

Practice Problems for Exam 2 (Combined)

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Chapter 3

1. The PDF of Y is given by $f_Y(y) = \frac{c}{y^3}$ for $1 < y < \infty$ and otherwise 0.

(a) Find the value of c so that f_Y is a PDF.

(b) Compute $E[Y]$.

$$(a) \quad \int_1^{\infty} f_Y(y) dy = \int_1^{\infty} \frac{c}{y^3} dy = \left[-\frac{c}{2} y^{-2} \right]_1^{\infty} = \frac{c}{2} = 1$$

$$c = 2$$

$$(b) \quad E[Y] = \int_1^{\infty} y \cdot f_Y(y) dy = 2 \int_1^{\infty} y^{-2} dy \\ = 2 \left[-y^{-1} \right]_1^{\infty} = 2.$$

2. Let X be a continuous random variable with the PDF

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & -1 < x < 0, \\ 1-x, & 0 \leq x < 1. \end{cases}$$

Find the CDF of X . Draw the graph of the CDF.

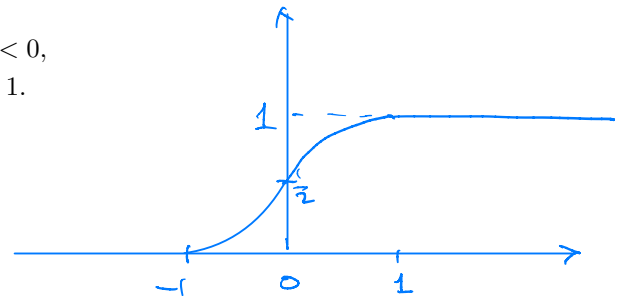
$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt$$

$$\text{If } x \leq -1, \quad F_X(x) = 0$$

$$\text{If } -1 < x < 0, \quad F_X(x) = \int_{-1}^x (t+1) dt = \frac{1}{2}(x+1)^2$$

$$\text{If } 0 \leq x < 1, \quad F_X(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \int_0^x (1-t) dt = \frac{1}{2} + x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \\ = 1 - \frac{1}{2}(x-1)^2$$

$$\text{If } x \geq 1, \quad F_X(x) = 1$$



3. Let X be the total amount of medical claims (in \$ 100,000) of the employees of a company. Assume that the PDF $f(x) = 30x(1-x)^4$ for $0 < x < 1$.

(a) Find $\mathbb{E}[X]$ and $\text{Var}(X)$.

(b) Find the probability that the total exceeds \$20,000.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int_0^1 30x^2(1-x)^4 dx = \int_0^1 30(1-t)^2 t^4 dt \\ &= 30 \left[\frac{1}{5} t^5 - \frac{2}{6} t^6 + \frac{1}{7} t^7 \right]_0^1 = \frac{30}{105} (21 - 35 + 15) = \frac{2}{7}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \int_0^1 30x^3(1-x)^4 dx = \frac{3}{28}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2 = \frac{3}{28} - \frac{4}{49} = \frac{5}{196}$$

$$\begin{aligned}P\left(X > \frac{1}{5}\right) &= \int_{\frac{1}{5}}^1 30x(1-x)^4 dx = 30 \int_0^{\frac{4}{5}} (1-t)t^4 dt \\ &= 30 \left[\frac{1}{5} t^5 - \frac{1}{6} t^6 \right]_0^{\frac{4}{5}} = 6 \cdot \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^5 - 5 \cdot \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^6 \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^5\end{aligned}$$

4. The lifetime in hours of an electronic tube is a random variable having a probability density function given by

$$f(x) = xe^{-x}$$

for $0 \leq x < \infty$. Find the expected lifetime of such a tube.

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int_0^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x} dx = \Gamma(3) = 2! = 2.$$

5. Let X be the number of alpha particle emissions of carbon-14 that are counted by a Geiger counter each second. Assume that the distribution of X is Poisson with mean 5. Let W be the time in seconds before the third count is made.
- (a) What is the distribution of W ?
- (b) Find $P(W \leq 1)$.

(a) Since X is Poisson and W is the waiting time for the 2nd occurrence, $W \sim \text{Gamma}(\underset{\alpha}{2}, \underset{\lambda}{\frac{1}{5}})$.

(b) $P(W \leq 1) = P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X=0) - P(X=1)$
 because $W \leq 1$ means in the time interval $[0, 1]$ at least twice happen.

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{5}} - \frac{1}{5} e^{-\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$\frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda}$$

6. A loss (in \$ 100,000) due to fire in a building has a PDF $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}e^{-x/6}$, $0 < x < \infty$. Find the conditional probability that the loss is greater than 8 given that it is greater than 5.

Since $X \sim \text{Exp}(\frac{1}{6})$ and $F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{6}}$,

$$P(X > 8 | X > 5) = \frac{P(X > 8)}{P(X > 5)}$$

$$= \frac{1 - F_X(8)}{1 - F_X(5)} = \frac{e^{-\frac{8}{6}}}{e^{-\frac{5}{6}}} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

7. Let $X \sim N(650, 400)$.

(a) Find $P(600 \leq X < 660)$.

(b) Find a constant $c > 0$ such that $P(|X - 650| \leq c) = 0.95$.

$$(a) \quad Z = \frac{X - 650}{20} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$P(600 \leq X < 660) = P\left(\frac{600 - 650}{20} \leq Z < \frac{660 - 650}{20}\right)$$

$$= P(-2.5 \leq Z < 0.5)$$

$$= \Phi(0.5) - \Phi(-2.5) = \Phi(0.5) + \Phi(2.5) - 1$$

$$(b) \quad P(|X - 650| \leq c) = P(|Z| \leq \frac{c}{20})$$

$$= 2\Phi\left(\frac{c}{20}\right) - 1 = 0.95$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{c}{20}\right) = 0.975$$

By the table, $\frac{c}{20} = 1.96$, $c = 39.2$

8. Let $X \sim N(0, 4)$ and $W = X^2$. Find the PDF of W .

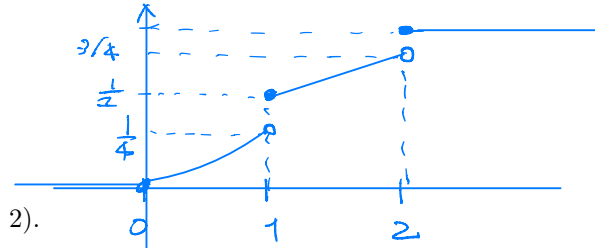
$$\text{For } x \geq 0, \quad F_W(x) = P(W \leq x) = P(-\sqrt{x} \leq X \leq \sqrt{x}) \\ = F_X(\sqrt{x}) - F_X(-\sqrt{x})$$

$$f_W(x) = f_X(\sqrt{x}) \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} - f_X(-\sqrt{x}) \left(-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right) \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} f_X(\sqrt{x}) \quad (\text{because } f_X(\sqrt{x}) = f_X(-\sqrt{x})) \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot e^{-\frac{x}{8}}$$

$$\text{If } x < 0, \quad F_W(x) = 0, \quad f_W(x) = 0.$$

9. Let X be a random variable with the CDF

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0, \\ \frac{x^2}{4}, & 0 \leq x < 1, \\ \frac{x+1}{4}, & 1 \leq x < 2, \\ 1, & x \geq 2. \end{cases}$$



Find $E[X]$, $\text{Var}(X)$, $P(\frac{1}{4} < X < 1)$, $P(X = 1)$, $P(X = \frac{1}{2})$, $P(\frac{1}{2} \leq X < 2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_0^1 x \cdot \frac{x}{2} dx + 1 \cdot P(X=1) + \int_1^2 x \cdot \frac{1}{4} dx + 2 \cdot P(X=2) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{24} \cdot (4 + 6 + 9 + 12) = \frac{31}{24}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[X^2] &= \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot \frac{x}{2} dx + 1^2 \cdot P(X=1) + \int_1^2 x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} dx + 2^2 \cdot P(X=2) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{12} + 1 = \frac{1}{8} (1 + 2 + 2 + 8) = \frac{13}{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{13}{8} - \left(\frac{31}{24}\right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\frac{1}{4} < X < 1\right) &= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{15}{64}, \quad P(X=1) = \frac{1}{4}, \quad P(X=\frac{1}{2}) = 0 \\ P\left(\frac{1}{2} \leq X < 2\right) &= \frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{11}{16}. \end{aligned}$$

10. A loss X on a car has an exponential distribution with a mean of \$5000. If the loss X on a car is greater than the deductible of \$500, the difference $X - 500$ is paid to the owner of the car. Considering zero (if $X < 500$) as a possible payment, find the expectation of the payment.

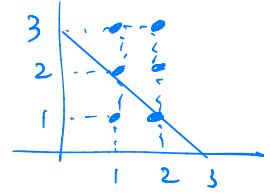
$$\text{Payment} = u(X) = \begin{cases} X - 500, & \text{if } X \geq 500 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[u(X)] &= \int_{500}^{\infty} (x - 500) \frac{1}{5000} e^{-\frac{x}{5000}} dx \\ &= 5000 \cdot \int_{\frac{1}{10}}^{\infty} \left(t - \frac{1}{10}\right) e^{-t} dt \quad \left(\frac{x}{5000} = t\right) \\ &= 5000 \cdot \int_0^{\infty} u e^{-u - \frac{1}{10}} du \quad \left(t - \frac{1}{10} = u\right) \\ &= 5000 \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{10}}. \end{aligned}$$

Chapter 4

1. Let X and Y be discrete random variables with joint PMF

$$f(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{21}, \quad x = 1, 2, \quad y = 1, 2, 3.$$



- (a) Find the marginal PMFs of X and Y .
 (b) Find $\mathbb{P}(X+Y \leq 3)$.

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{y=1}^3 f(x, y) = \frac{1}{21} (3x + 6) = \frac{x+2}{7}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \sum_{x=1}^2 f(x, y) = \frac{1}{21} (3 + 2y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X+Y \leq 3) &= f(1, 1) + f(1, 2) + f(2, 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{21} ((1+1) + (1+2) + (2+1)) = \frac{8}{21} \end{aligned}$$

2. Let X and Y be discrete random variables with joint PMF

$$f(0, 0) = f(1, 2) = 0.2, \quad f(0, 1) = f(1, 1) = 0.3.$$

- (a) Find $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$.
 (b) Find the least square regression line.

$$f_X(0) = f_X(1) = \frac{1}{2} \quad f_Y(0) = f_Y(2) = 0.2, \quad f_Y(1) = 0.6$$

$$\mu_X = 0 \cdot f_X(0) + 1 \cdot f_X(1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \mu_Y = 0 \cdot f_Y(0) + 2 \cdot f_Y(2) + 1 \cdot f_Y(1)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = 0^2 \cdot f_X(0) + 1^2 \cdot f_X(1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \mathbb{E}[Y^2] = 0^2 \cdot f_Y(0) + 2^2 \cdot f_Y(2) + 1^2 \cdot f_Y(1)$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{4}, \quad \sigma_Y^2 = 1.4 - 1^2 = 0.4$$

$$\mathbb{E}[XY] = \sum x y f(x, y) = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 0.2 + 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 0.3 = 0.7$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0.7 - \mu_X \mu_Y = 0.2 \quad \left[y = \rho \frac{\sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} (x - \mu_X) + \mu_Y \right]$$

$$\rho = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot 0.2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \quad \left[= \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}} \cdot 2(x - \frac{1}{2}) + 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{5}x + \frac{3}{5}$$

3. Let X and Y be two discrete random variables with joint PMF

$$p_{X,Y}(1,1) = p_{X,Y}(1,2) = \frac{1}{3}, \quad p_{X,Y}(2,1) = p_{X,Y}(2,2) = \frac{1}{6}.$$

Find $\text{Cov}(X,Y)$ and ρ . Are they independent?

$$f_X(1) = \frac{2}{3} \quad f_X(2) = \frac{1}{3} \quad f_Y(1) = f_Y(2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mu_X = \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\mu_Y = \frac{1}{2}(1+2) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = 2 - \frac{16}{9} = \frac{2}{9}$$

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{9}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[XY] &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{6} \cdot (2+4+2+4) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X,Y) = 2 - \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = 0 = \rho. \quad \text{Indep.}$$

4. Let X be an exponential random variable with parameter 1, i.e., its PDF is given by $f_X(x) = e^{-x}$, $x > 0$.

Find the PDF of $Y = X^4$. Are X and $Y^{\frac{1}{2}}$ negatively correlated?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } y > 0, \quad F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) = P(X \leq y^{\frac{1}{4}}) \\ &= F_X(y^{\frac{1}{4}}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= f_X(y^{\frac{1}{4}}) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot y^{-\frac{3}{4}} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} y^{-\frac{3}{4}} e^{-y^{\frac{1}{4}}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y^{\frac{1}{2}}) &= E[X \cdot Y^{\frac{1}{2}}] - E[X] E[Y^{\frac{1}{2}}] \\ &= E[X^3] - E[X] E[X^2] \end{aligned}$$

$$E[X^k] = \int_0^{\infty} x^k e^{-x} dx = \Gamma(k+1) = k!$$

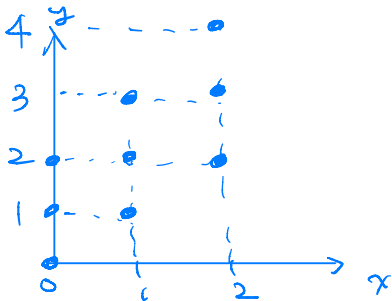
$$\text{Cov}(X, Y^{\frac{1}{2}}) = 3! - 1! \cdot 2! = 4 > 0.$$

Positively correlated.

5. Let X and Y be discrete random variables with joint PMF $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{9}$ for $(x, y) \in S$ where

$$S = \{(x, y) : 0 \leq x \leq 2, x \leq y \leq x + 2, x, y \text{ are integers}\}.$$

Find $f_X(x)$, $f_{Y|X}(y|1)$, $\mathbb{E}[Y|X=1]$, and $f_Y(y)$.



$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{for } x = 0, 1, 2$$

$$f_{Y|X}(y|1) = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{for } y = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y|X=1] = 2$$

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{9} & \text{for } y = 0, 4 \\ \frac{2}{9} & \text{for } y = 1, 3 \\ \frac{3}{9} & \text{for } y = 2 \end{cases}$$

6. Suppose that X has a geometric distribution with parameter p . and suppose the conditional distribution of Y , given $X = x$, is Poisson with mean x . Find $\mathbb{E}[Y]$ and $\text{Var}(Y)$.

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|X]] = \mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{p}$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \mathbb{E}[\text{Var}(Y|X)] + \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[Y|X])$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[X] + \text{Var}(X)$$

$$= \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1-p}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p^2}$$

7. Let X and Y be two discrete random variables with joint PMF $p_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{x+y}{27}$, where $x = 2, 3$ and $y = 1, 2, 3$. Find the marginal PMFs of X . Find the conditional expectation of X given $Y = 2$.

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{y=1}^3 \frac{x+y}{27} = \frac{1}{27} (3x+6) = \frac{x+2}{9}$$

$$f_Y(y) = \sum_{x=2}^3 \frac{x+y}{27} = \frac{1}{27} (5+2y)$$

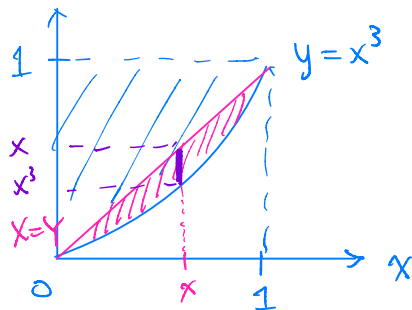
$$f_{X|Y}(x|2) = \left(\frac{x+2}{27} \right) \cdot 3 = \frac{x+2}{9}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X | Y=2] = \sum_{x=2}^3 x \cdot \frac{(x+2)}{9} = \frac{1}{9} (2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 5) = \frac{23}{9}$$

8. Let X and Y have the joint PDF

$$f(x,y) = \frac{4}{3}, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad x^3 < y < 1$$

and 0 otherwise. Find $\mathbb{P}(X > Y)$.

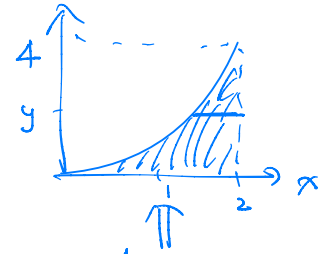


$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X > Y) &= \int_0^1 \int_{x^3}^x \frac{4}{3} dy dx = \frac{4}{3} \int_0^1 (x - x^3) dx \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

9. Let X be a uniform random variable over $(0, 2)$ and Y given $X = x$ be $U(0, x^2)$.

(a) Find the joint PDF $f(x, y)$ and marginal $f_Y(y)$.

(b) Find $E[Y|X]$ and $E[X|Y]$.



$$f(x, y) = f_{Y|X}(y|x) \cdot f_X(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for } 0 < y < x^2, \quad 0 < x < 2$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{\sqrt{y}}^2 f(x, y) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[-\frac{1}{x} \right]_{\sqrt{y}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$E[Y|X] = \frac{1}{2} X^2$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} \quad \text{for } \sqrt{y} \leq x \leq 2$$

$$E[X|Y=y] = \int_{\sqrt{y}}^2 x \cdot \frac{1}{x^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{y}} - \frac{1}{2} \right)^{-1} \cdot \ln \frac{2}{\sqrt{y}}$$

$$E[X|Y] = \ln \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{Y}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{2\sqrt{Y}}{2 - \sqrt{Y}} \right)$$

10. Let X and Y be two random variables with joint PDF $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 2e^{-x-y}$ for $0 \leq x \leq y < \infty$. Find the marginal PDFs of X and Y . Are they independent?

$$f_X(x) = \int_x^{\infty} 2e^{-x-y} dy = 2e^{-2x}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^y 2e^{-x-y} dx = 2e^{-y}(1 - e^{-y}), \quad y \geq 0$$

$$f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) \neq f_{X,Y}(x, y) \quad \text{Not Indep.}$$

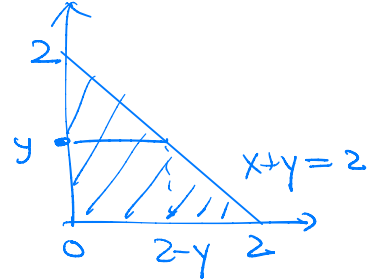
11. Let X and Y be two random variables with joint PDF $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2}$ for $0 < x + y < 2, x > 0, y > 0$. Find the conditional expectation $E[X|Y]$.

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^{2-y} \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2}(2-y)$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{1}{2-y}$$

$$E[X|Y=y] = \int_0^{2-y} \frac{1}{2-y} \cdot x dx = \frac{2-y}{2} = 1 - \frac{y}{2}$$

$$E[X|Y] = 1 - \frac{Y}{2}.$$



12. Let (X, Y) be a bivariate normal random vector. Both X and Y have mean 1 and variance 4, while the correlation coefficient of X and Y is $\rho = \frac{1}{4}$. Find $\text{Var}(-2X + Y)$. Assume now that (X, Y) is a bivariate normal vector, with X and Y having mean 9 and variance 9, but that the correlation coefficient has changed and is now given by $\rho = 0$. Find $P(3 \leq X \leq 15, Y \leq 9)$ and using the tables, find an approximate value for it.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(-2X + Y) &= 4 \text{Var}(X) - 4 \text{Cov}(X, Y) + \text{Var}(Y) \\ &= 4 \cdot 4 - 4 \cdot \rho \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}(X) \text{Var}(Y)} + 4 \\ &= 16 - 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot 4 + 4 = 16. \end{aligned}$$

(X, Y) Bivariate Normal and $\rho = 0$ implies

X, Y are indep.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P(3 \leq X \leq 15, Y \leq 9) &= P(3 \leq X \leq 15) P(Y \leq 9) \\ &= P\left(\frac{3-9}{3} \leq Z \leq \frac{15-9}{3}\right) P\left(Z \leq \frac{9-9}{3}\right) \\ &= (\Phi(2) - \Phi(-2)) \cdot \Phi(0) = \frac{1}{2} (2\Phi(2) - 1) \end{aligned}$$

13. The life of a certain type of automobile tire is normally distributed with mean 34,000 miles and standard deviation 4000 miles.

- (a) What is the probability that such a tire lasts more than 40,000 miles?
- (b) What is the probability that it lasts between 30,000 and 35,000 miles?
- (c) Given that it has survived 30,000 miles, what is the conditional probability that the tire survives another 10,000 miles?

$$X = \text{The lifetime of a tire} \sim N(34,000, 4000^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad P(X > 40,000) &= P\left(\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} > \frac{40,000 - 34,000}{4000}\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(1.5) = 1 - 0.9332 = 0.0668 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad P(30,000 < X < 35,000) &= P\left(\frac{30,000 - 34,000}{4000} < \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} < \frac{35,000 - 34,000}{4000}\right) \\ &= \Phi(0.25) - \Phi(-1) = \Phi(0.25) + \Phi(1) - 1 = 0.5987 + 0.8413 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad P(X > 40,000 \mid X > 30,000) = \frac{P(X > 40,000)}{P(X > 30,000)} = \frac{0.0668}{0.8413}$$

14. A certain type of electrical motors is defective with probability 1/100. Pick 1000 motors and let X be the number of defective ones among these 1000 motors. Using a normal approximation, (with/without) mid-point correction, write down an expression for the probability that among the 1000 motors 13 or less are defective.

Chapter 5

1. Let X be a uniform random variable on $(-1, 3)$ and $Y = X^2$. Find the PDF of Y .

$$\text{Case 1: } y < 0, \quad F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = 0$$

$$\text{Case 2: } 0 \leq y < 1, \quad F_Y(y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot 2\sqrt{y} = \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2}$$

$$\text{Case 3: } 1 \leq y < 9, \quad F_Y(y) = P(-1 \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) = \frac{1}{4}(\sqrt{y} + 1)$$

$$\text{Case 4: } y \geq 9, \quad F_Y(y) = 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4\sqrt{y}}, & 0 \leq y < 1 \\ \frac{1}{8\sqrt{y}}, & 1 \leq y < 9 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

2. Let X be a random variable with PDF given by

$$f_X(x) = x^2 + \frac{10x^4}{3} \dots$$

for $0 < x < 1$, and otherwise $f_X(x) = 0$. Find the CDF and the PDF of $Y = \log X$.

Since $0 < X < 1$, $-\infty < Y = \log X < 0$. For $y < 0$,

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(\log X \leq y)$$

$$= P(X \leq e^y) = F_X(e^y)$$

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(e^y) \cdot e^y = \left(e^{2y} + \frac{10}{3} e^{4y} \right) \cdot e^y \quad \text{for } y < 0$$

otherwise 0.

$$F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{2}{3}x^5 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}e^{3y} + \frac{2}{3}e^{5y} & \text{if } y < 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

3. Let X be a random variable with density

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

Find the density of $1/X$.

$$Y = \frac{1}{X}$$

$$F_Y(y) = P\left(\frac{1}{X} \leq y\right) = P\left(X \geq \frac{1}{y}\right) = 1 - F_X\left(\frac{1}{y}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= -f_X\left(\frac{1}{y}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{y^2}\right) = -\frac{1}{\pi\left(1+\frac{1}{y^2}\right)} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{y^2}\right) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+y^2)} \\ &= f_X(y) \end{aligned}$$