

EECS 501 F09

Midterm #2 Solutions

$$1. \quad f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \exp[-(x+y)] \quad x,y \geq 0 \quad (0, \text{otherwise})$$

$$S \equiv X+Y, \quad T \equiv \frac{X}{X+Y}$$

$$(a) \quad \therefore X = ST \text{ and } Y = S(1-T)$$

$$f_{S,T}(s,t) = f_{X,Y}(ST, s(1-T)) (|\det \underline{J}|)^{-1}$$

$$\underline{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial s / \partial x & \partial s / \partial y \\ \partial t / \partial x & \partial t / \partial y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{y}{(x+y)^2} & \frac{-x}{(x+y)^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1-T}{S} & -\frac{T}{S} \end{bmatrix} \implies \det(\underline{J}) = -\frac{1}{S}$$

$$\therefore f_{S,T}(s,t) = \exp[-(sT + s(1-T))] s \quad \begin{matrix} s \geq 0, 0 \leq T \leq 1 \\ (0, \text{o.w.}) \end{matrix}$$

$$= \begin{cases} se^{-s}, & s \geq 0, 0 \leq t \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$f_S(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{S,T}(s,t) dt = se^{-s}, \quad s \geq 0 \quad (0, \text{o.w.})$$

$$f_T(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{S,T}(s,t) ds = 1, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1 \quad (0, \text{o.w.})$$

$$\therefore f_{S,T}(s,t) = f_S(s) f_T(t) \implies S \text{ and } T \text{ are statistically independent}$$

(1 continued)

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad P\{T \geq s\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \overbrace{P\{T \geq s \mid S=s\}}^{1-s, \quad 0 \leq s \leq 1 \quad (0, \text{ o.w.})} f_S(s) ds \\
 &= \int_0^1 (1-s) s e^{-s} ds
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a=0, b=1, g(x) = (1-x)x e^{-x}$$

$$\text{or } \int_0^1 \int_0^t f_{S,T}(s,t) ds dt = \int_0^1 \int_0^t s e^{-s} ds dt = \int_0^1 [1 - (t+1)e^{-t}] dt$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\therefore a=0$$

$$b=1$$

$$g(x) = \underline{[1 - (x+1)e^{-x}]}$$

$$2. (a) M_{U,V}(t_1, t_2) = E[e^{t_1 U + t_2 V}]$$

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$$= E[e^{t_1 U}] E[e^{t_2 V}] \quad \text{since } U \& V \text{ are indep.}$$

$$= E[e^{t_1 X} e^{t_1 Y}] E[e^{t_2 X} e^{-t_2 Y}]$$

$$\leftarrow \text{since } U = X + Y \text{ \& } V = X - Y$$

$$= E[e^{t_1 X}] E[e^{t_1 Y}] E[e^{t_2 X}] E[e^{-t_2 Y}]$$

$$\leftarrow \text{since } X \& Y \text{ are indep.}$$

$$= g^2(t_1) g(t_2) g(-t_2)$$

$$\therefore M_{U,V}(t, t) = g^3(t) g(-t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{but also observe } M_{U,V}(t, t) &= E[e^{tU + tV}] \\ &= E[e^{2tX}] \\ &= g(2t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore g^3(t) g(-t) = g(2t)$$

Q.E.D.

2.(b) If X is a zero mean unit variance r.v., then Gaussian 4/9

$$g(t) = M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{tx} e^{-x^2/2} dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x-t)^2/2} dx e^{t^2/2}$$

$$= e^{t^2/2}$$

note now that

$$\frac{(e^{t^2/2})^3}{g^3(t)} \frac{e^{(t)^2/2}}{g(-t)} = \frac{e^{(2t)^2/2}}{g(2t)}$$

3. Let N_K = number of arriving cars when K consecutive cars have exact change for the first time

$$E[N_K] = E(E[N_K | N_{K-1}]) \text{ by Law of iterated expectation}$$

$$E[N_K | N_{K-1} = n] = (n+1)p + (n+1+E[N_K])(1-p), K \geq 1$$

$$\therefore E[N_K | N_{K-1}] = (N_{K-1} + 1)p + (N_{K-1} + 1 + E[N_K])(1-p)$$

$$\therefore E[N_K] = E[N_{K-1}] + (1-p)E[N_K] + 1$$

(note $E[N_0] = 0$)

$$\therefore E[N_K] = p^{-1} (1 + E[N_{K-1}])$$

$$E[N_0] = 0$$

$$E[N_1] = p^{-1}$$

$$E[N_2] = p^{-1} (1 + p^{-1}) = p^{-1} + p^{-2}$$

$$E[N_3] = p^{-1} (1 + p^{-1} + p^{-2}) = p^{-1} + p^{-2} + p^{-3}$$

$$\therefore E[N_K] = \sum_{m=1}^K p^{-m} = \frac{p^{-K-1}}{1-p}$$

Let T_K = time between breaks, i.e., time for K consecutive cars to arrive with exact change. Then $T_K = \sum_{i=1}^{N_K} X_i$

where X_i are i.i.d. exponential random variables with parameter λ .

$$E[T_K] = E[E[T_K | N_K]] = E[N_K / \lambda] = \lambda^{-1} (p^{-K-1}) / (1-p)$$

4. Let

$$\text{event } A \equiv \frac{1}{2} \leq \min(X_1, X_2, X_3) \leq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{event } B \equiv \frac{7}{8} \leq \max(X_1, X_2, X_3) \leq \frac{15}{16}$$

$$\text{event } C \equiv X_2 > X_1$$

Note:

All $3!$ orderings (smallest to largest) of X_1, X_2 & X_3 are equally likely. These orderings are $\rightarrow O_1, O_2, \dots, O_6$
 $X_{(1)} X_{(2)} X_{(3)}$ = order statistics

O_1	X_1	X_2	X_3
O_2	X_1	X_3	X_2
O_3	X_2	X_1	X_3
O_4	X_2	X_3	X_1
O_5	X_3	X_1	X_2
O_6	X_3	X_2	X_1

We need to compute

$$P\{A \cap B \mid C\} = \frac{P\{A \cap B \cap C\}}{P\{C\}}$$

$$= 2P\{A \cap B \cap C\} \quad (\text{clearly } P\{C\} = 1/2)$$

$$= 2P\{A \cap B \mid O_1 \cup O_2 \cup O_5\}$$

$$= 2[P\{A \cap B \mid O_1\} + P\{A \cap B \mid O_2\} + P\{A \cap B \mid O_5\}]$$

$$= 2P\left\{\frac{1}{2} \leq X_1 \leq \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8} \leq X_3 \leq \frac{15}{16}, X_1 < X_2 < X_3\right\} \\ + 2P\left\{\frac{1}{2} \leq X_1 \leq \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8} \leq X_2 \leq \frac{15}{16}, X_1 < X_3 < X_2\right\} \\ + 2P\left\{\frac{1}{2} \leq X_3 \leq \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8} \leq X_2 \leq \frac{15}{16}, X_3 < X_1 < X_2\right\}$$

$$= 6 P\left\{\frac{1}{2} \leq X_1 \leq \frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8} \leq X_3 \leq \frac{15}{16}, X_1 < X_2 < X_3\right\}$$

↑ by symmetry

$$= 6 \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \int_{7/8}^{15/16} P\{X_1 < X_2 < X_3 | X_1 = x_1, X_3 = x_3\} f_{X_1, X_3}(x_1, x_3) dx_3 dx_1$$

$$= 6 \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \int_{7/8}^{15/16} (x_3 - x_1) dx_3 dx_1$$

$$= 6 \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \int_{7/8}^{15/16} x_3 dx_3 dx_1 - 6 \int_{1/2}^{3/4} \int_{7/8}^{15/16} x_1 dx_3 dx_1$$

$$= \underline{\underline{27/1024}}$$

5.

$$\text{Let } X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if a queen is chosen for card } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,5)$$

$$Y_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if a spade is chosen for card } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (i=1,2,\dots,5)$$

$$\therefore X = \sum_{i=1}^5 X_i \quad \& \quad Y = \sum_{k=1}^5 Y_k$$

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^5 E[X_i] = 5 \cdot \frac{4}{52} = 5/13$$

$$E[Y] = \sum_{k=1}^5 E[Y_k] = 5 \cdot \frac{13}{52} = 5/4$$

$$E[XY] = \sum_{i=1}^5 \sum_{k=1}^5 E[X_i Y_k]$$

$$E[X_i Y_i] = 1/52 \quad \begin{array}{l} \swarrow \text{queen which is not also a spade} \\ \searrow \text{a queen which is also spade} \end{array}$$

$$E[X_i Y_k] = \left[\frac{3}{52} \frac{13}{51} + \frac{1}{52} \frac{12}{51} \right] = \frac{1}{52} \quad i \neq k$$

$$\therefore E[XY] = 5 \cdot (1/52) + 20 \cdot (1/52) = \frac{25}{52} \quad \begin{array}{l} \swarrow \text{a spade which} \\ \searrow \text{is not a queen} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$$

$$= \frac{25}{52} - \frac{25}{52}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0}}$$

6. There are $6!$ equally likely orderings of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_6 . $\frac{3}{4}$ of these orderings, i.e. those with $X_3 > X_5$ or $X_1 > X_4$ are discarded leaving $\frac{6!}{4} = 180$ equally like orderings to be sorted.

The entropy of 180 equally likely outcomes is $\log_2 180 \approx 7.5$

Thus a minimum of ~ 7.5 ^{yes/no} questions need to be asked on average to determine the ordering.

\therefore 7 is a lower bound on the average number of comparisons required.