

## Solution for exercise 6.1.1 in Pitman

**Question a)**  $X$  is binomially distributed  $b(3, \frac{1}{2})$ .

$$P(X = 0) = \frac{1}{8}, P(X = 1) = \frac{3}{8}, P(X = 2) = \frac{3}{8}, P(X = 3) = \frac{1}{8}$$

**Question b)** We introduce the random variables  $Z_x$  with binomial distribution  $b(3 - x, \frac{1}{2})$ . We can write  $Y = x + Z_x$  for the conditional distribution of  $Y$ . For  $x = 0$  we get

$$P(Y = 0|X = 0) = \frac{1}{8}, P(Y = 1|X = 0) = \frac{3}{8}, P(Y = 2|X = 0) = \frac{3}{8}, P(Y = 3|X = 0) = \frac{1}{8}$$

For  $x = 1$  we get

$$P(Y = 1|X = 1) = \frac{1}{4}, P(Y = 2|X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}, P(Y = 3|X = 1) = \frac{1}{4}$$

For  $x = 2$  we get

$$P(Y = 2|X = 2) = \frac{1}{2}, P(Y = 3|X = 2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

For  $x = 3$  we get

$$P(Y = 3|X = 3) = 1$$

**Question c)** We find  $P(X = x, Y = y) = P(X = x)P(Y = y|X = x)$ . The distribution table is

$X/Y$	0	1	2	3
0	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{3}{64}$	$\frac{3}{64}$	$\frac{1}{64}$
1	0	$\frac{3}{32}$	$\frac{3}{32}$	$\frac{3}{32}$
2	0	0	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$
3	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{8}$

**Question d)** We find the distribution of  $Y$  from the distribution table in the previous question

$$P(Y = 0) = \frac{1}{64}, P(Y = 1) = \frac{9}{64}, P(Y = 2) = \frac{27}{64}, P(Y = 3) = \frac{27}{64}$$

**Question e)** Using  $P(X = x|Y = y) = \frac{P(X=x, Y=y)}{P(Y=y)}$  we get for  $y = 0$

$$P(X = 0|Y = 0) = 1$$

for  $y = 1$

$$P(X = 0|Y = 1) = \frac{1}{3}, P(X = 1|Y = 1) = \frac{2}{3}$$

for  $y = 2$

$$P(X = 0|Y = 2) = \frac{1}{9}, P(X = 1|Y = 2) = \frac{4}{9}, P(X = 2|Y = 2) = \frac{4}{9}$$

for  $y = 3$

$$P(X = 0|Y = 3) = \frac{1}{27}, P(X = 1|Y = 3) = \frac{2}{9}, P(X = 2|Y = 3) = \frac{4}{9}, P(X = 3|Y = 3) = \frac{8}{27}$$

**Question f)** Best guess  $\hat{X}_y$  of  $X|Y = y$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} Y = y & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hat{X}_y & 0 & 1 & 1 \text{ or } 2 & 2 \end{array}$$

**Question g)**

$$\sum_{y=0}^3 P(Y = y)P(X = \hat{X}_y) = \frac{1}{64} \cdot 1 + \frac{9}{64} \cdot \frac{2}{3} + \frac{27}{64} \cdot \frac{4}{9} + \frac{27}{64} \cdot \frac{4}{9} = \frac{31}{64}$$