

Theoretical Assignment

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1 Problem 1

Goal : Prove that for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ $P(\eta = n) = \frac{(p\lambda)^n}{n!} e^{-p\lambda}$
Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$P(\eta = n) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} P(\eta = n | \xi = k) P(\xi = k) \quad \text{Law of total probability}$$

We notice that for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ $P(\eta = n | \xi = k) = \binom{k}{n} p^n p^{k-n}$ if $k \geq n$ and 0 if not (we can't have more success than the number of trial). This is due to the fact that for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ $\eta_{\xi=k} \hookrightarrow B(k, p)$ as a sum of k independents (this is not specify clearly in the question) Bernoullis trials of parameter p . Then we have :

$$\begin{aligned} P(\eta = n) &= \sum_{k \geq n} \binom{k}{n} p^n (1-p)^{k-n} \frac{(\lambda)^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} \\ &= \sum_{k \geq n} \frac{k!}{n!(k-n)!} p^n (1-p)^{k-n} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda} \\ &= \frac{p^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{k \geq n} \frac{1}{(k-n)!} (1-p)^{k-n} \lambda^k \\ &= \frac{p^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{l \geq 0} \frac{1}{l!} (1-p)^l \lambda^{l+n} \\ &= \frac{p^n \lambda^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{l \geq 0} \frac{((1-p)\lambda)^l}{l!} \\ &= \frac{(p\lambda)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{l \geq 0} \frac{((1-p)\lambda)^l}{l!} e^{-(1-p)\lambda} e^{(1-p)\lambda} \\ &= \frac{(p\lambda)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda + (1-p)\lambda} \left(\sum_{l \geq 0} \frac{((1-p)\lambda)^l}{l!} e^{-(1-p)\lambda} \right) \\ &= \frac{(p\lambda)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda + \lambda - \lambda p} \times 1 \quad \text{Sum of Poisson distribution with parameter } (1-p)\lambda \\ &= \frac{(p\lambda)^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda p} \end{aligned}$$

We have prove that η has Poisson distribution with the parameter $p\lambda$ ($p\lambda > 0$ so the distribution is well define).

2 Problem 2

Let K be the discrete random variable which is 0 if the application was checked by a kind reviewer and 1 if not. Let t be the continuous random variable which is the time that has been taken to check assigned application.

Goal : We want to compute $p_{K|t}(0|10)$.

This is not a classical probability but a probability mass function because the probability $P(K = 0|t = 10)$ is not defined for $P(t = 10) = 0$. This allows us to use the Bayes rule in a discrete/continuous case.

$$p_{K|t}(0|10) = \frac{f_{t|K}(10|0)p_K(0)}{f_t(10)} = \frac{f_{t|K}(10|0)p_K(0)}{f_{t|K}(10|0)p_K(0) + f_{t|K}(10|1)p_K(1)}$$

$f_{t|K}(10|0)$ is the density function of t_2 , $f_{t|K}(10|1)$ is the density function of t_1 . Moreover $p_K(0) = \frac{1}{2} = p_K(1)$.

$$p_{K|t}(0|10) = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{(10-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma_2^2}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2} e^{-\frac{(10-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma_2^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1} e^{-\frac{(10-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{5}e^{-2}}{\frac{1}{5}e^{-2} + \frac{1}{10}e^{-2}} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

We can conclude that the probability that the application was checked by a kind reviewer conditionally to the time of review $t = 10$ is $\frac{2}{3}$.