

sample q#1

Time spent by two clerks is defined by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x+y & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1; 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

a) find marginal probability distribution $f_1(x)$ and $f_2(y)$

b) are two random variable x, y independent? why?

c) are x, y correlated? why?

d) suppose proportion "d" of dead time (time when no assigned duties are being performed) for two clerks is given by the relation $d = 1 - \frac{(x+y)}{2}$
find $E(d)$, the expected value of d.