y}(x, y) \frac{1}{|J_{U, V}(x, y)|} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x^2 + y^2)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\left(\frac{(u+v)^2}{2} + \frac{(u-v)^2}{2}\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{v^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= f_U(u) f_V(v) \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $U \sim N(0, 1)$ and $V \sim N(0, 1)$. Random variables U and V are independent. $\frac{(X_1 - X_2)^2}{2} = V^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$.

- (b) • From $U = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$ and $V = X_1 + X_2$, we have $X_1 = UV$ and $X_2 = (1 - U)V$.
- The support of (U, V) is $\Omega_{U, V} = \{0 < u < 1, \text{ and } 0 < v < \infty\}$.

- The Jacobian $J_{X_1, X_2}(u, v)$ is:

$$J_{X_1, X_2}(u, v) = \begin{vmatrix} v & u \\ -v & (1-u) \end{vmatrix} = v.$$

- Applying the Bivariate Transformation Theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{U, V}(u, v) &= f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) |J_{X_1, X_2}(u, v)| \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} x_1^{\alpha_1-1} e^{-x_1} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} x_2^{\alpha_2-1} e^{-x_2} v \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)} (uv)^{\alpha_1-1} e^{-uv} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_2)} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} v^{\alpha_2-1} e^{-(1-u)v} v \\ &= \left[\frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} \right] \left[\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} v^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} e^{-v} \right] \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$f_U(u) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)\Gamma(\alpha_2) u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1}}$$

Thus, $U = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2} \sim \text{beta}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$. Similarly, we can show that $\frac{X_2}{X_1 + X_2} \sim \text{beta}(\alpha_2, \alpha_1)$ from a bivariate transformation when we define $U = \frac{X_2}{X_1 + X_2}$ and $V = X_1 + X_2$.

14. (#5.15) Suppose X_1, X_2 are independent standard Gamma random variables, possibly with different parameters α_1, α_2 . Show:

- (a) The random variables

$$X_1 + X_2 \text{ and } \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$$

are mutually independent;

- (b) The distribution of $X_1 + X_2$ is a standard Gamma with $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$;
(c) The distribution of $X_1/(X_1 + X_2)$ is a standard Beta with parameters α_1, α_2 .

Solution:

Similar to part(2) of Question 5.14.

15. (#5.25) Suppose $X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, 1)$, $X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, 1)$, and X_1 and X_2 are independent. Show that $X_1 + X_2$ and $X_1/(X_1 + X_2)$ are independent. Also, find the marginal distributions of $X_1 + X_2$ and $X_1/(X_1 + X_2)$, respectively.

Solution:

From problem 13's result,

$$f_{UV}(u, v) = \left[\frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} \right] \left[\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} v^{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 1} e^{-v} \right]$$

for $0 < u < 1$, and $0 < v < \infty$.

It can be written as a produce of function of u and function of v . Thus U and V are independent. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1)\Gamma(\alpha_2)} u^{\alpha_1-1} (1-u)^{\alpha_2-1} \\ f_V(v) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} v^{\alpha_1+\alpha_2-1} e^{-v} \end{aligned}$$

for $0 < u < 1$, and $0 < v < \infty$, respectively. Thus we know $U = \frac{X_2}{X_1+X_2}$ and $V = X_1 + X_2$ are independent of each other and $U = \frac{X_2}{X_1+X_2}$ follows $beta(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ and $V = X_1 + X_2$ follows $Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, 1)$.

16. (#5.16) X_1 and X_2 are independent $N(0, \sigma^2)$ random variables.

- (1) Find the joint distribution of Y_1 and Y_2 , where $Y_1 = X_1^2 + X_2^2$ and $Y_2 = X_1/\sqrt{Y_1}$.
- (2) Show that Y_1 and Y_2 are independent.

Solution:

You can read Chapter 5 Example 21 to solve this question. When you solve this one, you have to change your notation.

- (a) • Find we need to find out the support for Y_1 and Y_2 : from $Y_1 = X_1^2 + X_2^2$, and $Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{\sqrt{X_1^2+X_2^2}}$, and $X_1 \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, $X_2 \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, we can derive the support for (Y_1, Y_2) as:

$$\Omega_{Y_1, Y_2} = \{(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < y_1 < \infty, -1 < y_2 < 1\}.$$

- Be careful, **Bivariate Transformation Theorem doesn't apply here!**, since (Y_1, Y_2) is not a 1-1 mapping from (X_1, X_2) . For the distribution of $Z = X_2^2$, we have for the CDF of Z , $\forall z \in \Omega_Z = \{z \in [0, \infty)\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= P(X_2^2 \leq z) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{z} \leq X_2 \leq \sqrt{z}) \\ &= F_{X_2}(\sqrt{z}) - F_{X_2}(-\sqrt{z}) \end{aligned}$$

The pdf of Z is:

$$\begin{aligned} f_Z(z) &= \frac{dF_Z(z)}{dz} \\ &= f_{X_2}(\sqrt{z}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z}} + f_{X_2}(-\sqrt{z}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{z}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi z \sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{z}{2\sigma^2}}, \text{ for } z \in [0, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

and 0, elsewhere.

- X_1 is independent of X_2 , then X_2 is also independent of $Z \equiv X_2^2$. The joint pdf of (X_1, Z) is:

$$f_{X_1, Z}(x_1, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2\sqrt{z}} e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} e^{-z/2\sigma^2}$$

The support of (X_1, Z) is $\Omega_{X_1, Z} = \{(x_1, z) \in \mathbb{R}^2, -\infty < x_1 < \infty, 0 \leq z < \infty\}$. After substituting X_2^2 by Z , we can do the following transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1 &= X_1^2 + Z \\ Y_2 &= \frac{X_1}{\sqrt{X_1^2 + Z}} \end{aligned}$$

then,

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= \sqrt{Y_1} Y_2 \\ Z &= Y_1(1 - Y_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

- The Jacobian $J_{X_1, Z}(y_1, y_2)$ is:

$$J_{X_1, Z}(y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{y_2}{2\sqrt{y_1}} & \sqrt{y_1} \\ 1 - y_2^2 & -2y_1 y_2 \end{vmatrix} = -\sqrt{y_1}.$$

- Using Bivariate Transformation Theorem, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) &= f_{X_1, Z}(x_1, z) |J_{X_1, Z}(y_1, y_2)| \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2\sqrt{1 - y_2^2}} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}}, \quad \text{for } (y_1, y_2) \in \Omega_{Y_1 Y_2} \end{aligned}$$

and 0 otherwise.

- (b) Y_1 and Y_2 are independent, because, the joint distribution equals the product of the marginal distribution for all $(y_1, y_2) \in \Omega_{Y_1 Y_2}$. First calculate the marginal pdf of Y_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y_1}(y_1) &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2\sqrt{1 - y_2^2}} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}} dy_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{1 - y_2^2}} dy_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}} \int_{\pi}^0 \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{1 - \cos(\theta)^2}} d\cos(\theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}} \int_{\pi}^0 \frac{1}{\pi\sin(\theta)} (-\sin(\theta)) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}} \left(-\frac{1}{\pi}\right) \theta \Big|_{\pi}^0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{y_1}{2\sigma^2}}, \text{ for } y_1 \in (0, \infty), \end{aligned}$$

and 0, elsewhere. Actually, we can see that Y_1 follows $\text{Exponential}(\frac{1}{2\sigma^2})$. By the same logic, we can show that

$$f_{Y_2}(y_2) = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{1-y_2^2}}, \text{ for } y_2 \in (-1, 1)$$

and 0, elsewhere. Then we can prove Y_1 and Y_2 are independent of each other since

$$f_{Y_1 Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = f_{Y_1}(y_1)f_{Y_2}(y_2).$$

You can also prove independence by factorization theorem like the lecture note does, however, you have to show that the result holds for all (y_1, y_2) pair in the R^2 space.

17. (#5.17) For $X \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$, and $Y \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha + \beta, \gamma)$ be independent random variables, find the distribution of XY by making the transformation given in (1) and (2) and integrating out V .

(a) $U = XY, V = Y.$

(b) $U = XY, V = X/Y.$

Solution:

(a) From $U = XY$ and $V = Y$, we have $X = \frac{U}{V}$ and $Y = V$. We can first find the support is $0 < u < v < 1$.

The determinant of Jacobian matrix is:

$$|\det J_{XY}(u, v)| = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{v} & -\frac{u}{v^2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right| = \frac{1}{v}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f_{UV}(u, v) &= f_{XY}(x, y)|J_{XY}(u, v)| = f_{XY}(x, y)\frac{1}{v} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}y^{\alpha+\beta-1}(1-y)^{\gamma-1}\frac{1}{v} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}\left(\frac{u}{v}\right)^{\alpha-1}\left(1 - \frac{u}{v}\right)^{\beta-1}v^{\alpha+\beta-1}(1-v)^{\gamma-1}\frac{1}{v}, \quad 0 < u < v < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \int_u^1 f_{UV}(u, v)dv \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}u^{\alpha-1} \int_u^1 v^{\beta-1}\left(\frac{v-u}{v}\right)^{\beta-1}(1-v)^{\gamma-1}dv \end{aligned}$$

Let $z = \frac{v-u}{1-u}$, we have $dz = \frac{dv}{1-u}$, $1-v = (1-y)(1-u)$ and $\frac{v-u}{v} = \frac{z(1-u)}{v}$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} \int_0^1 v^{\beta-1} (1-z)^{\gamma-1} (1-u)^{\gamma-1} \frac{z^{\beta-1} (1-u)^{\beta-1}}{v^{\beta-1}} (1-u) dz \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \int_0^1 (1-z)^{\gamma-1} z^{\beta-1} dz \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \frac{\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\beta + \gamma)} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta + \gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1}, \quad 0 < u < 1
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $U \sim \text{beta}(\alpha, \beta + \gamma)$.

- (b) From $U = XY$ and $V = X/Y$, we have $X = \sqrt{UV}$ and $Y = \sqrt{\frac{U}{V}}$. The support of (U, V) is $0 < u < v < 1/u$ and $0 < u < 1$.

The determinant of Jacobian matrix is:

$$|\det J_{XY}(u, v)| = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{v}{u}} & \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} \\ \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{uv}} & -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{u}{v^3}} \end{bmatrix} \right| = \frac{1}{2v}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{UV}(u, v) &= f_{XY}(x, y) |J_{XY}(u, v)| = f_{XY}(x, y) \frac{1}{2v} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} y^{\alpha+\beta-1} (1-y)^{\gamma-1} \frac{1}{2v} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} \sqrt{uv}^{\alpha-1} (1 - \sqrt{uv})^{\beta-1} \sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}^{\alpha+\beta-1} (1 - \sqrt{\frac{u}{v}})^{\gamma-1} \frac{1}{2v}
\end{aligned}$$

The set $\{0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1\}$ is mapped onto the set $\{0 < u < v < \frac{1}{u}, 0 < u < 1\}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \int_u^{1/u} f_{UV}(u, v) dv \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \int_u^{1/u} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{uv}}{1-u}\right)^{\beta-1} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}}{1-u}\right)^{\gamma-1} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}^\beta}{2v(1-u)} dv \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \int_u^{1/u} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} - u}{1-u}\right)^{\beta-1} \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} - u}{1-u}\right)^{\gamma-1} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}}{2v(1-u)} dv
\end{aligned}$$

Let $z = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} - u}{1-u}$, we have $dz = -\frac{\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}}}{2(1-u)v} dv$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \int_0^1 z^{\beta-1} (1-z)^{\gamma-1} dz \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta + \gamma)} u^{\alpha-1} (1-u)^{\beta+\gamma-1}, \quad 0 < u < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $U \sim \text{beta}(\alpha, \beta + \gamma)$.

18. (#5.18) Let $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, and let $Y \sim N(\gamma, \sigma^2)$. Suppose X and Y are independent. Define $U = X + Y$ and $V = X - Y$. Show that U and V are independent normal random variables. Find the distribution of each of them.

Solution:

Let $Z = Y + (\mu - \gamma)$. Then X and Z are independent and $Z \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. From the result of Chapter 5 example 22, $X + Z \sim N(2\mu, 2\sigma^2)$, $X - Z \sim N(0, 2\sigma^2)$, and $X + Z, X - Z$ are independent. It implies that $U = X + Z - (\mu - \gamma) \sim N(\mu + \gamma, 2\sigma^2)$, $V = X - Z + (\mu - \gamma) \sim N(\mu - \gamma, 2\sigma^2)$ are also independent, since adding constant does not change independence.

19. (#5.20) Suppose $X_1 \sim N(0, 1)$, $X_2 \sim N(0, 1)$ and X_1 and X_2 are independent. Find the distribution of X_1/X_2 .

Solution:

From $U = X_1/X_2$ and $V = X_2$, we have $X_1 = UV$ and $X_2 = V$. The support for (U, V) is $-\infty < u < \infty$ and $-\infty < v < \infty$. The determinant of Jacobian matrix is:

$$|\det J_{X_1 X_2}(u, v)| = \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} v & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right| = |v|$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f_{UV}(u, v) &= f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) |J_{X_1 X_2}(u, v)| = f_{X_1 X_2}(x_1, x_2) |v| \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x_1^2/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x_2^2/2} |v| \\ &= \frac{|v|}{2\pi} e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{UV}(u, v) dv \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|v|}{2\pi} e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} dv \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{-v}{2\pi} e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} dv + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{v}{2\pi} e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} dv \\
&= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{v}{2\pi} e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} dv \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} v e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} dv
\end{aligned}$$

let $z = (u^2 + 1)v^2/2$, then we have $\frac{dz}{dv} = v(u^2 + 1)$, thus we have $dv = \frac{dz}{v(u^2+1)}$. Also, we have $e^{-(u^2+1)v^2/2} = e^{-z}$. Substituting them back to $f_U(u)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(u) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\infty} v e^{-z} \frac{dz}{v(u^2 + 1)} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi(u^2 + 1)} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-z} dz \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi(u^2 + 1)} [-e^{-z}]_0^{\infty} \\
&= \frac{1}{\pi(u^2 + 1)} \text{ for } u \in (-\infty, \infty)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $U \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, 1)$.

20. (#5.21) Let Z_1, Z_2 be independent standard normal random variables. Define

$$\begin{aligned}
X &= \mu_1 + aZ_1 + bZ_2, \\
Y &= \mu_2 + cZ_1 + dZ_2,
\end{aligned}$$

where constants a, b, c, d satisfy the restrictions that

$$\begin{aligned}
a^2 + b^2 &= \sigma_1^2, \\
c^2 + d^2 &= \sigma_2^2, \\
ac + bd &= \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2.
\end{aligned}$$

Show that $(X, Y) \sim \text{BN}(\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \rho)$.

Solution:

Representing Z_1 and Z_2 using X and Y :

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_1 &= \frac{d\mu_1 - b\mu_2 + bY - dX}{bc - ad} \\
Z_2 &= \frac{a\mu_2 - c\mu_1 + cX - aY}{bc - ad}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $|\det J_{Z_1 Z_2}(x, y)| = \frac{|ad-bc|}{(bc-ad)^2} = \frac{1}{|bc-ad|} = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{1-\rho^2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{XY}(x, y) &= f_{Z_1 Z_2}(z_1, z_2) |\det J_{Z_1 Z_2}(x, y)| \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z_1^2}{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z_2^2}{2}} \frac{1}{|bc-ad|} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(d\mu_1 - b\mu_2)^2 + b^2 Y^2 + d^2 X^2 - bdXY + (a\mu_2 - c\mu_1)^2 + cX^2 + aY^2 - acXY}{(bc-ad)^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\left(\frac{x-\mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y-\mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right)^2 - 2\rho \left(\frac{x-\mu_1}{\sigma_1} \right) \left(\frac{y-\mu_2}{\sigma_2} \right) \right]} \end{aligned}$$

21. (#5.22) Let X and Y be two independent uniform random variables on $[0, 1]$. Show that the random variables $U = \cos(2\pi X)\sqrt{-2 \ln Y}$ and $V = \sin(2\pi X)\sqrt{-2 \ln Y}$ are independent standard normal random variables.

Solution:

This is the so called Box-Muller Transformation. Expressing X and Y in terms of U and V :

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{V}{U} \right) \\ Y &= e^{-(U^2+V^2)/2} \end{aligned}$$

Then easy to see $|\det J_{XY}(u, v)| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-u^2/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-v^2/2}$.

22. (#5.23) Find the PDF of $X - Y$, where $X \sim U[0, 1]$, $Y \sim U[0, 1]$, and X and Y are independent.

Solution:

See Example 5.23 in section 5.5.

23. (#5.65) Suppose X has a probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} |x| & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let $Y = X^2$.

(a) Find $Cov(X, Y)$; (b) Are X and Y independent? Give your reasoning.

Solution:

(a) Using the formula for covariance function, we have $Cov(X, Y) = EXY - EXEY = EX^3 - EXEY$. Here we can see that the density of X is symmetric about y -axis, then we expect

the mean and third moment of X are 0. To see this, let k be an odd number, we calculate $E(X^k)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X^k) &= \int_{-1}^1 x^k |x| dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^0 -x^{k+1} dx + \int_0^1 x^{k+1} dx \\
 &= -\frac{x^{k+2}}{k+2} \Big|_{-1}^0 + \frac{x^{k+2}}{k+2} \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= \frac{-1}{k+2} + \frac{1}{k+2} \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we know that all the odd moments of X are 0. Then we have $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$.

(b) Are X and Y independent? No, because it is given that Y is a function of X . X and Y are not independent even though they are uncorrelated.

24. (#5.44). Suppose (X, Y) has a bivariate normal PDF

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)}(x^2-2\rho xy+y^2)}.$$

Show that $\text{corr}(X, Y) = \rho$.

Solution:

We first compute the marginal density of X and Y separately. The marginal density of X , is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{(x^2-2\rho xy+y^2)}{2(1-\rho^2)}} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{(1-\rho)^2}} e^{-\frac{y^2-2\rho xy+(\rho x)^2+x^2-(\rho x)^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(1-\rho^2)}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{(y-\rho x)^2/2(1-\rho^2)} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, X is $N(0, 1)$. Similarly, $Y \sim N(0, 1)$. $EX = EY = 0$.

$\text{corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{EXY-0}{1} = EXY$. Then, we compute the covariance between X and Y .

$$\begin{aligned}
 EXY &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{(1-\rho^2)}} e^{-\frac{x^2-2\rho xy+y^2}{2(1-\rho^2)}} dx dy \\
 &= \frac{\rho}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \\
 &= \rho,
 \end{aligned}$$

where the second to last equality comes from that the mean for a random variable Y that follows $N(\rho x, 1 - \rho^2)$ is ρx , and the last equality is because the second moment of a standard normal random variable is 1.

25. A normal distributed, denoted as $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, random variable has the moment generating function $M(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2}$ for $-\infty < t < \infty$. Suppose $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$, $Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$, and X and Y are independent. Find the distribution of $a_1 X + a_2 Y$. Give your reasoning.

Solution:

Denote $Z = a_1 X + a_2 Y$, then we need to find the distribution for Z . By the uniqueness theorem of MGF, we can identify the distribution of Z from its MGF.

$$\begin{aligned} M_Z(t) &= E(e^{tZ}) \\ &= E\left(e^{t(a_1 X + a_2 Y)}\right) \\ &= E\left(e^{a_1 t X} e^{a_2 t Y}\right) \\ &\text{by independence} = E\left(e^{a_1 t X}\right) E\left(e^{a_2 t Y}\right) \\ &\text{by definition of MGF} = M_X(a_1 t) M_Y(a_2 t) \\ &= e^{\mu_1 a_1 t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_1^2 a_1^2 t^2} e^{\mu_2 a_2 t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_2^2 a_2^2 t^2} \\ &= e^{(\mu_1 a_1 + \mu_2 a_2)t + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1^2 a_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 a_2^2)t^2} \\ &= e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2} \end{aligned}$$

where $\mu = \mu_1 a_1 + \mu_2 a_2$ and $\sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2 a_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 a_2^2$. Then we know that $Z = a_1 X + a_2 Y$ follows normal distribution with mean $\mu_1 a_1 + \mu_2 a_2$ and variance $\sigma_1^2 a_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 a_2^2$.

26. (# 5.47). Suppose the joint PDF of X, Y is a uniform PDF on the circle $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$. Find (1) $E(Y|X)$; (2) $\text{var}(Y|X)$; (3) Are X and Y independent? Explain.

Solution:

(a) $f_X(x) = \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \frac{1}{\pi} dy = \frac{2\sqrt{1-x^2}}{\pi}$ for $-1 \leq x \leq 1$. Then we easily get $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}}$.
Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y|X) &= \int_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}} y \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1-x^2}} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{4\sqrt{1-x^2}} (y^2 \Big|_{-\sqrt{1-x^2}}^{\sqrt{1-x^2}}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Similarly we can calculate $E(Y^2|X) = \frac{1-x^2}{3}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(Y|X) &= E(Y^2) - (E(Y|X))^2 \\ &= \frac{1-x^2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Since the conditional covariance is not a constant, X and Y are not independent.

27. Suppose (X, Y) have a joint PDF

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y}, & \text{if } 0 < x < y < \infty, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find $E(Y|X)$. Can you use X to predict $E(Y|X)$? Explain.

(b) Find $Var(Y|X)$. Can you use X to predict $Var(Y|X)$? Explain.

Solution:

Since we are dealing with the conditional mean and conditional variance on X , we need first calculate the marginal distribution of X .

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_x^\infty e^{-y} dy \\ &= -e^{-y} \Big|_x^\infty \\ &= e^{-x}, \text{ for } x \in (0, \infty), \end{aligned}$$

and 0 elsewhere. Next, we calculate the conditional pdf $f_{Y|X}(y | x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y|X}(y | x) &= \frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} \\ &= e^{x-y}, \text{ for } y \in (x, \infty), x \in (0, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

and 0 elsewhere.

(a) By definition

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y | X) &= \int_x^\infty ye^{x-y} dy \\ &= e^x \int_x^\infty ye^{-y} dy \\ &= e^x \int_x^\infty (-y) de^{-y} \\ &= e^x \left[(-y)e^{-y} \Big|_x^\infty + \int_x^\infty e^{-y} dy \right] \\ &= e^x (xe^{-x} + e^{-x}) \\ &= x + 1, \text{ for } x \in (0, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

Since the conditional mean function is a function of X , then we can use X to predict $E(Y | X)$.

(b) To find $\text{Var}(Y | X)$, we need to first find $E(Y^2 | X)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(Y^2 | X) &= \int_x^\infty y^2 e^{x-y} dy \\
 &= e^x \int_x^\infty y^2 e^{-y} dy \\
 &= e^x \int_x^\infty (-y^2) de^{-y} \\
 &= e^x \left[(-y^2) e^{-y} \Big|_x^\infty + 2 \int_x^\infty ye^{-y} dy \right] \\
 &= e^x (x^2 e^{-x} + 2e^{-x}x + 2e^{-x}) \\
 &= x^2 + 2x + 2, \text{ for } x \in (0, \infty)
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we know $\text{Var}(Y | X) = E(Y^2 | X) - [E(Y | X)]^2 = 1$. Since the conditional variance is a constant, we cannot use X to predict $\text{Var}(Y | X)$

28. Show that the conditional mean $E(Y|X)$ is the optimal minimizer for the minimization problem of the mean squared error $E[Y - g(X)]^2$; that is

$$E(Y|X) = \text{arg min } E[Y - g(X)]^2,$$

where the minimization is over all measurable and square-integrable functions.

Solution: See Theorem 5.25 in textbook.

29. Let X and Y be two random variables and $0 < \sigma_X^2 < \infty$. Show that if $E(Y|X) = a + bX$, then $b = \text{cov}(X, Y)/\sigma_X^2$.

Solution: We know $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - EXEY$. By Law of Iterated Expectation, we have $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XE(Y | X)] - EXE[E(Y | X)]$. Give $E(Y | X) = a + bX$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E[X(a + bX)] - EXE(a + bX) \\
 &= E[aX + bX^2] - EX(a + bEX) \\
 &= aEX + bEX^2 - aEX - b(EX)^2 \\
 &= b[EX^2 - (EX)^2] \\
 &= b\sigma_X^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Given $0 < \sigma_X^2 < \infty$, dividing σ_X^2 on both sides will give us $b = \text{Cov}(X, Y)/\sigma_X^2$.

30. Suppose $E(Y|X) = 1 + 2X$ and $\text{var}(X) = 2$. Find $\text{cov}(X, Y)$.

Solution: From the result in Q 22 note to change the order, we know $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = b * \text{Var}(X)$. In this question, $\text{Var}(X) = 2$ and $b = 2$. Then we have $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 2 * 2 = 4$.

31.(# 5.50) Suppose X and Y are random variables such that $E(E(Y|X)) = 7 - \frac{1}{4}X$ and $E(E(X|Y)) = 10 - Y$. Determine the correlation between X and Y .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) &= E(E(Y|X)) = 7 - \frac{1}{4}E(X) \\ E(X) &= E(E(X|Y)) = 10 - E(Y) \end{aligned}$$

We get $E(X) = 4$ and $E(Y) = 6$.

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= E(E(XY|X)) = E(XE(Y|X)) \\ &= 7E(X) - \frac{1}{4}E(X^2) \\ &= 28 - \frac{1}{4}(Var(X) + E^2(X)) \\ &= 24 - \frac{1}{4}Var(X) \\ \implies Var(X) &= 4(24 - E(XY)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= E(E(XY|Y)) = E(YE(X|Y)) \\ &= 10E(Y) - E(Y^2) \\ &= 60 - (Var(Y) + E^2(Y)) \\ &= 24 - Var(Y) \\ \implies Var(Y) &= 24 - E(XY) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Corr(X, Y) &= \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}} = \frac{E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}} \\ &= \frac{E(XY) - 24}{\sqrt{(24 - E(XY))4(24 - E(XY))}} = -\frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

32. Show $var(Y|X) = E(Y^2|X) - [E(Y|X)]^2$.

Solution:

By definition

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(Y | X = x) &= \int [y - E(Y | X = x)]^2 dF_{Y|X}(y | x) \\
 &= \int [y^2 - 2yE(Y | X = x) + E(Y | X = x)^2] dF_{Y|X}(y | x) \\
 &= \int y^2 dF_{Y|X}(y | x) - 2E(Y | X = x) \int y dF_{Y|X}(y | x) \\
 &\quad + E(Y | X = x)^2 \int dF_{Y|X}(y | x) \\
 &= E(Y^2 | X = x) - 2E(Y | X = x)E(Y | X = x) + E(Y | X = x)^2 \\
 &= E(Y^2 | X = x) - E(Y | X = x)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

33.(# 5.60) For any two random variables X and Y with finite variances, show:

(a) $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \text{cov}(X, E(Y|X))$.

(b) X and $Y - E(Y|X)$ are uncorrelated.

(c) $\text{var}[Y - E(Y|X)] = E[\text{var}(Y|X)]$.

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(X, E(Y|X)) &= E(XE(Y|X)) - E(X)E(E(Y|X)) = E(E(XY|X)) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = \text{Cov}(X, Y)
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(X, Y - E(Y|X)) &= E(X(Y - E(Y|X))) - E(X)E(Y - E(Y|X)) \\
 &= E(XY - XE(Y|X)) - E(X)(E(Y) - E(E(Y|X))) \\
 &= E(XY) - E(E(XY|X)) - E(X)(E(Y) - E(Y)) \\
 &= E(XY) - E(XY) = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(Y - E(Y|X)) &= E(Y - E(Y|X))^2 - E^2(Y - E(Y|X)) \\
 &= E(Y - E(Y|X))^2 \\
 &= E(Y^2 - 2YE(Y|X) + E^2(Y|X)) \\
 &= E(E(Y^2|X) - 2E(Y|X)E(Y|X) + E^2(Y|X)) \\
 &= E(E(Y^2|X) - E^2(Y|X)) = E(\text{Var}(Y|X))
 \end{aligned}$$

34.(# 5.61) (a) Suppose $E(Y|X) = E(Y)$. Show $cov(X, Y) = 0$. (b) Does $cov(X, Y) = 0$ imply $E(Y|X) = E(Y)$? If yes, prove it. If not, provide an example.

Solution:

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 Cov(X, Y) &= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= E(E(XY|X)) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= E(XE(Y|X)) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= E(XE(Y)) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= E(X)E(Y) - E(X)E(Y) \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) No. $E(Y|X) = 1(|X - \theta| < 2)$ varies with X .

35.(#5.32) Suppose the distribution of Y , conditional on $X = x$, is $N(x, x^2)$ and that the marginal distribution of X is uniform(0,1).

(a) Find $E(Y)$, $var(Y)$, and $cov(X, Y)$;

(b) Prove that Y/X and X are independent.

Solution:

(a) $E(Y) = E(E(Y|X)) = E(X) = 1/2$

$$E(Y^2) = E(E(Y^2|X)) = 2E(X^2) = 2/3$$

$$var(Y) = E(Y^2) - E(Y)^2 = 5/12$$

$$cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = E(X(E(Y|X))) - 1/4 = 1/12$$

(b) Let $U = Y/X$ and $V = X$, easy to show that $f_{UV}(u, v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{(u-1)^2}{2}}$. By factorization theorem, U and V are independent.

36.(#5.33) Consider two random variables (X, Y) . Suppose X is uniformly distributed over $(-1, 1)$, that is, the pdf of X is

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Also, the conditional pdf of Y given $X = x$ is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{(y-\alpha-\beta x)^2}{2}} \quad \text{for } -\infty < y < \infty \text{ and } -1 < x < 1.$$

Find: (a) $E(Y)$; (b) $\text{cov}(X, Y)$.

Solution:

(a) Since the conditional pdf of Y given X is a normal distribution, we know $E(Y|X) = \alpha + \beta X$.

Then $E(Y) = E(E(Y|X)) = \alpha$

(b) $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = E(\alpha X + \beta X^2) = \beta/3$

37. (#5.38) A generalization of the beta distribution is the *Dirichlet* distribution. In its bi-variate version, (X, Y) have a joint PDF $f_{XY}(x, y) = kx^{a-1}y^{b-1}(1-x-y)^{c-1}$, $0 < x < 1$, $0 < y < 1-x < 1$, where $a > 0$, $b > 0$, and $c > 0$ are constants.

(a) Show that $k = \frac{\Gamma(a+b+c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)}$;

(b) Show that, marginally, both X and Y are Beta;

(c) Find the conditional distribution of $Y|X = x$, and show that $Y|(1-X)$ is Beta(b, c);

(d) Show that $E(XY) = \frac{ab}{(a+b+c+1)(a+b+c)}$, and find the covariance $\text{cov}(X, Y)$.

Solution:

(a) Let $z = \frac{y}{1-x}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \int f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy &= 1 \\ \int_0^1 \int_0^{1-x} kx^{a-1}y^{b-1}(1-x-y)^{c-1} dx dy &= 1 \\ \int_0^1 \int_0^1 kx^{a-1}z^{b-1}(1-x)^{b-1}(y/z-y)^{c-1}(1-x) dz dx &= 1 \\ kB(a, b+c)B(b, c) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Similar to part (a), we still let $z = \frac{y}{1-x}$:

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_0^1 kx^{a-1}(1-x)^{b+c+1}z^{b-1}(1-z)^{c-1} dz \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(a+b+c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b+c)} x^{a-1}(1-x)^{b+c-1} \end{aligned}$$

$f_Y(y)$ is similar.

(c)

$$\frac{f_{XY}(x, y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{\Gamma(b+c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)} \frac{y^{b-1}(1-x-y)^{c-1}}{(1-x)^{b+c-1}}$$

for $0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, 0 < y < 1 - x < 1$. Let $U = Y/(1 - X)$ and $V = 1 - X$. Easy to show

$$f_{UV}(u, v) = \frac{\Gamma(a + b + c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b + c)} v^{b+c-1} (1 - v)^{a-1} \frac{\Gamma(b + c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)} u^{b-1} (1 - u)^{c-1}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(a + b + c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b + c)} v^{b+c-1} (1 - v)^{a-1} \frac{\Gamma(b + c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)} u^{b-1} (1 - u)^{c-1} dv \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(b + c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)} u^{b-1} (1 - u)^{c-1} \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(a + b + c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b + c)} v^{b+c-1} (1 - v)^{a-1} dv \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(b + c)}{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)} u^{b-1} (1 - u)^{c-1} \end{aligned}$$

for $0 < u < 1$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= E(X(1 - X)E(\frac{Y}{1 - X}|X)) \\ &= E(X(1 - X)\frac{b}{b + c}) \\ &= \frac{b}{b + c} \left(\frac{a}{a + b + c} - \frac{a}{a + b + c} \frac{a + 1}{a + b + c + 1} \right) \\ &= RHS \end{aligned}$$

$$cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = RHS$$

38. (#5.45) Suppose (X, Y) follows a standard bivariate normal distribution with correlation coefficient ρ . Define $U = (Y - \rho X)/\sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$. Show that U is normally distributed and independent of X .

Solution: Let $V = X$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{UV}(u, v) &= f_{XY}(x, y) |det(J_{UV}(x, y))|^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1 - \rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1 - \rho^2)}(x^2 + y^2 - 2\rho xy)} \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-u^2/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-v^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

By factorization theorem, U and X are independent. Also, $f_U(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-u^2/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-v^2/2} dv = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-u^2/2}$.

39. (#5.57) Suppose (X, Y) have a joint PDF

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} xe^{-y}, & \text{if } 0 < x < y < \infty, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the conditional pdf $f_{Y|X}(y|x)$ of Y given $X = x$.
- (b) Find the conditional mean $E(Y|x)$;
- (c) Find the conditional variance $\text{var}(Y|x)$;
- (d) Are X and Y independent? Give your reasoning.

Solution:

(a) First get $f_X(x) = xe^{-x}$ for $0 < x < \infty$. Then $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{xe^{-y}}{xe^{-x}} = e^{x-y}$ for $0 < x < y < \infty$.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y|X) &= \int_x^\infty ye^{x-y} dy \\ &= x + 1 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Similarly we get $E(Y^2|X) = x^2 + 2x + 2$. Then we have $\text{var}(Y|X) = E(Y^2) - (E(Y|X))^2 = 1$

(d) $f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2}y^2e^{-y}$ for $0 < y < \infty$. Since $f_{XY}(x, y) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y)$, they are not independent.