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1. Let $X \sim \text{Exp}(1)$ and $Y \sim \text{Exp}(1)$. X and Y are independent.

a. (6 pts) Find the pdf of $A = \frac{X+Y}{2}$ and $B = \frac{X-Y}{2}$

ANSWER: By the bivariate transformation change of variables method

$$A = u_1(X, Y) = \frac{X+Y}{2} \quad X = \frac{X+Y}{2} + \frac{X-Y}{2} = A+B = v_1(A, B)$$

$$B = u_2(X, Y) = \frac{X-Y}{2} \quad Y = \frac{X+Y}{2} - \frac{X-Y}{2} = A-B = v_2(A, B)$$

1pt for $X=A+B, Y=A-B$

find the bounds: $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$
 $a+b \geq 0, a-b \geq 0$
 $b \geq -a, a \geq b$
 $\therefore -a \leq b \leq a$

But also $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$
 $a+b \geq 0, a-b \geq 0$
 $a \geq -b, a \geq b$
 $a \geq |b|$
 $\therefore a \geq 0$

$a \in [0, \infty)$ or $a \in [|b|, \infty)$
 $b \in [-a, a]$ or $b \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} X & \frac{\partial}{\partial b} X \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial a} Y & \frac{\partial}{\partial b} Y \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{vmatrix} = -1 - 1 = -2$$

1pt Correctly setting up Jacobian (including correct method for solving determinant)

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X,Y}(x,y) &= f_X(x) f_Y(y) \quad (\text{because } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are ind.}) \\ &= 1e^{-x} \cdot 1e^{-y} \\ &= e^{-x} e^{-y} \\ &= e^{-x-y} \quad x, y \in [0, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

1pt for $f_{X,Y} = f_X \cdot f_Y$
 1pt for $f_X = e^{-x}$ and $f_Y = e^{-y}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{A,B}(a,b) &= f_{X,Y}(v_1(a,b), v_2(a,b)) |J| \\ &= e^{-v_1(a,b) - v_2(a,b)} |-2| \\ &= 2e^{-(a+b) - (a-b)} \\ &= 2e^{-a-b-a+b} \\ &= 2e^{-2a} \end{aligned}$$

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1pt for correctly substituting in all terms in (**)

1pt for correct bounds (one of the two shams)

$a \geq |b|, -\infty < b < \infty$
 $a \geq 0, -a \leq b \leq a$

b. (2pts) Are A and B independent?

ANSWER: A and B are not independent because the support of B depends on A.

(1pt) for not independent

(1pt) for the correct reason: support of B depends on A (or sample space is not a rectangle)

2. $f(x,y) = \theta e^{-(x+\theta y)}$, $x > 0, y > 0, (\theta > 0)$

a. (7pts) find the pdf of $A = X \cdot Y$

$A = u_1(x,y) = X \cdot Y$ $X = \frac{X \cdot Y}{Y} = \frac{a}{b}$ | $B = Y = v_1(a,b)$ (1pt) $X = \frac{a}{b}, Y = \frac{a}{b}$
 (or $X = b, Y = \frac{a}{b}$)

$B = u_2(x,y) = Y$ $Y = b = v_2(a,b)$

$x > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{A}{B} > 0 \Rightarrow A > 0$
 $y > 0 \Rightarrow B > 0$

$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial a} \frac{a}{b} & \frac{\partial}{\partial b} \frac{a}{b} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial a} b & \frac{\partial}{\partial b} b \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{b} & -\frac{a}{b^2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{b} - 0 = \frac{1}{b}$ (1pt) Correctly setting up Jacobian

Note: if they do not choose $B = X \cdot Y$, make a note that it is simpler to set $B = X$ or $B = Y$

(includes using correct method to solve for determinant)

$f_{A,B} = f_{x,y}(v_1(a,b), v_2(a,b)) |J|$
 $= \theta e^{-(\frac{a}{b} + \theta b)} \cdot \frac{1}{b}$
 $= \frac{\theta}{b} e^{-(\frac{a}{b} + \theta b)}$

(1pt) for correctly substituting in all terms of cov. formula.

(1pt) for $f_{A,B} = f_{x,y}(v_1(a,b), v_2(a,b)) |J|$

(1pt) for correct bounds on integration

(1pt) for setting up f_A as integral of $f_{A,B}$ with respect to b

(1pt) for $a > 0, b > 0$

$f_A(a) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\theta}{b} e^{-(\frac{a}{b} + \theta b)} db$ $a > 0, b > 0$

= something complex

b. (1pt) Is this a named distribution?

ANSWER: We don't know. But it is unlikely to be a named distribution, because named distributions usually result in integrable joint pdfs.

(1pt) for saying no or expressing doubt

3. Let $R \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$ and $A \sim \text{Unif}(0, 2\pi)$, R and A are indep.

a. (8pts). Find the pdf of $X = R \cos(A)$ and $Y = R \sin(A)$

$$X = u_1(R, A) = R \cos(A) \quad R = v_1(X, Y) = \sqrt{R^2}$$

$$Y = u_2(R, A) = R \sin(A) \quad = \sqrt{R^2(\cos^2 A + \sin^2 A)} \quad (1pt) R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(R \cos A)^2 + (R \sin A)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$A = v_2(X, Y) = \arctan\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right) \quad (1pt) A = \arctan\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right)$$

because $\tan A = \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} = \frac{R \sin A}{R \cos A}$

$$= \frac{Y}{X}$$

bounds:

$$0 \leq R \leq 1 \quad 0 \leq A \leq 2\pi$$

$$0 \leq \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \leq 1 \quad 0 \leq \arctan\left(\frac{Y}{X}\right) \leq 2\pi$$

$$0 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \quad -\infty \leq \frac{Y}{X} \leq \infty$$

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{not helpful}$$

$\Rightarrow X, Y$ such that $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{dr}{dx} & \frac{dr}{dy} \\ \frac{dA}{dx} & \frac{dA}{dy} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \\ \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} & \frac{-x}{x^2+y^2} \end{vmatrix} = \frac{x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{y^2}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}}$$

(1pt) taking correct partial derivatives

(1pt) correctly calculating determinant

$$f_{R,A}(r, a) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

(because R and A are independent)

(1pt) for $f_r = \frac{1}{1}, f_a = \frac{1}{2\pi}$

(1pt) for $f_{r,a} = f_r \cdot f_a$ due to independence

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_{R,A}(v_1(x,y), v_2(x,y)) |J| = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi} |J|$$

(1pt) for correctly substituting everything into change of variables formula

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \right|$$

$$x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$$

$$\text{or}$$

$$-\sqrt{1-x^2} \leq y \leq \sqrt{1-x^2}$$

$$-1 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\text{or}$$

$$-\sqrt{1-y^2} \leq x \leq \sqrt{1-y^2}$$

$$-1 \leq y \leq 1$$

(1pt) correct bounds (any of 3 given)

$$\frac{\ln(0.10)}{\ln(0.9803)} \leq n$$

$$115.727 \leq n$$

$$n = 116 \text{ times}$$

1pt for 116 by this method. ($\frac{1}{2}$ point for 115.727)

5. (3pts-Bonus) Let $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$ be independent with the same CDF, F . Find the pdf of $Y = \min(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n)$

ANSWER:

$$P(Y \leq y) = 1 - P(Y > y) = 1 - P(X_1, \dots, X_n > y)$$

1pt for using $P(\min > a) = P(\text{all} > a)$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 > y)P(X_2 > y) \dots P(X_n > y)$$

because of independence

$\frac{1}{2}$ pt for recognizing independence and separating the probability

$$= 1 - [(1 - P(X_1 \leq y))(1 - P(X_2 \leq y)) \dots (1 - P(X_n \leq y))]$$

$$= 1 - [(1 - F_{X_1}(y))(1 - F_{X_2}(y)) \dots (1 - F_{X_n}(y))]$$

$\frac{1}{2}$ pt for recognizing that all $F_{X_i} = F_{X_1}$

$$= 1 - (1 - F_{X_1}(y))^n \quad \text{because } F_{X_1} = F_{X_2} = \dots = F_{X_n}$$

which is the CDF of Y . To find the pdf take the derivative

$$f(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F(y) = \frac{d}{dy} (1 - (1 - F_{X_1}(y))^n)$$

1pt $f(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F(y)$ and solving

$$= n \frac{d}{dy} (F_{X_1}(y)) (1 - F_{X_1}(y))^{n-1}$$

$$= n \underline{f_{X_1}(y)} (1 - F_{X_1}(y))^{n-1} \quad \text{because } \frac{d}{dy} F_{X_1}(y) = f_{X_1}(y)$$

take off $\frac{1}{2}$ point for not simplifying $\frac{d}{dy} F_{X_1}(y) = f_{X_1}(y)$

4.c. (Alternative method: 1pt) How many times do you have to retake the quiz to have 90% chance of passing?

ANSWER: We notice the following pattern from parts a and b

$$P(\text{passing in } n \text{ tries}) = 1 - (1 - P(X, \geq 6))^n$$

So...

$$.90 = 1 - (1 - P(X, \geq 6))^n$$

$$(1 - P(X, \geq 6))^n = 1 - .90$$

$$(1 - 0.0197)^n = .10$$

$$0.9803^n = 0.10$$

$$\ln(0.9803^n) = \ln(0.10)$$

$$n \ln(0.9803) = \ln(0.10)$$

$$n = \frac{\ln(0.10)}{\ln(0.9803)}$$

$$= 115.727$$

Since we can only take an integer # of tests, we must take 116 tests to guarantee a 90% chance of passing due to random chance.

1pt for 116 by this method
($\frac{1}{2}$ point if they leave $n = 115.727$)

4.6 (Alternative method: 3pts) If you are allowed to take it twice and only take the highest score, what is the probability that you pass? what if you are allowed 3 times?

ANSWER: The highest score will be the max of the scores. So

let X_1 be the score on the 1st test,
 X_2 be the score on the 2nd test.
 Y be the $\max(X_1, X_2)$

then

(1pt) setting up $P(\max(X_1, X_2) \geq 6)$

$$P(\text{pass in 2 tries}) = P(Y \geq 6)$$

$$= 1 - P(Y < 6)$$

$$= 1 - P(\max(X_1, X_2) < 6)$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 < 6 \cap X_2 < 6) \text{ (otherwise the max would not be } \leq 6)$$

$$= 1 - P(X_1 < 6)P(X_2 < 6) \text{ (assuming independence)}$$

$$= 1 - (1 - P(X_1 \geq 6))(1 - P(X_2 \geq 6))$$

$$= 1 - (1 - P(X_1 \geq 6))^2 \text{ (} X_1 \text{ and } X_2 \text{ have the same probabilities)}$$

$$= 1 - (1 - 0.0197)^2 \text{ (using results of part a)}$$

$$= 0.039$$

Let $Z = \max(X_1, X_2, X_3)$

$$P(\text{pass in 3 tries}) = P(Z \geq 6)$$

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$$= 1 - (1 - 0.0197)^3$$

$$\approx 0.058$$

(1pt) correctly inducing or re-proving method for 3

(1pt) recognizing that max implies all <