

# Bivariate Discrete Random Variables

Def: A discrete bivariate random variable  $(X, Y)$  is an ordered pair of discrete random variables

Def: Let  $(X, Y)$  be a bivariate random variable and let  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  be the range spaces of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively. A real-valued function  $f: R_x \times R_y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called a joint probability density function for  $X$  and  $Y$  if and only if

$$f(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$$

for all  $(x, y) \in R_x \times R_y$ .

Here, the event  $(X=x, Y=y)$  means the intersection of the events  $(X=x)$  and  $(Y=y)$  that is

$$(X=x) \cap (Y=y)$$

ex: Roll a pair of unbiased dice. If  $X$  denotes the smaller and  $Y$  denotes the larger outcome on the dice then what is the joint probability density function of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

sol: The sample space  $S$  is

$$S = \left\{ \begin{array}{cccccc} (1,1) & (1,2) & (1,3) & (1,4) & (1,5) & (1,6) \\ (2,1) & (2,2) & (2,3) & (2,4) & (2,5) & (2,6) \\ (3,1) & (3,2) & (3,3) & (3,4) & (3,5) & (3,6) \\ (4,1) & (4,2) & (4,3) & (4,4) & (4,5) & (4,6) \\ (5,1) & (5,2) & (5,3) & (5,4) & (5,5) & (5,6) \\ (6,1) & (6,2) & (6,3) & (6,4) & (6,5) & (6,6) \end{array} \right\}$$



The probability density function  $f(x,y)$  can be computed for  $X=2$  and  $Y=3$  as follows:

There are two outcomes namely  $(2,3)$  and  $(3,2)$  in the sample space  $S$  of 36 outcomes which contribute to the joint  $(X=2, Y=3)$ .

$$\therefore f(2,3) = P(X=2, Y=3) = \frac{2}{36}$$

	1	2	3	4	5	6
6	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$
5	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	0
4	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	0	0
3	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	0	0	0
2	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$	0	0	0	0
1	$\frac{1}{36}$	0	0	0	0	0
	1	2	3	4	5	6

$$\therefore f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36} & \text{if } 1 \leq x=y \leq 6 \\ \frac{2}{36} & \text{if } 1 \leq x < y \leq 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# The Joint Probability mass Function for Two Discrete random Variables

Def:

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two discrete r.v.s defined on the sample space  $S$  of an experiment.

The joint probability mass function  $p(x, y)$  is defined for each pair of numbers  $(x, y)$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x, y) &= P(X=x \text{ and } Y=y) \\
 &= P(X=x) \cap P(Y=y)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(x, y) \in A$ , then the probability that the random pair  $(X, Y)$  lies in  $A$  is obtained by summing the joint p.m.f over pairs in  $A$ :

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] = \sum_{(x, y) \in A} p(x, y)$$

The joint p.m.f satisfy the following properties.

①  $0 \leq p(x, y) \leq 1$  for all pairs  $(x, y)$

②  $\sum_{\text{all } x} \sum_{\text{all } y} p(x, y) = 1$

A joint p.m.f of  $X$  and  $Y$  can be represented by a joint probability table



	Y					
X		$y_1$	$y_2$	...	...	$y_n$
$x_1$		$f(x_1, y_1)$	$f(x_1, y_2)$			$f(x_1, y_n)$
$x_2$		$f(x_2, y_1)$	$f(x_2, y_2)$			$f(x_2, y_n)$
...						...
$x_m$		$f(x_m, y_1)$	$f(x_m, y_2)$			$f(x_m, y_n)$
Totals	→	$f_2(y_1)$	$f_2(y_2)$	...	...	$f_2(y_n)$
						← Totals

$$P(X=x_i) = f_1(x_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n f(x_i, y_j) \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$P(Y=y_j) = f_2(y_j) = \sum_{i=1}^m f(x_i, y_j) \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n$$

The table below represent the joint pmf of r.v.s X and Y

	0	1	2	Y
0	0.12	0.42	0.06	0.6
1	0.21	0.06	0.03	0.3
2	0.07	0.02	0.01	0.1
3	0.4	0.5	0.1	1

$$P(X=1, Y=2) = 0.03$$

$$P(X=2, Y=0) = 0.07$$

$$P(Y=1) = 0.42$$



## Marginal p.m.f For RVs X and Y

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Def:

Let  $(X, Y)$  be a discrete joint random variable.

Let  $R_X$  and  $R_Y$  be the range of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively.

Let  $f(x, y)$  be the joint p.m.f of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

$$\text{The function } f_1(x) = \sum_{y \in R_Y} f(x, y)$$

is called the marginal probability density function of  $X$ .

Similarly, the function

$$f_2(y) = \sum_{x \in R_X} f(x, y)$$

is called the marginal probability density function of  $Y$ .

ex If the joint probability density function of the discrete random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36} & \text{if } 1 \leq x \leq y \leq 6 \\ \frac{2}{36} & \text{if } 1 \leq x < y < 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then what are marginals of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

soln

$$f_1(x) = \sum_{y \in R_Y} f(x, y)$$

$$= \sum_{y=1}^6 f(x, y) = f(x, x) + \sum_{y>x} f(x, y) + \sum_{y<x} f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} + (6-x) \frac{2}{36} + 0 = \frac{1}{36} [13 - 2x]$$

$x=1, 2, \dots, 6$



$$f_2(y) = \sum_{x \in R_x} f(x, y) = \sum_{x=1}^6 f(x, y)$$

$$= f(y, y) + \sum_{x < y} f(x, y) + \sum_{x > y} f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} + (y-1) \frac{2}{36} + 0 = \frac{1}{36} [2y-1] \quad y=1, 2, \dots, 6$$

ex } let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete random variables with joint probability density funct.

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{21}(x+y) & \text{if } x=1, 2; y=1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What are the marginal probability density functions of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

Soln

$$f_1(x) = \sum_{y=1}^3 \frac{1}{21}(x+y) =$$

$$= f(x, x) + \sum_{y > x} f(x, y) + \sum_{y < x} f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{21}(3x) + \frac{1}{21}[1+2+3] + 0$$

$$= \frac{x+2}{7} \quad x=1, 2$$

$$f_2(y) = \sum_{x=1}^2 \frac{1}{21}(x+y) = f(y, y) + \sum_{x < y} f(x, y) + \sum_{x > y} f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{2y}{21} + \frac{3}{21} = \frac{3+2y}{21} \quad y=1, 2, 3$$

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ex) For what value of the constant  $K$  the function given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} Kxy & \text{if } x=1,2,3 ; y=1,2,3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is a joint probability density function of some r.v.s  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

sol

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x=1}^3 \sum_{y=1}^3 f(x,y) &= 1 \\ &= \sum_{x=1}^3 \sum_{y=1}^3 Kxy = 1 \\ &= K [1+2+3 + 2+4+6 + 3+6+9] = 1 \\ 36K &= 1 \Rightarrow K = \frac{1}{36} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36}xy & x=1,2,3 ; y=1,2,3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Def: let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two discrete random variables.  
 The real-valued function  $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called the joint cumulative probability distribution function of  $X$  and  $Y$  if and only if

$$F(x,y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

for all  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

$(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$  means  $(X \leq x) \cap (Y \leq y)$

$$\therefore F(x,y) = \sum_{t \leq x} \sum_{s \leq y} f(t,s)$$

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Note

$$F(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) = \dots \\ = F(b, d) + F(a, c) - F(a, d) - F(b, c)$$

ex) In the experiment rolling two dice find the cumulative distribution function for  $X=2$

soln

$$F(2, 3) = P(X \leq 2, Y \leq 3)$$

$$= \sum_{x \leq 2} \sum_{y \leq 3} P(x, y) = P(1, 1) + P(1, 2) + P(1, 3) + P(2, 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{36} = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$\therefore F(2, 3) = \frac{4}{36} = \frac{1}{9}$$



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## The joint Probability Density Function For Two Continuous Random Variables

Def: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous r.v.s. Then  $f(x, y)$  is the joint probability density function for  $X$  and  $Y$  if for any two-dimensional set  $A$

$$P[(X, Y) \in A] = \iint_A f(x, y) dx dy$$

In particular, if  $A$  is the two-dimensional rectangle  $\{(x, y) : a \leq x \leq b, c \leq y \leq d\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} P[(X, Y) \in A] &= P(a \leq X \leq b, c \leq Y \leq d) \\ &= \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

Note:

The joint p.d.f.  $f(x, y)$  must satisfy the following properties.

①  $f(x, y) \geq 0$

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

ex: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two continuous r.v.s having the

joint function  $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{5}(x+y^2) & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

① Show that  $f(x, y)$  is a joint probability density function.

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② Find  $P(0 \leq X \leq \frac{1}{4}, 0 \leq Y \leq \frac{1}{4})$

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sol ①

①  $f(x,y) \geq 0$  because  $x, y \geq 0$

② To prove  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = 1$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5} (x+y^2) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5} x dx dy + \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5} y^2 dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5} x dx + \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5} y^2 dy = \frac{6}{10} + \frac{6}{15} = 1$$

$\therefore f(x,y)$  is a joint p.d.f for the r.v.s  $X$  and  $Y$

sol ②

$$P(0 \leq X \leq \frac{1}{4}, 0 \leq Y \leq \frac{1}{4}) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{6}{5} (x+y^2) dx dy$$

$$= \frac{6}{5} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} x dx dy + \frac{6}{5} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} \int_0^{\frac{1}{4}} y^2 dx dy$$

$$= \frac{6}{20} \left. \frac{x^2}{2} \right|_{x=0}^{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{6}{20} \left. \frac{y^3}{3} \right|_{y=0}^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{7}{640}$$

ex 1

Let the joint probability density function of  $X$  and  $Y$  be given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} kxy^2 & 0 \leq x < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the value of the constant  $k$ ?

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sol:

$f(x,y)$  is a joint pdf we have

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

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^y k x y^2 dx dy = 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^1 k y^2 \int_0^y x dx dy$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \int_0^1 y^4 dy = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{2} \left[ \frac{y^5}{5} \right]_0^1 = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{k}{10} = 1 \Rightarrow k = 10$$

$$\therefore f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 10xy^2 & 0 \leq x < y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ex: let the joint prob density of the RVs X and Y is given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{6}{5} (x^2 + 2xy) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

what is the probability of the event  $(X \leq Y)$ ?

sol: let  $A = (X \leq Y)$

$$P(A) = \iint_A f(x,y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \left[ \int_0^y \frac{6}{5} (x^2 + 2xy) dx \right] dy$$

$$= \frac{6}{5} \int_0^1 \left. \left( \frac{x^3}{3} + x^2 y \right) \right|_{x=0}^{x=y} dy = \frac{6}{5} \int_0^1 \frac{4}{3} y^3 dy$$

$$= \frac{6}{5} \left[ \frac{4}{8} y^4 \right]_0^1 = \frac{2}{5} y^4 \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\therefore P(X \leq Y) = \frac{2}{5}$$

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The marginal Probability density function for the joint  $(\frac{00}{1})$   
 Continuous random variables X and Y

Def 1 The marginal probability density functions of X and Y denoted by  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$ , respectively, are given by

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy \quad \text{for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx \quad \text{for } -\infty < y < \infty$$

ex 1

Let the joint prob. density function for the two r.v.s X and Y is given

by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{6}{5}(x+y^2) & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

① Find the marginal prob. density function of X?

② Find the " " " " " of Y?

③ Find  $P(\frac{1}{4} \leq Y \leq \frac{3}{4})$ ?

sol ①

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5}(x+y^2) dy = \frac{6}{5}x + \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{6}{5}x + \frac{2}{5} & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

sol ②

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx = \int_0^1 \frac{6}{5}(x+y^2) dx = \frac{6}{5}y^2 + \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\therefore f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{6}{5}y^2 + \frac{3}{5} & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



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$$P\left(\frac{1}{4} \leq Y \leq \frac{3}{4}\right) = \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} f_Y(y) dy$$

$$= \int_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} \left(\frac{6}{5}y^2 + \frac{3}{5}\right) dy = \left[\frac{2}{5}y^3 + \frac{3}{5}y\right]_{\frac{1}{4}}^{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{37}{80} = 0.4625$$

ex: If the joint probability density function for the r.v.s  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

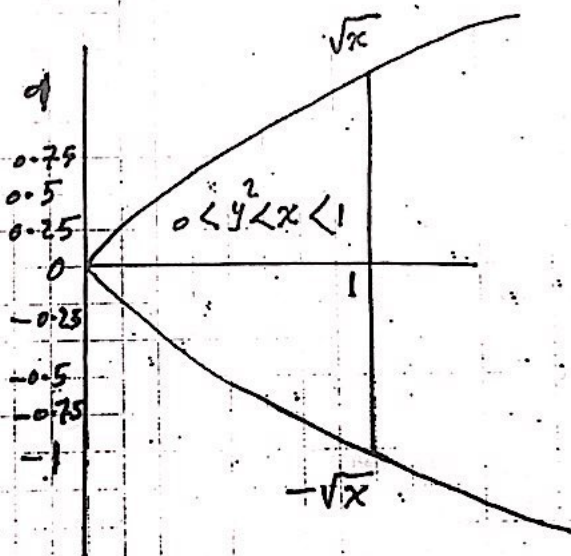
$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4} & \text{for } 0 < y^2 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the marginal density function of  $X$ , for  $0 < x < 1$

sol: The domain of  $f(x,y)$  consists of the region bounded by the curve  $x = y^2$  and vertical line  $x = 1$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm\sqrt{x}$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_{-\sqrt{x}}^{\sqrt{x}} \frac{3}{4} dy = \left[\frac{3}{4}y\right]_{-\sqrt{x}}^{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{x}$$





joint cumulative distribution function

Def 1 Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the continuous random variables with joint probability density function  $f(x,y)$ .

The joint cumulative distribution function  $F(x,y)$  of  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined as

$$F(x,y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = \int_{-\infty}^y \int_{-\infty}^x f(u,v) du dv$$

for all  $(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Note From the fundamental theorem of calculus, we again obtain

$$f(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x \partial y}$$

ex 1 If the joint cumulative distribution function of  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

$$F(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5} (2x^3y + 3x^2y^2) & 0 < x,y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

what is the joint prob. density function of  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

soln

$$f(x,y) = \frac{1}{5} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (2x^3y + 3x^2y^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (2x^3 + 6x^2y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} (6x^2 + 12xy) = \frac{6}{5} (x^2 + 2xy)$$



ex) Let  $(X, Y)$  be distributed uniformly on the circular disk centered at  $(0, 0)$  with radius  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}$ . What is the marginal density function of  $X$  where nonzero?

Sol) The equation of a circle with radius  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}$  and center at the origin is

$$x^2 + y^2 = \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}\right)^2$$

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = \frac{4}{\pi} \Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}$$

$$\therefore f_1(x) = \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}} f(x, y) dy$$

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}} \frac{1}{\text{area of the circle}} dy$$

$$= \int_{-\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}} \frac{1}{4} dy = \frac{1}{4} y \Big|_{-\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}}^{\sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi} - x^2}$$



∴ the joint p.d.f of X and Y is given by

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5}(x^2 + 2xy) & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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let X and Y have the joint density function

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$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{for } 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

what is  $P(X+Y \leq 1 | X \leq \frac{1}{2})$ ?



Def 1 Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be any two random variables with joint density function  $f(x, y)$  and marginals  $f_1(x)$  and  $f_2(y)$ . The conditional probability density function  $g$  of  $X$ , given (the event)  $Y=y$ , is defined as:

$$g(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_2(y)} \quad f_2(y) > 0$$

Similarly, the conditional probability density function  $h$  of  $Y$ , given (the event)  $X=x$  is defined as

$$h(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_1(x)} \quad f_1(x) > 0$$

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete random variables with joint p.d.f

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{21}(x+y) & \text{for } x=1, 2, 3; y=1, 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

What is the conditional probability density function of  $X$  given  $Y=2$ ?

We want to find  $g(x|2)$ .

$$g(x|2) = \frac{f(x, 2)}{f_2(2)}$$

must first compute the marginal of  $Y$ , that is  $f_2(2)$

$$f_2(y) = \sum_{x=1}^3 \frac{1}{21}(x+y)$$

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$$= \frac{1}{21} (6+3y)$$

$$\therefore f_2(2) = \frac{1}{21} (6+6) = \frac{12}{21}$$

$$\therefore g(x|2) = \frac{f(x,2)}{f_2(2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{21} (x+2)}{\frac{12}{21}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} (x+2) \quad x=1,2,3$$

ex) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete random variables with joint probability density function

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y}{32} & \text{for } x=1,2; y=1,2,3,4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

what is the conditional probability of  $Y$  given  $X=x$

sol

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{y=1}^4 f(x,y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{32} \sum_{y=1}^4 (x+y) = \frac{1}{32} (4x+10)$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = \frac{1}{32} (4x+10) \quad x=1,2$$

$$h(y|x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{\frac{1}{32} (x+y)}{\frac{1}{32} (4x+10)}$$

$$= \frac{x+y}{4x+10}$$

$$\therefore h(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+y}{4x+10} & \text{for } x=1,2; y=1,2,3,4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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ex<sub>1</sub> Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint p.d.f

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 12x & 0 < y < 2x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the conditional density function of  $Y$  given  $X=x$ ?

sol<sub>1</sub> First, we have to find the marginal of  $X$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy \\ &= \int_0^{2x} 12x dy = 12x y \Big|_{y=0}^{y=2x} = 24x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore h(y|x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{12x}{24x^2} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2x} & \text{for } 0 < y < 2x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ex<sub>2</sub> Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables such that  $X$  has marginal density function  $f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 24x^2 & \text{for } 0 < x < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

and conditional density of  $Y$  given  $X=x$  is

$$h(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{y}{2x^2} & \text{for } 0 < y < 2x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What is the conditional density of  $X$  given  $Y=y$  over appropriate domain?



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Sol<sub>1</sub>  $\Rightarrow h(y|x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_1(x)}$

$\therefore f(x,y) = h(y|x) f_1(x)$

$= \frac{y}{2x^2} (24x^2) = 12y \quad \text{for } 0 < y < 2x < 1$

joint p.d.f.  $\therefore f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 12y & 0 < y < 2x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\therefore f_2(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dx$

$= \int_{\frac{y}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}} 12y dx = 6y(1-y) \quad \text{for } 0 < y < 1$

$\therefore g(x|y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_2(y)}$



Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete random variables with joint density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36} & \text{if } (x, y) \in \{(1, 1), (1, 2), \dots, (6, 6)\} \\ \frac{2}{36} & \text{if } (x, y) \in \{(1, 1), (2, 2), \dots, (6, 6)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$= f(y, y) + \sum_{x < y} f(x, y) + \sum_{x > y} f(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{36} + (y-1) \frac{2}{36} + 0$$

$$= \frac{2y-1}{36} \quad \text{for } y=1, 2, \dots, 6$$

$$\therefore f(1, 1) = \frac{1}{36} \neq f_1(1) f_2(1)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{36} \neq \frac{11}{36} \cdot \frac{1}{36}$$

$\therefore f(x, y) \neq f_1(x) f_2(y)$   
 $\therefore X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.

ex Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint density

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x+y)} & \text{for } 0 < x, y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Are  $X$  and  $Y$  stochastically independent?

sol

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

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

$$\therefore f(x, y) = e^{-(x+y)} = e^{-x} \cdot e^{-y} = f_1(x) f_2(y)$$

$\therefore X$  and  $Y$  are stochastically independent.



Note If the joint density  $f(x,y)$  of  $X$  and  $Y$  can be factored into two nonnegative functions, one depending on  $x$  and the other depending on  $y$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent.

ex Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint density

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

Are  $X$  and  $Y$  stochastically independent?

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} f(x,y) &= x+y \\ &= x(1 + \frac{y}{x}) \end{aligned}$$

the joint density cannot be factored into two nonnegative functions one depending on  $x$  and the other depending on  $y$  therefore  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent.

Def

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables we said  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent and identically distributed (iid) if and only if they are independent and have the same distribution.



Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two independent random variables with identical probability density function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & \text{for } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the probability density function of  $W = \min\{X, Y\}$ ?

Sol: Let  $G(w)$  be the cumulative distribution function of  $W$

$$\begin{aligned} G(w) &= P(W \leq w) \\ &= 1 - P(W > w) \\ &= 1 - P(\min\{X, Y\} > w) \\ &= 1 - P(X > w) P(Y > w) \quad (\text{since } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent}) \\ &= 1 - \left( \int_w^\infty e^{-x} dx \right) \left( \int_w^\infty e^{-y} dy \right) \\ &= 1 - (e^{-w})^2 = 1 - e^{-2w} \end{aligned}$$



## Joint Expectation & Marginal Expectation

Def: Let  $g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  be a function of the discrete random variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ , which have probability density (mass) function  $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ . Then the expected value of  $g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is defined as

$$E[g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)] = \sum_{\text{all } x_n} \dots \sum_{\text{all } x_2} \sum_{\text{all } x_1} g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

If  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are continuous random variables with joint density function  $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , then

$$E[g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_n$$

ex: Let  $X, Y$  be two continuous r.v.s have joint density function given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find  $E(XY)$

sol:

$$E(XY) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f(x, y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 xy (2x) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (2x^2 y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \left. \frac{2}{3} x^3 y \right|_{x=0}^{x=1} dy = \frac{2}{3} \left. \frac{y^2}{2} \right|_{y=0}^1$$

$$= \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$



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Def: let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variable with joint probability density function  $f(x, y)$ . then the marginal expectation of  $X$  is  $E(X)$  defined as

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx \quad \text{and} \quad E(Y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_y(y) dy$$

if  $X$  and  $Y$  are continuous

and

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x f_x(x) \quad \text{and} \quad E(Y) = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} y f_y(y)$$

where  $f_x(x)$  and  $f_y(y)$  are the marginal p.d.f of  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively

ex: let  $X$  and  $Y$  have a joint prob. density function given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

① Find the expected value of  $XY$ ?

② Find the marginal expected value of  $X$ ?

sol:

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f(x, y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 xy (2x) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^1 \left. \frac{2x^3 y}{3} \right|_0^1 dy = \frac{2}{3} \left. \frac{y^2}{2} \right|_0^1 = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

sol: ②  $E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx$

$$f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy = \int_0^1 2x dy = \left. 2xy \right|_0^1 = 2x$$



$$\therefore E(X) = \int_0^1 x(2x) dx = \frac{2}{5} x^3 \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{5}$$

ex 1 let X and Y be two r.v.s with joint p.d.f is

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2(1-x) & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- ① Find E(XY) ?
- ② Find the marginal expected value of X ?

sol 1

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 xy [2(1-x)] dx dy = 2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (xy - x^2y) dx dy \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{x^2y}{2} - \frac{x^3y}{3} \right]_0^1 dy = 2 \int_0^1 y \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

sol 2

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx =$$

$$f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_0^1 (2-2x) dy = 2y - 2xy \Big|_0^1 = 2(1-x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E(X) &= \int_0^1 x [2(1-x)] dx \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 (x - x^2) dx = 2 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1 \\ &= 2 \left( \frac{1}{6} \right) = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$



How  
ex1

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Prove that if  $X$  and  $Y$  are two independent r.v.s with joint p.d.f is

$$f(x,y) \text{ then } \textcircled{1} E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$$

$$\textcircled{2} E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

ex1 let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables with joint p.d.f is

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the variance of  $X$ ?

sol1

$$f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_0^1 2x dy = 2xy \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1} = \begin{cases} 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) dx = \int_0^1 x(2x) dx = \frac{2}{3} x^3 \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_x(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2(2x) dx = \frac{2}{4} x^4 \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore V(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{1}{18}$$

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Def: The Covariance between two r.v.s  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined as

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)]$$

$$= \begin{cases} \sum_x \sum_y (x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y) P(x, y) & \text{if } X, Y \text{ discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y) f(x, y) dx dy & \text{if } X, Y \text{ cont.} \end{cases}$$

ex: let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two discrete random variables with joint p.m.f

$f(x, y) = P(x, y) =$		$y$		
		0	100	200
$x$	100	0.20	0.10	0.20
	250	0.55	0.15	0.30

Find the Covariance between  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

sol:

$$f_x(x) = P_x(x) = \sum_{y=0}^{200} P(x, y) = P(x, 0) + P(x, 100) + P(x, 200)$$

$$f_y(y) = P_y(y) = \sum_{x=100}^{250} P(x, y) = P(100, y) + P(250, y)$$

$\therefore$

$x$		100	250
		0.5	0.5
$P_x(x)$			

$y$		0	100	200
		0.25	0.25	0.5
$P_y(y)$				

$$\mu_x = E(X) = \sum x P_x(x) = 100(0.5) + 250(0.5) = 175$$

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$$\mu_y = E(Y) = \sum y \cdot P_y(y) = 0(0.25) + 100(0.25) + 200(0.5) \\ = 125$$

$$\therefore \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \sum_{(x,y)} \sum (x-175)(y-125) P(x,y) \\ = (100-175)(0-125)(0.20) + (100-175)(100-125)(0.10) + \\ (100-175)(200-125)(0.20) + (250-175)(0-125)(0.15) + \\ (250-175)(100-125)(0.15) + (250-175)(200-125)(0.30) \\ = 1875$$

Proposition :  $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y \\ = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$

Note :  $\text{Cov}(X, X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 = V(X)$

ex let  $X$  and  $Y$  be discrete random variables with joint density function:

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+2y}{18} & \text{for } x=1,2; y=1,2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the covariance  $\sigma_{xy}$  between  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

soln

$$f_x(x) = \sum_{y=1}^2 \frac{1}{18} (x+2y) = \frac{1}{18} (2x+6)$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{x=1}^2 x f_x(x) = 1 \left( \frac{2(1)+6}{18} \right) + 2 \left( \frac{2(2)+6}{18} \right) = \frac{8}{18} + \frac{20}{18} \\ = \frac{28}{18}$$



$$f_y(y) = \sum_{x=1}^2 \frac{x+y}{18} = \frac{3+4y}{18}$$

$$E(Y) = \sum_{y=1}^2 y f_y(y) = 1 f_y(1) + 2 f_y(2)$$

$$= \frac{7}{18} + 2 \frac{11}{18} = \frac{29}{18}$$

$$E(XY) = \sum_{x=1}^2 \sum_{y=1}^2 xy f(x,y)$$

$$= f(1,1) + 2f(1,2) + 2f(2,1) + 4f(2,2)$$

$$= \frac{3}{18} + 2 \frac{5}{18} + 2 \frac{4}{18} + 4 \frac{6}{18}$$

$$= \frac{3+10+8+24}{18} = \frac{45}{18}$$

$$\therefore \text{Cov}(X,Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$= \frac{45}{18} - \left(\frac{28}{18}\right)\left(\frac{29}{18}\right) = \frac{810-812}{324} = -\frac{2}{324}$$

$$= -0.00617$$

ex 1

let X and Y have the joint density function

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

Find the Covariance between X and Y?

sol 1

$$f_x(x) = \int_0^1 (x+y) dy = xy + \frac{y^2}{2} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1} = x + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x f_x(x) dx = \int_0^1 x(x + \frac{1}{2}) dx$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{4} \Big|_{x=0}^1 = \frac{7}{12}$$



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$$f_y(y) = \int_0^1 (x+y) dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + yx \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} + y$$

$$\mu_Y = E(Y) = \int_0^1 y f_y(y) dy = \int_0^1 y \left( \frac{1}{2} + y \right) dy = \frac{y^2}{4} + \frac{y^3}{3} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$E(XY) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 xy(x+y) dx dy = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x^2y + xy^2) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left[ \frac{x^3y}{3} + \frac{x^2y^2}{2} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} \right] dy = \int_0^1 \left( \frac{y}{3} + \frac{y^2}{2} \right) dy$$

$$= \frac{y^2}{6} + \frac{y^3}{6} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$\therefore \text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$= \frac{4}{12} - \left( \frac{7}{12} \right) \left( \frac{7}{12} \right) = \frac{48 - 49}{144} = -\frac{1}{144}$$

H.W

ex: let  $X$  and  $Y$  be continuous random variables with joint density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 < y < 1-x, \quad 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find Covariance between  $X$  and  $Y$ ?



Theorem If  $X$  and  $Y$  are any two random variables and  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  are real constant then

$$\text{Cov}(aX+b, cY+d) = ac \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

proof

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(aX+b, cY+d) &= E[(aX+b)(cY+d)] - E(aX+b)E(cY+d) \\ &= E(acXY + adX + bcY + bd) - (aE(X) + b)(cE(Y) + d) \\ &= acE(XY) + adE(X) + bcE(Y) + bd - [acE(X)E(Y) \\ &\quad + adE(X) + bcE(Y) + bd] \\ &= ac[E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)] \\ &= ac \text{Cov}(X, Y) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables with  $E(X) = E(Y) = 0$ , then

$$V(XY) = V(X)V(Y)$$

proof

$$\begin{aligned} V(XY) &= E((XY)^2) - (E(X)E(Y))^2 \\ &= E(X^2Y^2) = E(X^2)E(Y^2) \text{ by independent of } X \text{ and } Y \\ &= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \cdot E(Y^2) - (E(Y))^2 \\ &= V(X)V(Y) \end{aligned}$$



ex | Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent random variables, each with density function is

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\theta} & -\theta < x < \theta, -\theta < y < \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

If the  $V(XY) = \frac{64}{9}$ , then what is the value of  $\theta$ ?

sol

$$E(X) = \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} x f(x,y) dx = \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} \frac{1}{2\theta} x dx = \frac{1}{2\theta} \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-\theta}^{\theta} = 0$$

$$E(Y) = \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} y f(x,y) dy = \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} \frac{1}{2\theta} y dy = \frac{1}{2\theta} \left[ \frac{y^2}{2} \right]_{-\theta}^{\theta} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore V(XY) &= \frac{64}{9} = V(X)V(Y) \\ &= \left( \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} \frac{1}{2\theta} x^2 dx \right) \left( \int_{-\theta}^{\theta} \frac{1}{2\theta} y^2 dy \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{\theta^2}{3} \right) \left( \frac{\theta^2}{3} \right) = \frac{\theta^4}{9} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{64}{9} = \frac{\theta^4}{9} \Rightarrow \theta^4 = 64 \Rightarrow \theta = 2\sqrt{2}$$



Def: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables with variances  $\sigma_X^2$  and  $\sigma_Y^2$ , respectively. Let the covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ .

Then the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  between  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

Theorem: If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, the correlation coefficient between  $X$  and  $Y$  is zero.

Proof:

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{0}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = 0$$

Note: If the correlation coefficient of  $X$  and  $Y$  is zero then  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be uncorrelated.

Theorem: For any random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  satisfies

$$-1 \leq \rho_{X,Y} \leq 1$$

and  $\rho = 1$  or  $\rho = -1$  implies that the random variable

$$Y = aX + b$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are arbitrary real constants with  $a \neq 0$

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## Joint Moment Generating Function and Marginal Moment Generating Function

Def: Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables with joint density function  $f(x, y)$ . A real valued function  $M: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$M(s, t) = E(e^{sX + tY})$$

is called the joint moment generating function of  $X$  and  $Y$  if this expected value exists for all  $s$  is some interval  $-h < s < h$  and for all  $t$  is some interval  $-k < t < k$  for some positive  $h$  and  $k$ .

Note: ①  $M(s, 0) = E(e^{sX})$  ,  $M(0, t) = E(e^{tY})$

from this we see that

$$E(X^k) = \left. \frac{\partial^k M(s, t)}{\partial s^k} \right|_{(0,0)} \quad \text{and} \quad E(Y^k) = \left. \frac{\partial^k M(s, t)}{\partial t^k} \right|_{(0,0)}$$

for  $k=1, 2, 3, \dots$  and

$$E(XY) = \left. \frac{\partial^2 M(s, t)}{\partial s \partial t} \right|_{(0,0)}$$

ex: let the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint density

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

Find the joint moment generating function for  $X$  and  $Y$ ?

sol:

$$\begin{aligned} M(s, t) &= E(e^{sX + tY}) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{sX + tY} f(x, y) dx dy \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} e^{sX + tY} e^{-y} dx dy \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 E\left(\frac{X}{Y}\right) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x}{y} D(x,y) dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x}{y} f(x) g(y) dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{x}{y} 3x^2 4y^3 dx dy \\
 &= \int_0^1 3x^3 dx \int_0^1 4y^2 dy = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Note:

① The independence of  $X$  and  $Y$  does not imply

$$E\left(\frac{X}{Y}\right) \neq \frac{E(X)}{E(Y)} \quad \text{but only implies } E\left(\frac{X}{Y}\right) = E(X)E(Y^{-1})$$

$$\textcircled{2} E(Y^{-1}) = E\left(\frac{1}{Y}\right) \neq \frac{1}{E(Y)}$$

Theorem:

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be any two random variables and let  $a$  and  $b$  be any two real numbers. Then

$$V(aX + bY) = a^2 V(X) + b^2 V(Y) + 2ab \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

proof

$$V(aX + bY) = E\left((aX + bY - E(aX + bY))^2\right)$$

$$= E\left[\left[aX + bY - aE(X) - bE(Y)\right]^2\right]$$

$$= E\left(\left[a(X - \mu_X) + b(Y - \mu_Y)\right]^2\right)$$

$$= E\left(a^2(X - \mu_X)^2 + b^2(Y - \mu_Y)^2 + 2ab(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)\right)$$

$$= a^2 E\left((X - \mu_X)^2\right) + b^2 E\left((Y - \mu_Y)^2\right) + 2ab E\left((X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)\right)$$

$$= a^2 V(X) + b^2 V(Y) + 2ab \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

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Theorem: If X and Y are independent then

$$M_{ax+by}(t) = M_x(at) M_y(bt), \text{ where } a, b \text{ real parameters}$$

Proof:

$$\text{let } W = ax + by$$

$$\therefore M_{ax+by}(t) = M_W(t)$$

$$= E(e^{tW}) = E(e^{t(ax+by)})$$

$$= E(e^{tax} e^{tby}) = E(e^{tax}) E(e^{tby})$$

$$= M_x(at) M_y(bt)$$

ex: let  $X \sim N(2, 9)$  and  $Y \sim N(0, 16)$ . If X and Y are independent then what is the probability distribution of the random variable  $X+Y$ ?

Soln:  $X \sim N(2, 9)$ , the moment generating function of X is given

$$\text{by } M_x(t) = e^{2t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 9 t^2} = e^{2t + \frac{9}{2} t^2}$$

$$\text{and } Y \sim N(0, 16) \text{ then } M_y(t) = e^{0t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 16 t^2} = e^{8t^2}$$

$\therefore$  X and Y are independent, the moment generating function of  $X+Y$  is given by

$$M_{X+Y}(t) = M_x(t) M_y(t) = e^{2t + \frac{9}{2} t^2} \cdot e^{8t^2}$$

$$= e^{2t + \frac{9}{2} t^2 + \frac{16}{2} t^2} = e^{2t + \frac{25}{2} t^2}$$

$\therefore X+Y \sim N(2, 25)$   $\therefore X+Y$  has normal distribution.



From this information we can find the probability density function of  $W = X + Y$  as

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{w-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} \quad -\infty < w < \infty$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{50\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{w-2}{5}\right)^2} \quad -\infty < w < \infty$$

ex) let  $X$  and  $Y$  are two independent Bernoulli random variables with parameter  $p$ .

Find the distribution of  $X+Y$ ?

sol)  $\because X$  and  $Y$  are Bernoulli with parameter  $p$

$$\therefore M_X(t) = (1-p) + pe^t, \quad M_Y(t) = (1-p) + pe^t$$

$\because X$  and  $Y$  are independent

$$\therefore M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t) M_Y(t)$$

$$= ((1-p) + pe^t)((1-p) + pe^t)$$

$$= (1-p + pe^t)(1-p + pe^t) = (1-p + pe^t)^2$$

$$\therefore X+Y \sim \text{BIN}(2, p)$$



# Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

For any two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , we have

$$|E(XY)| \leq \sqrt{E(X^2)E(Y^2)}$$

where equality holds if and only if  $Y = \alpha X$  for some  $\alpha$

Proof: Let  $W = (X - \alpha Y)^2$ ,  $W \geq 0$  for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$   
Let  $\alpha = \frac{E(XY)}{E(Y^2)}$

$$\begin{aligned} E(W) &= E(X - \alpha Y)^2 \\ &= E(X^2 - 2\alpha XY + \alpha^2 Y^2) \\ &= E(X^2) - 2\alpha E(XY) + \alpha^2 E(Y^2) \end{aligned} \tag{*}$$

So, that substitute  $\alpha = \frac{E(XY)}{E(Y^2)}$  in eqn (\*)

$$\begin{aligned} &= E(X^2) - 2 \frac{E(XY)}{E(Y^2)} E(XY) - \frac{(E(XY))^2}{(E(Y^2))^2} E(Y^2) \\ &= E(X^2) - \frac{(E(XY))^2}{E(Y^2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$(E(XY))^2 \leq E(X^2)E(Y^2)$$