

## Problem 2

Prove that the following families of distribution are or are not exponential families.

### A: Poisson

The primary trick here will be to use the fact that  $\exp(\ln(x)) = x$  to rewrite things in an exponential form. Then we'll leverage the properties of logarithms to move things around.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x \mid \lambda) &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda) I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x) \\
 &= \exp \left( \ln \left( \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda) I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x) \right) \right) \\
 &= \exp \left( -\lambda + x \ln(\lambda) - \ln(x!) + \ln(I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda)) + \ln(I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x)) \right) \\
 &= \exp(-\lambda) \exp(\ln(I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda))) \exp(-\ln(x!)) \exp(\ln(I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x))) \exp(x \ln(\lambda)) \\
 &= \exp(-\lambda) I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda) \cdot \frac{1}{x!} I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x) \cdot \exp(x \ln(\lambda))
 \end{aligned}$$

From here we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 c(\theta) &= \exp(-\lambda) I_{(0,\infty)}(\lambda) \\
 h(x) &= \frac{1}{x!} I_{x \in \{0,1,\dots\}}(x) \\
 w_1(\theta) &= \ln(\lambda) \\
 t_1(x) &= x
 \end{aligned}$$

Demonstrating that the Poisson family of random variables is in the exponential family.

**B: Uniform**

$$\begin{aligned} f(x \mid a, b) &= \frac{1}{b-a} I_{[a,b]}(x) \\ &= \exp \left( \ln \left( \frac{1}{b-a} I_{[a,b]}(x) \right) \right) \\ &= \exp(\ln(I_{[a,b]}(x)) - \ln(b-a)) \end{aligned}$$

With this we kind of get stuck. There just aren't the pieces we need to rearrange this properly. We can get an  $h(x)$  with the indicator function and the pdf itself can function as a  $c(\theta)$  but we simply don't have what we need to tackle the exponential component.

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Let  $X \sim F_{p,q}$

**A.**

Derive the pdf of  $X$

### F Distribution

To start let us recall the pdf of an  $F$  distribution. This will be our goal at the end.

$$f(x | v_1, v_2) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{v_1+v_2}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{v_1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{v_2}{2})} \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2}\right)^{v_1/2} \frac{x^{\frac{v_1}{2}-1}}{\left(1 + \left(\frac{v_1}{v_2}\right)x\right)^{(v_1+v_2)/2}} I(\cdot)$$

Where  $I(\cdot) = I_{[0,\infty]}(x)I_{v_1 \in \mathbb{N}}(v_1)I_{v_2 \in \mathbb{N}}(v_2)$

### Joint pdf of Chi Squared RVs

Recall that:

$$X = \frac{U/p}{V/q}$$

with  $U \sim \chi_p^2$  and  $V \sim \chi_q^2$  and  $U$  is independent of  $V$ .

We'll use this info to contrast the joint pdf of  $V$  and  $U$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(u) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)2^{p/2}} u^{(p/2)-1} \exp(-u/2) \\ f_V(v) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} v^{(q/2)-1} \exp(-v/2) \\ f_{U,V}(u, v) &= f(u)f(v) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)2^{p/2}} u^{(p/2)-1} \exp(-u/2) \frac{1}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} v^{(q/2)-1} \exp(-v/2) \cdot I(\cdot) \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \cdot \frac{1}{2^{(p+q)/2}} u^{(p/2)-1} v^{(q/2)-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(u+v)\right) I(\cdot) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $I(\cdot)$  represents our collection of indicator functions. I'll keep them here for reference but will not be writing them all out every single time.

$$I(\cdot) = I_{(0,\infty)}(u)I_{(0,\infty)}(v)I_{p \in \mathbb{N}}(p)I_{q \in \mathbb{N}}(q)$$

**Jacobian Transformation Setup**

We'll be leveraging the jacobian transformation method for this problem so it's appropriate we stay organized and establish all of the parts we will need.

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_{U,V}(h_1(x,y), h_2(x,y))|J|$$

We have the joint pdf  $f(u,v)$  already, so what we need now are  $h_1, h_2$  and the Jacobian itself. We'll start with the algebraic portion.

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \frac{U/p}{V/q} & Y &= V \\ \frac{U}{P} &= X \cdot \frac{V}{q} \\ U &= \frac{XVP}{q} \\ U &= \frac{XYP}{q} \end{aligned}$$

Now for the Jacobian.

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{du}{dx} & \frac{du}{dy} \\ \frac{dv}{dx} & \frac{dv}{dy} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{p}{q}y & \frac{p}{q}x \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{p}{q}y \cdot 1 - \frac{p}{q}x \cdot 0 \\ &= \frac{p}{q}y \end{aligned}$$

**Jacobian Transformation**

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X,Y}(x,y) &= f_{U,V}(h_1(x,y), h_2(x,y))|J| \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \frac{1}{2^{(p+q)/2}} \left(\frac{p}{q}xy\right)^{(p/2)-1} y^{(q/2)-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{p}{q}xy + y\right)\right) I\left(\frac{p}{q}y\right) \end{aligned}$$

**Marginal pdf of X**

Here our goal is to pull out all of the values that do not depend on  $y$  from this pdf. Our overall goal at the moment, based on a hint in the homework problem, is to then arrange the integrand to be in the form of a gamma distribution.

Ideally from there we should see the remaining pieces fall into the form of the  $F$  pdf.

There's some algebraic simplifying and rearranging that I won't be showing here just to save time.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \frac{1}{2^{(p+q)/2}} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{(p/2)-1} \frac{p}{q} x^{(p/2)-1} \\
 &\quad \cdot \int y^{(p/2)-1} y^{(q/2)-1} y \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}y\left(\frac{p}{q}x + 1\right)\right) dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \frac{1}{2^{(p+q)/2}} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{p/2} x^{(p/2)-1} \\
 &\quad \cdot \int y^{\frac{p+q}{2}-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}y\left(\frac{p}{q}x + 1\right)\right) dy
 \end{aligned}$$

Paying attention to the integrand here, we have the kernel of a gamma distribution with:

$$\alpha = \frac{p+q}{2} \qquad \beta = \frac{2}{\frac{p}{q}x + 1}$$

What this means is that the integrand evaluates to the inverse of the normalizing constant. We could also technically multiply by 1 to put the normalizing constant in there, but, to be frank, I really don't feel like it.

So, the inverse of the normalizing constant is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha}\right)^{-1} &= \Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha \\
 &= \Gamma\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{\frac{p}{q}x + 1}\right)^{\frac{p+q}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Wrapping this up**

Returning to our marginal distribution gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \frac{1}{2^{(p+q)/2}} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{p/2} x^{(p/2)-1} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{2}{\frac{p}{q}x+1}\right)^{\frac{p+q}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(p/2)\Gamma(q/2)} \cdot \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{p/2} \cdot \frac{x^{(p/2)-1}}{\left(1+\frac{p}{q}x\right)^{\frac{p+q}{2}}} I(\cdot) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $I(\cdot) = I_{(0,\infty)}(x)I_{p \in \mathbb{N}}(p)I_{q \in \mathbb{N}}(q)$

Which is the pdf of an  $F$  distribution where  $v_1 = p, v_2 = q$ .

**B.**

Derive the mean and variance of  $X$ .

**The mean**

Starting with the mean of course. First, let's set our goal. According to the book, the expected value of our  $X$  should be:

$$E[X] = \frac{q}{q-2} I_{q>2}(q)$$

To start, we exploit the fact that  $U$  is independent of  $V$  here so we can split up the expectations.

$$\begin{aligned} 0E[X] &= E\left[\frac{U/p}{V/q}\right] \\ &= E[U/p]E\left[\frac{1}{v/q}\right] \\ &= pE[U]qE\left[\frac{1}{v}\right] \\ &= p\frac{1}{p}qE\left[\frac{1}{v}\right] \\ &= qE\left[\frac{1}{v}\right] \end{aligned}$$

So we're left with just  $q$  and  $V$ . A quick sanity check to the textbook shows that this isn't a red flag, the expected value of an  $F$  distribution is only a function of  $v_2$ .

So really we just have to evaluate  $qE[1/V]$ . Easy.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[X] &= qE[1/V] \\
 &= q \int \frac{1}{v} f_V(v) dv \\
 &= \frac{q}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} \int v^{-1} v^{(q/2)-1} \exp(-v/2) dv \\
 &= \frac{q}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} \int v^{((q/2)-1)-1} \exp(-v/2) dv
 \end{aligned}$$

Giving us the kernel of a Gamma random variable with  $\alpha = (q/2) - 1$  and  $\beta = 2$ .

Much like in part A we'll be using the inverse of the normalizing constant which is  $c^{-1} = \Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha$ .

We'll also take note of one property of the Gamma function, that is:  $\Gamma(\alpha) = (\alpha - 1)\Gamma(\alpha - 1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[X] &= \frac{q}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} \cdot \Gamma((q/2) - 1) 2^{(q/2)-1} \\
 &= q \frac{\Gamma((q/2) - 1)}{((q/2) - 1)\Gamma((q/2) - 1))} \cdot \frac{2^{\frac{q}{2}-1}}{2^{\frac{q}{2}}} \\
 &= \frac{q}{2(\frac{q}{2} - 1)} \\
 &= \frac{q}{q - 2} I_{q>2}(q)
 \end{aligned}$$

Which is the same as the mean stated in the book.

### The Variance

For the variance, we'll start with the the form of the variance from the book.

$$Var(X) = 2 \left( \frac{v_2}{v_2 - 2} \right)^2 \frac{(v_1 + v_2 - 2)}{v_1(v_2 - 4)}$$

We'll be using the classic formula for the variance for this problem.

$$Var(X) = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$$

We already know the latter part of the variance, so our focus now is on  $E[X^2]$ .

Using a similar setup from earlier:

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X^2] &= E\left[\left(\frac{U/p}{V/q}\right)^2\right] \\
&= E\left[\frac{U^2}{p^2} \cdot \frac{1}{V^2/q^2}\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{p^2} E[U^2] \cdot q^2 E\left[\frac{1}{V^2}\right]
\end{aligned}$$

From here, we focus on  $U^2$  for a moment. We know that  $E[U^2] = \text{Var}(U) + E[U]^2$ . The variance of a  $\chi^2$  random variable is known, so we'll plug that in.

$$\begin{aligned}
E[X^2] &= \frac{1}{p^2} (\text{Var}(U) + E[U]^2) \cdot q^2 E\left[\frac{1}{V^2}\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{p^2} (2p + p^2) \cdot q^2 E\left[\frac{1}{V^2}\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{p} (2 + p) \cdot q^2 E\left[\frac{1}{V^2}\right]
\end{aligned}$$

Now, we focus on  $1/V^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
E[1/V^2] &= \int \frac{1}{v^2} f_V(v) dv \\
&= \frac{q}{\Gamma(q/2) 2^{q/2}} \int v^{-2} v^{(q/2)-1} \exp(-v/2) dv \\
&= \frac{q}{\Gamma(q/2) 2^{q/2}} \int v^{((q/2)-2)-1} \exp(-v/2) dv
\end{aligned}$$

Giving us the kernel of a Gamma random variable with  $\alpha = (q/2) - 2$  and  $\beta = 2$ .

You know the drill by now. We'll plug in the inverse normalizing constant. We're going to do some additional algebra now because it'll come in handy later.



$$\begin{aligned}
E[1/V^2] &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(q/2)2^{q/2}} \cdot \Gamma((q/2) - 2) 2^{(q/2)-2} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma((q/2) - 2)}{((q/2) - 1)((q/2) - 2)\Gamma((q/2) - 2)} \cdot \frac{2^{\frac{q}{2}-2}}{2^{\frac{q}{2}}} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(\frac{q}{2} - 1\right)\left(\frac{q}{2} - 2\right)} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(q-2)\frac{1}{2}(q-4)} \\
&= \frac{1}{(q-2)(q-4)}
\end{aligned}$$

And finally, we return back to our original work and get it into the form we need. This requires a LOT of weird algebra.

Let us reference the form of the variance again.

$$Var(X) = 2 \left( \frac{v_2}{v_2 - 2} \right)^2 \frac{(v_1 + v_2 - 2)}{v_1(v_2 - 4)}$$

Our goal is to slowly split things apart to get all the individual pieces we need and pray it all works out.

$$\begin{aligned}
Var(X) &= E[X^2] - E[X]^2 \\
Var(X) &= \frac{1}{p}(2+p) \cdot q^2 \frac{1}{(q-2)(q-4)} - \left( \frac{q}{q-2} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{(2+p)q^2}{p(q-2)(q-4)} - \frac{q^2}{(q-2)^2} \\
&= \frac{(2+p)q^2 \cdot (q-2)^2 - q^2(q-2)(q-4)}{p(q-2)(q-4)(q-2)^2} && \text{(Common denominators)} \\
&= \frac{q^2((2+p) \cdot (q-2)^2 - (q-2)(q-4))}{(q-2)^2 p(q-2)(q-4)} && \text{(Factor out } q^2) \\
&= \left( \frac{q}{q-2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{(q-2)((2+p) \cdot (q-2) - (q-4))}{p(q-2)(q-4)} && \text{Factor out } (q-2) \\
&= \left( \frac{q}{q-2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{(2+p) \cdot (q-2) - (q-4)}{p(q-4)} \\
&= \left( \frac{q}{q-2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{2q + 2p - 4}{p(q-4)} && \text{(Rewrite Numerator)} \\
&= 2 \cdot \left( \frac{q}{q-2} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{q+p-2}{p(q-4)} I_{q>4}(q) && \text{(Factor out 2)}
\end{aligned}$$

And with that we're done!

**C.**

Show that  $1/X$  has an  $F_{q,p}$  distribution.

**D.**

Show that

$$\frac{p}{q}X \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \frac{p}{q}X} \sim \text{Beta}(p/2, q/2)$$