

Last lecture

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

Agenda

More examples on joint RVs (Ch 4.6)

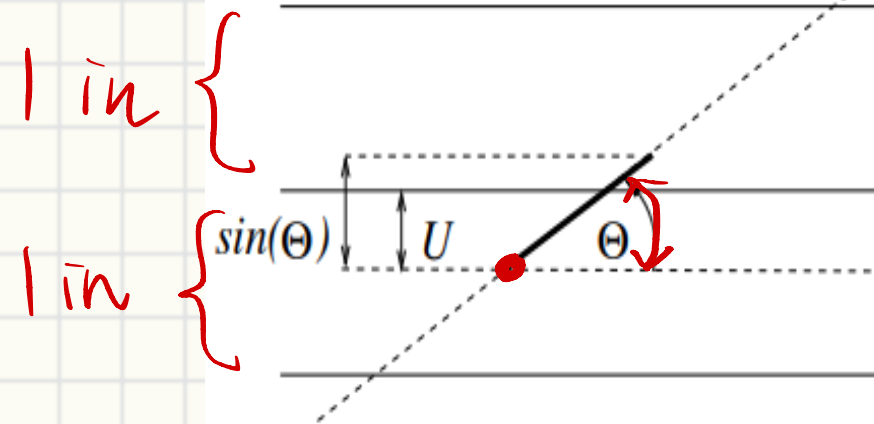
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Joint pdfs of functions of RV (Ch 4.7)

- Linear mapping function (Ch 4.7.1)
- One to one/ Multiple to one functions (Ch 4.7.2-3)
 - Will not be tested

Buffon's needle problem

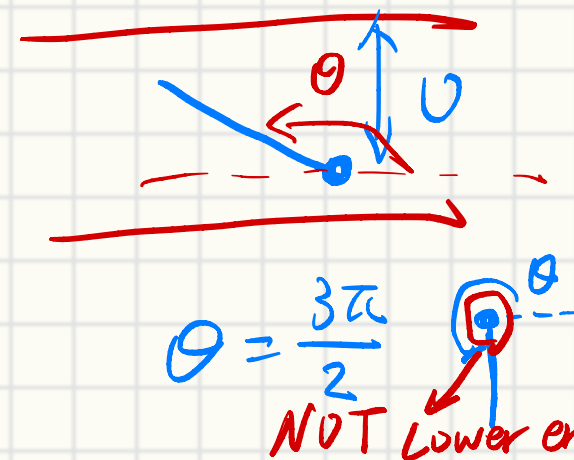
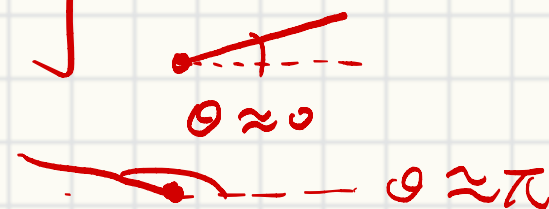
- Draw many parallel horizontal lines
 - Space 1 inch between two lines
 - Throw a needle of 1 inch length on the plane
 - Find $P\{\text{"The needle intersect with a line"}\}$



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

$$U \sim \text{Uniform } [0, 1 \text{ (inch)}]$$

$$\Theta \sim \text{Uniform } [0, \pi]$$



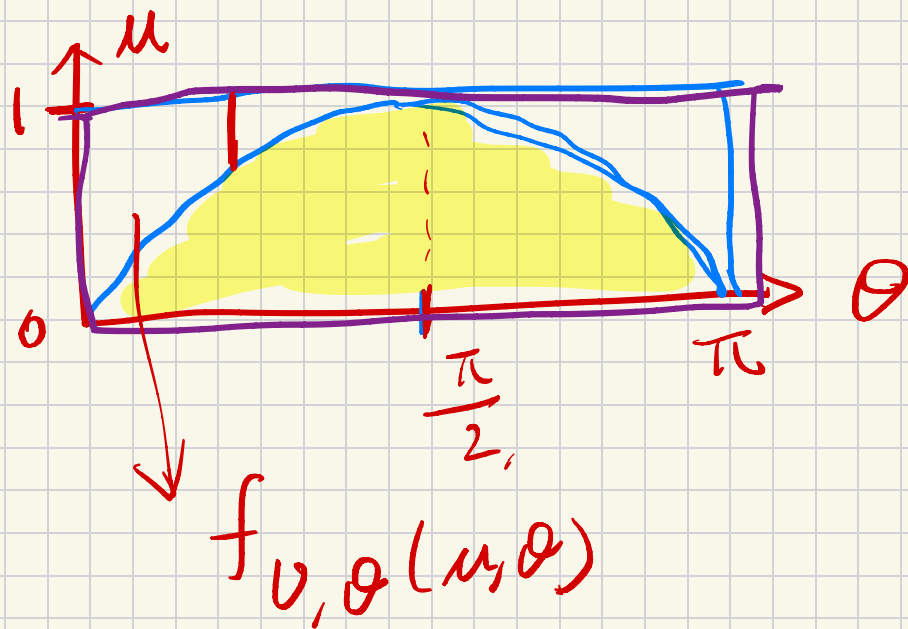
$$\Theta = \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

NOT Lower end

$$P\{\Xi\} = P\{U \leq \sin\theta\}$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \int_0^{\sin\theta} \underbrace{f_{U,\theta}(u,\theta)}_{\frac{1}{\pi}} du d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi} \approx 0.63$$

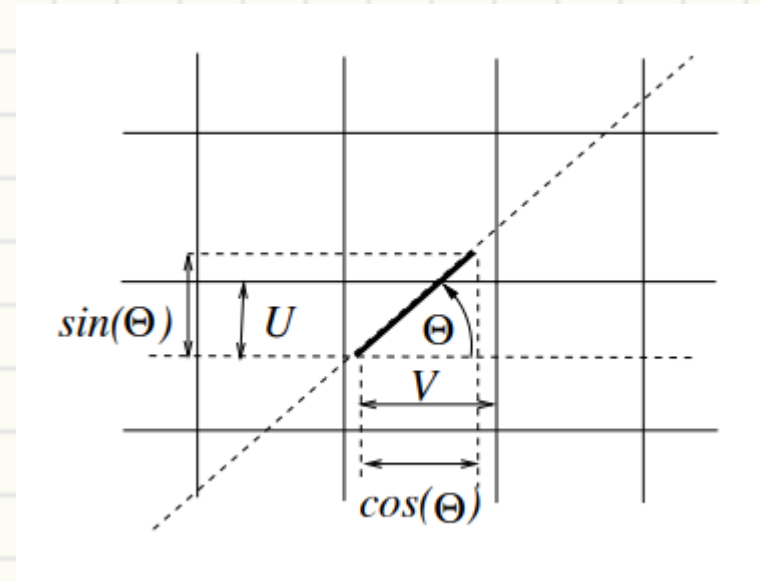


$$= \frac{1}{|S|} = \frac{1}{\pi}$$

Buffon's needle problem (2)

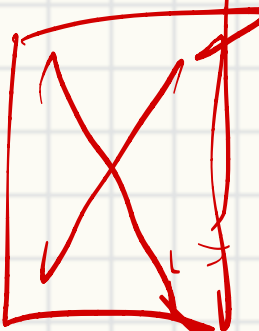
- What if there are “horizontal” and “vertical” lines?

Let M_h denotes “missing horizontal lines”
 M_v denotes “missing vertical lines”



Wrong guess — $P\{\text{“Intersect vertical”}\}$ and $P\{\text{“Intersect horizontal”}\}$
 is independent

$$P\{\text{“No Intersect”}\} = \left(1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\right) \approx 0.132$$



$$P(M_v \cap M_h) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi (1 - \sin \theta) (1 - \underline{\cos \theta}) d\theta$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{\pi} \approx 0.045.$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimator

accelerating

A drone is ~~accelerating~~ constantly with unknown rate

- At time t , the location is bt
- Measurement $X_t = bt + W_t$
 - $W_t \sim N(0,1)$ is the independent random noise
- Given $X_{1:T} = u_{1:T}$ as the observation, find $\hat{b}_{ML}$
- Is $\hat{b}_{ML}$ **unbiased**, i.e., $\hat{b}_{ML}(\mu_{1:T}) = b$

$$f_{x_t} \sim N(0,1) + \underline{bt}$$

$$\hat{b}_{ML} = \frac{\sum u_i t_i}{\sum t_i^2}$$

$$X_{1:t} \triangleq$$

$$[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_t]$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimator

A drone is accelerating constantly with unknown rate

- $X_t \sim N(0,1) + bt = N(bt, 1)$
- $P(X_t = u_t | b) = f_{X_t}(u_t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(u_t - bt)^2}{2}}$
- $f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_T}(u_1, \dots, u_T) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{T/2}} e^{-\sum_{t=1}^T \frac{(u_t - bt)^2}{2}}$
- $\frac{d \log f_{X_1, \dots, X_T}}{db} = \sum_{t=1}^T (u_t - bt) t = 0$
- $\hat{b}_{ML} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T u_t t}{\sum_{t=1}^T t^2}$

$\mu_{\bar{i}} = \underline{\mu_{\bar{i}}} = \underline{bt}$ (because $E[W_t] = 0$)

$$\frac{\sum b t_{\bar{i}}^2}{\sum t_{\bar{i}}^2} = b$$

Joint pdfs of functions of RV

Notation and Definition

Denote the point on the plane (X, Y) as a column vector $\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$

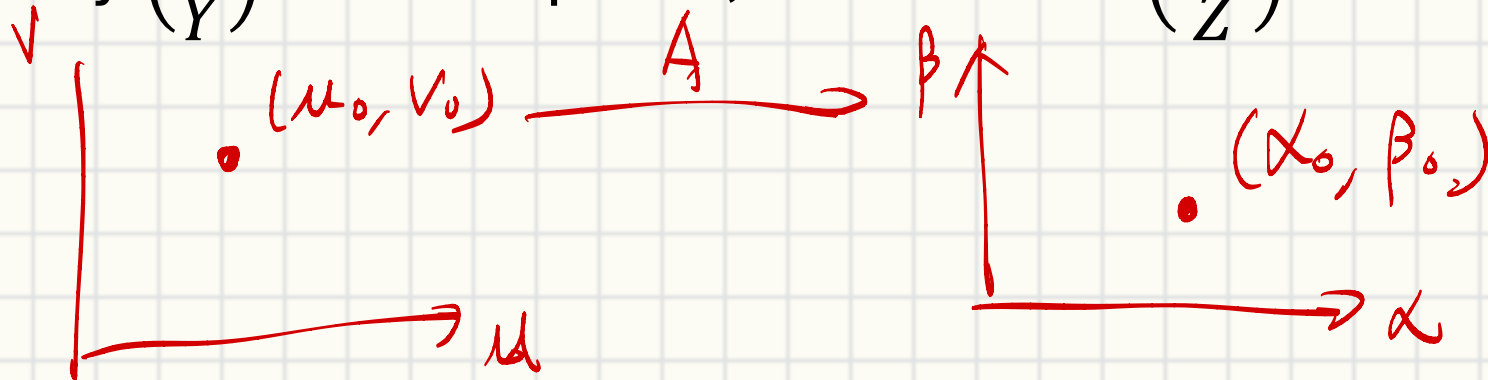
- $f_{X,Y}(u, v)$ is denoted as $f_{X,Y} \left(\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \right)$

Suppose $W = aX + bY$ and $Z = cX + dY$

- $\begin{pmatrix} W \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

- For any $\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$ in $u - v$ plane, we can find $\begin{pmatrix} W \\ Z \end{pmatrix}$ in $\alpha - \beta$ plane

$$\begin{pmatrix} W \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$$



Determinant and Inverse

$$\begin{pmatrix} W \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}$

- $\det(A) = ad - cb$. If $\det(A) \neq 0$

- $\alpha - \beta$ span a plane

- $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$, where $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

- $|\det(A)|$ is like “scaling factor” (in single RV case)

Joint PDF properties

Suppose $\begin{pmatrix} W \\ Z \end{pmatrix} = A \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$ where $\det(A) \neq 0$

- $f_{W,Z}(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{|\det(A)|} f_{X,Y}(u, v)$

$$A^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

- Intuition - $W = 2X + Y, Z = X - Y$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

