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### Graded Homework 1 - Exercise 2

1. Based on the moments generating function,  $E[\bar{X}^2] = \phi''(0)$ . Since  $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ ,  $\mu = \lambda, \sigma^2 = \lambda$ . Using CLT, we could get that

$$\bar{X} \sim N\left(\lambda, \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)$$

So, its moments generating function is

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(t) &= e^{t\lambda + \frac{\lambda}{2n}t^2} \\ \phi''(t) &= \frac{\lambda}{n}e^{t\lambda + \frac{\lambda}{2n}t^2} + \left(\lambda + \frac{\lambda t}{n}\right)^2 e^{t\lambda + \frac{\lambda}{2n}t^2}\end{aligned}$$

So,

$$E[\bar{X}^2] = \phi''(0) = \lambda^2 + \frac{\lambda}{n}$$

2.  $E[s^2] = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i^2] - \frac{n}{n-1} E[\bar{X}^2]$

Using the moments generating function, we could get that

$$E[X_1^2] = \Phi''(0) = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}E[s^2] &= \frac{n}{n-1}(\lambda^2 + \lambda) - \frac{n}{n-1}\left(\lambda^2 + \frac{\lambda}{n}\right) \\ &= \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{n-1}{n} \lambda = \lambda\end{aligned}$$

So,  $E[s^2]$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\lambda$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}E[Y_i] &= E[X_i^2 - 2\lambda X_i + \lambda^2] - E[X_i] \\ &= E[X_i^2] - 2\lambda E[X_i] + \lambda^2 - \lambda \\ &= \lambda^2 + \lambda - 2\lambda^2 + \lambda^2 - \lambda = 0\end{aligned}$$

So,  $E[Y_i] = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[Y_i] &= \text{Var}[X_i^2 - 2\lambda X_i + \lambda^2 - X_i] \\ &= \text{Var}[X_i^2 - 2\lambda X_i - X_i] \\ &= \text{Var}[X_i^2] + (2\lambda + 1)^2 \text{Var}[X_i] - 2(2\lambda + 1) \text{Cov}(X_i^2, X_i)\end{aligned}$$

Among this,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[X_i^2] &= E[X_i^4] - E[X_i^2]^2 \\ \text{Cov}(X_i^2, X_i) &= E[X_i^3] - E[X_i^2]E[X_i]\end{aligned}$$

Using the moments generating function, we could get that

$$E[X_i^2] = \phi''(0) = \lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$E[X_i^3] = \phi'''(0) = \lambda^3 + 3\lambda^2 + \lambda$$

$$E[X_i^4] = \phi''''(0) = \lambda^4 + 6\lambda^3 + 7\lambda^2 + \lambda$$

Plug these in we could get that

$$Var[Y_i] = 2\lambda^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \quad s^2 - \bar{X} &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 - \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \lambda + \lambda - \bar{X})^2 - \bar{X} \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \lambda)^2 + \frac{2}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda X_i - \lambda^2 - \bar{X} X_i + \lambda \bar{X}) + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda - \bar{X})^2 - \bar{X} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{As } Y_i = (X_i - \lambda)^2 - X_i, Y_i + X_i = (X_i - \lambda)^2$$

$$s^2 - \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i + X_i) + \frac{2n\lambda\bar{X}}{n-1} - \frac{2n\lambda^2}{n-1} - \frac{2n\bar{X}^2}{n-1} + \frac{2\lambda n\bar{X}}{n-1} + \frac{n\lambda^2}{n-1} - \frac{2n\lambda\bar{X}}{n-1} + \frac{n\bar{X}^2}{n-1} - \frac{n\bar{X}-\bar{X}}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{n\bar{Y}}{n-1} + \frac{n\bar{X}}{n-1} - \frac{n\lambda^2}{n-1} - \frac{n\bar{X}^2}{n-1} + \frac{2\lambda n\bar{X}}{n-1} - \frac{n\bar{X}-\bar{X}}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{n\bar{Y}}{n-1} + \frac{\bar{X}}{n-1} - \frac{n\bar{X}^2}{n-1} + \frac{2\lambda n\bar{X}}{n-1} - \frac{n\lambda^2}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{n}{n-1} \bar{Y} + \frac{1}{n-1} \bar{X} - \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{X} - \lambda)^2$$

5.

$$\sqrt{n}(s^2 - \bar{X}) = \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{n}{n-1} \bar{Y} + \frac{1}{n-1} \bar{X} - \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{X} - \lambda)^2 \right)$$

Since  $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ ,

$$\bar{X} \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} N\left(\lambda, \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)$$

From  $\bar{X} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} \lambda$  know that,

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}}{n-1} \bar{X} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} 0$$

Also from  $\bar{X} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} \lambda$ , we have

$$(\bar{X} - \lambda)^2 \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} 0$$

$$\frac{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}{n-1} (\bar{X} - \lambda)^2 \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} 0$$

$$\sqrt{n} \left( \frac{1}{n-1} \bar{X} - \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{X} - \lambda)^2 \right) \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} 0$$

As  $E(Y_i) = 0$  and  $Var(Y_i) = 2\lambda^2$ , get that:

$$\bar{Y} \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} N(0, \frac{2\lambda^2}{n})$$

$$\sqrt{n}\bar{Y} \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} N(0, 2\lambda^2)$$

$\frac{n}{n-1} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} 1$  and according to Slutsky's Theorem,

$$\frac{n}{n-1} \sqrt{n}\bar{Y} \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} N(0, 2\lambda^2)$$

$$\frac{n}{n-1} \sqrt{n}\bar{Y} + \sqrt{n}(\frac{1}{n-1} \bar{X} - \frac{n}{n-1} (\bar{X} - \lambda)^2) \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} N(0, 2\lambda^2)$$

The asymptotic distribution of  $\sqrt{n}(s^2 - \bar{X})$  is  $N(0, 2\lambda^2)$ .

Similarly, as  $\bar{X} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} \lambda$ , so:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\bar{X}}} \xrightarrow[\infty]{P} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lambda}}$$

According to Slutsky's Theorem,

$$\sqrt{\frac{n}{2} \frac{s^2 - \bar{X}}{\bar{X}}} \xrightarrow[\infty]{D} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lambda}} N(0, 2\lambda^2)$$

which is  $N(0,1)$ .

So the asymptotic distribution of  $\sqrt{\frac{n}{2} \frac{s^2 - \bar{X}}{\bar{X}}}$  is  $N(0, 1)$ .

6. The null hypotheses  $H_0 : E[\bar{X}] = E[s^2]$  can be written as:

$$H_0 : E[s^2 - \bar{X}] = 0$$

We want to test whether overdispersion exists, so the alternative hypotheses is :

$$H_1 : E[s^2 - \bar{X}] > 0$$

From question 4, we know that , under the  $H_0$  assumption and  $X_i \sim Poisson(\lambda)$ , we have that:

$$\sqrt{\frac{n}{2} \frac{s^2 - \bar{X}}{\bar{X}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Let test statistic  $TS = \sqrt{\frac{n}{2} \frac{s^2 - \bar{X}}{\bar{X}}}$ , the critical value should be  $Z_{1-\alpha}$ .

When  $TS > Z_{1-\alpha}$ , we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that there is overdispersion in the data. Otherwise we fail to reject  $H_0$ .

7. We set  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

(a) The code to generate the 500 poisson random samples with  $\lambda = 5$  are shown below,

```

x=np.zeros(501)
error=0
for i in range(1,501):
    x=np.random.poisson(5,50)
    mean=np.mean(x)
    var=np.var(x)
    TS=np.sqrt(25)*(var-mean)/mean
    if TS>1.65:
        error=error+1
error=error/500

```

After running the code, we get the probability of rejecting  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is true:

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error
0.048

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The value of error is the probability of rejecting  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is true, we could find that it's close to 0.05, which equals to  $\alpha$ . So, the null hypothesis testing we proposed in the previous question is reasonable.

- (b) The code to generate poisson random variables with  $\lambda$  having gamma distribution is shown below,

```

x=np.zeros(501)
error=0
for i in range(1,501):
    lamda=np.random.gamma(2.5)
    x=np.random.poisson(lamda,50)
    mean=np.mean(x)
    var=np.var(x)
    TS=np.sqrt(25)*(var-mean)/mean
    if TS>1.65:
        error=error+1
error=error/500

```

The probability is :

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error
0.04

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The value of error is the probability of rejecting  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is true, we could find that it's close to 0.05, which equals to  $\alpha$ . So, the null hypothesis testing we proposed in the previous question is reasonable.

8. The code to compute the TS of the given data is shown below,

```
death=[0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14]
freq=[1,4,15,31,39,55,54,49,47,31,16,9,8,4,3]
n=sum(freq)
mean=np.average(death,weights=freq)
var=np.sum((death-mean)*(death-mean)*freq)/(np.sum(freq)-1)
TS=np.sqrt(np.sum(freq)/2)*(var-mean)/mean
```

The observed value of TS is

```
TS
0.9786745788901388
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Since  $0.97 < 1.65$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$ .