

LECTURE 30 : JOINTLY DISTRIBUTED RANDOM VARIABLES : JOINT CDFS

• TOPICS TO COVER (BASED ON CH 4.1)

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X AND Y ARE TWO RVS DEFINED OVER THE SAME PROB. SPACE (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

$$X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{AND} \quad Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

THE JOINT CDF $F_{X,Y}$ OF X AND Y IS DEFINED AS

$$F_{X,Y}(u_0, v_0) := P\{X \leq u_0, Y \leq v_0\} \quad \text{FOR ANY } (u_0, v_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

= PROBABILITY OF (X, Y) FALLING INTO THE SHADED REGION

IN FIG. 4.1

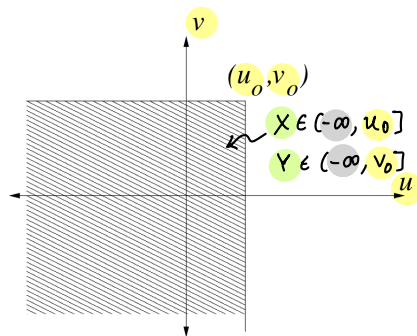


Figure 4.1: Region defining $F_{X,Y}(u_0, v_0)$.

NOTE THAT THE JOINT CDF DETERMINES THE PROBS OF ALL EVENTS CONCERNING

X AND Y . FOR EXAMPLE IF R IS THE RECTANGULAR REGION $(a, b] \times (c, d]$,

THEN

$$P\{(X,Y) \in R\} = F_{X,Y}(b,d) - F_{X,Y}(b,c) - F_{X,Y}(a,d) + F_{X,Y}(a,c)$$

AS ILLUSTRATED IN FIG. 4.2.

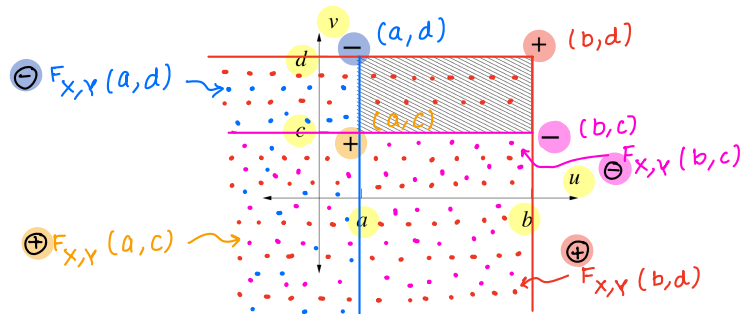


Figure 4.2: $P\{(X,Y) \in \text{shaded region}\}$ is equal to $F_{X,Y}$ evaluated at the corners with signs shown.

THE JOINT CDF OF X AND Y ALSO DETERMINES THE PROBS OF EVENTS CONCERNING X ALONE, OR Y ALONE. HOW?

PROPOSITION. DEFINE $F_{X,Y}(u, \infty) := \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_{X,Y}(u, v)$ FOR ANY FIXED u

$$F_{X,Y}(\infty, v) := \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} F_{X,Y}(u, v) \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad "$$

THEN $F_X(u) = F_{X,Y}(u, \infty)$ AND $F_Y(v) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, v)$

PROOF SKETCH : INTUITIVELY : $F_{X,Y}(u, \infty) := \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_{X,Y}(u, v)$

$$= \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} P\{X \leq u, Y \leq v\}$$

$$= P\{X \leq u, Y \leq \infty\} \quad \text{ALWAYS TRUE : } \Omega$$

$$= P\{X \leq u \cap \Omega\} \quad \because A \cap \Omega = A \quad \forall A \subseteq \Omega$$

$$= P\{X \leq u\} = F_X(u)$$

BY SYMMETRY, $F_Y(v) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, v)$.

PROPERTIES OF JOINT CDFS:

F.1 $0 \leq F_{X,Y}(u,v) \leq 1 \quad \forall (u,v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

WHY? $F_{X,Y}$ IS A PROBABILITY $\in [0,1]$.

FIX $v : u_1 \geq u_2 : F_{X,Y}(u_1, v) \geq F_{X,Y}(u_2, v)$

F.2 $F_{X,Y}(u,v)$ IS NONDECREASING IN u AND IS NONDECREASING IN v

WHY? $F_{X,Y}$ IS A CUMULATIVE FUNCTION.

FIX $u : v_1 \geq v_2 : F_{X,Y}(u, v_1) \geq F_{X,Y}(u, v_2)$

F.3 $F_{X,Y}(u,v)$ IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN u AND IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN v

WHY? SIMILAR REASON AS SINGLE VAR DF.

F.4 IF $a < b$ AND $c < d$, $F_{X,Y}(b,d) - F_{X,Y}(b,c) - F_{X,Y}(a,d) + F_{X,Y}(a,c) \geq 0$

WHY? REFER TO FIG. 4.2.

RECTANGLE INCLUSION-EXCLUSION INEQUALITY

F.5 $\lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} F_{X,Y}(u,v) = 0 \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\lim_{v \rightarrow -\infty} F_{X,Y}(u,v) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

WHY? EVENT ASSOCIATED WITH ONE VAR BECOMES \emptyset AND $A \cap \emptyset = \emptyset \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}$.

F.6 $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_{X,Y}(u,v) = 1$

WHY? EVENTS ASSOCIATED WITH BOTH RVs BECOME Ω AND $\Omega \cap \Omega = \Omega$.

IT CAN BE SHOWN THAT ANY FUNCTION F SATISFYING THE ABOVE PROPERTIES IS

THE JOINT CDF OF SOME PAIR OF RVs (X,Y) . F.1-F.6 CHARACTERIZE A JOINT CDF

EXAMPLE: CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FUNCTION:

JOINT CDF OF TWO INDEP.
EXP(1) RVS

$$F(u, v) = \begin{cases} (1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v}) & , \quad u \geq 0, v \geq 0, \\ 0 & , \quad \text{OTHERWISE.} \end{cases}$$

LET'S VERIFY THE ABOVE SIX PROPERTIES FOR F.

F.1 $0 \leq F(u, v) \leq 1 \quad \forall \quad (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

• $0 \leq F(u, v) \quad \forall \quad (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$u, v \geq 0 \quad F(u, v) = \underbrace{(1 - e^{-u})}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{(1 - e^{-v})}_{\geq 0} \geq 0$$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \geq 0$

• $F(u, v) \leq 1 \quad \forall \quad (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$u, v \geq 0 \quad F(u, v) = (1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v})$$

$$\text{AS } u, v \rightarrow \infty : F(u, v) = \underbrace{(1 - e^{-u})}_{\rightarrow 1} \underbrace{(1 - e^{-v})}_{\rightarrow 1} \rightarrow 1$$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \leq 1$

F.2 $F(u, v)$ IS NONDECREASING IN u AND IS NONDECREASING IN v

DRAW THE FUNCTION : REFER TO THE DESMOS ILLUSTRATION.

ELSE TAKE PARTIAL DERIVATIVES WRT u AND v RESPECTIVELY AS FOLLOWS:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial u} ((1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v})) = \underbrace{e^{-u}}_{>0} \underbrace{(1 - e^{-v})}_{<1} > 0 & u > 0, v > 0 \\ \bullet \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial v} ((1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v})) = \underbrace{e^{-v}}_{>0} \underbrace{(1 - e^{-u})}_{<1} > 0 & u > 0, v > 0 \end{aligned}$$

WHEN $F = 0 \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = 0 \quad \text{AND} \quad \frac{\partial F}{\partial v} = 0$

F.3 $F(u, v)$ IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN u AND IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN v

F IS CONTINUOUS IN u AND IN v . HENCE, IT IS ALSO RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN u AND IN v .

F.4 IF $a < b$ AND $c < d$, $F(b, d) - F(b, c) - F(a, d) + F(a, c) \geq 0$

CONSIDER $F(b, d) - F(b, c) - F(a, d) + F(a, c)$

$$= (1 - e^{-b})(1 - e^{-d}) - (1 - e^{-b})(1 - e^{-c})$$

$$- (1 - e^{-a})(1 - e^{-d}) + (1 - e^{-a})(1 - e^{-c})$$

$$= (1 - e^{-b})[(1 - e^{-d}) - (1 - e^{-c})] + (1 - e^{-a})[(1 - e^{-c}) - (1 - e^{-d})]$$

$$= (1 - e^{-b})[e^{-c} - e^{-d}] - (1 - e^{-a})[e^{-c} - e^{-d}]$$

$$= [e^{-c} - e^{-d}][e^{-a} - e^{-b}]$$

$$\text{SINCE } a < b : e^{-a} > e^{-b} \Rightarrow e^{-a} - e^{-b} > 0$$

$$c < d : e^{-c} > e^{-d} \Rightarrow e^{-c} - e^{-d} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [e^{-c} - e^{-d}][e^{-a} - e^{-b}] > 0$$

OTHERWISE WHEN $F = 0$: THE INEQUALITY IS TRIVIAALLY TRUE!

F.5 $\lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{R} \quad \text{AND} \quad \lim_{v \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

CONSIDER $\lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v}) \quad \text{WHEN} \quad u \geq 0 \quad v \geq 0$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - e^{-u}) \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} (1 - e^{-v})$$

$$= (1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-u}) (1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-v}) = (1 - 1)(1 - 1) = 0$$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{AS} \quad u \rightarrow -\infty \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

BY SYMMETRY, $\lim_{v \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

F.6 $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F(u, v) = 1$

CONSIDER $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F(u, v) = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v})$

$$= \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-u}) \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-v})$$

$$= (1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} e^{-u}) (1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} e^{-v})$$

$$= (1 - 0)(1 - 0) = 1$$

OBTAINING F_X AND F_Y :

$$F_X(u) = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F_{X,Y}(u, v) = \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-u})(1 - e^{-v}) = (1 - e^{-u}) \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-v})$$

$$= (1 - e^{-u}) (1 - \underbrace{\lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} e^{-v}}_{=0}) = (1 - e^{-u}) \quad u \geq 0$$

OTHERWISE $F_{X,Y}(u, v) = 0 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{AS} \quad v \rightarrow \infty \quad \therefore F_X(u) = 0$

BY SYMMETRY, $F_Y(v) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-v}, & v \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{OTHERWISE.} \end{cases}$

EXAMPLE: CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FUNCTION:

CDF OF THE SUM OF TWO INDEP. EXP(1) RVs

$$F(u, v) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-(u+v)}, & u \geq 0, v \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{OTHERWISE.} \end{cases}$$

LET'S VERIFY THE ABOVE SIX PROPERTIES FOR F.

NOT A VALID 'JOINT' CDF THOUGH AS F.4 DOESN'T HOLD!

F.1 $0 \leq F(u, v) \leq 1 \quad \forall (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

• $0 \leq F(u, v) \quad \forall (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$u, v \geq 0 \quad F(u, v) = 1 - e^{-(u+v)}$

$\geq 0 \quad \text{AS } e^{-(u+v)} \leq 1 \quad \text{FOR } u \geq 0 \text{ AND } v \geq 0$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \geq 0$

• $F(u, v) \leq 1 \quad \forall (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$u, v \geq 0 \quad F(u, v) = 1 - e^{-(u+v)}$

AS $u, v \rightarrow \infty : e^{-(u+v)} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow F(u, v) = 1 - e^{-(u+v)} \rightarrow 1$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \leq 1$

F.2 $F(u, v)$ IS NONDECREASING IN u AND IS NONDECREASING IN v

DRAW THE FUNCTION: REFER TO THE DESMOS ILLUSTRATION.

ELSE TAKE PARTIAL DERIVATIVES WRT u AND v RESPECTIVELY AS FOLLOWS:

• $\frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} (1 - e^{-(u+v)}) = e^{-(u+v)} > 0 \quad u > 0, v > 0$

• $\frac{\partial F}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} (1 - e^{-(u+v)}) = e^{-(u+v)} > 0 \quad u > 0, v > 0$

WHEN $F = 0 \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial u} F = 0 \quad \text{AND} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial v} F = 0$

F.3 $F(u, v)$ IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN u AND IS RIGHT-CONTINUOUS IN v

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SHOW THAT THIS DOES NOT HOLD!

$\Rightarrow F$ IS NOT A VALID JOINT CDF.

F.5 $\lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall v \in \mathbb{R}$ AND $\lim_{v \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CONSIDER } \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) &= \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} 1 - e^{-(u+v)} \quad \text{WHEN } u > 0, v > 0 \\ &= 1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-(u+v)} \\ &= 1 - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

OTHERWISE $F(u, v) = 0 \rightarrow 0$ AS $u \rightarrow -\infty \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

BY SYMMETRY, $\lim_{v \rightarrow -\infty} F(u, v) = 0 \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}$

F.6 $\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F(u, v) = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CONSIDER } \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} F(u, v) &= \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (1 - e^{-(u+v)}) \\ &= 1 - \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{v \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-(u+v)}) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$