

Last lecture

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Agenda

Sum of joint RVs (Ch 4.5)

- Continuous RVs & Examples
- Sum of Gaussians

More examples on joint RVs (Ch 4.6)

- Max of two RVs
- Buffon's needle problems
- Maximum likelihood estimator

Sums of Continuous RVs

Let $S = X + Y$

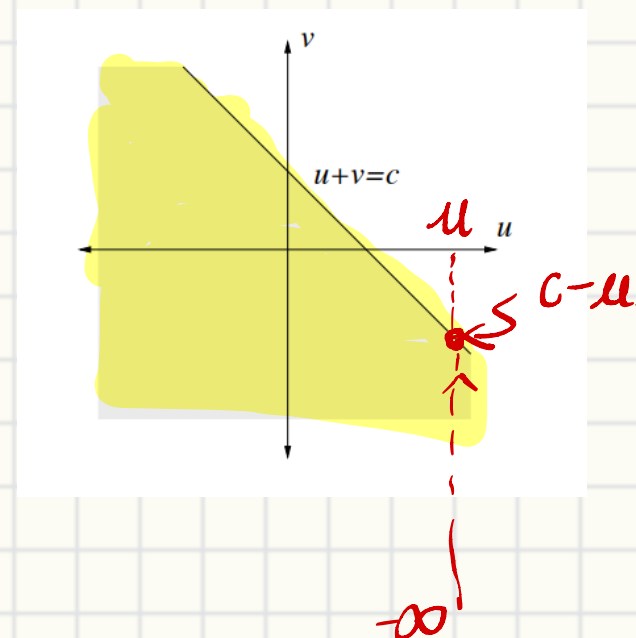
- $F_S(c) = P\{S \leq c\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{c-u} f_{XY}(u,v) dv du$

- $f_S(c) = \frac{dF_S(c)}{dc} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dc} \int_{-\infty}^{c-u} f_{XY}(u,v) dv du$

If X and Y are independent

- $f_S(c) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(u) f_Y(c-u) du$
 $= \underline{f_X * f_Y}$

$\Rightarrow$ "Integrate along the line"

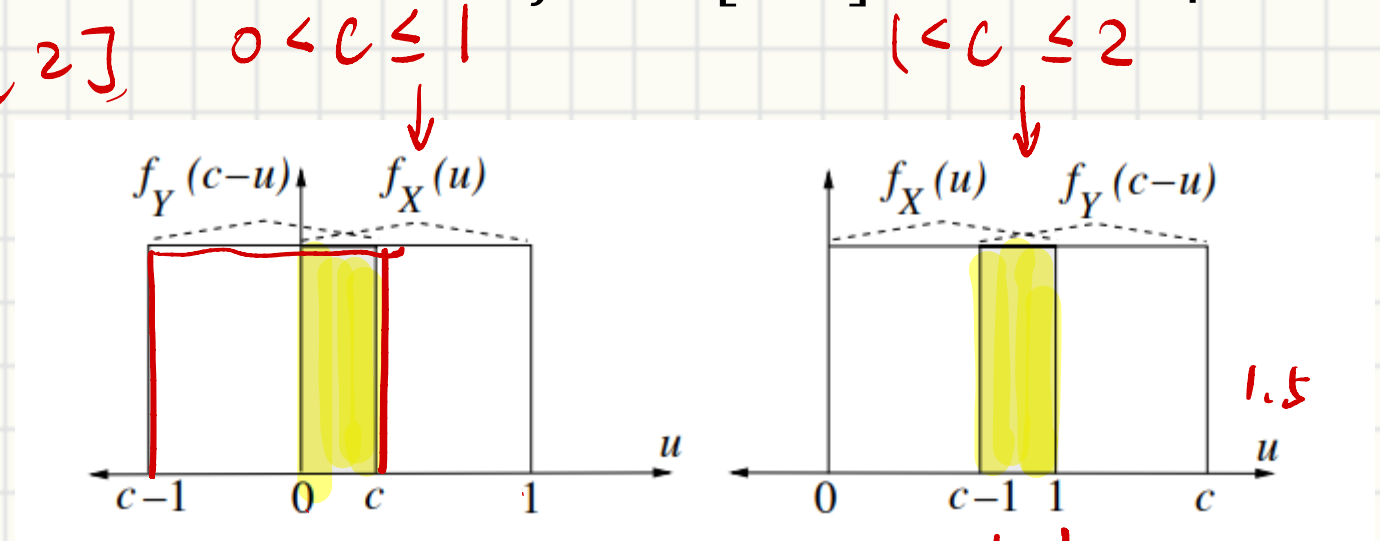


Examples

Suppose X and Y are independent, $X, Y \sim \text{Uniform}[0, 1]$. Find the pdf of $S = X + Y$

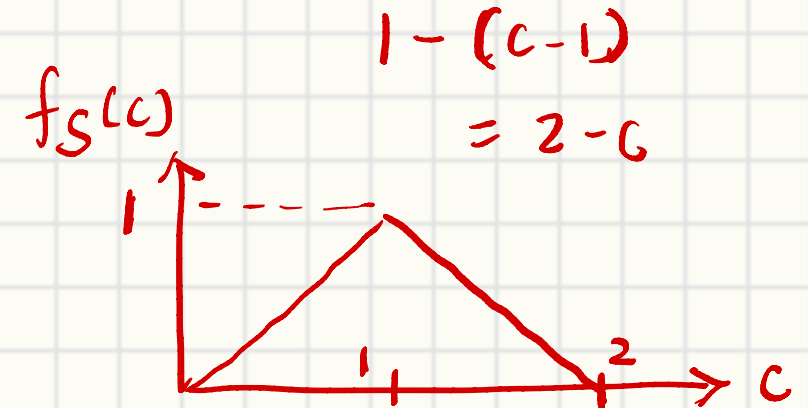
- $f_S = f_X * f_Y$
- What is $f_Y(c - u)$?

$\parallel$
 $0 \rightarrow 1$
 $\text{Uniform}[c-1, c]$



- If $0 < c \leq 1$, $f_X * f_Y = c$.
- If $1 < c \leq 2$, $f_X * f_Y = 2 - c$

$$f_S(c) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } c \in [0, 1] \\ 2 - c & \text{if } c \in [1, 2] \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



Notes on Gaussian

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Diff. Mean

⇒ Gaussian Mixture

Assume $X \sim N(0, \sigma_1^2)$, $Y \sim N(0, \sigma_1^2)$

- Sum of two Gaussian of same mean
 - Mean keeps the same
 - $\sigma_S^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$
- Tedious proof in textbook formula (4.20)
- But high-level idea - approximate by Binomials...

$$\text{Var}(B_x) = np(1-p)$$

$$\text{Var}(B_S) = (\underline{n_x} + \underline{n_y}) p(1-p) = \text{Var}(B_x) + \text{Var}(B_y)$$

More examples on joint RVs

Max of two RVs

Let $W = \max(X, Y)$, X, Y are independent

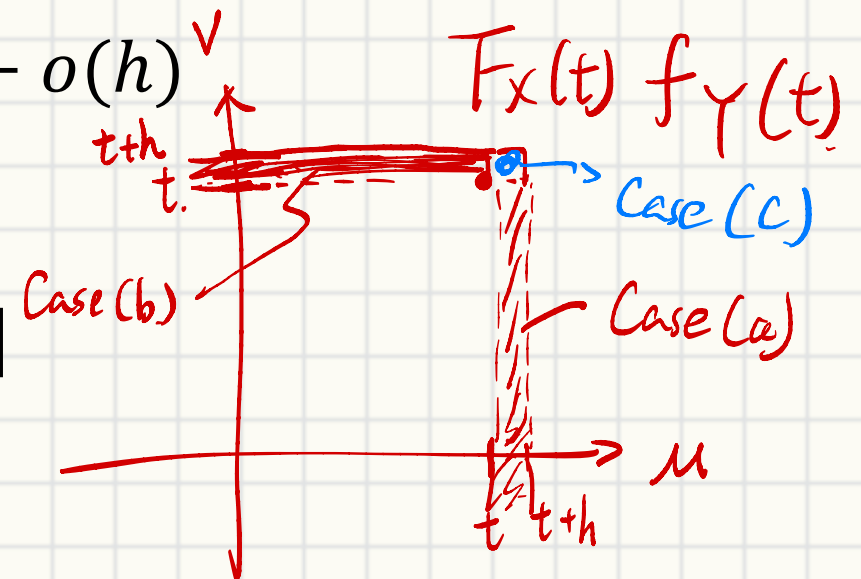
• $\underline{F_W(t)} = P\{\underline{W \leq t}\} = \underset{\text{Both } X, Y \leq t}{F_{X,Y}(t, t)} = \underline{F_X(t)} \underline{F_Y(t)}$

• $\underline{f_W(t)} = \frac{dF_W(t)}{dt} = \frac{dF_X(t)}{dt} F_Y(t) + F_X(t) \frac{dF_Y(t)}{dt} = f_X(t) F_Y(t) + F_X(t) f_Y(t)$

Abstract – on $P\{W \in (t, t+h]\} = f_W(t)h + o(h)$

- Case (a): $Y \leq t, X \in (t, t+h]$
- Case (b): $X \leq t, Y \in (t, t+h]$
- Case (c): $X \in (t, t+h], Y \in (t, t+h]$

$\rightarrow F_Y(t) f_X(t) \leftarrow \rightarrow \underline{f_X(t) f_Y(t)}$
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$$F_W^c(c) = P\{X > c, Y > c\} \\ = [1 - F_X(c)][1 - F_Y(c)]$$

Let $W = \min(X, Y)$, X and Y are continuous independent RVs. What is $f_W(c)$?

(a) $f_X(c) + f_Y(c)$

(b) $f_X(c)F_Y(c) + f_Y(c)F_X(c)$

(c) $(1 - f_X(c))F_Y(c) + (1 - f_Y(c))F_X(c)$

☒ (d) $f_X(c)(1 - F_Y(c)) + f_Y(c)(1 - F_X(c))$

(e) $(1 - F_Y(c))(1 - F_X(c))$

(f) $(1 - f_X(c))(1 - F_Y(c)) + (1 - f_Y(c))(1 - F_X(c))$

$$F_W(c) = 1 - [1 - F_X(c)][1 - F_Y(c)]$$

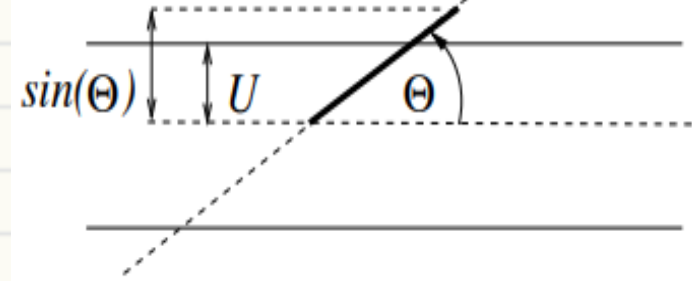
$$f_W = f_X(c)[1 - F_Y(c)] + f_Y(c)[1 - F_X(c)]$$



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Buffon's needle problem

- Draw many parallel horizontal lines
 - Space 1 inch between two lines
 - Throw a needle of 1 inch length on the plane
 - Find $P\{\text{"The needle intersect with a line"}\}$



$$= \frac{2}{\pi}$$

Define U = “distance from the needle lower end to the first line above