

# EE 503

## Homework 8

Due Wednesday October 23, 2019 at 6 p.m.

**Work all 7 problems.**

**Problem 1.** Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent random variables, each normally distributed with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Compute  $E[|X - Y|]$ .

**Problem 2.** The two-dimensional continuous random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint *pdf*

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^2 + \frac{xy}{3}, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 2, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- Compute  $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$ .
- Find  $E[X|Y = y]$ .

**Problem 3.** Suppose the two-dimensional continuous random variable  $(X, Y)$  has joint *pdf*

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- Find  $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$ .
- Let  $B = \{X + Y \geq 1/4\}$ . Find  $P(B)$ .

**Problem 4.** Suppose we have two independent random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  with respective densities

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x > 0, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} y/2, & 0 < y < 2, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Let  $W = X/Y$ . Find the density function for  $W$ .

**Problem 5.** Let  $X$  be a normally distributed random variable with mean 1 and variance 1. Suppose  $Y = f(X)$ , i.e.,  $Y$  is a function of  $X$ . It is known that  $E(Y) = 5$  and  $Var(Y) = 29$ . Furthermore,  $r_{XY} = 1$ , i.e., the correlation coefficient between  $X$  and  $Y$  is 1. Find the function  $f$ .

**Problem 6.** Suppose the two-dimensional random variable  $(X, Y)$  has density

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x^3 + \frac{xy^2}{\alpha}, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 2 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

- a. Show that the value of  $\alpha$  that makes this a valid density function is  $\alpha = 8/3$ .
- b. Compute  $P(X + Y \geq 2)$ .

**Problem 7.** Let  $\Omega$  be an uncountable set and let

$$F = \left\{ E \subseteq \Omega : E \text{ or } \overline{E} \text{ is at most countable} \right\}.$$

Show  $F$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra (or  $\sigma$ -field).