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## Recitation 08

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1. Random variables $X$ and $Y$ have the joint PDF shown below:

(a) Prepare neat, fully labeled sketches of $f_{X}(x), f_{Y}(y), f_{Y \mid X}(y \mid x)$ and $f_{X \mid Y}(x \mid y)$.
(b) Are X and Y independent?
(c) Find $f_{X, Y \mid A}(x, y)$, where the event A corresponds to points $(x, y)$ within the unit circle centered at the origin.
(d) Find $\mathbf{E}[X \mid Y=y]$ and $\operatorname{var}(X \mid Y=y)$.
2. Alexei is vacationing in Monte Carlo. The amount X (in dollars) he takes to the casino each evening is a random variable with a PDF of the form

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f_{X}(x)= \begin{cases}a x & \text { if } 0 \leq x \leq 40 \\ 0 & \text { otherwise }\end{cases}
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At the end of each night, the amount $Y$ that he has when leaving the casino is uniformly distributed between zero and twice the amount that the came with.
(a) Determine the joint PDF $f_{X, Y}(x, y)$
(b) What is the probability that on a given night Alexei makes a positive profit at the casino?
(c) Find the PDF of Alexei's profit $Y-X$ on a particular night, and also determine its expected value.

