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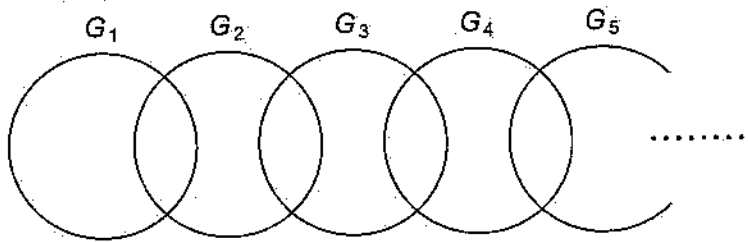
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1. (a) (i) State the three axioms of probability for events defined on a sample space Ω .
(ii) For events E and F , prove from the axioms that if E and F^c are disjoint then $P(F) \geq P(E)$.
(iii) Consider the sequence of events G_1, G_2, G_3, \dots with the following properties:

$$G_1 \cap G_j = \emptyset \quad \forall j > 2;$$

$$G_i \cap G_j = \emptyset \quad \forall i > 1; j > i+1 \text{ and } j < i-1,$$

i.e. the events intersect as follows:



You are given that, for $i \geq 1$:

$$P(G_i \cap G_{i+1}) = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i; \quad P(G_{i-1}^c \cap G_i \cap G_{i+1}^c) = \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i,$$

where $G_0 = \emptyset$.

Determine $P(G_i | G_j)$, for all values of i and j with $i > j$, and show that $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} G_i$ is exhaustive for Ω .

- (b) At the end of each week during the autumn term a particular student either has status "up-to-date" with the problem sheets for M1S or has status "behind" with the problem sheets for M1S. Their status at the end of a week depends on their status at the end of the previous week, but does not depend on their status prior to the previous week. If they are up-to-date at the end of a given week, the probability that they will be up-to-date at the end of the next week is 0.9 otherwise they will be behind. If they are behind at the end of a given week, the probability that they will be up-to-date at the end of the next week is 0.4 otherwise they will be behind. They are up-to-date at the end of the week before the start of term.
- (i) What is the probability that the student is up-to-date at the end of week two?
(ii) Given the student is up-to-date at the end of week two, what is the probability they were up-to-date at the end of week one?
(iii) What is the probability that the student is up-to-date for the whole of a ten week term?

2. The number of mistakes, X_i , on pages i , $i = 1, \dots, n$, of a particular textbook with n pages, are independently distributed with the following probability mass functions (pmf):

$$f_{X_i}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-\lambda_i} \lambda_i^x}{x!} & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

with $\lambda_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

- (a)
 - (i) Verify that each $f_{X_i}(x)$ is a valid pmf.
 - (ii) Determine, p , the probability that there is at least one mistake on the first page.
 - (iii) What is the maximum value of λ_1 which ensures that the value of p calculated in part (a)(ii) does not exceed 0.5.
- (b)
 - (i) Define the probability generating function (pgf), $G_X(t)$, of a discrete random variable X with range $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$.
 - (ii) Show that $G_X(1) = 1$.
 - (iii) Prove that the pgf of X_i is,

$$G_{X_i}(t) = e^{\lambda_i(t-1)},$$
 - (iv) Determine the pgf of $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, the total number of mistakes. Hence name the distribution of T and identify its parameter(s).
 - (v) Determine the pmf of $Z = T/n$, the average number of mistakes per page.
 - (vi) If $\lambda_i = \beta$, $\forall i$ where $\beta > 0$, find an expression for the probability that the average number of mistakes per page is not more than one.

3. The continuous random variables X and Y are independent with probability density functions (pdfs) given by,

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, & x > 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \lambda^2 y e^{-\lambda y}, & y > 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

with $\lambda > 0$, i.e. $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$ and $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(2, \lambda)$.

- Derive $E_{f_X}(X)$ and $E_{f_Y}(Y)$ directly from the definition of expectation. Hence show that $E_{f_Y}(Y) = 2E_{f_X}(X)$.
- The reliability, $R_{f_Z}(z)$, of a random variable Z is defined as $R_{f_Z}(z) = P(Z > z)$. Determine $R_{f_X}(x)$ and $R_{f_Y}(y)$.
- Determine $P(X > x_1 + x_2 \mid X > x_1)$ and $P(Y > y_1 + y_2 \mid Y > y_1)$ with $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2 > 0$.
- If the continuous random variable Z is "memoryless" i.e. has the property that $P(Z > z_1 + z_2 \mid Z > z_1) = P(Z > z_2)$, for all z_1 and z_2 , then it can be shown that $R_{f_Z}(t) = [R_{f_Z}(1)]^t$, $t \geq 0$. Use this result to show that Z must have the same named distribution as X , and identify its parameter.
- Let $V = \exp(-X)$, determine $f_V(v)$, the pdf of V .
- Let $Z = \min(X, Y)$, by considering the reliability of Z , determine $f_Z(z)$, the pdf of Z .

4. (a) I have 12 alternative routes that I can take for my cycle ride into work, the routes are classified into three different type: 3 are dangerous (but short), 4 are safe (but longer) and 5 are scenic. To determine my daily routes, I choose 2 different routes at random (unordered) from the 12 possibilities. Out of the 2 routes chosen, let X denote the number of dangerous routes and Y denote the number of safe routes.
- (i) Complete a two-way table with entries given by $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$, the joint pmf of X and Y .
 - (ii) Are X and Y independent?
 - (iii) Find $E_{f_X}(X)$.

- (b) Prove that, for continuous random variables X and Y ,

$$E_{f_X}(X) = E_{f_Y} [E_{f_{X|Y}}(X | Y = y)].$$

[You may assume that $E_{f_X}(X)$ is finite].

- (c) The continuous random variables X and Y have joint pdf given by

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} 2y(3-y)(1+x)^{-(y+1)}, & 2 < y < 3, \ x > 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (i) Prove that, $f_Y(y)$, the marginal distribution of Y is,

$$f_Y(y) = 2(3-y), \quad 2 < y < 3.$$

- (ii) Find $E_{f_Y}(Y)$.
- (iii) Find $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$ the conditional pdf of X given Y .
- (iv) Determine the conditional mean, $E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y = y)$, of X given $Y = y$, and hence determine the marginal mean, $E_{f_X}(X)$ of X .

DISCRETE DISTRIBUTIONS

	RANGE	PARAMETERS	MASS FUNCTION f_X	CDF F_X	$E_{f_X} [X]$	$Var_{f_X} [X]$	MGF M_X
$Bernoulli(\theta)$	$\{0, 1\}$	$\theta \in (0, 1)$	$\theta^x(1-\theta)^{1-x}$		θ	$\theta(1-\theta)$	$1-\theta+\theta e^t$
$Binomial(n, \theta)$	$\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$	$n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \theta \in (0, 1)$	$\binom{n}{x} \theta^x(1-\theta)^{n-x}$		$n\theta$	$n\theta(1-\theta)$	$(1-\theta+\theta e^t)^n$
$Poisson(\lambda)$	$\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$	$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$		λ	λ	$\exp\{\lambda(e^t-1)\}$
$Geometric(\theta)$	$\{1, 2, \dots\}$	$\theta \in (0, 1)$	$(1-\theta)^{x-1}\theta$	$1-(1-\theta)^x$	$\frac{1}{\theta}$	$\frac{(1-\theta)}{\theta^2}$	$\frac{\theta e^t}{1-e^t(1-\theta)}$
$NegBinomial(n, \theta)$	$\{n, n+1, \dots\}$	$n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \theta \in (0, 1)$	$\binom{x-1}{n-1} \theta^n(1-\theta)^{x-n}$		$\frac{n}{\theta}$	$\frac{n(1-\theta)}{\theta^2}$	$\left(\frac{\theta e^t}{1-e^t(1-\theta)}\right)^n$
or	$\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$	$n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \theta \in (0, 1)$	$\binom{n+x-1}{x} \theta^n(1-\theta)^x$		$\frac{n(1-\theta)}{\theta}$	$\frac{n(1-\theta)}{\theta^2}$	$\left(\frac{\theta}{1-e^t(1-\theta)}\right)^n$

For CONTINUOUS distributions (see over), define the **GAMMA FUNCTION**

$$\Gamma(n) = \int_0^\infty x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \quad \Gamma(\alpha+1) = \alpha\Gamma(\alpha) \quad \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

and the LOCATION/SCALE transformation $Y = \mu + \sigma X$ gives

$$f_Y(y) = f_X\left(\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \frac{1}{\sigma} \quad F_Y(y) = F_X\left(\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \quad M_Y(t) = e^{t\mu} M_X(\sigma t) \quad E_{f_Y} [Y] = \mu + \sigma E_{f_X} [X] \quad Var_{f_Y} [Y] = \sigma^2 Var_{f_X} [X]$$

CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTIONS

	PARAMS.	PDF	CDF	$E_{f_X}[X]$	$\text{Var}_{f_X}[X]$	MGF
\mathbb{X}						
$Uniform(\alpha, \beta)$ (stand. model $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$)	$\alpha < \beta \in \mathbb{R}$	$\frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}$	$\frac{x - \alpha}{\beta - \alpha}$	$\frac{(\alpha + \beta)}{2}$	$\frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12}$	$M_X = \frac{e^{\beta t} - e^{\alpha t}}{t(\beta - \alpha)}$
$Exponential(\lambda)$ (stand. model $\lambda = 1$)	$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$	$1 - e^{-\lambda x}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$	$\left(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}\right)$
$Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ (stand. model $\beta = 1$)	$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}$		$\frac{\alpha}{\beta}$	$\frac{\alpha}{\beta^2}$	$\left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - t}\right)^\alpha$
$Weibull(\alpha, \beta)$ (stand. model $\beta = 1$)	$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\alpha \beta x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x^\alpha}$	$1 - e^{-\beta x^\alpha}$	$\frac{\Gamma(1 + 1/\alpha)}{\beta^{1/\alpha}}$	$\frac{\Gamma(1 + \frac{2}{\alpha}) - \Gamma(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha})^2}{\beta^{2/\alpha}}$	
$Normal(\mu, \sigma^2)$ (stand. model $\mu = 0, \sigma = 1$)	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$		μ	σ^2	$e^{[\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2]}$
$Student(\nu)$	$\nu \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{(\pi\nu)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right) \left\{1 + \frac{x^2}{\nu}\right\}^{(\nu+1)/2}}$		0 (if $\nu > 1$)	$\frac{\nu}{\nu - 2}$ (if $\nu > 2$)	
$Pareto(\theta, \alpha)$	$\theta, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{\alpha \theta^\alpha}{(\theta + x)^{\alpha+1}}$	$1 - \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta + x}\right)^\alpha$	$\frac{\theta}{\alpha - 1}$ (if $\alpha > 1$)	$\frac{\alpha \theta^2}{(\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 2)}$ (if $\alpha > 2$)	
$Beta(\alpha, \beta)$	$\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1 - x)^{\beta-1}$		$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$	$\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2(\alpha + \beta + 1)}$	

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1. (a) (i) **Axioms of Probability**

Given a σ -field, \mathcal{F} (a set of subsets of the sample space Ω .) For events $E, E_1, E_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$, then the probability function, $P(\cdot)$, must satisfy:

$$(I) \quad P(E) \geq 0.$$

$$(II) \quad P(\Omega) = 1.$$

(III) If E_1, E_2, \dots are pairwise disjoint then

$$P(\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_i) \text{ (Countable additivity).}$$

(Do not need to specify σ -field, could instead say: for events $E, E_1, \dots \subseteq \Omega$. Lose 1 mark if finite rather than countable additivity specified, but they do need to specify the meaning of finite/countable additivity).

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(ii) We are given that $E \cap F^C = \emptyset \Rightarrow P(E \cap F^C) = 0$. From Axiom III we have,

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$$P(F) = P(F \cap E^C) + P(F \cap E) \text{ as } (F \cap E^C) \text{ and } (F \cap E) \text{ are disjoint}$$

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$$\Rightarrow P(E) = P(E \cap F) \Rightarrow P(F) = P(F \cap E^C) + P(E)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(F) \geq P(E) \text{ as } P(F \cap E^C) \geq 0 \text{ from Axiom I.}$$

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(iii) We have,

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$$P(G_{i+1} | G_i) = \frac{P(G_i \cap G_{i+1})}{P(G_i)} = \frac{(1/5)^i}{P(G_i)}.$$

Now, for $i > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(G_i) &= P(G_{i-1} \cap G_i \cap G_{i+1}^C) + P(G_{i-1}^C \cap G_i \cap G_{i+1}) + P(G_{i-1}^C \cap G_i \cap G_{i+1}^C) \\ &= P(G_{i-1} \cap G_i) + P(G_i \cap G_{i+1}) + P(G_{i-1}^C \cap G_i \cap G_{i+1}^C). \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{i-1} + \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i \\ &= 6\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i, \end{aligned}$$

and for $i = 1$,

$$P(G_1) = P(G_1 \cap G_2) + P(G_1 \cap G_2^C) = \frac{1}{5} + \frac{3}{7} = \frac{22}{35}.$$

Giving,

$$P(G_i | G_j) = \frac{P(G_i \cap G_j)}{P(G_j)} = \begin{cases} 0, & i > j + 1; \\ \frac{7}{22}, & i = 2, j = 1; \\ \frac{(\frac{1}{5})^j}{6(\frac{1}{5})^j + (\frac{3}{7})^j}, & j > 1, i = j + 1. \end{cases}$$

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For $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} G_i$ to be exhaustive for Ω , we need to show $P(\bigcup G_i) = 1$. Rewrite as the disjoint union:

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} G_i\right) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(G_i \cap G_{i+1}^C) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(G_i) - P(G_i \cap G_{i+1}) \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \left[6\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i - \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i\right] \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \left[\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{i-1} + \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i\right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^i + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^i \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{5}} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{1}{1-\frac{3}{7}} - 1\right) = \left(\frac{5}{4} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{7}{4} - 1\right) = 1, \end{aligned}$$

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(b) Let U_i = event up to date at the end of week i and B_i = event behind at the end of week i .

(i) We have, for $i > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(U_1) &= 0.9, P(B_1) = 0.1 \\ P(U_i | U_{i-1}) &= 0.9, P(B_i | U_{i-1}) = 0.1 \\ P(U_i | B_{i-1}) &= 0.4, P(B_i | B_{i-1}) = 0.6. \end{aligned}$$

So, from the theorem of total probability,

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 &= (U_2 \cap B_1) \cup (U_2 \cap U_1) \\ \Rightarrow P(U_2) &= P(U_2 | B_1)P(B_1) + P(U_2 | U_1)P(U_1) \\ &= 0.4 \cdot 0.1 + 0.9 \cdot 0.9 = 0.85. \end{aligned}$$

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(ii)

$$P(U_1 | U_2) = \frac{P(U_2 | U_1)P(U_1)}{P(U_2)} = \frac{0.9^2}{0.85} = \frac{81}{85}.$$

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(iii)

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^{10} U_i\right) = P(U_1) \prod_{i=2}^{10} P(U_i | U_{i-1}) = 0.9^{10}.$$

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2. (a) (i) For a valid pmf we must have

$$f_{X_i}(x) \geq 0 \text{ and } \sum_x f_{X_i}(x) dx = 1$$

$$f_{X_i}(x) \geq 0 \text{ as } \lambda_i > 0, x \geq 0 \text{ and } e^{-\lambda_i} > 0$$

$$\sum_x f_{X_i}(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda_i} \lambda_i^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda_i} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda_i^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda_i} e^{\lambda_i} = 1,$$

as required.

(ii)

$$p = P(X_1 \geq 1) = 1 - P(X_1 = 0) = 1 - e^{-\lambda_1}.$$

(iii)

$$p \leq 0.5 \Rightarrow 1 - e^{-\lambda_1} \leq 0.5 \Rightarrow e^{-\lambda_1} \geq 0.5 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 \leq \log(2).$$

- (b) (i) The pgf is defined as

$$G_X(t) = E(t^X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} t^{x_i} f_X(x_i).$$

(ii)

$$G_X(1) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 1^{x_i} f_X(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f_X(x_i) = 1,$$

as f_X is a pmf.

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} G_{X_i}(t) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} t^x \frac{e^{-\lambda_i} \lambda_i^x}{x!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda_i} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{(t\lambda_i)^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda_i} e^{t\lambda_i} \\ &\Rightarrow G_{X_i}(t) = e^{\lambda_i(t-1)}, \end{aligned}$$

as required.

- (iv) As the X_i are independent, we have

$$G_T(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n G_{X_i}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\lambda_i(t-1)} = \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(t-1)\right).$$

We recognise this as the pgf of a Poisson distribution with parameter $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$, i.e. $T \sim \text{Poisson}(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i)$ and

$$f_T(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$.

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(v) The range of T is $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$, hence the range of Z is $\{0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f_Z(z) &= P(Z = z) = P\left(\frac{T}{n} = z\right) = P(T = zn) = f_T(zn) \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{zn}}{(zn)!}, z \in \left\{0, \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots\right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$.

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(vi) For the probability that the average number of mistakes per page is not more than 1, we need to calculate $P(Z \leq 1) = P(T \leq n)$. Where $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = n\beta$.

$$P(T \leq n) = \sum_{i=0}^n f_T(i) = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!} = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{e^{-n\beta} (n\beta)^i}{i!}.$$

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3. (a)

$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_X}(X) &= \int_0^\infty x f_X(x) dx = \int_0^\infty \lambda x e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \left[-x e^{-\lambda x} \right]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda x} dx = \left[-\frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda} \right]_0^\infty \\ \Rightarrow E_{f_X}(X) &= \frac{1}{\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_Y}(Y) &= \int_0^\infty y f_Y(y) dy = \int_0^\infty \lambda^2 y^2 e^{-\lambda y} dy = \left[-\lambda y^2 e^{-\lambda y} \right]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty 2\lambda y e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= \left[-2y e^{-\lambda y} \right]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty 2e^{-\lambda y} dy = \left[-\frac{2e^{-\lambda y}}{\lambda} \right]_0^\infty \\ \Rightarrow E_{f_Y}(Y) &= \frac{2}{\lambda}, \end{aligned}$$

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and hence $E_{f_Y}(Y) = 2E_{f_X}(X)$ as required.

(b) $R_{f_X}(x) = 1, x \leq 0$ and $R_{f_Y}(y) = 1, y \leq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} R_{f_X}(x) &= P(X > x) = \int_x^\infty f_X(y) dy = \int_x^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy = \left[-e^{-\lambda y} \right]_x^\infty \\ \Rightarrow R_{f_X}(x) &= e^{-\lambda x}, x > 0. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} R_{f_Y}(y) &= P(Y > y) = \int_y^\infty f_Y(x) dx = \int_y^\infty \lambda^2 x e^{-\lambda x} dx \\ &= \left[-\lambda x e^{-\lambda x} \right]_y^\infty + \int_y^\infty \lambda e^{-\lambda x} dx = \lambda y e^{-\lambda y} + \left[-e^{-\lambda x} \right]_y^\infty \\ \Rightarrow R_{f_Y}(y) &= e^{-\lambda y} (1 + \lambda y), y > 0. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} P(X > x_1 + x_2 \mid X > x_1) &= \frac{P((X > x_1 + x_2) \cap (X > x_1))}{P(X > x_1)} = \frac{P(X > x_1 + x_2)}{P(X > x_1)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda(x_1 + x_2)}}{e^{-\lambda x_1}} = e^{-\lambda x_2}. \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} P(Y > y_1 + y_2 \mid Y > y_1) &= \frac{P((Y > y_1 + y_2) \cap (Y > y_1))}{P(Y > y_1)} = \frac{P(Y > y_1 + y_2)}{P(Y > y_1)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda(y_1 + y_2)}(1 + \lambda(y_1 + y_2))}{e^{-\lambda y_1}(1 + \lambda y_1)} = \frac{e^{-\lambda y_2}(1 + \lambda(y_1 + y_2))}{(1 + \lambda y_1)}. \end{aligned}$$

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(d) Given $R_{f_Z}(t) = R_{f_Z}(1)^t$, $t \geq 0$, and $0 \leq R_{f_Z}(t) \leq 1$ is a non-increasing function,

$$\log(R_{f_Z}(t)) = t \log(R_{f_Z}(1)) \Rightarrow R_{f_Z}(t) = \exp(t \log(R_{f_Z}(1))).$$

Recognise this as the reliability of an exponential distribution with parameter $-\log(R_{f_Z}(1))$.

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(e) Given $V = \exp(-X)$, the range of $V = (0, 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} F_V(v) &= P(V \leq v) = P(\exp(-X) \leq v) = P(X \geq -\log(v)) \\ &= R_{f_X}(-\log(v)) = \exp(\lambda \log(v)) = v^\lambda. \\ \Rightarrow f_V(v) &= \lambda v^{\lambda-1}, \quad 0 < v < 1. \end{aligned}$$

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(f) If $Z = \min(X, Y)$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z > z) &= P(\min(X, Y) > z) = P((X > z) \cap (Y > z)) = P(X > z)P(Y > z) \\ &= e^{-\lambda z} e^{-\lambda z} (1 + \lambda z) \\ \Rightarrow F_Z(z) &= 1 - e^{-2\lambda z} (1 + \lambda z) \\ \Rightarrow f_Z(z) &= -\lambda e^{-2\lambda z} + 2\lambda e^{-2\lambda z} (1 + \lambda z) \\ \Rightarrow f_Z(z) &= \lambda e^{-2\lambda z} (1 + 2\lambda z), \quad z > 0. \end{aligned}$$

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4. (a) (i) Let event E be the event that I choose 2 routes with x dangerous, y safe and $2 - (x + y)$ scenic. Then $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{n_E}{n_\Omega}$, where n_E is the number of routes which satisfy E (for $x + y \leq 2$), and n_Ω is the number of ways I can choose 2 routes with no restrictions.

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = P(X = x, Y = y) = \frac{\binom{3}{x} \binom{4}{y} \binom{5}{2-(x+y)}}{\binom{12}{2}}, \quad 0 \leq x + y \leq 2.$$

	$X = 0$	$X = 1$	$X = 2$
$Y = 0$	$\frac{10}{66}$	$\frac{15}{66}$	$\frac{3}{66}$
$Y = 1$	$\frac{20}{66}$	$\frac{12}{66}$	0
$Y = 2$	$\frac{6}{66}$	0	0

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- (ii) The marginal distributions are given by,

	$X = 0$	$X = 1$	$X = 2$	
$Y = 0$	$\frac{10}{66}$	$\frac{15}{66}$	$\frac{3}{66}$	$\frac{28}{66}$
$Y = 1$	$\frac{20}{66}$	$\frac{12}{66}$	0	$\frac{32}{66}$
$Y = 2$	$\frac{6}{66}$	0	0	$\frac{6}{66}$
	$\frac{36}{66}$	$\frac{27}{66}$	$\frac{3}{66}$	1

For independence, need $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$.

Consider $f_{X,Y}(2, 2) = 0 \neq f_X(2)f_Y(2) = \frac{3}{66} \times \frac{6}{66}$, so X and Y are not independent (as expected given the context!).

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- (iii)

$$E_{f_X}(X) = \sum_{x=0}^2 x f_X(x) = 1 \cdot \frac{27}{66} + 2 \cdot \frac{3}{66} = \frac{33}{66} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

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- (b) Consider

$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_Y} [E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y = y)] &= \int_y E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y = y) f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_y \int_x x f_{X|Y}(x|y) f_Y(y) dx dy \\ &= \int_x x \int_y f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy dx \\ &= \int_x x f_X(x) dx \\ &= E_{f_X}(X), \end{aligned}$$

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as required.

(c) (i)

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \int_0^\infty 2y(3-y)(1+x)^{-(y+1)} dx = 2(3-y) \left[-(1+x)^{-y} \right]_0^\infty \\ &= 2(3-y), \quad y \in (2, 3), \end{aligned}$$

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as required.

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_Y}(Y) &= \int_2^3 y f_Y(y) dy = \int_2^3 2y(3-y) dy = \left[3y^2 - \frac{2y^3}{3} \right]_2^3 \\ &= 27 - 18 - \left(12 - \frac{16}{3} \right) = \frac{7}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

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(iii)

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{2y(3-y)(1+x)^{-(y+1)}}{2(3-y)} = y(1+x)^{-(y+1)}, \quad x > 0,$$

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(iv)

$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y) &= \int_0^\infty xy(1+x)^{-(y+1)} dx = \left[-x(1+x)^{-y} \right]_0^\infty + \int_0^\infty (1+x)^{-y} dy \\ &= \left[\frac{(1+x)^{-y+1}}{-y+1} \right]_0^\infty = \frac{1}{y-1}. \end{aligned}$$

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Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{f_X}(X) &= E_{f_Y} [E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y=y)] \\ \Rightarrow E_{f_X}(X) &= \int_2^3 E_{f_{X|Y}}(X|Y=y) f_Y(y) dy = \int_2^3 \frac{1}{y-1} 2(3-y) dy \\ &= 2 \int_2^3 \frac{-(y-3)}{y-1} dy = 2 \int_2^3 = 2 \int_2^3 \frac{-(y-1)+2}{y-1} dy \\ &= 2 \int_2^3 -1 + \frac{2}{y-1} dy = 2[-y + 2 \log(|y-1|)]_2^3 \\ &= 2(-3 + 2 \log(2) - (-2 + 2 \log(1))) = 4 \log(2) - 2. \end{aligned}$$

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