Assignment 4 Solution – Part A

1. Solution for Q1:

For $0 \leq \mu < 1$, we have

$$P(U \le \mu) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(U \le \mu | T = t) \cdot f_T(t) \, dt = \int_0^1 P(U \le \mu | T = t) \cdot 1 \, dt$$
$$= \int_0^{\mu} 1 \cdot 1 \, dt + \int_{\mu}^1 \frac{\mu}{t} \cdot 1 \, dt = \mu + (\mu \ln t)|_{t=\mu}^{t=1} = \mu (1 - \ln \mu) \tag{1}$$

therefore, the complete CDF of U is

$$F_U(\mu) = \begin{cases} 0 & \mu < 0\\ \mu(1 - \ln \mu) & 0 \le \mu < 1\\ 1 & \mu \ge 1 \end{cases}$$

2. Solution for Q2:

(a) For x < 0, $f_X(x) = 0$. For $x \ge 0$, we have

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) \, dy = \int_x^{\infty} \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda y} \, dy = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

We see that X is an exponential RV with $E[X] = 1/\lambda$. Given X = x, the conditional pdf of Y is

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda(y-x)} & y > x \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

To interpret this result, let U = Y - X denote the interarrival time, the time between the arrival of the first and second calls. Given X = x, then U has the same pdf as X.

(b) for $y \ge 0$,

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) \, dx = \int_0^y \lambda^2 e^{-\lambda y} \, dx = \lambda^2 \, y \, e^{-\lambda y}$$

and

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{y} & 0 \le x < y\\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

which implies that given Y = y, X is uniformly distributed in [0, y].

3. Solution for Q3:

(a) The joint characteristic function of X and Y is

$$\Phi_{X,Y}(\omega_1,\omega_2) = E[e^{j\omega_1 X + j\omega_2 Y}] = E[e^{j\omega_1 X}] \cdot E[e^{j\omega_2 Y}] = \Phi_X(\omega_1) \cdot \Phi_Y(\omega_2)$$

= $e^{\lambda(e^{j\omega_1 - 1})} \cdot e^{j\mu\omega_2 - \sigma^2\omega_2^2/2}$

(b) The characteristic function of Z is

$$\Phi_Z(\omega) = E[e^{j\omega Z}] = E[e^{j\omega(X+Y)}] = \Phi_{X,Y}(\omega,\omega)$$
$$= e^{\lambda(e^{j\omega}-1)+j\mu\,\omega-\sigma^2\,\omega^2/2}$$

Note: since Z = X + Y, and X and Y are independent, we have

$$\Phi_Z(\omega) = \Phi_X(\omega) \cdot \Phi_Y(\omega)$$

part (a) dealing with two-dimensional CF, while part (b) dealing with one-dimensional CF.

4. Solution for Q4:

(a) From the given joint mass function, we can have marginal pmf as

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$$
$$P(Y = 2) = \frac{1}{9} + 0 + \frac{1}{18} = \frac{1}{6}$$
$$P(Y = 3) = 0 + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{9} = \frac{5}{18}$$

therefore, the conditional pmfs are:

$$P_{X|Y}(X = 1|Y = 1) = \frac{P(1,1)}{P_Y(y=1)} = \frac{1/9}{5/9} = \frac{1}{5}$$
$$P_{X|Y}(X = 2|Y = 1) = \frac{P(2,1)}{P_Y(y=1)} = \frac{1/3}{5/9} = \frac{3}{5}$$
$$P_{X|Y}(X = 3|Y = 1) = \frac{P(3,1)}{P_Y(y=1)} = \frac{1/9}{5/9} = \frac{1}{5}$$

and

$$E[X|Y=1] = 1 \times \frac{1}{5} + 2 \times \frac{3}{5} + 3 \times \frac{1}{5} = 2$$

Similarly,

$$P_{X|Y}(X = 1|Y = 2) = \frac{P(1,2)}{P_Y(y = 2)} = \frac{1/9}{1/6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$P_{X|Y}(X = 2|Y = 2) = 0 \qquad P_{X|Y}(X = 3|Y = 2) = \frac{P(3,2)}{P_Y(y = 2)} = \frac{1/18}{1/6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

and

$$E[X|Y=2] = 1 \times \frac{2}{3} + 2 \times 0 + 3 \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{3}$$

For Y = 3,

$$P_{X|Y}(X = 1|Y = 3) = \frac{P(1,3)}{P_Y(y = 3)} = 0 \qquad P_{X|Y}(X = 2|Y = 3) = \frac{1/6}{5/18} = \frac{3}{5}$$
$$P_{X|Y}(X = 3|Y = 3) = \frac{2}{5}$$

and

$$E[X|Y=3] = 1 \times 0 + 2 \times \frac{3}{5} + 3 \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{12}{5}$$

(b) From the fact that $E[X|Y = 1] \neq E[X|Y = 2] \neq E[X|Y = 3]$, or from the fact that $P_{X|Y}(X = 1|Y = 1) \neq P_{X|Y}(X = 1|Y = 2) \neq P_X(X = 1)$, we conclude that X and Y are not independent.

5. Solution for Q5:

The marginal density function of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) \, dx = \int_0^y \frac{1}{y} e^{-y} \, dx = e^{-y}$$

therefore, the conditional density is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{\frac{1}{y}e^{-y}}{e^{-y}} = \frac{1}{y} \qquad (0 < x < y)$$

and

$$E[X^{2}|Y = y] = \frac{1}{y} \int_{0}^{y} x^{2} dx = \frac{y^{2}}{3}$$

6. Solution for Q6:

(a) According to the definition of RVs, X, N and T_i , we can have

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i$$

(b) Clearly, N is a RV with Geometric distribution with a pmf given as

$$P[N=k] = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{k-1} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = p \cdot q^{n-1}$$

hence, $E[N] = \frac{1}{p} = 3.$

(c) Since T_N is the travel time correspondingly to the choice leading to freedom, it follows that $T_N = 2$ and so

$$E[T_N] = 2$$

(d) Given that N = n, the travel times $T_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ are each equally likely to be either 3 or 5 (since we know that a door leading to the mine is selected), whereas T_n is equal to 2 (since that choice leads to safety). Hence,

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} T_{i}|N=n\right] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} T_{i}|N=n\right] + E\left[T_{n}|N=n\right]$$
$$= (3+5) \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot (n-1) + 2 = 4n-2$$

(e)

$$E[X] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i\right] = E\left[E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} T_i|N\right]\right] = E[4N - 2]$$
$$= 4 \cdot E[N] - 2 = 10$$

7. Solution for Q7:

(a) the state transition diagram is ignored. There are three classes: (i)state 0 is recurrent state; (ii) state 1 and 2 are recurrent states; (iii) state 3 and 4 are transient states.

(b) From $\pi P = \pi$, we obtain the equation set:

$$\pi_0 + \frac{1}{4}\pi_3 = \pi_0$$

$$\frac{3}{4}\pi_1 + \frac{1}{2}\pi_2 = \pi_2$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\pi_3 + \frac{1}{2}\pi_4 = \pi_3$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\pi_3 + \frac{1}{2}\pi_4 = \pi_4$$

Solving the equation set, we obtain:

$$\pi_3 = 0$$
 $\pi_2 = \frac{3}{2}\pi_1$ $\pi_4 = 0$

when the state transits to state 0, stationary distribution $\pi_1 = \pi_2 = 0$; when the state transits to state 1 and 2, then from $\pi_2 = \frac{3}{2}\pi_1$ and $\pi_1 + \pi_2 = 1$, we obtain $\pi_1 = \frac{2}{5}$ and $\pi_2 = \frac{3}{5}$. (c) the transition probability matrix for transient state is

$$P_T = \left[\begin{array}{rr} 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{array} \right]$$

therefore,

$$S = (I - P_T)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/4 & -1/4 \\ -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & 1.0 \\ 2.0 & 3.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d)

$$P = P(X_5 = 2|X_3 = 1) = \sum_{k} P(X_5 = 2|X_4 = k) \cdot P(X_4 = k|X_3 = 1)$$

= $P(X_5 = 2|X_4 = 1) \cdot P(X_4 = 1|X_3 = 1) + P(X_5 = 2|X_4 = 2) \cdot P(X_4 = 2|X_3 = 1)$
= $P_{12} \cdot P_{11} + P_{22} \cdot P_{12} = \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{16}$

8. Solution for Q8:

Let the state be 0 of the last two trials were both successes (SS) and be 1 if last trial a success and the one before is a failure (FS), be 2 if the last trial was a failure. The transition matrix of this Markov chain is

$$P = \left[\begin{array}{rrrr} 0.8 & 0 & 0.2 \\ 0.5 & 0 & 0.5 \\ 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{array} \right]$$

Then we have equation set

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 0.8\pi_0 + 0.5\pi_1 &=& \pi_0 \\ 0.5\pi_2 &=& \pi_1 \\ \pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 &=& 1 \end{array}$$

we can solve that

$$\pi_0 + 0.4\pi_0 + 0.8\pi_0 = 1$$

which implies

$$\pi_0 = \frac{5}{11} \quad \pi_1 = \frac{2}{11} \quad \pi_2 = \frac{4}{11}$$

Consequently, the proportion of trials that are successes is

$$0.8\pi_0 + 0.5(1 - \pi_0) = \frac{7}{11}$$

10.Solution for Q10:

The transition probability matrix is

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The equation set is $(\pi P = \pi)$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi_2 + 1} + \frac{1}{3\pi_3 + 1} + \frac{1}{4\pi_4} = \pi_1$$

$$\frac{1}{3\pi_3 + 1} + \frac{1}{4\pi_4} = \pi_2$$

$$\frac{1}{4\pi_4} = \pi_3$$

$$\pi_0 = \pi_4$$

$$\pi_0 + \pi_1 + \pi_2 + \pi_3 + \pi_4 = 1$$

solving the equation, we obtain

$$\pi = \left[\frac{12}{37}, \frac{6}{37}, \frac{4}{37}, \frac{3}{37}, \frac{12}{37}\right]$$

9. Solution for Q9:

If new trial is success, state changes to \Rightarrow FS S F last trial Q9 (Ross 4.28) Let 5 denotes a success trial and F a failure. Then SS, SF, FS. FF form a four state Markov chain, with the transition diagram: Z 3-4 (The transition martix is, $P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3}\\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0\\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ from $P'\pi' = \pi' \& Z\pi_j = 1$. $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & 0 & \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{1} \\ \pi_{2} \\ \pi_{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{1} \\ \pi_{2} \\ \pi_{3} \end{bmatrix}$ Salve this equation, we have : $\pi = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{3}{16}, \frac{1}{8} \right]$ $\therefore \lim_{n \to \infty} P(success on the nth trial) = \pi_1 \cdot 1 + \pi_2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \pi_3 \cdot \frac{1}{2}$ $=\frac{1}{2}+\frac{3}{16}=\frac{11}{16}$

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Solutions for the question from the textbook

Problem 4.1.6 Solution

The given function is

$$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-(x+y)} & x, y \ge 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

First, we find the CDF $F_X(x)$ and $F_Y(y)$.

$$F_X(x) = F_{X,Y}(x,\infty) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \ge 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2)

$$F_{Y}(y) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y \ge 0\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(3)

Hence, for any $x \ge 0$ or $y \ge 0$,

$$P[X > x] = 0$$
 $P[Y > y] = 0$ (4)

For $x \ge 0$ and $y \ge 0$, this implies

$$P[\{X > x\} \cup \{Y > y\}] \le P[X > x] + P[Y > y] = 0$$
(5)

However,

$$P[\{X > x\} \cup \{Y > y\}] = 1 - P[X \le x, Y \le y] = 1 - (1 - e^{-(x+y)}) = e^{-(x+y)}$$
(6)

Thus, we have the contradiction that $e^{-(x+y)} \le 0$ for all $x, y \ge 0$. We can conclude that the given function is not a valid CDF.

Problem 4.3.5 Solution

For $n = 0, 1, \ldots$, the marginal PMF of N is

$$P_N(n) = \sum_k P_{N,K}(n,k) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{100^n e^{-100}}{(n+1)!} = \frac{100^n e^{-100}}{n!}$$
(1)

For $k = 0, 1, \ldots$, the marginal PMF of K is

$$P_{K}(k) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{100^{n} e^{-100}}{(n+1)!}$$
(2)

$$=\frac{1}{100}\sum_{n=k}^{\infty}\frac{100^{n+1}e^{-100}}{(n+1)!}$$
(3)

$$=\frac{1}{100}\sum_{n=k}^{\infty}P_N(n+1)$$
(4)

$$= P[N > k]/100$$
 (5)

Problem 4.4.2 Solution

Given the joint PDF

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} cxy^2 & 0 \le x, y \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

(a) To find the constant c integrate $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$ over the all possible values of X and Y to get

$$1 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 cxy^2 \, dx \, dy = c/6 \tag{2}$$

Therefore c = 6.

(b) The probability P[X ≥ Y] is the integral of the joint PDF f_{X,Y}(x, y) over the indicated shaded region. Y



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 $P[X \ge Y] = \int_0^1 \int_0^x 6xy^2 \, dy \, dx \tag{3}$

$$=\int_0^1 2x^4 dx \tag{4}$$

Similarly, to find $P[Y \le X^2]$ we can integrate over the region shown in the figure.

$$P[Y \le X^2] = \int_0^1 \int_0^{x^2} 6xy^2 \, dy \, dx = 1/4 \tag{6}$$

(c) Here we can choose to either integrate $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$ over the lighter shaded region, which would require the evaluation of two integrals, or we can perform one integral over the darker region



(d) The $P[\max(X, Y) \le 3/4]$ can be found be integrating over the shaded region shown below.



Problem 4.6.6 Solution

(a) The minimum value of W is W = 0, which occurs when X = 0 and Y = 0. The maximum value of W is W = 1, which occurs when X = 1 or Y = 1. The range of W is S_W = {w|0 ≤ w ≤ 1}.

(b) For
$$0 \le w \le 1$$
, the CDF of W is

w

$$F_W(w) = P[\max(X, Y) \le w] \tag{1}$$

$$= P[X \le w, Y \le w] \tag{2}$$

$$= \int_0^w \int_0^w f_{X,Y}(x, y) \, dy \, dx \tag{3}$$

Substituting $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = x + y$ yields

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W<w

$$F_{W}(w) = \int_{0}^{w} \int_{0}^{w} (x+y) \, dy \, dx = \int_{0}^{w} (xy + \frac{y^{2}}{2} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=w}) \, dx = \int_{0}^{w} (wx + w^{2}/2) \, dx = w^{3}$$
(4)

The complete expression for the CDF is

$$F_{W'}(w) = \begin{cases} 0 & w < 0 \\ w^3 & 0 \le w \le 1 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(5)

The PDF of W is found by differentiating the CDF.

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_W(w)}{dw} = \begin{cases} 3w^2 & 0 \le w \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(6)

Problem 4.8.6 Solution

Random variables X and Y have joint PDF

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} (4x+2y)/3 & 0 \le x \le 1, \ 0 \le y \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

(a) The probability that $Y \leq 1/2$ is

$$P[A] = P[Y \le 1/2] = \iint_{y \le 1/2} f_{X,Y}(x, y) \, dy \, dx \tag{2}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1/2} \frac{4x + 2y}{3} \, dy \, dx \tag{3}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{4xy + y^{2}}{3} \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1/2} dx$$
 (4)

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{2x + 1/4}{3} dx = \frac{x^{2}}{3} + \frac{x}{12} \Big|_{0}^{1} = \frac{5}{12}$$
(5)

(b) The conditional joint PDF of X and Y given A is

$$f_{X,Y|A}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{P[A]} & (x,y) \in A\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 8(2x+y)/5 & 0 \le x \le 1, 0 \le y \le 1/2\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(6)

For $0 \le x \le 1$, the PDF of X given A is

$$f_{X|A}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y|A}(x,y) \, dy = \frac{8}{5} \int_{0}^{1/2} (2x+y) \, dy = \frac{8}{5} (2xy+\frac{y^2}{2}) \Big|_{y=0}^{y=1/2} = \frac{8x+1}{5}$$
(7)

The complete expression is

$$f_{X|A}(x) = \begin{cases} (8x+1)/5 & 0 \le x \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(8)

For $0 \le y \le 1/2$, the conditional marginal PDF of Y given A is

$$f_{Y|A}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y|A}(x,y) \, dx = \frac{8}{5} \int_{0}^{1} (2x+y) \, dx \tag{9}$$

$$= \frac{8x^2 + 8xy}{5} \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1}$$
(10)

$$=\frac{8y+8}{5}\tag{11}$$

The complete expression is

$$f_{Y|A}(y) = \begin{cases} (8y+8)/5 & 0 \le y \le 1/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(12)

Problem 4.9.4 Solution

Random variables X and Y have joint PDF

Y 11 Х For $0 \le y \le 1$,

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 \le y \le x \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

$$f_{\mathbf{Y}}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{\mathbf{X},\mathbf{Y}}(x,y) \, dx = \int_{y}^{1} 2 \, dx = 2(1-y) \tag{2}$$

Also, for y < 0 or y > 1, $f_{\Upsilon}(y) = 0$. The complete expression for the marginal PDF is

$$f_{Y}(y) = \begin{cases} 2(1-y) & 0 \le y \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(3)

By Theorem 4.24, the conditional PDF of X given Y is

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1-y} & y \le x \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(4)

That is, since $Y \le X \le 1$, X is uniform over [y, 1] when Y = y. The conditional expectation of X given Y = y can be calculated as

$$E[X|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) \, dx = \int_{y}^{1} \frac{x}{1-y} \, dx = \frac{x^2}{2(1-y)} \Big|_{y}^{1} = \frac{1+y}{2} \tag{5}$$

In fact, since we know that the conditional PDF of X is uniform over [y, 1] when Y = y, it wasn't really necessary to perform the calculation.

Problem 4.9.9 Solution

Random variables N and K have the joint PMF

$$P_{N,K}(n,k) = \begin{cases} \frac{100^n e^{-100}}{(n+1)!} & k = 0, 1, \dots, n; \\ n = 0, 1, \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(1)

We can find the marginal PMF for *N* by summing over all possible *K*. For $n \ge 0$,

$$P_N(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{100^n e^{-100}}{(n+1)!} = \frac{100^n e^{-100}}{n!}$$
(2)

We see that *N* has a Poisson PMF with expected value 100. For $n \ge 0$, the conditional PMF of *K* given N = n is

$$P_{K|N}(k|n) = \frac{P_{N,K}(n,k)}{P_N(n)} = \begin{cases} 1/(n+1) & k = 0, 1, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(3)

That is, given N = n, K has a discrete uniform PMF over $\{0, 1, ..., n\}$. Thus,

$$E[K|N=n] = \sum_{k=0}^{n} k/(n+1) = n/2$$
(4)

We can conclude that E[K|N] = N/2. Thus, by Theorem 4.25,

$$E[K] = E[E[K|N]] = E[N/2] = 50.$$
(5)