

Unit 9: Bernoulli and Poisson

5. Arrivals during overlapping time

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3/3 points (graded)

Consider a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda$ . Let N be the number of arrivals in (0,t] and M be the number of arrivals in (0,t+s], where  $t>0,s\geq0$ .

In each part below, your answers will be algebraic expressions in terms of  $\lambda, t, s, m$  and/or n. Enter "lambda" for  $\lambda$  and use "exp()" for exponentials. Do **not** use "fac()" or "!" for factorials. Follow standard notation.

1. For  $0 \le n \le m$ , the conditional PMF  $p_{M|N}(m \mid n)$  of M given N is of the form  $\frac{a}{b!}$  for suitable algebraic expressions in place of a and b.

STANDARD NOTATION

## **Solution:**

1. To find  $P_{M|N}(m\mid n)$ , we assume there are n arrivals in the first t time units, and we are looking for the probability that there are m-n arrivals in the subsequent s time units. This follows a Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda s$ :

$$p_{M|N}(m\mid n)=rac{(\lambda s)^{m-n}e^{-\lambda s}}{(m-n)!},\quad ext{for } m\geq n\geq 0.$$

2. We can rewrite the expectation as

$$egin{array}{lll} \mathbf{E}[NM] &=& \mathbf{E}[N(M-N)+N^2] \ &=& \mathbf{E}[N]\mathbf{E}[M-N]+\mathbf{E}[N^2] \ &=& (\lambda t)(\lambda s)+\left(\mathrm{var}(N)+(\mathbf{E}[N])^2
ight) \ &=& (\lambda t)(\lambda s)+\lambda t+(\lambda t)^2, \end{array}$$

where the second equality is obtained because of the independence of the number of arrivals, N and M-N, during disjoint time intervals.

提交

你已经尝试了2次(总共可以尝试3次)