

Homework 9: Solutions

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$$1) a) P(X=j, Y=i) = \frac{1}{5^j} \quad j=1, 2, \dots, 5, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, j$$

$$b) P(X=j | Y=i) = \frac{P(X=j, Y=i)}{P(Y=i)}$$

Now, $P(Y=i)$ needs to be considered for all scenarios in which $Y=i$ can occur i.e. whenever $i \leq j \leq 5$

$$\therefore P(Y=i) = \sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{5^k}$$

$$\therefore P(X=j | Y=i) = \frac{\frac{1}{5^j}}{\sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{5^k}} = \frac{1}{j \sum_{k=i}^5 \frac{1}{5^k}}$$

c) As we can see, $P(X=j) = \frac{1}{5}$ for $j=1, 2, \dots, 5$

$$\Rightarrow P(X=j | Y=i) \neq P(X=j)$$

$\therefore X$ and Y are not independent

2) X : Smallest number observed on the dice
 $\Rightarrow X = 1, 2, \dots, 6$

Y : Largest number observed on the dice
 $\Rightarrow Y = 1, 2, \dots, 6$

Consider $X=i$, for $i=1, 2, \dots, 6$,

Y can take values $i, i+1, \dots, 6$

Since both dice are fair, each outcome is equally likely

$$\therefore P(Y=j | X=i) = \frac{1}{(6-i)+1} \quad \text{For } i=1, 2, \dots, 6 \\ i \leq j \leq 6$$

Since the possible values of Y depend on values of X , X and Y are not independent. Also, $P(Y=j) = \frac{1}{6} \neq \frac{1}{(6-i)+1} = P(Y=j | X=i)$

3) We have the following joint density

		X		
		1	2	
Y	1	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
	2	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$
		$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{5}{8}$	

We know that,

$$P(X=x|Y=i) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=i)}{P(Y=i)}$$

a) We want to find a function for

$$E(X|Y=i) = \sum_{x=1}^2 x P(X=x|Y=i) \quad i=1,2$$

For $Y=1$,

$$E(X|Y=1) = \sum_{x=1}^2 x P(X=x|Y=1)$$

$$= 1 \cdot P(X=1|Y=1) + 2 \cdot P(X=2|Y=1)$$

$$= \frac{P(X=1, Y=1)}{P(Y=1)} + \frac{2P(X=2, Y=1)}{P(Y=1)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} + \frac{\frac{2}{8}}{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{3}{8} \div \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\boxed{E(X|Y=1) = \frac{3}{2}}$$

For $Y=2$,

$$E(X|Y=2) = \sum_{x=1}^2 x P(X=x|Y=2)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{3}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{2} \div \frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\boxed{E(X|Y=2) = \frac{5}{3}}$$

b) We can verify that x and y are not independent with a simple example

$$P(X=1, Y=1) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$P(X=1) \cdot P(Y=1) = \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{8} = \frac{3}{32} \neq \frac{1}{8}$$

since for one instance $P(X=i, Y=j) \neq P(X=i)P(Y=j)$,
 X and Y are not independent

c) i) $P(XY \leq 3)$: $XY \leq 3$ includes all cases except
 $X=2$ & $Y=2$, since $2 \times 2 = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(XY \leq 3) &= P(X=1, Y=1) + P(X=1, Y=2) + P(X=2, Y=1) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{P(XY \leq 3) = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } P(X+Y > 2) &= 1 - P(X+Y = 2) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

Since $X+Y \geq 2$
always

$$\boxed{P(X+Y > 2) = \frac{7}{8}}$$

$$\text{iii) } P\left(\frac{X}{Y} > 1\right) = P(X=2, Y=1)$$

$$\boxed{P\left(\frac{X}{Y} > 1\right) = \frac{1}{8}}$$

$$4) f(x, y) = x e^{-x(y+1)} \quad x > 0, y > 0$$

$$\text{a) } \underline{f_{X|Y}(x|y)} = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{\int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x(y+1)} dx}$$

$$= \frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{\left[\frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{-(y+1)} - \frac{e^{-x(y+1)}}{[-(y+1)]^2} \right]_0^{\infty}}$$

$$= \boxed{(y+1)^2 x e^{-x(y+1)}}$$

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For $x > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f_{y|x}(y|x)}{f_{y|x}(y|x)} &= \frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{\int_0^{\infty} x e^{-x(y+1)} dy} = \frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{\left[\frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{-x} \right]_0^{\infty}} \\ &= \frac{x e^{-x(y+1)}}{e^{-x}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{f_{y|x}(y|x) = x e^{-xy}} \quad y > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } F(z) = F(XY) = P(XY < a) &= 1 - e^{-a} \\ \therefore f_z(z) = f_{XY}(a) &= e^{-a} \quad a > 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$5) f(x,y) = c(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x} \quad 0 < x < \infty, -x < y < x$$

$$f_{y|x}(y|x) = \frac{f(y,x)}{f_x(x)}$$

Since this ratio will cancel out the c , we need not separately evaluate c

$$\begin{aligned} f_{y|x}(y|x) &= \frac{(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x}}{\int_{-x}^x (x^2 - y^2)e^{-x} dy} = \frac{(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x}}{\left[x^2 e^{-x} y - \frac{e^{-x} y^3}{3} \right]_{-x}^x} \\ &= \frac{(x^2 - y^2)e^{-x}}{\left[\frac{6x^3 e^{-x} - 2x^3 e^{-x}}{3} \right]} = \frac{3(x^2 - y^2)}{4x^3} \quad -x < y < x \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore F_{y|x}(y|x) = \frac{3}{4x^3} \int_{-x}^y (x^2 - y^2) dy$$

$$= \frac{3}{4x^3} \left[x^2 y - \frac{y^3}{3} + \frac{2x^3}{3} \right] \quad -x < y < x$$

6) We want to find,

$$f(\lambda/n) = \frac{P(N=n|\lambda)g(\lambda)}{P(N=n)}$$

Bayes' formula

$$= c_1 e^{-\lambda} \lambda^n \alpha e^{-\alpha\lambda} (\alpha\lambda)^{s-1}$$

$$= c_2 e^{-(\alpha+1)\lambda} \lambda^{n+s-1}$$

Here, c_1 and c_2 are constants such that they don't depend on λ .

Ignoring the constant, we can identify that $f(\lambda/n)$ is a gamma density with parameters $(\alpha+1, n+s)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E(\# \text{ accidents / insured}) &= E(f(\lambda/n)) \\ &= E(\text{gamma density}) \\ &= \boxed{\frac{n+s}{\alpha+1}} \end{aligned}$$