

Assignment 1

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1 GATE PROBLEM 43

If calls arrive at a telephone exchange such that the time of arrival of any call is independent of the time of arrival of earlier or future calls, the probability distribution function of the total number of calls in a fixed time interval will be

- (A) Poisson
- (B) Gaussian
- (C) Exponential
- (D) Gamma

2 SOLUTION

Symbol	Description	Property	Random
T	Total time period		No
n	Number of intervals		No
Δt	One time interval	$\Delta t = T/n$	No
k	Number of calls		Yes
p	Probability of receiving a call		No
λ	Average number of calls	$\lambda = np$	No
x	$-n/\lambda$		No
e	Euler's number		No

Lets denote the fixed time interval by $[0, T]$. To find the probability of k number of calls during this time interval, lets divide the interval into n parts of equal length Δt . Let us denote the probability of receiving a call during time interval Δt by p . Suppose the telephone exchange receives an average of λ calls

in time interval of length T .

Hence, we have

$$np = \lambda \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{\lambda}{n} \quad (2.0.2)$$

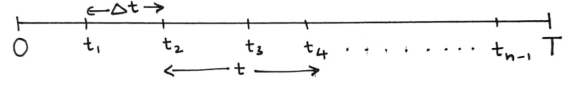


Fig. 0: Figure showing division of time intervals.

In Fig. 0, the interval $(0, T)$ has been divided into n parts and the number of calls in each interval is a random variable, and the number of calls in time t , where $t = t_4 - t_2$ is $(\lambda \cdot t)/T$.

Since a call has probability p for arriving at a particular instant ($\Delta t \rightarrow 0$), and the probability of $1-p$ for not arriving at a particular instant.

In Binomial distribution we have certain number of attempts, i.e. n , and for a binomial random variable $Y = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ the probability of k number of calls is

$$\Pr(Y = k) = {}^nC_k \cdot p^k \cdot (1-p)^{n-k} \quad (2.0.3)$$

But in Poisson distribution, we essentially have infinite attempts, so $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, the probability of k number of calls during T time interval is

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Pr(X = k) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-k} \quad (2.0.4)$$

Pulling out constants λ^k and $\frac{1}{k!}$ from right-hand side,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Pr(X = k) = \left(\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}\right) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} \quad (2.0.5)$$

Now let's take the limit of right-hand side one term at a time. We'll do this in three steps. The first step is to find the limit of

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!n^k} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)}{n^k} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\dots\left(\frac{n-k+1}{n}\right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)\left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right)\dots\left(1 - \frac{k-1}{n}\right) \\
 &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \dots 1 \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.0.6}$$

Now we have to find the limit of

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \tag{2.0.7}$$

We know that the definition e is given as

$$e = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^x \tag{2.0.8}$$

So, let's replace the value of $-\frac{n}{\lambda}$ by x in 2.0.7, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{x(-\lambda)} = e^{-\lambda} \tag{2.0.9}$$

And the third part is to find the limit of

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} \tag{2.0.10}$$

As n approaches infinity, this term becomes 1^{-k} which is equal to one. So,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} = 1 \tag{2.0.11}$$

Now on substituting 2.0.6, 2.0.9 and 2.0.11 in equation 2.0.5, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}\right) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{-k} &= \\
 \left(\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}\right) (1) (e^{-\lambda}) (1) & \tag{2.0.12}
 \end{aligned}$$

This just simplifies into

$$\Pr(X = k) = \left(\frac{\lambda^k e^{-\lambda}}{k!}\right) \tag{2.0.13}$$

2.0.13 is equal to probability density function of Poisson distribution, which gives us probability

of k successes per period, with given parameter of λ .

∴ The probability distribution function of the total number of calls in a fixed time interval will be **Poisson** distribution.

Answer: Option(A)