

Exercise (Tut. Session (3))

Q(1) The joint probability density function of the two random variables X and Y is $f(x,y)=8xy$, $0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1$. Find $f_{Y|X}(y|\frac{1}{3})$

Answer

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

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = 8xy, \quad 0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y)dy \\ &= \int_x^1 8xydy \\ &= 8x \left[\frac{y^2}{2} \right]_x^1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f_X(x) = 4x(1-x^2), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f_{Y|X}(y|x) &= \frac{8xy}{4x(1-x^2)} \\ &= \frac{2y}{1-x^2}, \quad x \leq y \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f_{Y|X}(y|\frac{1}{3}) = \frac{2}{4}y, \quad \frac{1}{3} \leq y \leq 1$$

Q(2) Given the joint probability mass functions of two random variables X and Y as in the following table.

Y \ X	1	2	3
0	1/8	0	0
1	0	1/4	1/8
2	0	1/4	1/8
3	1/8	0	0

i) Find $\rho(X, Y)$

ii) Determine whether X and Y are two independent random variables or not? Justify your answer.

Answer

X \ Y	1	2	3	$P_X(x)$
0	1/8	0	0	1/8
1	0	1/4	1/8	3/8
2	0	1/4	1/8	3/8
3	1/8	0	0	1/8
$P_Y(y)$	2/8	4/8	2/8	Sum=1

$$E(X) = \frac{3}{2}, E(X^2) = 3, \text{Var}(X) = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$E(Y) = 2, E(Y^2) = \frac{9}{2}, \text{Var}(Y) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(XY) = 3$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) = 0$$

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

$\Rightarrow X$ and Y are not correlated

\therefore for example, $P(X=1, Y=1) = 0$, but $P(X=1)P(Y=1) = \frac{3}{8}(\frac{2}{8}) = \frac{3}{32}$

$\Rightarrow P(X=1, Y=1) \neq P(X=1)P(Y=1)$

$\therefore X$ and Y are not independent r.v.s

Q(3) Pb 1.5.7 p.42

Given $V = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is a multivariate random variable where X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent random variables that are exponentially distributed with respective parameters $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Identify the distribution of V such that $\min V = \min \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$.

Answer:

Given $X_1 \sim \exp(\lambda_1), X_2 \sim \exp(\lambda_2), \dots, X_n \sim \exp(\lambda_n)$ are independent r.v.s

To get distribution of V s.t $\min V = \min (X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n)$

Let $\min V = v, \quad v \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\therefore \text{pr}(V > v) = \text{pr}(X_1 > v) \text{pr}(X_2 > v) \dots \text{pr}(X_n > v)$$

$$= e^{-\lambda_1 v} e^{-\lambda_2 v} \dots e^{-\lambda_n v}$$

$$\therefore \text{pr}(V > v) = e^{-\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i\right)v}$$

$$\therefore V \sim \exp\left(\sum_i \lambda_i\right)$$

$\therefore V$ is exponentially distributed with parameter $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$
