From definition, we have that

$$P(Y > y) = \int_{y}^{\infty} f_{Y}(x)dx$$

and

$$P(Y > y) = \int_{-\infty}^{y} f_Y(x) dx$$

Therefore,

$$E[Y] = \int_0^\infty P(Y > y) dy - \int_{-\infty}^0 P(Y < y) dy$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_y^\infty f_Y(x) dx dy - \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_{-\infty}^y f_Y(x) dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_0^x f_Y(x) dy dx - \int_{-\infty}^0 \int_x^0 f_Y(x) dy dx$$

$$= \int_0^\infty y f_Y(x)|_{y=0}^x dx - \int_{-\infty}^0 y f_Y(x)|_{y=x}^0 dx$$

$$= \int_0^\infty x f_Y(x) dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 x f_Y(x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^\infty y f_Y(y) dy + \int_{-\infty}^0 y f_Y(y) dy$$

$$f_Y(y) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^y}{\ln 2} dx = \frac{1}{(y+1)\ln 2}$$
$$f_X(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{x^y}{\ln 2} dy = \frac{x-1}{\ln x \ln 2}$$

Hence,

$$f_{XY}(x,y) \neq f_{Y}(y) \cdot f_{X}(x)$$

and hence they are independent

$$E[XY] = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{yx^{y+1}}{\ln 2} dx dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 \frac{y}{(y+2)\ln 2} dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln 2} (y - 2\ln(y+2))|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1 - 2\ln 3 + 2\ln 2}{\ln 2}$$

$$\equiv 0.273$$

$$\int_0^{0.5} 0.25 \cdot e^{-0.25t} dt = 0.1175 \implies 11.75\%$$

a.

Suppose the location of the fire station is x, then the expected distance is

$$\int_0^A \frac{1}{A} |x - y| dy = \frac{1}{A} \left(\int_0^x (x - y) dy + \int_x^A (y - x) dy \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{A} \left(x^2 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{A^2}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} - Ax + x^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{A} \left(x^2 - Ax + \frac{A^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{A} \left(\left(x - \frac{A}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{A^2}{4} \right)$$

Therefore, the optimal location is at $\frac{A}{2}$.

b.

Similarly, the expected distance is

$$\int_0^{A/2} \frac{1}{A} |x - y| dy + \int_{5A/8}^A \frac{1}{A} |x - y| dy$$

Here, we consider two cases, the first cases is the fire station is located between 0 and A/2, the second case is the fire station is located between 5A/8 and A. In the first case, the expected distance is

$$\begin{split} &\frac{8}{7A} \left(\int_0^x (x - y) dy + \int_x^{A/2} (y - x) dy + \int_{5A/8}^A (y - x) dy \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(x^2 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{A^2}{8} - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{Ax}{2} + x^2 + \frac{A^2}{2} - \frac{25A^2}{128} - Ax + \frac{5Ax}{8} \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(x^2 - \frac{7Ax}{8} + \frac{55A^2}{128} \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(\frac{61A^2}{256} + \frac{1}{256} (7A - 16x)^2 \right) \end{split}$$

Therefore, the optimal location in the interval between 0 and A/2 is 7A/16 with the expected value being $\frac{61A}{256} \cdot \frac{8}{7}$.

In the second case, the expected distance is

$$\begin{split} &\frac{8}{7A} \left(\int_0^{A/2} (x - y) dy + \int_{5A/8}^x (x - y) dy + \int_x^A (y - x) dy \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(\frac{Ax}{2} - \frac{A^2}{8} + x^2 - \frac{5Ax}{8} - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{25A^2}{128} + \frac{A^2}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} - Ax + x^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(\frac{73A^2}{128} - \frac{9Ax}{8} + x^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{8}{7A} \left(\frac{65A^2}{256} + \frac{1}{256} (9A - 16x)^2 \right) \end{split}$$

Hence, the optimal location in the interval between 5A/8 and A is at A or 5A/8 as 9/16A < 5A/8.

If the fire station location is A, then the expected distance is $57A/128 \cdot \frac{8}{7}$. If the fire station location is 5A/8, then the expected distance is $33A/128 \cdot \frac{8}{7}$. Therefore, the best location for the fire station is at 7A/16.

c.

The expected distance is

$$\begin{split} \int_0^\infty |x-y| \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy &= \int_0^x (x-y) \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy + \int_x^\infty (y-x) \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= -x e^{-\lambda y} |_0^x + \int_0^x -y \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy + x e^{-\lambda y} |_x^\infty + \int_x^\infty y \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= -2x e^{-\lambda x} + x + \int_0^x -y \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy + \int_x^\infty y \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= -2x e^{-\lambda x} + x - \left(-y \cdot e^{-\lambda y} \right) \Big|_0^x + \left(-y \cdot e^{-\lambda y} \right) \Big|_x^\infty - \int_0^x e^{-\lambda y} dy + \int_x^\infty e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= x + \frac{e^{-\lambda x} - 1}{\lambda} + \frac{e^{-\lambda x}}{\lambda} \\ &= \frac{\lambda x + 2 e^{-\lambda x} - 1}{\lambda} \end{split}$$

Consider
$$f(x) = \lambda x + 2e^{-\lambda x} - 1$$

 $f'(x) = \lambda - 2\lambda e^{-\lambda x} = 0 \iff e^{-\lambda x} = 1/2 \iff x = \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}.$
We also have that $f''(x) = 2\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda x} \ge 0 \quad \forall x \ge 0.$

Hence, f reaches its global minimum at $x=\frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$ and therefore the best place to place the fire station is at $\frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$