

Example: Consider (X, Y) with this joint pmf.

		X			
		0	1	2	
Y	0	1/16	2/16	1/16	(Call this 3×3 matrix A)
	1	2/16	4/16	2/16	
	2	1/16	2/16	1/16	

What is the distribution of X ? Y ? $X + Y$?

Consider this table of values.

		0	1	2	
		0	1	2	
	0	0	+1	-1	(Call this 3×3 matrix B)
	1	-1	0	+1	
	2	+1	-1	0	

Note that $A + \varepsilon B$ is a joint pmf for small ε . Why?

Take $\varepsilon = 1/16$.

Then we get the joint pmf for (X', Y') given below.

		X'		
		0	1	2
Y'	0	1/16	3/16	0
	1	1/16	4/16	3/16
	2	2/16	1/16	1/16

What is the distribution of X' ? Y' ? $X' + Y'$?

Note that X and Y are independent, but X' and Y' are not.