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(Due Thursday October 28, 11:59pm)

Homework is due on **Thursday October 28 at 11:59pm** on Gradescope. No late homework will be accepted, and no homework will be accepted without a statement. Include a brief description of all sources of information you used (including other people), not counting the text, handouts, or material posted on the web page, or state "I did not receive help on this homework". You do not need to reference any material presented in class or on the course web-site, in the textbook, nor Prof. Reibman nor TA Haoyu Chen.

Statement:

Topics: Hypothesis testing (lecture notes Topic 2.7); Joint PDF and CDF and PMF, Marginal PDF and CDF and PMF (Ch 5.1-5.4); Independence (Ch 5.5)

Exercise 1. (THIS PROBLEM IS WORTH 2 POINTS)

A constant signal S may (or may not) be sent over a channel with additive noise, N . Let H_1 denote the event that the signal was sent, and H_0 denote the event that no signal is sent. The goal at the receiver is to decide which event occurred, either H_1 or H_0 . If the signal is sent (event H_1), the random variable X at the receiver is $X = S + N$, but if the signal is not sent (event H_0), then $X = N$.

Let the constant signal be $S = 1$, and let N be a random variable with a triangular PDF, between -1 and 1 . Specifically,

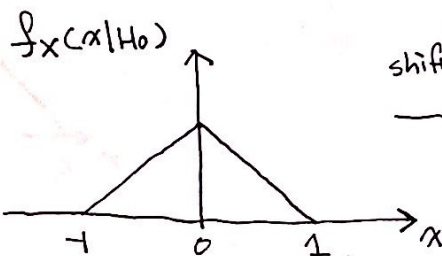
$$f_N(y) = \begin{cases} y+1 & \text{for } -1 \leq y < 0 \\ (1-y) & \text{for } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and the corresponding CDF is

$$F_N(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } y < -1 \\ (1+2y+y^2)/2 & \text{for } -1 \leq y < 0 \\ (1+2y-y^2)/2 & \text{for } 0 \leq y < 1 \\ 1 & \text{for } y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

(a) Sketch the conditional PDFs and CDFs: $f_X(x|H_0)$, $f_X(x|H_1)$, $F_X(x|H_0)$, and $F_X(x|H_1)$.

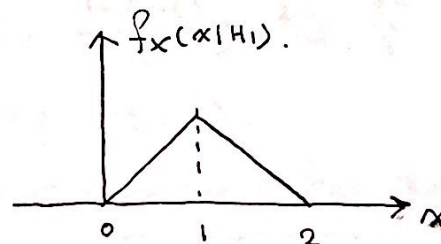
$H_0: X = N$

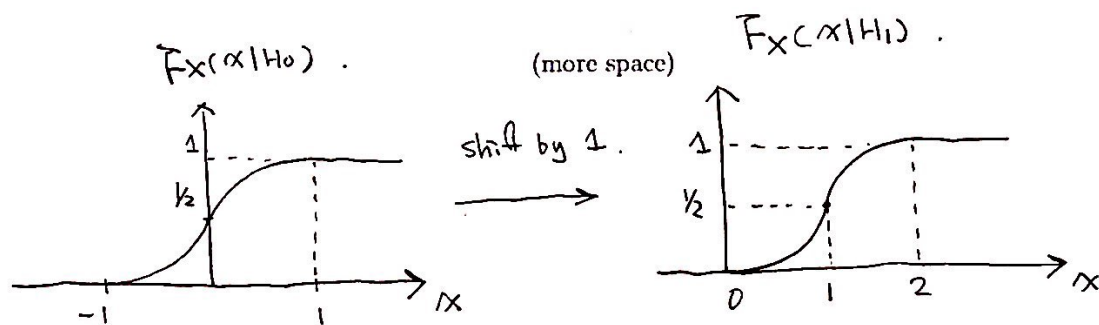


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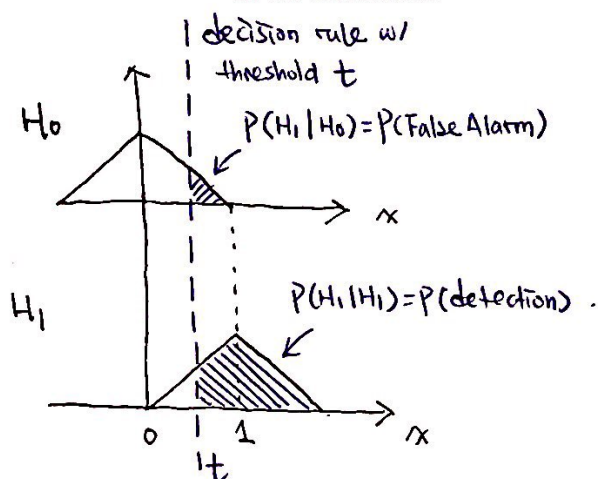
$H_1: X = N + S$, where $S = 1$.





- (b) Because the PDFs of these two situations overlap, it is not possible to design an error-free detector; any actual system will always have a non-zero probability of error. In radar systems, two quantities are of interest. The first is the probability of false alarm, where the receiver detects a signal is present (i.e., decides H_1) when in fact no signal was present. The second is the probability of detection, where the receiver correctly detects a signal is present (i.e., decides H_1 when H_1 is true).

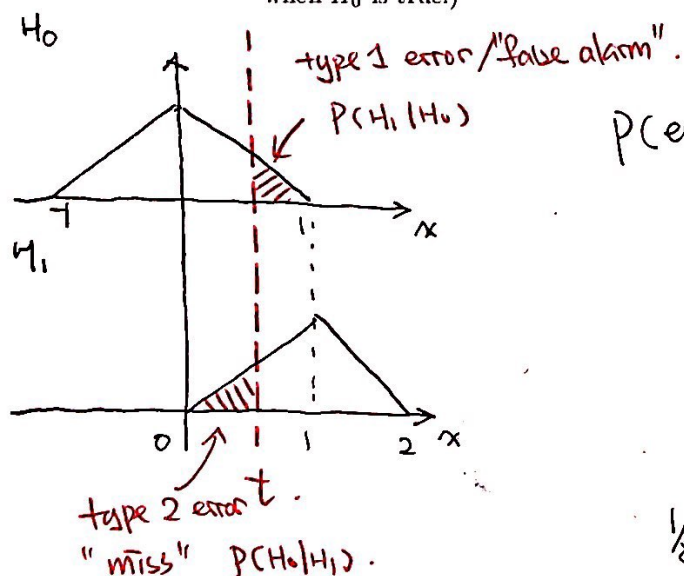
Suppose the detector is designed to decide H_1 when the received value of X is greater than a constant threshold t . Express the probabilities of false alarm and detection as a function of either the conditional PDF or conditional CDF of X given the associated event (i.e., H_1 or H_0). Your answers will depend on the threshold t . $-1 \leq t \leq 1$



$$P(\text{False Alarm}) = P(H_1|H_0) = \begin{cases} 1 - F_X(t|H_0) & -1 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0 & t > 1 \\ 1 & t < -1 \end{cases}$$

$$P(\text{detection}) = P(H_1|H_1) = \begin{cases} 1 - F_X(t|H_1) & 0 \leq t \leq 2 \\ 0 & t > 2 \\ 1 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

- (c) Consider the area where the PDFs overlap, namely $0 \leq x \leq 1$. And suppose that the prior probabilities $P(H_0) = 1/4$ and $P(H_1) = 3/4$. Find the threshold t which will minimize the probability of error (Hint: be sure to account for the two types of errors: (a) deciding H_0 when H_1 is true, and (b) deciding H_1 when H_0 is true.)



For range $0 \leq t \leq 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{error}) &= P(H_0) \cdot P(H_1|H_0) + P(H_1) \cdot P(H_0|H_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot (1 - F_X(t|H_0)) + \frac{3}{4} \cdot F_X(t|H_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1+2t-t^2}{2}\right) + \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{t^2}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} (4t^2 - 2t + 1) \end{aligned}$$

↓ take derivative & find the root.

$$\frac{1}{8} (8t - 2) = t - \frac{1}{4} = 0 : \boxed{t = \frac{1}{4} \text{ gives us minimum error}}$$

Exercise 2. (NOT QUITE TEXTBOOK, PROBLEMS 5.1)

Let X be the maximum and Y be the minimum of the number of heads obtained when Carlos and Mihaela each flip a biased coin twice; $P(\text{heads})=3/4$.

- Describe the sample space S of two sets of coin tosses, and the sample space $S_{X,Y}$ of these two random variables, showing how S is related to $S_{X,Y}$.
- Find the probabilities for all values of (X,Y) .
- Find $P(X=Y)$.

a.)

Carlos

(x,y)	HH	HT	TH	TT
HH	(2,2)	(2,1)	(2,1)	(2,0)
HT	(2,1)	(1,1)	(1,1)	(1,0)
TH	(2,1)	(1,1)	(1,1)	(1,0)
TT	(2,0)	(1,0)	(1,0)	(0,0)

Mihaela

$$S = \{ (HH, HH), (HH, HT), (HH, TH), (HH, TT), (HT, HH), (HT, HT), (HT, TH), (HT, TT), (TH, HH), (TH, HT), (TH, TH), (TH, TT), (TT, HH), (TT, HT), (TT, TH), (TT, TT) \}$$

$$S_{X,Y} = \{ (2,2), (2,1), (2,0), (1,1), (1,0), (0,0) \}$$

b.)

$$P_{X,Y}(2,2) = (3/4)^4 = 81/256$$

$$P_{X,Y}(2,1) = (3/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot (3/4 \cdot 3/4) \cdot 4 = 108/256$$

$$P_{X,Y}(2,0) = (1/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot (3/4 \cdot 3/4) \cdot 2 = 18/256$$

$$P_{X,Y}(1,1) = (3/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot (3/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot 4 = 36/256$$

$$P_{X,Y}(1,0) = (1/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot (3/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot 4 = 12/256$$

$$P_{X,Y}(0,0) = (1/4 \cdot 1/4) \cdot (1/4 \cdot 1/4) = 1/256$$

c.)

$$P(X=Y) = P_{X,Y}(0,0) + P_{X,Y}(1,1) + P_{X,Y}(2,2)$$

$$= 118/256$$

Exercise 3. (FROM TEXTBOOK, PROBLEMS 5.17)

A point (X, Y) is selected at random inside a triangle defined by $\{(x, y) : 0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1\}$. Assume the point is equally likely to fall anywhere in the triangle.

It is possible to show that the joint CDF for these RVs is

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \text{ or } y \leq 0 \\ 2xy - y^2 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq x \\ x^2 & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \leq y \\ 2y - y^2 & 1 \leq x \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 1 & 1 \leq x \text{ and } 1 \leq y \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the marginal CDF of X and of Y .

(b) Use the joint CDF to find the probabilities of the following events:

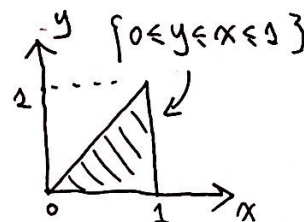
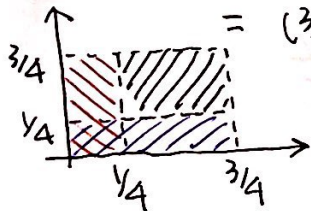
$$A = \{X \leq 2, Y \leq 3/4\}, B = \{1/4 < X \leq 3/4, 1/4 < Y \leq 3/4\}$$

(c) Apply double integration to compute these same probabilities using the joint PDF.

a.) $F_X(x) = \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq 0 \\ x^2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1, & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$ $F_Y(y) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y \leq 0 \\ 2y - y^2, & 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 1, & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$

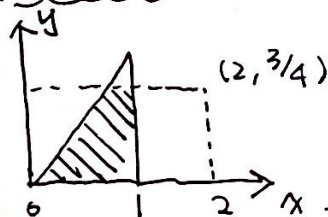
b.) $P(A) = P(X \leq 2, Y \leq 3/4) = F_{XY}(2, 3/4) = 2 \cdot 3/4 - (3/4)^2 = \boxed{15/16}$

$$P(B) = F_{XY}(3/4, 3/4) - F_{XY}(3/4, 1/4) - F_{XY}(1/4, 3/4) + F_{XY}(1/4, 1/4) \\ = (3/4)^2 - (1/4)^2 - 2 \cdot 1/4 \cdot 3/4 + (1/4)^2 + (1/4)^2 = \boxed{1/4}$$



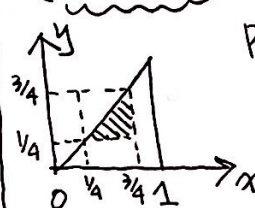
c.) $f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x \text{ or } y \leq 0 \\ 2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq x \\ 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \leq y \\ 0, & 1 \leq x \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & 1 \leq x \text{ and } 1 \leq y \end{cases} = 2, \text{ for } 0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1.$

{Event A:}



$$P(A) = 1 - \int_{3/4}^1 \int_{3/4}^y 2 \cdot dy dx \\ = 1 - 1/16 = \boxed{15/16}$$

{Event B:}



$$P(B) = \int_{1/4}^{3/4} \int_{1/4}^x 2 \cdot dy dx \\ = \boxed{1/4}$$

Exercise 4. (FROM TEXTBOOK, COMBINING PROBLEMS 5.26, 5.65, AND 5.80)
Let X and Y have the joint PDF

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = k(x+y), \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$$

(a) Find k .

(b) Find the marginal PDF of X and of Y .

a.) For $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ to be a valid pdf, $\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy = 1$.

$$\therefore \int_0^1 \int_0^1 k(x+y) dx dy = k \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} + y dy = k \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore k = 1.$$

$$b.) f_X(x) = \int_0^1 f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy = \int_0^1 x+y dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^1 f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx = \int_0^1 x+y dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + y, \quad 0 \leq y \leq 1.$$