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HW9

Problem 1

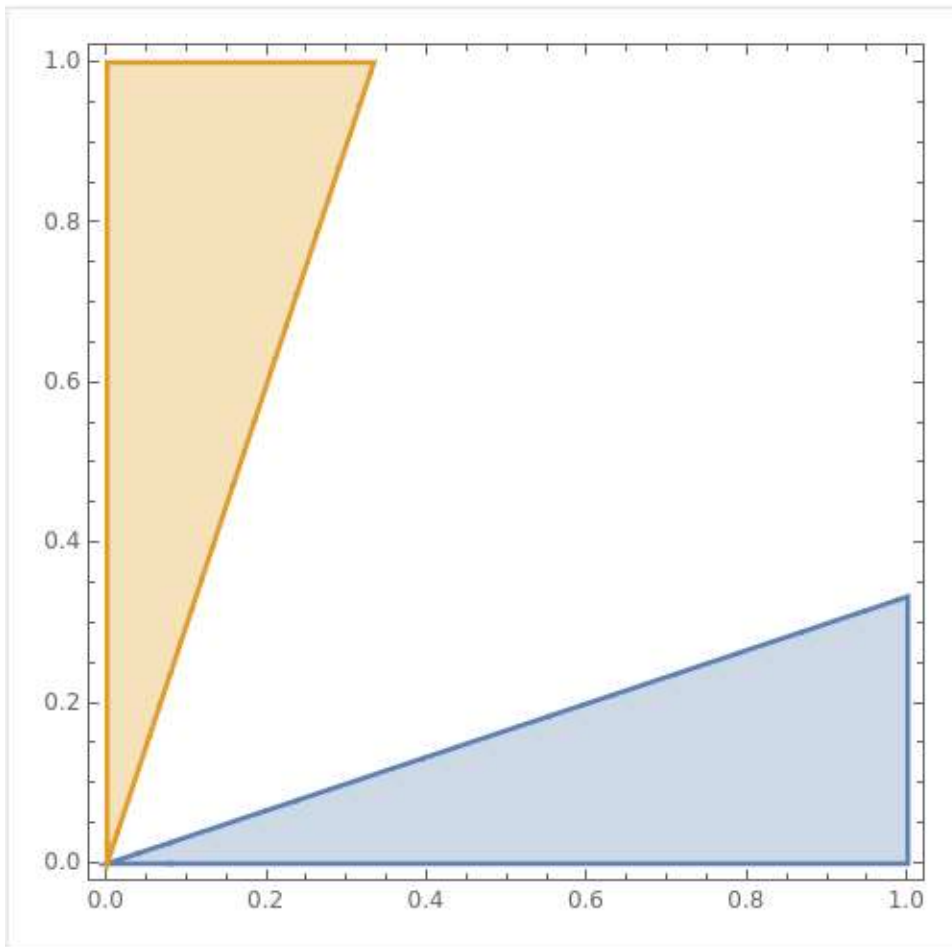
$X \sim \text{uniform on } [0,1]$

$Y \sim \text{uniform on } [0,1]$

if $X > Y$ we want $P[X \geq 3Y] = P[X - 3Y \geq 0]$

if $Y > X$ we want $P[Y \geq 3X] = P[Y - 3X \geq 0]$

It's likely easiest to see the areas when we graph these



Graph is from wolframalpha

Let C = the areas covered by the shaded region

Since X and Y are uniform we know that $P[X \in C, Y \in C] = \text{area}(C)$

The orange triangle has area $\frac{1}{2}(1)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{6}$

Similarly, the blue triangle has area $\frac{1}{2}(1)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{6}$

We know it's at $1/3$ since that is when the other random variable is at its maximum, 1, for still meeting the inequalities $P[X-3Y \geq 0]$ and $P[Y - 3X \geq 0]$.

So the probability that the larger of the two random variable is 3 times as big as the other is $2 * \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{3}$

Problem 2

part a)

We know that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy = 1$

The problem states $p_{X,Y}(x,y)$ which we normally reserve for the density function of a discrete random variable but since this is on an interval of $(0,1)$ I'm thinking it was meant to be $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ for the density function of a continuous random variable.

so we can plug into that equation to get

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 \int_0^1 cxy(1-x) dx dy &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \int_0^1 \int_0^1 xy - x^2y dx dy &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \int_0^1 \left. \frac{x^2y}{2} - \frac{x^3y}{3} \right|_0^1 dy &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \int_0^1 \frac{y}{2} - \frac{y}{3} dy &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \left(\left. \frac{y^2}{4} - \frac{y^2}{6} \right|_0^1 \right) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{6} \right) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c \left(\frac{3-2}{12} \right) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow c &= 12\end{aligned}$$

part b)

X and Y are independent if

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) * f_Y(y) \forall x,y$$

We can find $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$ by integrating $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ over the opposite random variable for the density function we are seeking

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= 12 \int_0^1 xy - x^2y \, dy = 12 \left(\frac{xy^2}{2} - \frac{x^2y^2}{2} \Big|_0^1 \right) = \\ &= 12 \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) = 6x(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= 12 \int_0^1 xy - x^2y \, dx = 12 \left(\frac{x^2y}{2} - \frac{x^3y}{3} \Big|_0^1 \right) \\ &= 12 \left(\frac{y}{2} - \frac{y}{3} \right) = 12 \left(\frac{3y-2y}{6} \right) = 2y \end{aligned}$$

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = 12xy(1-x)$$

$$f_X(x) * f_Y(y) = 6x(1-x) * 2y = 12xy(1-x)$$

$$\text{Hence, } f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) * f_Y(y) \forall x,y$$

and so X and Y are independent

part c)

$$E[Y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y * f_Y(y) dy = \int_0^1 y * 2y \, dy = \frac{2y^3}{3} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

part d)

$$E[X] = \int_0^1 x * [6x(1-x)] dx = 6 \int_0^1 x^2 - x^3 dx = 6 \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^1 = 6 \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$E[X^2] = \int_0^1 x^2 * [6x(1-x)] dx = 6 \int_0^1 x^3 - x^4 dx = 6 \left[\frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^5}{5} \right]_0^1 = 6 \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{5} \right) = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\text{var}[X] = \frac{3}{10} - \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{20}$$

part e)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{X+Y}(a) &= P[X = a, Y = x - a] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(a) f_Y(x - a) da \\
 &= \int_0^1 6a(1 - a) * 2(x - a) da = 12 \int_0^1 xa - a^2 - xa^2 + a^3 da \\
 &= 12 \left[\frac{xa^2}{2} - \frac{a^3}{3} - \frac{xa^3}{3} + \frac{a^4}{4} \right]_0^1 = 12 \left[\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{3} - \frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \right] = 12 \left(\frac{6x - 4 - 4x + 3}{12} \right) = 2x - 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Since this is across the sample space of X+Y and both X and Y go from 0 to 1, this is from 0 to 2

$$f_{X+Y}(a) = \begin{cases} 2x - 1 & \text{when } 0 < X + Y < 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Is this ok as is? Or should I be doing something like $X + Y = Z$? but then I get confused on how I can just say $2z-1$ for the density function

Problem 3

let b_1 denote battery 1 and b_2 denote battery 2

Then the probability that b_1 fails is given by

$$f_{b_1}(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and the probability that b_2 fails is given by

$$f_{b_2}(x) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-2x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We want $P[Y = b_1 | X > 2]$ where X is the time a battery lasted and Y is which battery was selected

$$P[Y = b_1 | X > 2] = \frac{P[Y=b_1 \cap X>2]}{P[X>2]} = \frac{P[Y=b_1] * P[X>2|Y=b_1]}{P[Y=b_1] * P[X>2|Y=b_1] + P[Y=b_2] * P[X>2|Y=b_2]}$$

$P[Y = b_1] = P[Y = b_2] = \frac{1}{2}$ since we're randomly selecting between battery 1 and battery 2

$$P[X > 2 | Y = b_1] = 1 - P[X \leq 2 | Y = b_1] = 1 - \int_0^2 e^{-x} dx = 1 - [-e^{-x}]_0^2 = 1 - (-e^{-2} + e^0) = 1 + e^{-2} - 1 = e^{-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P[X > 2 | Y = b_2] &= 1 - P[X \leq 2 | Y = b_2] = 1 - \int_0^2 2e^{-2x} dx = \\
 &= 1 - 2 \left[-\frac{e^{-2x}}{2} \right]_0^2 = 1 - (-e^{-4} + 1) = e^{-4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in we get

$$\frac{P[Y = b_1] * P[X > 2|Y = b_1]}{P[Y = b_1] * P[X > 2|Y = b_1] + P[Y = b_2] * P[X > 2|Y = b_2]} = \frac{\frac{e^{-2}}{2}}{\frac{e^{-2}}{2} + \frac{e^{-4}}{2}} = \frac{e^{-2}}{e^{-2} + e^{-4}} =$$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{e^2}}{\frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{1}{e^4}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{e^2}} = \frac{e^2}{e^2 + 1} \approx 0.88$$

So if a randomly selected battery has lasted over 2 months, there's approximately a 88% chance that it is the first battery.