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[42 pts.] 1. Given the joint probability density of two RVs X and Y

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \begin{cases} k(x+y) & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- a) Find the value of k , and the cdf $F_{XY}(x, y)$. (6 pts.)
- b) Find $F_X(x)$, $F_Y(y)$, $f_X(x)$, $f_Y(y)$. (6 pts.)
- c) Find the probability that $|X - Y| \leq 1/2$. (6 pts.)
- d) Find $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$. (6 pts.)
- e) Find the minimum mean square error estimator of X given Y . Compute the resulting mean square error. (6 pts.)
- f) Find the linear minimum mean square error estimator of X given Y . Compute the resulting mean square error. (6 pts.)
- g) Are X and Y independent? Uncorrelated? Orthogonal? Explain your answer. (6 pts.)

[35 pts.] 2. An electronic system has n components. Let the lifetime of each component be X_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, in hours. Assume that X_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, are mutually independent, and have identical density $f_{X_i}(x) = e^{-x}$, $x \geq 0$. Let the lifetime of the system be Y .

- a) Suppose the system works only if all n components work. Find the pdf and expectation of Y . (10 pts.)
- b) Suppose we already know that the system has already lasted 10 hours. Find the conditional pdf and expectation of Y . (12 pts.)
- c) To increase reliability, we use redundancy by increasing the number of components from n to $2n$. Suppose the system works so long as there are at least n components working. Find the cdf of Y . (13 pts.)

[23 pts.] 3. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of i.i.d. RVs with mean μ and unit variance. Suppose μ is unknown.

a) Propose a scheme to estimate μ from X_1, \dots, X_n . (5 pts.)

b) Suppose your estimate of μ based on X_1, \dots, X_n is denoted as $\hat{\mu}_n$. Using Central Limit Theorem, find a range of n that would guarantee the quality of the estimate in the following sense:

$$P(|\hat{\mu}_n - \mu| \leq 0.1) \geq 0.9. \text{ (18 pts.)}$$