Statistical Method Homework 2

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1 Question 1

1.1 Question

You can use theoretical method or simulation method to solve the following questions. The probability of having typhoid fever after drinking from a well water in a villager is 0.45. If ten villagers drank out of the well, what is the probability that:

- (a) one villager will have typhoid fever;
- (b) two villagers will have typhoid fever;
- (c) at most two villagers will have typhoid fever;
- (d) at least two villagers will have typhoid fever; and
- (e) hence, calculate the number of villagers that expected to have typhoid fever.

1.2 Solution

(a) This is the binomial distribution example. Now we know that the pmf of binomial distribution is: $p(X=x)=\binom{n}{x}p^x(1-p)^{n-x}$ for x=0,1,...,n and we know $n=10,\,p=0.45,$ and x=1, therefore $p(X=1)=\binom{10}{1}0.45^10.55^9=\mathbf{0.0207}$

(b) This is the same concept! we use binomial distribution with n = 10, p = 0.45, and x = 2. The answer is:

$$p(X=2) = {10 \choose 2} 0.45^2 0.55^8 = \mathbf{0.0763}$$

- (c) It still binomial! But the question ask how to know **at most** to villagers. This mean that we need to calculate:
- $p(X \le 2) = p(X = 0) + p(X = 1) + p(X = 2)$ So the answer is $p(X \le 2) = \mathbf{0.0996}$
- (d) It is the same concept as (c). But it a little different because it require at least two villagers. Therefore, this mean we need to calculate $p(X \ge 2) = 1 p(X < 2) = \mathbf{0.9767}$
- (e) This question mean that we need to know the expected number of random variable X, and we know the expected number of the binomial distribution is $E(X) = \sum_{0}^{n} x \binom{n}{x} p^{x} (1-p)^{n-x} = np$ and we know n = 10 and p = 0.45. Therefore, the expected value is **4.5**.

2 Question 2

2.1 Question

Give the sample space (domain), probability density (mass) function, mean, and variance of the following distributions:

- (a) Poisson distribution with rate $\lambda = 3$.
- (b) Geometric distribution with probability p = 1/3.
- (c) Normal distribution with $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$.
- (d) Exponential distribution with rate $\lambda = 2$.
- (e) Laplace distribution with location parameter $\mu=0$ and scale parameter b=1/2.
- (f) Gamma distribution with shape parameter $\alpha = 10$ and rate parameter $\lambda = 1/2$.
 - (g) Chi-square distribution with degree of freedom 20.

2.2 Solution

- (a) Poisson distribution
 - Sample space

$$x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

• Probability mass function

$$p(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^x}{x!} = \frac{e^{-3}3^x}{x!}$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = \lambda = 3$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = \lambda = 3$$

(b) Geometric distribution

• Sample space

$$x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

• Probability mass function

$$(1-p)^{x-1}p = \frac{2}{3}^{x-1}\frac{1}{3}$$

 \bullet Mean

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{p} = 3$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = \frac{1-p}{p} = 2$$

(c) Normal distribution

 \bullet domain

$$x \in R$$

• Probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}e^{\frac{-1}{2}\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{\frac{-1}{2}x^2}$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = \mu = 0$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = \sigma^2 = 1$$

(d) Exponential distribution

• Domain

$$x \in [0, \infty)$$

• Probability density function

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} = 2e^{-2x}$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2}$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

(e) Laplace distribution

• Domain

$$x \in R$$

• Probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2b} exp(-\frac{|x-\mu|}{b}) = exp(-2|x|)$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = \mu = 0$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = 2b^2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

(f) Gamma distribution

• Domain

$$x \in (0, \infty)$$

• Probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha - 1} e^{-\lambda x} = \frac{(1/2)^{10}}{\Gamma(10)} x^9 e^{-(1/2)x}$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} = 20$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2} = 40$$

(g) Chi-square distribution

• Domain

$$x \in [0, +\infty)$$

• Probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)} x^{\frac{n}{2} - 1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}^{10}}{\Gamma(10)} x^9 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x}$$

• Mean

$$E(X) = n = 20$$

• Variance

$$Var(X) = 2n = 40$$

3 Question 3

3.1 Question

Given two datasets,

- (a) Please provide the histograms of two datasets.
- (b) For each dataset, add the probability density functions of the given distributions (c)-(g) in **Question 2** to the figures in **Question 3(a)**. Try to select suitable distributions to the data based on your observation.

3.2 Solution

(a) Figure 1 is a plot that we want to create.

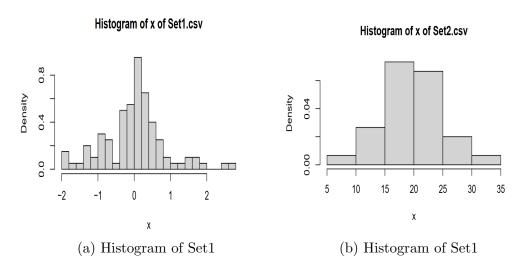


Figure 1: Two histograms which we want to observed

(b) Next, we want to add some pdf in two histograms.

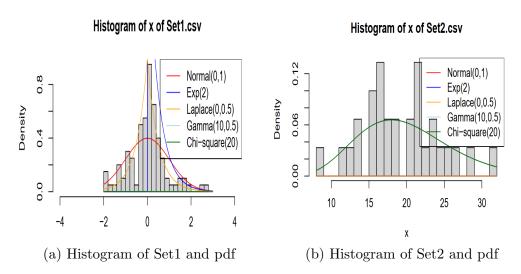


Figure 2: Two histograms and pdf which we want to observed

Besides, we know $\chi^2(n) = \Gamma(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$, so $\chi^2(20) = \Gamma(10, 0.5)$. In addition, by the plot we can know that laplace distribution seems the most similar distribution compare to other distributions in Set1.csv.

However, Gamma distribution and Chi-square distribution seem to be suitable distribution to data, Set2.csv if you compare to other distribution.