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Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are uniform on the simplex, so $X_1 + \dots + X_n = 1$. We wish to compute $\Pr[a_1 X_1 + \dots + a_n X_n > 0]$.

Fact: one can write $X_i = E_i / (\sum_i E_i)$ where E_1, \dots, E_n are iid exponential. Hence

$$\Pr[a_1 X_1 + \dots + a_n X_n > 0] = \Pr[a_1 E_1 + \dots + a_n E_n > 0]$$

WLOG take $a_1 \geq \dots \geq a_n$. The general case is easy to write for $a_1 > \dots > a_n$, but it is also straightforward to work out what happens if $a_i = a_j$ for some $i \neq j$.

For $a > b > 0$, the distribution of $aE_1 + bE_2$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{a,b}(z) &= \int_0^z \frac{1}{a} e^{-x/a} \frac{1}{b} e^{-(z-x)/b} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^z e^{-z/b} e^{-x(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b})} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{ab} e^{-z/b} \left[\frac{1}{\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}} e^{-x(\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b})} \right]_0^z \\ &= \frac{1}{a-b} e^{-z/b} [e^{-z(a^{-1} - b^{-1})} - 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{a-b} [e^{-z/a} - e^{-z/b}] = \frac{a^{-1} e^{-z/a}}{a^{-1}(a-b)} + \frac{b^{-1} e^{-z/b}}{b^{-1}(b-a)} \end{aligned}$$

It is clear from the above form that the distribution of $aE_1 + bE_2 + cE_3$ for $a > b > c > 0$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{a,b,c}(z) &= \frac{\frac{1}{a-c} e^{-z/a} + \frac{1}{c-a} e^{-z/c}}{a^{-1}(a-b)} + \frac{\frac{1}{b-c} e^{-z/b} + \frac{1}{c-b} e^{-z/c}}{b^{-1}(b-a)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{a}{a-c} e^{-z/a} + \frac{a}{c-a} e^{-z/c}}{(a-b)} + \frac{\frac{b}{b-c} e^{-z/b} + \frac{b}{c-b} e^{-z/c}}{(b-a)} \\ &= \frac{a}{(a-c)(a-b)} e^{-z/a} + \frac{b}{(b-c)(b-a)} e^{-z/b} + \frac{c}{(c-a)(c-b)} e^{-z/c} \end{aligned}$$

Now it is easy to see what will happen for general $a_1 > \dots > a_m > 0$ since if for f_{a_1, \dots, a_i} the coefficient of the e^{-z/a_j} term is $C_{j,i}$, the coefficient of the

e^{-z/a_j} term for $f_{a_1, \dots, a_{i+1}}$ will be $\frac{a_1}{a_1 - a_{i+1}} C_i$. Hence the general form is

$$f_{a_1, \dots, a_m}(z) = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{a_j^m}{\prod_{k \neq j} (a_j - a_k)} a_j^{-1} e^{-z/a_j}$$

Now suppose that $a_1 > \dots > a_m > 0 > a_{m+1} > \dots > a_n$. We need to compute

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[a_1 E_1 + \dots + a_n E_n > 0] &= \Pr[a_1 E_1 + \dots + a_m E_m > (-a_{m+1}) E_{m+1} + \dots + (-a_n) E_n] \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^x f_{a_1, \dots, a_m}(x) f_{-a_{m+1}, \dots, -a_n}(y) dy dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^x \left[\sum_{j=1}^m \frac{a_j^m}{\prod_{m \geq k \neq j} (a_j - a_k)} a_j^{-1} e^{-x/a_j} \right] \left[\sum_{j=m+1}^n \frac{(-a_j)^{n-m}}{\prod_{m < k \neq j} (-a_j + a_k)} (-a_j^{-1}) e^{-y/(-a_j)} \right] dy dx \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{\ell=m+1}^n C_j C_\ell \Pr[\text{Exponential}(a_j) > \text{Exponential}(-a_\ell)] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{\ell=m+1}^n C_j C_\ell \frac{a_j}{a_j - a_\ell} \end{aligned}$$

where $C_j = \frac{a_j^m}{\prod_{m \geq k \neq j} (a_j - a_k)}$ and $C_\ell = \frac{(-a_\ell)^{n-m}}{\prod_{m < k \neq \ell} (-a_\ell + a_k)}$.