

1st Semester M.Tech Microwave & TV Engineering and Signal Processing

Tutorial 5: Joint Distribution and Density functions

1. Suppose that X and Y are independent continuous Random Variables having densities $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$ respectively.
Show that $P(X < Y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(y) f_Y(y) dy$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X, Y) &= \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{x=-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) f_Y(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\int_{-\infty}^y f_X(x) dx] dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_X(y) f_Y(y) dy \end{aligned}$$

2. Given the probability density function

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

Solution:

$$P(X^2 + Y^2 < B^2) = \int \int F_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

Put

$$\begin{aligned} x &= r \cos \theta \\ y &= r \sin \theta \\ x^2 + y^2 &= r^2 \\ dx dy &= r dr d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X^2 + Y^2 < B^2) &= \int_{r=0}^b \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} \frac{2}{\pi} (1 - r^2) r \, dr \, d\theta \\
&= 4 \int_{r=0}^b (1 - r^2) r \, dr \\
&= 4 \left[\frac{r^2}{2} - \frac{r^4}{4} \right]_0^b \\
&= 2b^2 - b^4
\end{aligned}$$

3. A smooth surface table is ruled with equidistant parallel lines at distance D apart. A needle of length L where $L \leq D$ is randomly dropped on this table. What is the probability that the needle will intersect one of them?

Solution:

$\theta \rightarrow$ angle made by the needle with line which is perpendicular to the line.

$XY \rightarrow$ RV which is the perpendicular distance from the centre of the needle to the line.

$XU(0, D/2), \theta U(0, \pi/2) \rightarrow$ both are independent

$$f_{X\theta}(X, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{\pi} & ; 0 < x < D/2, 0 < \theta < \pi/2 \\ 0 & ; otherwise \end{cases}$$

If needle intersects a line, X should be $\leq \frac{L}{2} \cos \theta$, θ should be between $0, \pi/2$
 $P(\text{needle intersects a line}) = P(X \leq \frac{L}{2} \cos \theta, 0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2})$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{x=0}^{\frac{L}{2} \cos \theta} \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi/2} \frac{4}{D\pi} \, d\theta \, dx \\
&= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{L}{2} \cos \theta \, d\theta \\
&= \frac{2L}{D\pi} [\sin \theta]_0^{\pi/2} \\
&= \frac{2L}{D\pi}
\end{aligned}$$

4. Let X and Y be continuous random variable with joint density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} & ; 0 < x < y \\ 0 & ; otherwise \end{cases}$$

Solution:

$$f_X(x) = \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dy$$

$$= \int_x^{\infty} e^{-y} dy$$

$$= \left[\frac{e^{-y}}{-1} \right]_x^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{0 - e^{-x}}{-1} = e^{-x} ; x \geq 0$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{x=0}^y f_{XY}(x, y) dx$$

$$= \int_0^y e^{-y} dx = ye^{-y} ; y \geq 0$$

5. Suppose (X,Y) is evenly distributed over the area bounded by

$$y = x^2 \quad \text{and} \quad y = 4$$

a) Find the joint density function of X and Y

b) Find $P(X < 0, Y < 3)$

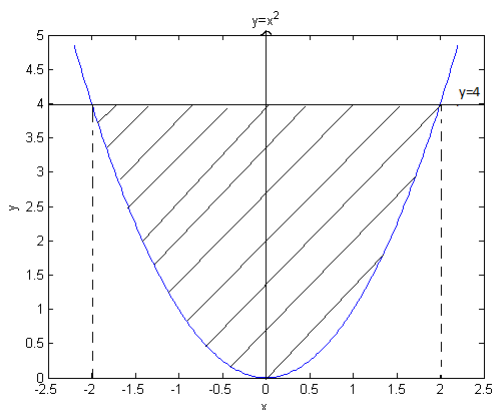
Solution:

(X, Y) is evenly distributed

\implies height is constant = k

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = k$$

a)



$$\int_{x=-2}^2 \int_{y=x^2}^4 k = 1$$

$$\implies k \int_{-2}^2 [y]_{x^2}^4 dx = 1$$

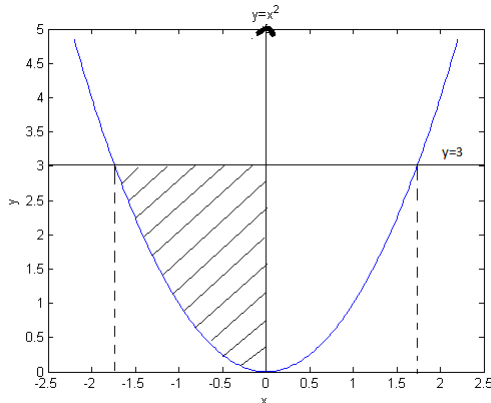
$$k \int_{-2}^2 (A - x^2) dx = 1$$

$$\implies k \left[4x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-2}^2 = 1$$

$$\implies k = \frac{3}{32}$$

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{3}{32}$$

b)



$$P(X < 0, Y < 3) = \int_{x=-\sqrt{3}}^0 \int_{y=x^2}^3 \frac{3}{32} dy dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{32} \int_{-\sqrt{3}}^0 [y]_{x^2}^3 dx = \frac{3}{32} \int_{-\sqrt{3}}^0 (3 - x^2) dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{32} \left[3x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-\sqrt{3}}^0$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{16}$$

6. Consider an experiment drawing randomly 3 balls from an urn containing 2 red, 3 white, and 4 blue balls. Let (X, Y) be bivariate random variable where X, Y denote respectively the number of red and white balls chosen.

(a) Find the range of X and Y .

(b) Find joint probability mass function of (X, Y)

Solution:

(a) X varies from 0 to 2 ;

$$X = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

Y varies from 0 to $3 - X$;

$$Y = \{0, 1, \dots, 3 - X\}$$

$$(b) P(X=0, Y=0) = \frac{4C_3}{9C_3} \times 3C_0$$

$$P(X=1, Y=0) = \frac{2C_1 \times 4C_2 \times 3C_0}{9C_3}$$

$$P(X=0, Y=1) = \frac{3C_1}{9C_3} \times 4C_2$$

$$P(X=1, Y=1) = \frac{2C_1 \times 4C_1 \times 3C_1}{9C_3}$$

$$P(X=0,Y=2)= \frac{4C_1 \times 3C_2}{9C_3}$$

$$P(X=1,Y=2)=\frac{2C_1 \times 4C_0 \times 3C_2}{9C_3}$$

$$P(X=0,Y=3)= \frac{4C_0}{9C_3} \times 3C_3$$

$$P(X=1,Y=3)=0$$

$$\text{In general, } P(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = \frac{2C_i \times 3C_j \times 4C_{[3-(i+j)]}}{9C_3}, \quad 0 < i < 2; 0 < j < (3 - i)$$

7. Consider a bivariate random variable (X, Y) where X, Y denote horizontal and vertical miss distances from a target when a bullet is fired. Assuming X, Y are independent and that probability of bullet landing on any point of XY plane depends only on distance of point from target. Show that (X, Y) is a bivariate normal random variable.

Solution:

Probability of bullet landing on any point of XY plane depend only on distance of point from target.

i.e it depends only on $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

where

X : RV \rightarrow horizontal miss distance

Y : RV \rightarrow vertical miss distance

pdf of miss distance,

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \quad \text{where } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent.}$$

$$\text{Also } f_{XY}(x, y) = g(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) = g(r)$$

$$\Rightarrow g(r) = f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial g(r)}{\partial r} = \frac{dg(r)}{dr} \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{x}{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial g(r)}{\partial x} = g'(r) \frac{x}{r}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{x}{r} g'(r) = f_X^{-1}(x) f_Y(y); \quad (\text{Dividing both sides by } xg(r))$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{g'(r)}{g(r)} = \frac{1}{x} \frac{f'_X(x)}{f_X(x)} \tag{1}$$

The RHS of (1) is independent of y , and LHS is a function of $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

\Rightarrow both sides are independent of x and y . Hence,

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{g'(r)}{g(r)} = \alpha = \text{constant} \Rightarrow \frac{g'(r)}{g(r)} = \alpha r$$

Integrating both sides, $\ln \{g(r)\} = \frac{\alpha r^2}{2} + c$ so $g(r) = g\left(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}\right) = f_{XY}(x, y) = Ae^{\frac{\alpha(x^2+y^2)}{2}}$

$\Rightarrow X$ and Y are normal with zero mean and variance $\sigma^2 = \frac{-1}{\alpha}$

8. The joint density of X and Y is given by

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{12}{5}x(2 - x - y) & ; 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Compute the conditional density of X , given that $X = Y$, where $0 < y < 1$.

Solution:

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{XY}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$$

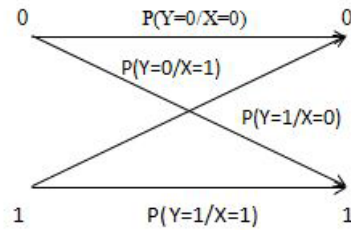
$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{12}{5}x(2 - x - y) dx \\ &= \frac{12}{5} \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{y}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{(8 - 6y)}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_Y(y)|_{y=x} = \frac{(8-6x)}{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{XY}(x, x) &= \frac{12}{5}x(2 - 2x) \\ &= \frac{24x(1 - x)}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{24x(1 - x)}{(8 - 6x)} \\ &= \frac{12x(1 - x)}{(4 - 3x)} \end{aligned}$$

9. Consider a binary communication channel in figure.



Let X, Y be bivariate random variables, where X is the input to the channel and Y is the output of the channel. Let $P(X = 0) = 0.5$, $P(Y = 1|X = 0) = 0.1$ and $P(Y = 0|X = 1) = 0.2$

- (a) Find joint probability matrix of (X, Y)
- (b) Find the marginal densities of X, Y

Solution:

$$P(X=0)=0.5=P(X=1);$$

$$P(Y = 1|X = 0) = 0.1; \quad P(Y = 0|X = 1) = 0.2$$

$$\Rightarrow P(Y = 1, X = 0) = 0.1 \times 0.5 = 0.05; \quad \Rightarrow P(Y = 0, X = 1) = 0.2 \times 0.5 = 0.1$$

- (a) Joint probability matrix of (X, Y)

	Y	
	0	1
X		
0	0.45	0.05
1	0.1	0.4

- (b) $P(X = 0) = 0.5$
- $P(X = 1) = 0.5$
- $P(Y = 0) = 0.55$
- $P(Y = 1) = 0.45$

(c) $P(Y = 0, X = 1) = 0.1 \neq P(Y = 0)P(X = 1)$
 $\Rightarrow X$ and Y are not independent.

10. Two fair dice are thrown. Let $X=0$ or 1 according to whether the first die shows an even number or an odd number. Similarly, let $Y=0$ or 1 according to the second die. Find the joint probability mass function of X and Y .

Solution:

D_1 is odd $\Rightarrow X = 1$

D_2 is odd $\Rightarrow Y = 1$

D_1 is even $\Rightarrow X = 0$

D_2 is even $\Rightarrow Y = 0$

$$P(X = 1|Y = 0) = 0.5 \Rightarrow P(X = 1, Y = 0) = 0.5 \times 0.5 = 0.25$$

Similarly, for all the 4 cases.

So, $P(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = 0.25$; $X = \{0, 1\}, Y = \{0, 1\}$

11. Let the probability density function of X_1 and X_2 be given by

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x_1+x_2)} & \text{for } x_1 > 0, x_2 > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Consider two random variables Y_1 and $Y_2, Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1+X_2}$. Find the joint density of Y_1 and Y_2 and marginal density of Y_2 .

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X|Y}(x|y) &= \frac{f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y|X}(y|x) f_X(x) dx} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx} \\ &= \frac{\exp\left\{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}}{\int_{-1}^1 \exp\left\{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} dx} \end{aligned}$$

Put

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \frac{(y-x)}{\sigma} \\ du &= \frac{-dx}{\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = -1 \Rightarrow u = \frac{(y+1)}{\sigma}$$

$$x = 1 \Rightarrow u = \frac{(y-1)}{\sigma}$$

So,

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{\exp\left\{-\frac{(y-x)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2} \left\{G\left(\frac{y+1}{\sigma}\right) - G\left(\frac{y-1}{\sigma}\right)\right\}}$$