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**Problem Set 2, Due: Mar. 18, 2025**

(1) Use the probability integral transformation method to simulate from the distribution

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{a^2}x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $a > 0$ . Set a value for  $a$ , simulate various sample sizes, and compare results to the true distribution.

### **Problem 1: Probability Integral Transformation**

Using the probability integral transformation method, we generate samples from the given distribution:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{a^2}x, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq a \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

The inverse CDF method is used to transform uniform samples into the target distribution:

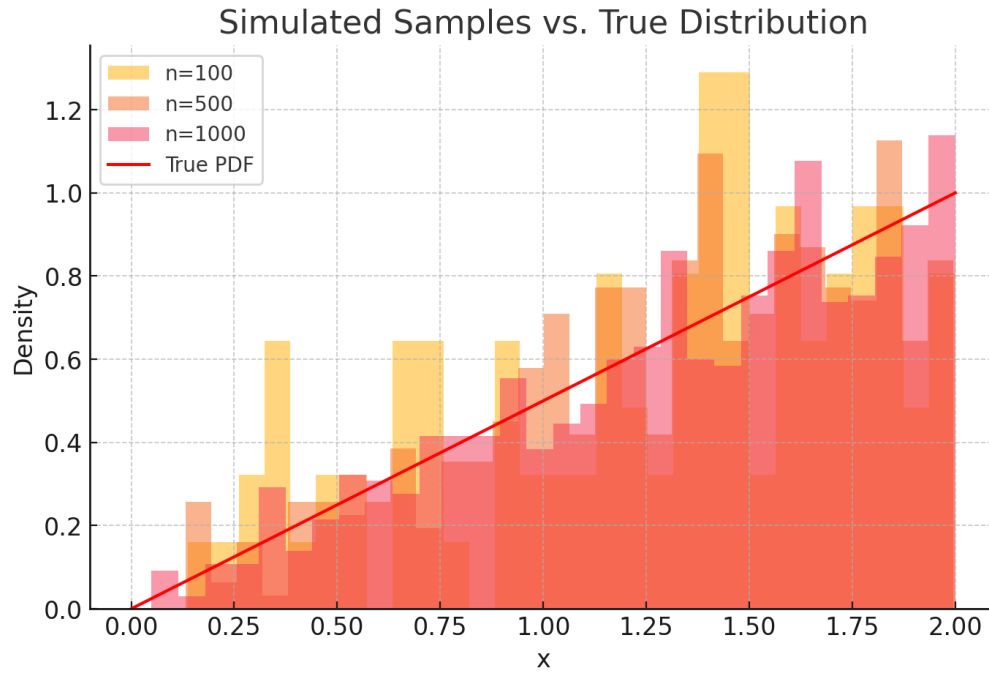


Figure 1: Simulated Samples vs. True Distribution

(2) Generate samples from the distribution

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3}e^{-2x} + 2e^{-3x} \quad (3)$$

using the finite mixture approach.

## Problem 2: Finite Mixture Simulation

The given density function:

$$f(x) = \frac{2}{3}e^{-2x} + \frac{1}{3}3e^{-3x} \quad (4)$$

is a mixture of two exponential distributions. We simulate this using a component selection approach:

(3) Draw 500 observations from  $\text{Beta}(3, 3)$  using the accept-reject algorithm. Compute the mean and variance of the sample and compare them to the true values.

### **Problem 3: Accept-Reject Algorithm for Beta(3,3)**

We use the accept-reject method to generate samples from  $\text{Beta}(3, 3)$ :

Sample Mean: 0.5119,   True Mean: 0.5000  
Sample Variance: 0.0322,   True Variance: 0.0357

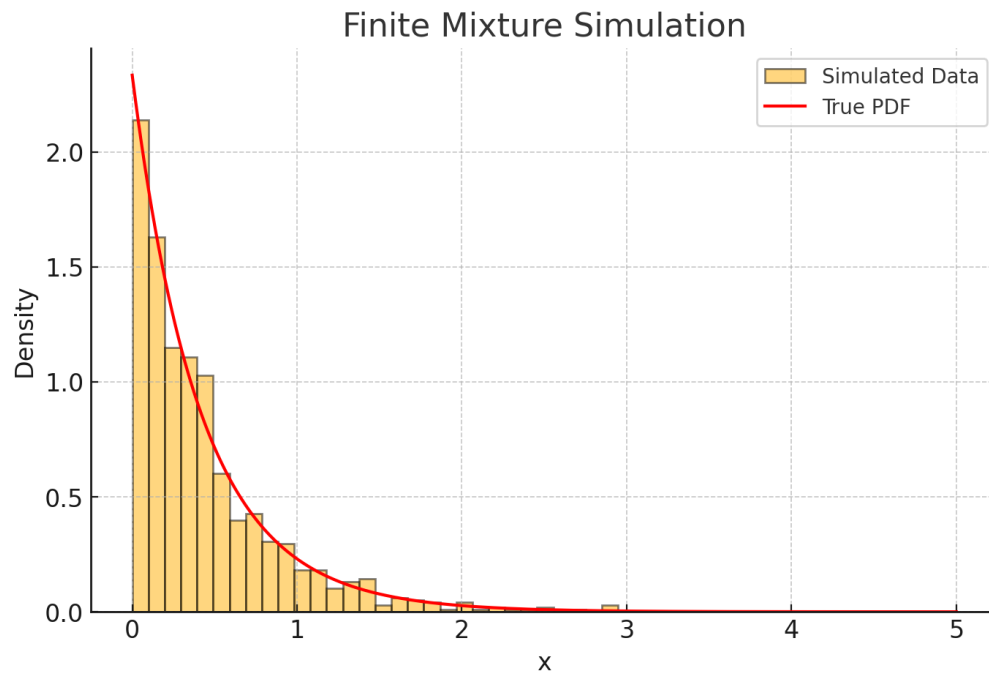


Figure 2: Finite Mixture Simulation

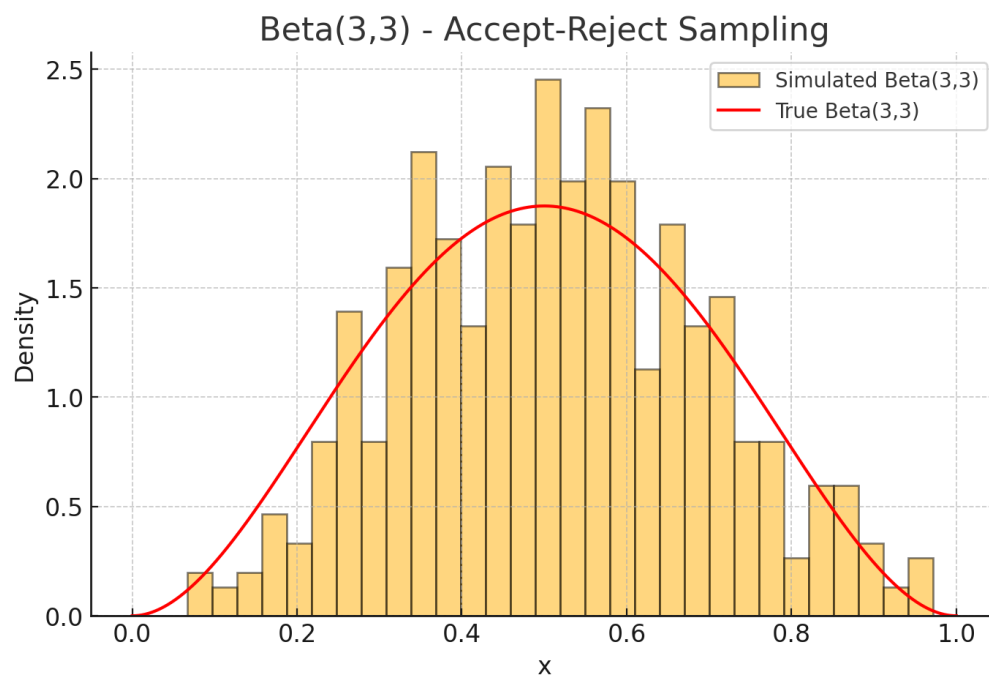


Figure 3: Beta(3,3) - Accept-Reject Sampling