

Home Work 7

16. What is the probability density of the time between the arrival of the two packets of Example E in Section 3.4?

Ans:

Let $X = |T_1 - T_2|$ Then

$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(|T_1 - T_2| \leq x) = P(-x \leq T_1 - T_2 \leq x) = \iint_A f_{T_1, T_2}(t_1, t_2) dt_1 dt_2$$

with A is the area when $-x \leq T_1 - T_2 \leq x$, the shaded strip in Figure 3.12. From this example we have area of A is $T^2 - (T-x)^2$.

Since T_1, T_2 are independent uniform random variables on $[1, T]$ we have:

$$f_{T_1}(t_1) = \frac{1}{T}, \forall t_1 \in [0, T] \text{ and 0 otherwise,}$$

$$f_{T_2}(t_2) = \frac{1}{T}, \forall t_2 \in [0, T] \text{ and 0 otherwise,}$$

$$f_{T_1, T_2}(t_1, t_2) = f_{T_1}(t_1) f_{T_2}(t_2) = \frac{1}{T^2}, \forall t_1 \in [0, T], t_2 \in [0, T] \text{ and 0 otherwise.}$$

$$\text{Hence: } F_X(x) = \iint_A \frac{1}{T^2} dt_1 dt_2 = \frac{1}{T^2} \iint_A dt_1 dt_2 = \frac{1}{T^2} * \text{Area of region } A = \frac{T^2 - (T-x)^2}{T^2} = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{x}{T}\right)^2$$

$$\text{So probability density of X is } f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{x}{T}\right)^2\right) = \frac{2}{T} \left(1 - \frac{x}{T}\right)$$

24. Let P have a uniform distribution on $[0, 1]$, and, conditional on $P=p$, let X have a Bernulli distribution with parameter p. Find the conditional distribution of P given X.

Ans:

By definition of conditional density we have conditional density of P given X is:

$$f_{P|X}(p|x) = \frac{f_{X,P}(x, p)}{f_X(x)}$$

So we need to find joint density X, P and marginal density of X.

From question we have:

- P have a uniform distribution on $[0, 1]$ so density (pdf) of P is:

$$f_P(p) = 1, \forall p \in [0, 1] \text{ and 0 otherwise.}$$

- Conditional on $P=p$, X has a Bernulli distribution with parameter p so conditional pdf of X given P is:

$$f_{X|P}(x|p) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x}, \text{ if } x=0 \vee x=1$$

Hence by multiplicative law we have joint pdf of X, P:

$$f_{X,P}(x, p) = f_{X|P}(x|p) f_P(p) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x}, \text{ if } x=0 \vee x=1, p \in [0, 1] \text{ and 0 otherwise.}$$

By definition of marginal density we have:

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^1 f_{X,P}(x, p) dp = \int_0^1 p^x (1-p)^{1-x} dp, \quad \text{if } x=0 \vee x=1$$

$$\text{Let } x=1 \text{ we have } f_X(1) = \int_0^1 p(1-p)^0 dp = \int_0^1 p dp = \left[\frac{p^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Let } x=0 \text{ we have } f_X(0) = \int_0^1 p^0(1-p) dp = \int_0^1 1-p dp = \left[p - \frac{p^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{so } f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ if } x=0 \vee x=1$$

Conditional density of P given X is:

$$f_{P|X}(p|x) = \frac{f_{X,P}(x, p)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{p^x(1-p)^{1-x}}{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \text{if } x=0 \vee x=1, \quad p \in [0,1]$$

Noting that Bernoulli is special case of binomial distribution, this solution resembles the method in Prof. Schroeder handout using in Bayesian Inference example (Text book page 94).

28. Show that $C(u,v)=uv$ is a copula. Why is it called “the independence copula”?

Ans:

By $C(u, v)=uv$, the question means:

$$C(u, v)=uv, \text{ if } 0 < u < 1, 0 < v < 1$$

$$C(u, v)=u, \text{ if } v \geq 1, 0 < u < 1$$

$$C(u, v)=v, \text{ if } u \geq 1, 0 < v < 1$$

$$C(u, v)=1, \text{ if } u \geq 1, v \geq 1$$

$$C(u, v)=0, \text{ if } u \leq 0 \vee v \leq 0$$

Hence $C(u, v)=uv$ is a joint cdf since $C(\infty, \infty)=C(1,1)=1$, $C(-\infty, -\infty)=C(0,0)=0$, and C is increasing wrt. u or wrt. v.

Now I prove that $C(u, v)=uv$ has 2 marginal density that are uniform. First find the joint pdf of U,V

$$c_{U,V}(u, v) = \frac{d^2}{dx dy} C(u, v) = 1, \text{ if } 0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

So marginal pdf of U is: $f_U(u) = \int_0^1 1 dv = 1$ if $0 \leq u \leq 1$ and 0 otherwise, marginal pdf of V is:

$$f_V(v) = \int_0^1 1 du = 1 \text{ if } 0 \leq v \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise. Hence U, V have uniform density.}$$

So $C(u,v)$ is a copula by definition on page 78.

It is called “the independence copula” because U and V are independent Rvs:

$$c_{U,V}(u, v) = 1 = f_U(u) f_V(v)$$

29. Use the Farlie-Morgenstern copula to construct a bivariate density whose marginal densities are exponential. Find an expression for the joint density.

Ans:

Farlie- Morgenstern Family (Example C, page 77)

$H(x, y) = F(x)G(y)\{1 + \alpha[1 - F(x)][1 - G(y)]\}$ are a joint cdf which has marginal cdf F and G.

Let $F(x) = 1 - e^{-\alpha x}$ $G(y) = 1 - e^{-\beta y}$ then

$$H(x, y) = (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - e^{-\mu y})\{1 + \alpha[1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda x})][1 - (1 - e^{-\mu y})]\} = (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - e^{-\mu y})(1 + \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y})$$

has two marginal densities which are exponential. Joint pdf of X, Y is:

$$\begin{aligned} h(x, y) &= \frac{d^2}{dx dy} (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - e^{-\mu y})(1 + \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{d}{dy} (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - e^{-\mu y})(1 + \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left((1 - e^{-\lambda x}) \frac{d}{dy} (1 - e^{-\mu y})(1 + \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left((1 - e^{-\lambda x}) [\mu e^{-\mu y} (1 + \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) + (1 - e^{-\mu y})(-\alpha \mu e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y})] \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left((1 - e^{-\lambda x}) [\mu e^{-\mu y} + \mu \alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-2\mu y} - \alpha \mu e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y} + \alpha \mu e^{-\lambda x} e^{-2\mu y}] \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dx} \left((1 - e^{-\lambda x}) [\mu e^{-\mu y} (1 - \alpha e^{-\lambda x} + 2\alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y})] \right) \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \frac{d}{dx} (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - \alpha e^{-\lambda x} + 2\alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} [\lambda e^{-\lambda x} (1 - \alpha e^{-\lambda x} + 2\alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) + (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(\alpha \lambda e^{-\lambda x} - 2\alpha \lambda e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y})] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [(1 - \alpha e^{-\lambda x} + 2\alpha e^{-\lambda x} e^{-\mu y}) + \alpha (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - 2e^{-\mu y})] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [1 - \alpha e^{-\lambda x} (1 - 2e^{-\mu y}) + \alpha (1 - e^{-\lambda x})(1 - 2e^{-\mu y})] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [1 + \alpha (1 - 2e^{-\lambda x})(1 - 2e^{-\mu y})] \end{aligned}$$

Here, if you apply directly the **formula in Prof. Schroeder's handout**, you get it faster:

$$\begin{aligned} h(x, y) &= f(x)g(y)[1 + \alpha(1 - 2F(x))(1 - 2G(y))] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [1 + \alpha(1 - 2(1 - e^{-\lambda x}))(1 - 2(1 - e^{-\mu y}))] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [1 + \alpha(-1 + 2e^{-\lambda x})(-1 + 2e^{-\mu y})] \\ &= \mu e^{-\mu y} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} [1 + \alpha(1 - 2e^{-\lambda x})(1 - 2e^{-\mu y})] \end{aligned}$$

32. Continuing Ex E. Section 3.5.2. Find θ that maximizes the posterior density. Does the result make intuitive sense?

Ans:

From Example E. we have the posterior:

$$f_{\theta|X}(\theta|x) = \frac{f_{\theta, X}(\theta, x)}{f_X(x)} = \frac{\Gamma(n+2)}{\Gamma(x+1)\Gamma(n-x+1)} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}$$

In order to maximize the posterior, I find its derivative. Actually I don't need to pay attention on constant part so I take the derivative of $\theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}$ wrt. θ and get:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\theta} \theta \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x} &= x \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x} - \theta^x (n-x) (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} \\ &= \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} (x(1-\theta) - \theta(n-x)) \\ &= \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} (x - \theta n)\end{aligned}$$

So solutions for the derivative is $\theta=0, \theta=1, \theta=\frac{x}{n}$. Moreover, the sign of derivative function changes from positive to negative at $\theta=\frac{x}{n}$. So $\theta=\frac{x}{n}$ maximizes the posterior. The result make sense since the intuitive way to guess probability of success is taking the ratio between number of succeses over number of trials.

35. Ans: When I increase the number of spins, Ratio $\frac{x}{n}$ approximate 0.5 and my graph becomes more symmetric.

43. Let U_1, U_2 be independent and uniform on $[0,1]$. Find and sketch the density function of $S=U_1+U_2$.

Ans:

U_1, U_2 be uniform on $[0,1]$ hence pdfs of U_1 and U_2 are
 $f_{U_1}(u_1)=1, \forall u_1 \in [0,1]$ and 0 otherwise,
 $f_{U_2}(u_2)=1, \forall u_2 \in [0,1]$ and 0 otherwise.

Since they are independent, joint density of U_1 and U_2 is

$$f_{U_1, U_2}(u_1, u_2) = f_{U_1}(u_1) f_{U_2}(u_2) = 1, \quad \forall u_1 \in [0,1] \quad \forall u_2 \in [0,1]$$

There are 2 methods to to this:

- Direct Method (find cdf then take derivative to find pdf)

$$F_S(s) = P(S \leq s) = P(U_1 + U_2 \leq s) = \iint_A f_{U_1, U_2}(u_1, u_2) du_1 du_2 = \iint_A 1 du_1 du_2 = \text{Area of } A$$

When $A = \{(u_1, u_2) \in [0,1] \times [0,1], u_1 + u_2 \leq s\}$.

If $s < 0$ Area of $A = 0$

If $0 \leq s \leq 1$ Area of $A = \frac{s^2}{2}$ Hence cdf of S: $F_S(s) = \text{Area of } A = \frac{s^2}{2}$ so density of S:

$$f_S(s) = \frac{d}{ds} F_S(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \frac{s^2}{2} = s$$

If $1 \leq s \leq 2$ Area of $A = 1 - \frac{(2-s)^2}{2}$ Hence cdf of S: $F_S(s) = \text{Area of } A = 1 - \frac{(2-s)^2}{2}$ so density of S:

$$f_S(s) = \frac{d}{ds} F_S(s) = \frac{d}{ds} \left(1 - \frac{(2-s)^2}{2}\right) = 2 - s$$

If $s > 2$ Area of $A = 1$ Hence cdf of S: $F_S(s) = \text{Area of } A = 1$ so density of S:

$$f_s(s) = \frac{d}{ds} F_s(s) = 0$$

- Convolution method: use convolution formula (page 97)

$$f_s(s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{U_1}(u_1) f_{U_2}(s-u_1) du_1 = \int_0^1 f_{U_1}(u_1) f_{U_2}(s-u_1) du_1 = \int_0^1 1 * f_{U_2}(s-u_1) du_1$$

If $s < 0$ then $s-u_1 < 0 \forall u_1 \in [0,1]$ and $f_{U_2}(s-u_1) = 0, \forall u_1 \in [0,1]$. So $f_s(s) = 0$

If $0 \leq s \leq 1$, then $0 \leq s-u_1 \leq 1 \forall u_1 \in [0,s]$ and $f_{U_2}(s-u_1) = 1, \forall u_1 \in [0,s]$ and 0 otherwise.

$$\text{So } f_s(s) = \int_0^1 f_{U_2}(s-u_1) du_1 = \int_0^s 1 du_1 = s$$

If $1 \leq s \leq 2$, then $0 \leq s-u_1 \leq 1 \forall u_1 \in [s-1,1]$ and $f_{U_2}(s-u_1) = 1, \forall u_1 \in [s-1,1]$ and 0

$$\text{otherwise. So } f_s(s) = \int_0^1 f_{U_2}(s-u_1) du_1 = \int_{s-1}^1 1 du_1 = 2-s$$

If $s > 2$ then $s-u_1 > 1 \forall u_1 \in [0,1]$ and $f_{U_2}(s-u_1) = 0, \forall u_1 \in [0,1]$. So $f_s(s) = 0$

44. Let N_1, N_2 be independent random variables following Poisson distributions with parameters λ_1 and λ_2 . Show that the distribution of $N = N_1 + N_2$ is Poisson with parameter $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$.

Ans:

N_1, N_2 be independent random variables following Poisson distributions with parameters λ_1 and λ_2 :

$$p_{N_1}(n_1) = \frac{\lambda_1^{n_1} e^{-\lambda_1}}{n_1!}, \quad n_1 = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad p_{N_2}(n_2) = \frac{\lambda_2^{n_2} e^{-\lambda_2}}{n_2!}, \quad n_2 = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Using convolution, I have:

$$p_N(n) = \sum_{n_1=-\infty}^{\infty} p_{N_1}(n_1) p_{N_2}(n-n_1) = \sum_{n_1=0}^n p_{N_1}(n_1) p_{N_2}(n-n_1) = \sum_{n_1=0}^n \frac{\lambda_1^{n_1} e^{-\lambda_1}}{n_1!} \frac{\lambda_2^{n-n_1} e^{-\lambda_2}}{(n-n_1)!} = \frac{e^{-\lambda_1-\lambda_2}}{n!} \sum_{n_1=0}^n \frac{n! \lambda_1^{n_1} \lambda_2^{n-n_1}}{n_1! (n-n_1)!}$$

$$\text{So } p_N(n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda_1-\lambda_2}}{n!} \sum_{n_1=0}^n \frac{n! \lambda_1^{n_1} \lambda_2^{n-n_1}}{n_1! (n-n_1)!} = \frac{e^{-\lambda_1-\lambda_2}}{n!} \sum_{n_1=0}^n \binom{n}{n_1} \lambda_1^{n_1} \lambda_2^{n-n_1} = \frac{e^{-\lambda_1-\lambda_2}}{n!} (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

So N is Poisson with parameter $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$.