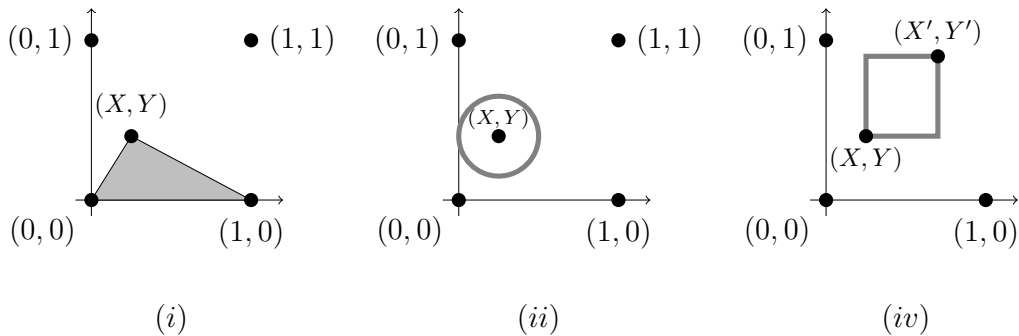


6 Introduction to Probability (mj201+tms41)

- (a) Let  $X \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1/2)$  be a uniform continuous random variable. What are  $\mathbf{E}[X]$  and  $\mathbf{V}[X]$ ? [3 marks]
- (b) Let  $X \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1/2)$  and  $Y \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1/2)$  be two independent uniform continuous random variables, and define  $Z = \min(X, Y)$ .
- (i) What is the cumulative distribution function of  $Z$ ? [2 marks]
- (ii) What is  $\mathbf{E}[Z]$ ? [3 marks]
- (c) Let  $X \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$  and  $Y \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$  be two independent uniform continuous random variables.



- (i) Consider a random triangle between the three points  $(0,0)$ ,  $(1,0)$  and  $(X,Y)$ , as illustrated in the figure above. What is the expectation of the area? [2 marks]
- (ii) Now consider a random circle with center  $(X,Y)$  such that the circumference is as large as possible but remains within the unit-square  $[0, 1]^2$  (see figure). What is the expectation of the circumference? [4 marks]
- (iii) Based on your answer from (c)(ii), what can you conclude about the expectation of the area of this circle? [2 marks]
- (iv) Additionally, let  $X' \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$  and  $Y' \sim \text{Uni}(0, 1)$  be two uniform continuous random variables and assume  $X, Y, X', Y'$  are mutually independent. Consider a random rectangle with corner points  $(X, Y)$  and  $(X', Y')$ , which are diagonally opposite. What is the expectation of the circumference? [4 marks]