

Second Mid Term Exam Nov. 2022 Solution Discussion

1. Consider a web server with an average rate of requests $\lambda = 0.2$ jobs per second. Assuming that the number of arrivals per unit time is poisson distributed and the inter-arrival time X is exponentially distributed with a parameter λ . Find the probability that an interval of 5 seconds elapses without requests.

$$\lambda = 0.2 \text{ Jobs / seconds}$$

Two ways we can solve this problem:

(i) Poisson Distribution:

$$\lambda' = 0.2 \times 5 = 1 \text{ jobs / 5 seconds.}$$

$$P(X=0) = \frac{e^{-\lambda'} (\lambda')^0}{0!} = \frac{e^{-1}}{1} = e^{-1} = 1 - P(T \leq 5) = 1 - (1 - e^{-0.2 \times 5})$$

(ii) Exponential dist.:

$$P(T \geq 5) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t} \quad P(T > 5) = \int_5^{\infty} (0.2) e^{-0.2t} dt = (0.2) \left[\frac{e^{-0.2t}}{-0.2} \right]_{t=5}^{\infty} = e^{-1}$$

The number of telephone calls that arrive at a phone exchange is often modeled as a Poisson random variable. Assume that on the average there are 10 calls per hour.

- ✓ (a) What is the probability that there are exactly 5 calls in one hour?
 (b) What is the probability that there are 3 or fewer calls in one hour?
 (c) What is the probability that there are exactly 15 calls in two hours?

Wkt. X is Poisson r.v. with $\lambda = 10$ calls per hour

P.M.F of X is

$$P(X=x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$a) P(X=5) = \frac{e^{-10} \cdot 10^5}{5!}$$

$$(b) P(X \leq 3) = P(X=0) + P(X=1) + P(X=2) +$$

$$P(X=3) = \frac{e^{-10} \cdot 10^0}{0!} + \frac{e^{-10} \cdot 10^1}{1!} + \frac{e^{-10} \cdot 10^2}{2!} + \frac{e^{-10} \cdot 10^3}{3!}$$

$$(c) \lambda = 20 \text{ calls per two hours}$$

$$P(X=15) = \frac{e^{-20} \cdot 20^{15}}{15!}$$

$$E(X) = \lambda$$

The lifetime of an electric bulb follows an exponential distribution with a mean life of 180 days.

$$E(T) = 180 \rightarrow E(T) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 180$$

- (a) Suppose you bought one bulb. Find the probability it will burn out within 160 days?
- (b) Given that the bulb you bought is still working after 90 days, Find the probability that it still working after another 60 days?

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{180}$$

$$a) P(T \leq 160) = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{180}(160)} = 1 - e^{-\frac{8}{9}} = \int_{180}^{160} \frac{1}{180} e^{-\frac{1}{180}t} dt$$

Wkt CDF of exponential r.v

$$F_T(t) = P(T \leq t) = 1 - e^{-\lambda t} = \frac{1}{180} \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{1}{180}t}}{-\frac{1}{180}} \right]_{t=0}^{t=160}$$

(b) Memoryless property (i) $P(T \leq x+t \mid T > t) = P(T \leq x) = -e^{-\frac{1}{180}x} + 1$

(ii) $P(T > s+t \mid T > t) = P(T > s)$ for all $s, t \geq 0$

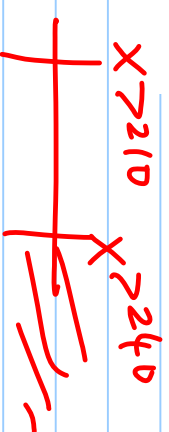
$$P(T > 60 + 90) = P(T > 90) = P(T > 60) = \int_{60}^{\infty} \frac{1}{100} e^{-1/100 t} dt = \left[-\frac{e^{-1/100 t}}{1/100} \right]_{t=60}^{\infty} = e^{-1/3}$$

An analog signal received at a detector (measured in micro volts) may be modelled as a Gaussian random variable $N(200, 16^2)$ at a fixed point in time.

μ, σ^2

- (i) What is the probability that the signal will exceed 240 micro volts?
- (ii) What is the probability that the signal is larger than 240 micro volts given that it is greater than 210 micro volts.

(i) Here $\mu = 200$, $\sigma^2 = 16 \rightarrow \sigma = 4$.



$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{X - 200}{4}$$

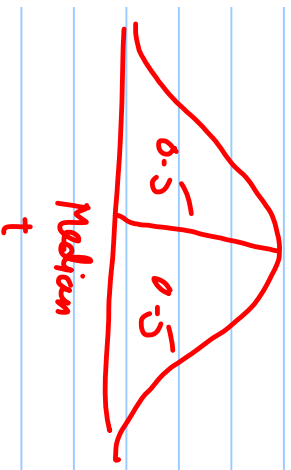
$$P(X > 240) = P\left(\frac{X - 200}{4} > \frac{240 - 200}{4}\right) = P(Z > 2.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad P(X > 240 | X > 210) &= \frac{P(240 < X < \infty \cap X > 210)}{P(X > 210)} \\ &= \frac{P(X > 240)}{P(X > 210)} = 1 - \frac{\Phi(2.5)}{\Phi(2.5)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= P\left(\frac{X-200}{\frac{16}{16}} > \frac{240-200}{\frac{16}{16}}\right) = \frac{P(Z > 2.5)}{P(Z > \frac{5}{8})} = \frac{1 - \Phi(2.5)}{1 - \Phi(5/8)}$$

Let T denote the life time of a bulb which is exponentially distributed with parameter $\lambda > 0$.

- Find the median of T that is the point t such that $P(T \leq t) = P(T > t) = \underline{0.5}$.
- Find the probability that T survives longer than its average life $E(T)$.
- Find the probability that T survives another average life given that it already survived its average life to begin with.



(a).

$$P(T \leq t) = 0.5 \Rightarrow 1 - e^{-\lambda t} = 0.5 = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{-\lambda t} = 1/2$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln(e^{-\lambda t}) = \ln(1/2)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\lambda t = \ln 1 - \ln 2$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$$

$$E(T) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$(b) P(T > E(T)) = P\left(T > \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = 1 - P\left(T \leq \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = 1 - (1 - e^{-\lambda \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda}}) = e^{-1}$$

$$(c) P(T > 2E(T) \mid T > E(T)) = P(T > E(T)) = e^{-1}$$

Buses arrive randomly at a bus stop follows Poisson distribution with a rate of 2 per hour. Let us assume that you arrive at the bus stop at 6 AM but unfortunately you are still waiting for a bus at 7AM. Find the probability that a bus will arrive within the next half an hour.

$$\lambda = 2 \text{ per hour} \quad X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda = 2)$$

T — waiting time — Exponential r.v. with $\lambda = 2$

$$P(T \leq 1.5 \text{ hour} \mid T > 1 \text{ hour}) = P(T \leq 0.5 \text{ hour}) = 1 - e^{-2(0.5)} = 1 - e^{-1}$$

$$\text{Memoryless Property: } P(T \leq x+t \mid T > t) = P(T \leq x)$$

A fair six-sided die is rolled 420 times. What is the probability that the sum of the rolls lies between 1400 and 1550? (Hint: Use CLT for the sum $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{420}$)

Prob. dist.

$X = x$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(X=x)$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$

$$E(X_i) = \sum_{x=1}^6 x \cdot P(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (1+2+3+4+5+6)$$

$$= \frac{6 \times 7}{2 \times 6} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$P(1400 < X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{420} < 1550) = ?$$

$$\text{Var}(X_i) = E(X_i^2) - (E(X_i))^2$$

$$= \frac{9}{6} - \frac{49}{4} = \frac{35}{12}$$

$$\text{CLT. } P\left(\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \leq \frac{x - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right) \approx \Phi\left(\frac{x - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$E(X_1 + \dots + X_{420}) = 420 \cdot E(X_i) = 420 \cdot \frac{7}{2} = 1470$$

$$\text{Var}(X_1 + \dots + X_{420}) = 420 \cdot \text{Var}(X_i) = 420 \left(\frac{35}{12}\right) = 1225$$

$$\text{SD}(X_1 + \dots + X_{420}) = \sqrt{1225} = 35$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + 6^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (6 \cdot 7 \cdot 13)$$

$$= \frac{91}{6}$$

$$1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = n(n+1)(2n+1)$$

$$6$$

$n=64$

You have invited 64 guests to a party. You need to make sandwiches for the guests. You believe that a guest might need 0, 1, or 2 sandwiches with probabilities $\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}$ respectively. You assume that the number of sandwiches each guest needs is independent of other guests. How many sandwiches should you make so that you are 95% sure that there is no shortage? Hint: Use CLT for $X = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{64}$ and find x s.t. $P(X \leq x) = 0.95$

$$P\left(\frac{1400 - 1470}{35} < Z < \frac{1550 - 1470}{35}\right) = P(-2.01 < Z < 2.3)$$

$$= \Phi(2.3) - \Phi(-2.01)$$

$$= \Phi(2.3) - (1 - \Phi(2.01))$$

$$E(X_1 + \dots + X_{64}) = 64 \cdot E(X_i) = 64$$

$$Var(X_1 + \dots + X_{64}) = 64 \cdot Var(X_i) = 64 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 32 \quad / \quad SD(X_1 + \dots + X_{64}) = \sqrt{32} = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$P(x) \begin{array}{c|c|c|c} 0 & 1 & 2 & \\ \hline \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \end{array}$$

$$E(X_i) = \sum_{x=0}^2 x \cdot P(x) = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = 1$$

$$Var(X_i) = E(X_i^2) - [E(X_i)]^2 = \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$E(X_i^2) = \sum_{x=0}^2 x^2 \cdot P(x) = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{By CLT } P(X_1 + \dots + X_{64} \leq x) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_{64} - 64}{4\sqrt{2}} \leq \frac{x - 64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(Z \leq \frac{x - 64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi\left(\frac{x - 64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x - 64}{4\sqrt{2}} = \Phi^{-1}(0.95)$$