

Probability & Statistics for EECS:

Homework #10

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Problem 1

We use python to simulate the result. The code is below:

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import numpy as np

# Function to calculate N for a given sample of U values
def calculate_N(U):
    product = 1
    for i, u in enumerate(U, 1):
        product *= u
        if product < np.exp(-1):
            return i - 1 # Return the index of the last element where the product was less
                           than e^-1
    return len(U) # If the product never goes below e^-1, return the total count of U values

# Generate 5000 samples of N
sample_size = 5000
Ns = []

for _ in range(sample_size):
    U = np.random.uniform(0, 1, 1000) # Generate 1000 uniform random variables
    N = calculate_N(U)
    Ns.append(N)

# (a) Estimate E(N) using sample mean
mean_N = np.mean(Ns)
print("Estimated E(N):", mean_N)

# (b) Estimate Var(N) using sample variance
var_N = np.var(Ns)
print("Estimated Var(N):", var_N)

# (c) Estimate P(N = i) for i = 0, 1, 2, 3
counts = np.bincount(Ns)
probabilities = counts / sample_size
for i, prob in enumerate(probabilities):
    print("Estimated P(N = {}): {:.4f}".format(i, prob))
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Estimated $E(N)$: 0.9896

Estimated $Var(N)$: 1.0118918399999999

Estimated $P(N = 0)$: 0.3754

Estimated $P(N = 1)$: 0.3654

Estimated $P(N = 2)$: 0.1780

Estimated $P(N = 3)$: 0.0610

d. This problem can be related to the sum of exponential random variables through the memoryless property, as $-\log(U_i)$ is exponentially distributed with rate 1 (since $U_i \sim Unif(0, 1)$). Thus the sum up to a certain threshold resemble a Poisson process. And the final distribution of N is a Poisson distribution with $\lambda = 1$.

Problem 2

We use python to simulate the result. The code is below:

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def plot_bivariate_normal(rho):
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# Define parameters
mean = [0, 0]
cov = [[1, rho], [rho, 1]] # covariance matrix

# Generate samples from standard normal distribution
z = np.random.normal(0, 1, 1000)
w = np.random.normal(0, 1, 1000)

# Transform samples to bivariate normal distribution
x = z
y = rho * z + np.sqrt(1 - rho**2) * w

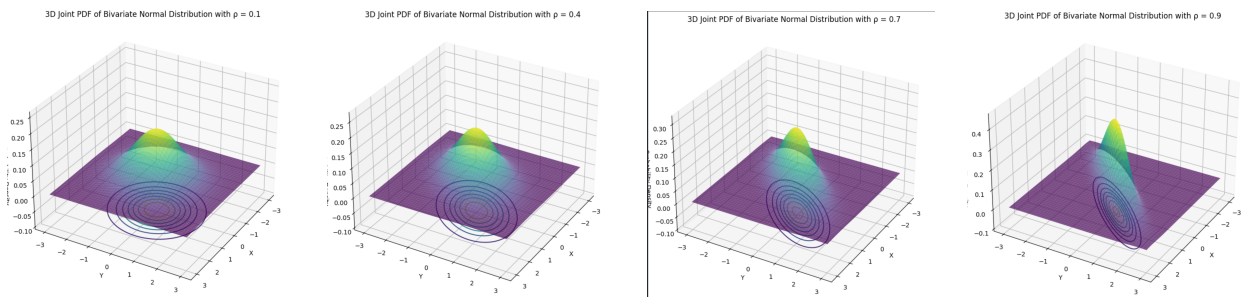
# Plot joint PDF
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
plt.hist2d(x, y, bins=30, density=True, cmap='Blues')
plt.colorbar(label='Probability Density')
plt.xlabel('X')
plt.ylabel('Y')
plt.title('Joint PDF of Bivariate Normal Distribution with rho = {}'.format(rho))

# Plot isocontour
x_range = np.linspace(-3, 3, 100)
y_range = np.linspace(-3, 3, 100)
X, Y = np.meshgrid(x_range, y_range)
Z = np.exp(-(X**2 + Y**2 - 2 * rho * X * Y) / (2 * (1 - rho**2))) / (2 * np.pi * np.sqrt(1 - rho**2))

plt.contour(X, Y, Z, colors='red', linewidths=1)
plt.show()

# Generate and plot for each rho value
rhos = [0.1, 0.4, 0.7, 0.9]
for rho in rhos:
    plot_bivariate_normal(rho)

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Figure 1: Bivariate Normal Distributions with Different ρ Values

Problem 3

- (a) According to the memoryless property of exponential distribution, we have $E(X - 2024 | X > 2024) = E(X)$. We can obtain the conditional expectation as follows:

$$E(X | X > 2024) = 2024 + E(X - 2024 | X > 2024) = 2024 + E(X) = 2023 + \frac{1}{\lambda_1}$$

(b) According to the formula of LOTUS:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 * E(X_1|X_1 < 1997) + P_2 * E(X_1|X_1 \geq 1997) &= E(X_1) \\
 (1 - e^{-\lambda 1997})x + e^{-\lambda 1997}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} + 1997\right) &= \frac{1}{\lambda} \\
 x = \frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1997e^{-\lambda 1997}}{1 - e^{-\lambda 1997}}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) We know that X_1, X_2, X_3 are independent, so we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(X_1 + X_2 + X_3|X_1 > 1997, X_2 > 2014, X_3 > 2025) &= E(X_1|X_1 > 1997, X_2 > 2014, X_3 > 2025) \\
 &\quad + E(X_2|X_1 > 1997, X_2 > 2014, X_3 > 2025) + E(X_3|X_1 > 1997, X_2 > 2014, X_3 > 2025) \\
 &= E(X_1|X_1 > 1997) + E(X_2|X_2 > 2014) + E(X_3|X_3 > 2025) \\
 &= E(X_1 - 1997|X_1 > 1997) + E(X_2 - 2014|X_2 > 2014) + E(X_3 - 2025|X_3 > 2025) + 6036 \\
 &= E(X_1) + E(X_2) + E(X_3) + 6036 \\
 &= \frac{1}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_3} + 6036
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy \\
 &= \int_0^{\sqrt{x}} 6xy dy \\
 &= 3xy^2 \Big|_{y=0}^{y=\sqrt{x}} \\
 &= 3x^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx \\
 &= \int_{y^2}^1 6xy dx \\
 &= 3yx^2 \Big|_{x=y^2}^{x=1} \\
 &= 3y - 3y^5
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \begin{cases} 3x^2, & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\
 f_Y(y) &= \begin{cases} 3y - 3y^5, & \text{if } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

We can see that $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \neq f_X(x)f_Y(y)$, So X and Y are not independent.

(b) We know that

$$E[X|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx$$

So we first calculate $f_{X|Y}(x|y)$.

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{2x}{1-y^4}, \quad y^2 \leq x \leq 1.$$

$$E[X|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = \int_{y^2}^1 x \frac{2x}{1-y^4} dx = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1+y^2+y^4}{1+y^2}$$

Next, we calculate $E[X^2|Y = y]$.

$$E[X^2|Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = \int_{y^2}^1 x^2 \frac{2x}{1-y^4} dx = \frac{1+y^4}{2}$$

So we have:

$$\text{Var}[X|Y = y] = E[X^2|Y = y] - (E[X|Y = y])^2 = \frac{1+y^4}{2} - \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{(1+y^2+y^4)^2}{(1+y^2)^2}$$

(c) According to b, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} E[X|Y] &= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1+Y^2+Y^4}{1+Y^2} \\ \text{Var}[X|Y] &= \frac{1+Y^4}{2} - \frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{(1+Y^2+Y^4)^2}{(1+Y^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5

(a) The PMF of X is $P(X = k) = p(1-p)^k$. So we have:

$$\begin{aligned} H(X) &= - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p(1-p)^k \log(p(1-p)^k) \\ &= -\log_2 p - \frac{1-p}{p} \log_2(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Through LOTP, we have:

$$P(X = Y) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(X = k) \cdot P(Y = k) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k^2$$

Define Z so that $P(Z = p_k) = p_k$, so we have:

$$E(Z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p_k \cdot p_k = P(X = Y)$$

According to Jensen's inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} E(\log(Z)) &\leq \log(E(Z)) \\ \sum p_k \log_2 p_k &\leq \log_2 \sum p_k^2 \\ -H(X) &\leq \log_2 P(X = Y) \\ P(X = Y) &\geq 2^{-H(X)} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 6

$X_i \sim \text{Bern}(p)$, so we have $E(X_i) = p$, $\text{Var}(X_i) = p(1-p)$, $E[\hat{p}] = p$, $\text{Var}[\hat{p}] = \frac{p(1-p)}{N}$. Also, we have $P(|\hat{p} - p| \geq \epsilon) \leq \delta$.

(a) Applying Chebyshev's inequality on random variable \hat{p} , we have

$$P(|\hat{p} - p| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{p(1-p)}{N\epsilon^2} \rightarrow \delta = \frac{p(1-p)}{N\epsilon^2}, \quad \epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{N\delta}}$$

Therefore, we know that δ negatively correlates with ϵ , i.e., given a fixed number of samples N , there is a natural trade-off between accuracy and confidence. Besides, 1. Fix the confidence interval parametrized by δ , reducing the estimation error ϵ requires increasing the number of samples N . 2. Fix the estimation error ϵ , narrowing the confidence interval requires increasing the number of samples N . The impacts of N is on both the "estimation accuracy" and "estimation confidence".

(b) Applying Hoeffding's inequality on random variable \hat{p} , we have

$$P(|\hat{p} - p| \geq \epsilon) \leq 2e^{-2N\epsilon^2} \rightarrow \delta = 2e^{-2N\epsilon^2}, \quad \epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{\ln(2/\delta)}{2N}}$$

The explanation is the same in (a).

(c) Chebyshev's inequality:

- Pros: 1. sharp bound and cannot be improved in general.
- 2. can be improved with extra distributional information on polynomial moments.
- Cons: 1. requires the existence of moments until the second order.
- 2. quadratic convergence rate.

Hoeffding's inequality:

- Pros: 1. exponential convergence rate. 2. does not require assumption on moments.
- Cons: 1. works only for sub-Gaussian. 2. in general not sharp when the variance is small.