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1. On a typical day, a store sells a fraction  $Y_1$  of its stock of milk and a fraction  $Y_2$  of its stock of soda. The store's revenue from these sales is  $R = 300Y_1 + 200Y_2$ . The joint density function for  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  is

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} 1 + y_1 - y_2, & 0 \leq y_1 \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq y_2 \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Compute  $E(R)$ .  
 (b) Are  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  independent? Briefly explain why or why not.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_1) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (y_1 + y_1^2 - y_1 y_2) dy_2 dy_1 = \int_0^1 \left( y_1 y_2 + y_1^2 y_2 - \frac{y_1^2 y_2^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^1 dy_1 \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( y_1 + y_1^2 - \frac{y_1^2}{2} \right) dy_1 = \left. \frac{y_1^2}{2} + \frac{y_1^3}{3} - \frac{y_1^3}{4} \right|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{6+4-3}{12} = \frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_2) &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (y_2 + y_1 y_2 - y_2^2) dy_1 dy_2 = \int_0^1 \left( y_2 y_1 + \frac{y_1^2 y_2}{2} - y_1 y_2^2 \right) \Big|_0^1 dy_2 \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( y_2 + \frac{y_2^2}{2} - y_2^2 \right) dy_2 = \left. \frac{y_2^2}{2} + \frac{y_2^3}{4} - \frac{y_2^3}{3} \right|_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{6+3-4}{12} = \frac{5}{12} \end{aligned}$$

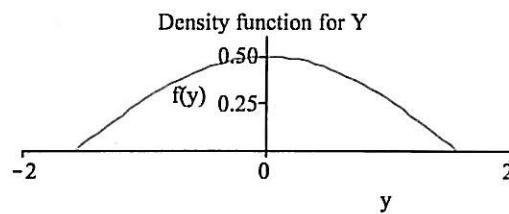
$$\begin{aligned} E(R) &= E(300Y_1 + 200Y_2) = 300E(Y_1) + 200E(Y_2) = \frac{300 \cdot \frac{7}{12}}{12} + \frac{200 \cdot \frac{5}{12}}{12} \\ &= 175 + \frac{250}{3} = \boxed{\frac{775}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) No.  $f(y_1, y_2)$  does not factor into any  $f_1(y_1) \cdot f_2(y_2)$  even though its support is on a rectangle.  
 2. Assume  $Y$  is a continuous random variable with joint density function

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \cos(y), & -\pi/2 \leq y \leq \pi/2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $U = Y^2$ . (Not 1-1 on the support of  $Y$ .)

- (a) Compute the density  $f_U(u)$  of  $U$ .  
 (b) Give the interval on which  $U$  is supported.



$$(a) F_U(u) = P(U \leq u) = P(Y^2 \leq u) = P(-\sqrt{u} \leq Y \leq \sqrt{u}) = \int_{-\sqrt{u}}^{\sqrt{u}} \frac{1}{2} \cos y dy$$

$$= \left. \frac{\sin y}{2} \right|_{-\sqrt{u}}^{\sqrt{u}} = \frac{\sin \sqrt{u}}{2} - \frac{\sin(-\sqrt{u})}{2} = \sin \sqrt{u}.$$

$$f_U(u) = \frac{d}{du} F_U(u) = (\cos \sqrt{u}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{u}}$$

$$(b) \text{ Since } -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq y \leq \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \boxed{0 \leq u \leq \frac{\pi^2}{4}}$$

We might exclude 0 since  $f_U(0)$  is undefined)

3. Let  $Y$  be a continuous random variable with density function

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{y^2}, & y > 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Define  $U = 5 \ln(Y - 3)$ .

- (a) Compute the density function  $f_U(u)$  for  $U$ .
- (b) Give the interval of support of  $U$ .

(a) Via formula,  $f_U(u) = f_Y(h^{-1}(u)) \left| \frac{dh^{-1}}{du} \right|$

$$h^{-1}(u) : u = 5 \ln(y - 3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{u}{5} &= \ln(y - 3) \\ e^{\frac{u}{5}} &= y - 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$3 + e^{\frac{u}{5}} = y$$

$$h^{-1}(u) = 3 + e^{\frac{u}{5}}$$

$$(b) \quad 3 < y < \infty$$

$$0 < y - 3 < \infty$$

$$-\infty < \ln(y - 3) < \infty$$

$$-\infty < \frac{u}{5} < \infty$$

$$\text{so } f_U(u) = \frac{3}{(3 + e^{\frac{u}{5}})^2} \frac{e^{\frac{u}{5}}}{5} = \boxed{\frac{3}{5} \frac{e^{\frac{u}{5}}}{(3 + e^{\frac{u}{5}})^2}}$$

support of  $U$  is  
 $(-\infty, \infty)$

4. Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{25}$  be independent random variables each with  $E(Y_i) = \mu$  and  $V(Y_i) = \sigma^2$ . They represent 25 repeated independent samples from the same population. The function

$$\bar{Y} := \frac{Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_{25}}{25}$$

is called the *sample mean* of the population. Use Tschebycheff's Theorem to find the probability that  $\bar{Y}$  is within  $\sigma/2$  of  $E(\bar{Y})$ .

$$E(\bar{Y}) = E\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{25} Y_i}{25}\right) = \frac{1}{25} \sum_{i=1}^{25} E(Y_i) = \frac{1}{25} \cdot 25 \cdot \mu = \mu.$$

$$V(\bar{Y}) = V\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{25} Y_i}{25}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{25} V\left(\frac{Y_i}{25}\right) + \underbrace{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 25} \text{Cov}\left(\frac{Y_i}{25}, \frac{Y_j}{25}\right)}_{0 \text{ by independence}}$$

$$= 25 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{25}\right)^2 V(Y_i) = \frac{\sigma^2}{25} = \left(\frac{\sigma}{5}\right)^2 = \sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2$$

$$P(|\bar{Y} - E(\bar{Y})| \geq \sigma/2) = P(|\bar{Y} - \mu| \geq \sigma/2) = P(|\bar{Y} - \mu| \geq \frac{5}{2} \sigma_{\bar{Y}}) \leq \frac{1}{(\sigma/2)^2} = \frac{1}{(\sigma/2)^2} = \boxed{\frac{4}{25}}$$

set =  $\Phi(\sigma_{\bar{Y}})$

$$\frac{\sigma}{2} = k \sigma_{\bar{Y}}$$

$$k = \frac{\sigma}{5}$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{2} = k$$

5. Three radioactive atoms are observed until they decay. The individual times of decay are  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$ , and  $Y_3$ , respectively, which are independent and exponentially distributed, each with mean 12 (seconds). Define  $U = Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3$ .

(a) Compute  $E(U)$  by finding the moment generating function for  $U$  in terms of those of  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$ , and  $Y_3$ , and then identifying the mean of the resulting distribution.

(b) Compute  $E(U)$  using properties of expected value.

$$(a) m_{Y_i}(t) = (1 - 12t)^{-1} \quad \text{③}$$

$$m_U(t) = E(e^{tu}) = E(e^{t(Y_1+Y_2+Y_3)}) = E(e^{tY_1} e^{tY_2} e^{tY_3}) = \prod_{i=1}^3 m_{Y_i}(t) = (1 - 12t)^{-3} \quad \text{①}$$

Thus  $U$  is gamma distributed with mean  $(+3)(12) = 36$ . ②  
by independence

$$\textcircled{3} (b) \quad \cancel{\text{Method}}: \quad E(U) = E(Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3) = E(Y_1) + E(Y_2) + E(Y_3)$$

$$= 12 + 12 + 12 = 36$$

6.  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are discrete random variables whose joint distribution  $p(y_1, y_2)$  is given in the table.

(a) Determine the marginal probability functions  $p_1(y_1)$  and  $p_2(y_2)$ .

(b) Compute  $P(Y_1 \geq 2 | Y_2 = 1)$ .

(c) Are  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  independent? If yes, explain why. If not, re-define  $p(y_1, y_2)$  so that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are independent but have the same marginal probability functions as in (a).

		$Y_1$			$\sum p_2(y_2)$
		1	2	3	
$Y_2$	1	.1	.2	.1	.4
	2	.2	.3	.1	.6
		.3	.5	.2	$p_1(y_1)$

(a)

$$(b) P(Y_1 \geq 2 | Y_2 = 1) = \frac{P(Y_1 \geq 2, Y_2 = 1)}{P(Y_2 = 1)}$$

$$= \frac{.2 + .1}{.4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

(c) no.  $p(1,1) \neq p_1(1)p_2(1)$ .

redefine table:

$$p(1,1) = .12$$

$$p(3,1) = .08$$

$$p(1,2) = .18$$

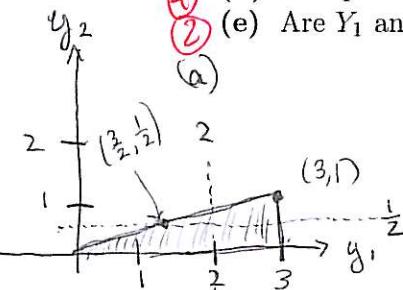
$$p(3,2) = .12$$

$\frac{3}{25}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{2}{25}$
$\frac{9}{50}$	$\frac{3}{10}$	$\frac{3}{25}$

7. (16pts) Let  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  be continuous random variables with joint density

$$f(y_1, y_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3}, & 0 \leq y_1 \leq 3, \quad 0 \leq y_2 \leq 1, \quad 3y_2 \leq y_1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- (1) Sketch the region of support of  $f(y_1, y_2)$  (where  $f(y_1, y_2) > 0$ ).
- (2) Compute the marginal probability densities  $f_1(y_1)$  and  $f_2(y_2)$ .
- (3) Compute the conditional probability density of  $Y_1$  given that  $Y_2 = \frac{1}{3}$ .
- (4) Compute  $P(Y_2 \leq 1/2 | Y_1 \leq 2)$ .
- (5) Are  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  independent? Briefly explain why or why not.



$$(b) f_1(y_1) = \int_0^{y_1/3} \frac{2}{3} dy_2 = \frac{2}{3} y_1 \Big|_0^{y_1/3} = \boxed{\frac{2y_1}{9}}, \quad 0 \leq y_1 \leq 3$$

$$f_2(y_2) = \int_{3y_2}^3 \frac{2}{3} dy_1 = \frac{2}{3} y_1 \Big|_{3y_2}^3 = \boxed{2 - 2y_2}, \quad 0 \leq y_2 \leq 1$$

$$(c) f(y_1 | \frac{1}{3}) = \frac{f(y_1, \frac{1}{3})}{f_2(\frac{1}{3})} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{4}{9}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}} \quad 1 \leq y_1 \leq 3$$

$$(d) P(Y_2 \leq \frac{1}{2} | Y_1 \leq 2) = \frac{P(Y_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}, Y_1 \leq 2)}{P(Y_1 \leq 2)} = \frac{\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{3y_2}^2 \frac{2}{3} dy_1 dy_2}{\int_0^2 f_1(y_1) dy_1} = \frac{\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{2}{3} y_1 \Big|_{3y_2}^2 dy_2}{\int_0^2 \frac{2y_1}{9} dy_1}$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \frac{4}{3} - 2y_2 \right) dy_2}{\frac{4y_1^2}{9} \Big|_0^2} = \frac{\frac{4}{3} y_2 - y_2^2 \Big|_0^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{4}{9}} = \frac{\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{4}{9}} = \frac{5/12}{4/9} = \frac{45}{48} = \boxed{\frac{15}{16}}$$

(e) no, support is not a rectangle -

d) alternate:  $P(Y_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}, Y_1 \leq 2) = \int_0^2 \int_0^{y_1/3} \frac{2}{3} dy_2 dy_1 = \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{6}$

$$= \int_0^2 \int_0^{y_1/3} \frac{2}{3} dy_2 dy_1 = \int_0^2 \frac{2}{3} y_2 \Big|_0^{y_1/3} dy_1 = \int_0^2 \frac{2y_1}{9} dy_1 = \frac{y_1^2}{9} \Big|_0^2 = \boxed{\frac{4}{9}} = \frac{10}{24} = \frac{5}{12}$$

8. Assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables with

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= 3 & V(X) &= 4 \\ E(Y) &= -1 & V(Y) &= 2 \\ E(XY) &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

- (1) Compute  $E(3X - 5Y)$ .
- (2) Compute  $V(3X - 5Y)$ .
- (3) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Briefly explain why or why not.

$$(a) E(3X - 5Y) = 3E(X) - 5E(Y) = 3 \cdot 3 - 5(-1) = \boxed{14}$$

$$(b) V(3X - 5Y) = V(3X) + V(-5Y) + 2 \operatorname{Cov}(3X, -5Y)$$

$$= 9V(X) + 25V(Y) + 2(3)(-5) \operatorname{Cov}(X, Y) \quad \operatorname{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$= 36 + 50 + (-30)(-1 - 3(-1))$$

$$= 86 + (-30)(2) = \boxed{26}$$