

ECE 313 Probability with Engineering Applications
Homework 11

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67. Let X and Y be two independent exponential random variables with parameters λ_x and λ_y respectively.

- (a) Find the pdfs of $\max(X, Y)$ and $\min(X, Y)$.
 - (b) Find the pdf of $X + Y$.
 - (c) Find the pdf of X conditional on $X + Y = a$.
 - (d) Find the pdf of X conditional on $X \geq b$.
- (Hint: Consider the cases when $\lambda_x = \lambda_y$ and when $\lambda_x \neq \lambda_y$.)

68. Is the following function

$$F(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x + y < 1 \\ 1, & x + y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

a valid joint CDF? Prove your answer and show your work.

69. The random variables X and Y have joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-(x+y)}, & 0 < x < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Sketch the xy -plane with an indication of the region where $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$ is non-zero.
- (b) Find the joint CDF of X and Y . Specify the value of $F_{X,Y}(x, y)$ for all x and y .
- (c) Find the marginal CDFs of X and Y .
- (d) Find the marginal probability density functions of X and Y by:
 - (d1) Integrating the joint probability density functions; and
 - (d2) Differentiating the marginal CDFs found in part (c).
- (e) Find $P(Y > 3X)$.
- (f) For $\alpha > 0$, find $P(X + Y \leq \alpha)$.
- (g) Use the result in part (f) to determine the pdf of the random variable $Z = X + Y$.

70. Let $f_{X,Y,Z}(x, y, z) = g(x, y, z)$ be the joint pdf of three continuous random variable X, Y, Z , which is symmetric with respect to its arguments (x, y, z) , that is

$$g(x, y, z) = g(x, z, y) = g(y, x, z) = g(y, z, x) = g(z, x, y) = g(z, y, x)$$

Compute $P(X < Y < Z)$.

Hint: You are expected to obtain a numerical value, by using only the symmetry of g , not any other specific structure of g (which is not given).

71. Suppose the random point (X, Y) is uniformly distributed over the square region with corners at the points: $(1,0)$, $(0,1)$, $(-1,0)$, and $(0,-1)$.

- (a) Calculate the marginal pdfs of X and Y . Are X and Y independent?
- (b) Compute $E[X]$ and $\text{Var}(X)$.
- (c) Calculate the pdf of $Z = X + Y$.