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Distribution theory II

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Question 1

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} c \frac{2^x 3^y}{x! y!}, & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots; y = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & x, y < 0 \end{cases}$$

Note that this is a discrete distribution!

(a) If p_{XY} is a joint frequency function, then we must have

$$\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) = 1.$$

Here, we would get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) &= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} c \frac{2^x 3^y}{x! y!} = c \left(\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^x}{x!} \right) \left(\sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^y}{y!} \right) \\ &= c \cdot e^2 \cdot e^3 = 3^5 c \end{aligned}$$

so we must have $c = e^{-5}$.

(b) The marginal frequency function of X is found by summing up the joint frequency function over all y -values:

$$\begin{aligned} P_X(x) &= \sum_{\text{all } y} P_{XY}(x, y) \\ &= \begin{cases} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} e^{-5} \frac{2^x 3^y}{x! y!} = e^{-5} \frac{2^x}{x!} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{3^y}{y!} = e^{-5} \cdot e^3 \frac{2^x}{x!} = e^{-x} \frac{2^x}{x!}, & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

[Alternatively we can note that $P_{XY}(x, y)$ factors as follows:

$$P_{XY}(x, y) = \left(e^{-2} \frac{2^x}{x!} \right) \cdot \left(e^{-3} \frac{3^y}{y!} \right)$$

This means that X and Y are independent, and

$$P_X(x) = \left(e^{-2} \frac{2^x}{x!} \right).]$$

(c) From the marginal frequency function found in (b), we see that X has the Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda = 2$.

Question 2

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} k(6 - x - y), & 0 < x < 2, 0 < y < 4 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(a) Integrating the joint density function over all possible x - and y -values must give 1. Here we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy &= \int_0^2 \int_0^4 k(6 - x - y) dy dx \\ &= k \int_0^2 \left(6y - xy - \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) \Big|_0^4 dx = k \int_0^2 (24 - 4x - 8) dx \\ &= k \int_0^2 (16 - 4x) dx = k \left(16x - 2x^2 \right) \Big|_0^2 = k(32 - 8) \\ &= 24k. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, to have

$$24k = 1$$

we should take

$$k = \frac{1}{24}.$$

(b) For $0 < x < 2$, $0 < y < 4$, the distribution function is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_{XY}(x, y) &= \frac{1}{24} \int_0^x \int_0^y (6 - u - v) dv du \\ &= \frac{1}{24} \int_0^x \left(6v - uv - \frac{1}{2}v^2 \right) \Big|_0^y du = \frac{1}{24} \int_0^x \left(6y - uy - \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) du \\ &= \frac{1}{24} \left(6yu - \frac{1}{2}y^2u - \frac{1}{2}yu^2 \right) \Big|_0^x = \frac{1}{24} \left(6yx - \frac{1}{2}y^2x - \frac{1}{2}yx^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{48}xy(12 - x - y). \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} & P(1 < X < 2; 2 < Y < 3) \\ &= \int_1^2 \int_2^3 \left(\frac{1}{24} (6 - x - y) \right) dy dx = \int_1^2 \left(\frac{1}{24} \left(6y - xy - \frac{1}{2}y^2 \right) \right) \Big|_2^3 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{24} \int_1^2 \left(\left(18 - 3x - \frac{9}{2} \right) - (12 - 2x - 2) \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{24} \int_1^2 \left(\frac{7}{2} - x \right) dx = \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{7}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 \right) \Big|_1^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{24} \left(7 - 2 - \frac{7}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{2}{24} = \frac{1}{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} & P(1 < X < 2; 2 < Y < 3) \\ &= P(X < 2, Y < 3) - P(X < 2, Y < 2) - P(X < 1, Y < 3) + P(X < 1, Y < 2) \\ &= F(2, 3) - F(2, 2) - F(1, 3) + F(1, 2) \\ &= \frac{1}{48} (6(12 - 2 - 3) - 4(12 - 2 - 2) - 3(12 - 1 - 3) + 2(12 - 1 - 2)) \\ &= \frac{1}{48} (6 \cdot 7 - 4 \cdot 8 - 3 \cdot 8 + 2 \cdot 9) = \frac{1}{48} (42 - 56 + 18) = \frac{4}{48} = \frac{1}{12}, \end{aligned}$$

again.

Question 3

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2}, & 1 < x \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(a) If X_1 and X_2 are independent, then their joint density function is

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x_1^2} \cdot \frac{1}{x_2^2}, & x_1 > 1, x_2 > 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(b) If

$$U_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}, \quad U_2 = X_1 + X_2$$

then

$$U_1 = \frac{X_1}{U_2} \quad \therefore \quad X_1 = U_1 U_2$$

and

$$X_2 = U_2 - X_1 = U_2 - U_1U_2.$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow u_1, u_2) &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial u_2} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial u_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial u_2} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} u_2 & u_1 \\ -u_2 & 1 - u_1 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= |u_2(1 - u_1) + u_1u_2| \\ &= |u_2 - u_2u_1 + u_1u_2| = |u_2| = u_2. \end{aligned}$$

(d) If $X_1 > 1$ and $X_2 > 1$ then $U_2 = X_1 + X_2 > 2$,

and

$$U_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{X_2}{X_1}}$$

where $\frac{X_2}{X_1}$ can have any positive value, so $0 < U_1 < 1$.

(e) Applying the transformation method, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f_{U_1U_2}(u_1, u_2) &= f_{X_1X_2}(u_1u_2, u_2 - u_1u_2) |J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow u_1, u_2)| \\ &= \frac{1}{(u_1u_2)^2} \frac{1}{(u_2(1 - u_1))^2} \cdot u_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{u_1^2(1 - u_1)^2 u_2^3}, \quad 0 < u_1 < 1, u_2 > 2. \end{aligned}$$

Question 4

Let $Y_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$ and let us define (similarly to Question 3 above) $Y_2 = X_1 + X_2$, in which case we will have $0 < Y_1 < 1$, $Y_2 > 0$

Then

$$X_1 = Y_1Y_2, \quad X_2 = Y_2(1 - Y_1)$$

$$J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2) = \begin{vmatrix} y_2 & y_1 \\ -y_2 & (1 - y_2) \end{vmatrix} = |y_2(1 - y_2) + (y_1y_2)| = |y_2|$$

and applying the transformation method gives

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{Y_1 Y_2}(y_1 y_2) &= f_{X_1 X_2}(y_1 y_2, y_2(1-y_1))(y_2) \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (y_1 y_2)^{\alpha-1} (y_2(1-y_1))^{\beta-1} e^{-y_1 y_2 - y_2(1-y_1)} y_2 \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1} y_2^{\alpha-1} y_2 y_2^{\beta-1} e^{-y_2} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1} y_2^{\alpha+\beta-1} e^{-y_2}, \quad 0 < y_1 < 1, \quad y_2 > 0
\end{aligned}$$

The marginal density function of Y_1 is

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{Y_1}(y_1) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y_1 Y_2}(y_1, y_2) dy_2 \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1} y_2^{\alpha+\beta-1} e^{-y_2} dy_2 \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} y_2^{\alpha+\beta-1} e^{-y_2} dy_2}_{=\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)^2}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1}, \quad \text{for } 0 < y_1 < 1
\end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we could for instance take $Y_1 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$, $Y_2 = X_1$, in which case we will have $0 < Y_1 < 1$, $Y_2 > 0$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 &= Y_2, \quad X_2 = Y_2 \left(\frac{1}{Y_1} - 1 \right) \\
J(x_1, x_2 \rightarrow y_1, y_2) &= \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & y_1 \\ -\frac{y_2}{y_1^2} & \frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \end{array} \right| = \frac{y_2}{y_1^2},
\end{aligned}$$

and applying the transformation method gives

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{Y_1 Y_2}(y_1 y_2) &= f_{X_1 X_2} \left(y_2, y_2 \left(\frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \right) \right) \left(\frac{y_2}{y_1^2} \right) \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (y_2)^{\alpha-1} \left(y_2 \left(\frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \right) \right)^{\beta-1} e^{-y_2 - y_2 \left(\frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \right)} \frac{y_2}{y_1^2} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (y_2)^{\alpha-1} \left(y_2 \left(\frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \right) \right)^{\beta-1} e^{-y_2 - y_2 \left(\frac{1}{y_1} - 1 \right)} \frac{y_2}{y_1^2} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (y_2)^{\alpha+\beta-1} (1-y_1)^{\beta-1} (y_1)^{-\beta-1} e^{-\frac{y_2}{y_1}}, \quad 0 < y_1 < 1, \quad y_2 > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

The marginal density function of Y_1 is

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{Y_1}(y_1) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y_1 Y_2}(y_1, y_2) dy_2 \\
 &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (y_2)^{\alpha + \beta - 1} (1 - y_1)^{\beta - 1} (y_1)^{-\beta - 1} e^{\left(-\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)} dy_2 \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} (1 - y_1)^{\beta - 1} (y_1)^{-\beta - 1} \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} (y_2)^{\alpha + \beta - 1} e^{\left(-\frac{y_2}{y_1}\right)} dy_2}_{= y_1^{\alpha + \beta} \Gamma(\alpha + \beta)} \\
 &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)^2}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} y_1^{\alpha - 1} (1 - y_1)^{\beta - 1}, \quad \text{for } 0 < y_1 < 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 5

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & 0 < x < \infty \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(This is the exponential distribution with $\lambda = 1$). For the distribution function, we therefore have

$$F_X(x) = 1 - e^{-x}.$$

The density function of the 4-th order statistics in a sample of 4 is (as given on page 114 of the study guide, with $n = 4$, $n = 4$),

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_4(x) &= \frac{4!}{(4-1)!(4-4)!} f_X(x) (F_X(x))^{4-1} [1 - F(x)]^{4-4} \\
 &= \frac{4!}{3!0!} e^{-x} (1 - e^{-x})^3 \\
 &= 4e^{-x} (1 - e^{-x})^3, \quad x > 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y_{(4)} > 3) &= \int_3^{\infty} f_4(y) dy = \int_3^{\infty} 4e^{-y} (1 - e^{-y})^3 dy \\
 &= 4e^{-9} - 6e^{-6} + 4e^{-3} - e^{12} \approx 0.18476.
 \end{aligned}$$

Question 6

$$F(x, y) = (1 - e^{-x})(1 - e^{-y}), \quad x > 0, \quad y > 0$$

Joint density function:

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} F(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}e^{-y}, & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

[Note that the random variables here are independent, later with the exponential distribution with parameter $\lambda = 1$.]

The marginal density functions are

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= e^{-x}, \quad x > 0, \\ f_Y(y) &= e^{-y}, \quad y > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Question 7

(a) The marginal frequency functions are found by summing up over columns and rows, respectively:

		x				
		1	2	3	4	$p_Y(y)$
y	1	0.1	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.19
	2	0.05	0.2	0.05	0.02	0.32
	3	0.02	0.05	0.2	0.04	0.31
	4	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.1	0.18
$p_X(x)$		0.19	0.32	0.31	0.18	1.0

(b) Conditional frequency of X given $Y = 1$: For any x ,

$$P(X = x | Y = 1) = \frac{P(X = x, Y = 1)}{P(Y = 1)} = \frac{p_{XY}(x, 1)}{p_Y(1)}$$

so

$$p_{X|Y=1}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{0.1}{0.19} = \frac{10}{19} \approx 0.52632, & x = 1 \\ \frac{0.05}{0.19} = \frac{5}{19} \approx 0.26316, & x = 2 \\ \frac{0.02}{0.19} = \frac{2}{19} \approx 0.10526, & x = 3 \\ \frac{0.02}{0.19} = \frac{2}{19} \approx 0.10526, & x = 4 \end{cases}$$

(c)

$$P(Y = y | X = 2) = \frac{P(Y = y, X = 2)}{P(X = 2)} = \frac{p_{XY}(2, y)}{p_X(2)}$$

so

$$P_{Y | X=2}(y | X = 2) = \begin{cases} \frac{0.05}{0.32} = \frac{5}{32} \approx 0.15625, & y = 1 \\ \frac{0.2}{0.32} = \frac{20}{32} \approx 0.625, & y = 2 \\ \frac{0.05}{0.32} = \frac{5}{32} \approx 0.15625, & y = 3 \\ \frac{0.02}{0.32} = \frac{2}{32} \approx 0.0625, & y = 4 \end{cases}$$