

Data 405 Assignment 3

Recall the joint pdf:

$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} xe^{-x(1+y)}, & x \geq 0, y \geq 0, \{1\}d\{0\}, \text{ otherwise.} \\ f(x,y) = (xe-x(1+y), x \geq 0, y \geq 0, \{1\}d\{0\}, \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Q1:

$$(P(X>1,Y>1))$$

The probability that 1 component survives more then 1 unit of time is given by the integral of the density from 1 to infinity, thus:

$$P(X > 1, Y > 1) = \int_{x=1}^{\infty} \int_{y=1}^{\infty} xe^{-x(1+y)} dy dx.$$

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Time to solve it:

Step 1: inner integral (over (y)):

$$\int_{y=1}^{\infty} e^{-x(1+y)} dy = e^{-x} \int_{y=1}^{\infty} e^{-xy} dy = e^{-x} \left[\frac{e^{-xy}}{-x} \right]_{y=1}^{y=\infty} = e^{-x} \cdot \frac{e^{-x}}{-x} = \frac{e^{-2x}}{-x}.$$

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multiply by the factor (x) from the integrand:

$$x \cdot \frac{e^{-2x}}{-x} = e^{-2x}.$$

Now we integrate x from 1 to (inf) -- thats our outer integral:

$$P(X > 1, Y > 1) = \int_1^{\infty} e^{-2x} dx = \left[-\frac{1}{2}e^{-2x} \right]_1^{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2}.$$

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So the probability that both components last at least 1 unit of time is

$$P(X > 1, Y > 1) = \frac{e^{-2}}{2}.$$

Q2:

Lets compute the following:

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^{\infty} f(x,y) dy = \int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x(1+y)} dy.$$

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First lets factor (x e^{-x}):

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so our answer should end up as:

$$f_X(x) = e^{-x}, x \geq 0.$$

which is an

(Exp(1)) density function

Thusly, the marginal density of X is:

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^{\infty} xe^{-x(1+y)} dy.$$

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Q3:

By definition,

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{xe^{-x(1+y)}}{e^{-x}} = xe^{-xy}, \quad y \geq 0.$$

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Now we compute the conditional expectation:

$$E[Y|X=x] = \int_0^{\infty} y \cdot xe^{-xy} dy = x \int_0^{\infty} ye^{-xy} dy.$$

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Use the known integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} ye^{-ay} dy = \frac{1}{a^2}.$$

(0= ye=ay, dy = a21) for (a>0). Here (a=x), so

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If (a=1+y>0) -- our integral becomes

$$\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-ax} dx.$$

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A standard integral (or integrate by parts) gives

$$\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-ax} dx = \frac{1}{a^2}.$$

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Thus with (a=1+y),

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{(1+y)^2}, \quad y \geq 0.$$

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So the correct marginal df is

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Q5:

Recall the joint pdf

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If (X) and (Y) were independent - we would have

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But from earlier work we found

$$f_X(x) = e^{-x}, \quad f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{(1+y)^2}.$$

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So the product would be

$$f_X(x) \cdot f_Y(y) = e^{-x} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+y)^2}.$$

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which is not equal to

$$(xe^{-x(1+y)})$$

(xe^{-x(1+y)}) in general

Since (e⁻²) is not equal (e⁻¹)/4, the equality fails

so (X) and (Y) cannot be independent

thus: proven: X & Y are **not independent**.

Q6:

Lets use this R code:

```
set.seed(2025)
n <- 100

# simulate X ~ Exp(1)
X <- rexp(n, rate = 1)

# simulate Y | X ~ Exp(rate = X)
Y <- numeric(n)
for (i in seq_len(n)) {
  Y[i] <- rexp(1, rate = X[i])
}

# show first 10 pairs:
head(cbind(X, Y), 10)
```

R output (first 10 pairs):

```
      X      Y
[1,] 0.465240310 1.1280714
[2,] 1.038634094 1.6087953
[3,] 0.560660047 0.5113417
[4,] 0.080604318 183.8800281
[5,] 0.888620726 30.4930303
[6,] 0.13962109 4.9391748
[7,] 1.14613257 1.1622734
[8,] 3.991217797 0.1174850
[9,] 0.946187682 0.1338989
[10,] 1.155446981 0.3215125
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there exist a couple very large Y values occasionally when X is very small — that's expected because (E[Y|X=x] = 1/x) - thus such behavior is explained

Q7:

Lets use my R code again:

```
# Setup from above:
set.seed(2025)
n <- 100
X <- rexp(n, rate = 1)
Y <- numeric(n)
for (i in seq_len(n)) { Y[i] <- rexp(1, rate = X[i]) }
head(cbind(X, Y), 10)

# Assuming X and Y from above
plot(X, Y, pch = 19, cex = 0.6,
     xlab = "X", ylab = "Y",
     main = "Scatterplot of Y vs X with conditional mean y = 1/x")
xgrid <- seq(0.01, quantile(X, 0.99) + 1, length.out = 400)
lines(xgrid, 1 / xgrid, lwd = 2)
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The scatterplot shows the cloud of points roughly centered on the curve (y=1/x). This matches our earlier calculation of the conditional expectation (E[Y|X=x] = 1/x).

Q8:

Q8a: Lets get a formula to get beta's MLE given alpha

The density (scale parametrization) is

$$f(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}}, \quad x > 0.$$

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Log-likelihood for a sample (x_1, ..., x_n) with known (alpha):

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[(\alpha-1) \ln x_i - \ln \Gamma(\alpha) - \alpha \ln \beta - \frac{x_i}{\beta} \right] = -n \alpha \ln \beta - \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \text{const.}$$

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Differentiate w.r.t. (beta) and set to zero:

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\beta} = -\frac{n\alpha}{\beta} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\beta^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n\alpha\beta$$

$$d\beta/d\alpha = -\beta n\alpha + \beta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n\alpha\beta^2$$

So the MLE is

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{n\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{\bar{X}}{\alpha}$$

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Q8b: Lets estimate beta given sample (9,5,7)

$$\bar{X} = \frac{9+5+7}{3} = 7, \quad \alpha = 2$$

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so:

$$\hat{\beta} = \bar{X}/\alpha = 7/2 = 3.5.$$

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Q9:

Using my R code:

```
set.seed(2025)

# known alpha
alpha <- 2
# observed sample
obs <- c(9,5,7)
n <- length(obs)

# observed mle
beta_hat_obs <- mean(obs) / alpha # 3.5

# simulate nsim samples of size n from Gamma(alpha, beta_hat_obs)
nsim <- 1000
beta_hats <- numeric(nsim)
for (i in 1:nsim) {
  samp <- rgamma(n, shape = alpha, scale = beta_hat_obs)
  beta_hats[i] <- mean(samp) / alpha
}

# estimate probability P(beta_hat >= observed)
p_ge <- mean(beta_hats >= beta_hat_obs)

# summary
cat("Observed beta_hat:", beta_hat_obs, "\n")
cat("Mean simulated beta_hats:", mean(beta_hats), "\n")
cat("SD simulated beta_hats:", sd(beta_hats), "\n")
cat("P(beta_hat >= observed) approx:", p_ge, "\n")

# Optional: quick histogram of simulated beta_hats
hist(beta_hats, breaks = 30, col = "lightblue", main = "Simulated beta_hats",
     xlab = expression(hat(beta)))
abline(v = beta_hat_obs, col = "red", lwd = 2)
```

R Output:

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Observed beta_hat: 3.5
Mean simulated beta_hats: 3.467059
SD simulated beta_hats: 1.421013
P(beta_hat >= observed) approx: 0.447

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The estimated probability ≈ 0.47 - which indicates the observed MLE (3.5) is not unusually large under (α=2, β=3.5)

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