

**Math 351, Probability**  
**Problem Set # 8**  
**Due Thursday, November 29**

1. A pair of fair dice, one red and one blue, are rolled until at least one of them shows a 1. Let  $X$  be the number of times the red die is rolled and let  $Y$  be the number of times the blue die is rolled.
  - (a) Find the joint pmf of  $X$  and  $Y$ . (Hint: The two dice are rolled the same number of times.)
  - (b) Find the marginal pmf of  $Y$ .
  - (c) Find  $E(X + 2Y)$ .
2. The joint probability density function of  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by  $f(x, y) = 2$ , for  $0 < x < y < 1$ .
  - (a) Sketch the region on which  $f(x, y) > 0$ .
  - (b) Verify that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy dx = 1$ .
  - (c) Find the marginal density functions  $f_X(x)$  and  $f_Y(y)$ .
  - (d) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Why or why not?
3. The joint probability density function of  $X$  and  $Y$  is given by  $f(x, y) = xy$ , for  $0 < x < 1$ ,  $0 < y < 2$ .
  - (a) Find the marginal densities of  $X$  and  $Y$ .
  - (b) Find  $P\{X < Y\}$ .
  - (c) Find the density function of  $Z = X + 2Y$ .
4.  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent uniform  $(0, 1)$  random variables. Find the density of  $\min(X, Y)$ .
5. Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent normal random variables, with  $\mu_X = 5$ ,  $\sigma_X^2 = 9$  and  $\mu_Y = -1$ ,  $\sigma_Y^2 = 4$ .
  - (a) Find  $P\{X > Y\}$ .
  - (b) Find  $P\{X + Y > 3\}$ .
6. Suppose that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent exponential random variables, with  $\lambda_X = 2$  and  $\lambda_Y = 2$ . Find the density of  $Z = X + Y$ .
7. If  $X, Y, Z$  are independent exponential random variables, each with parameter  $\lambda = 1$ , find the probability that the largest of the three is greater than the sum of the other two.