

1 The cdf as a random variable

Let X be a continuous-valued random variable with cumulative distribution function $P_X(x) = \Pr(X \leq x)$. Show that the random variable $Y = P_X(X)$ is uniformly distributed over $[0, 1]$. You can assume that P_X is invertible on $[0, 1]$.

Solution: Definition 2.2.1 in the textbook states: The cdf, denoted $P(x)$, of $X \in \mathbb{R}$ is the probability $\Pr(X < x)$.

We have that $P_Y(y) = \Pr(Y \leq y)$. Inserting for Y gives us

$$\begin{aligned}P_Y(y) &= \Pr(P_X(X) \leq y) \\&= \Pr(X \leq P_X^{-1}(y))\end{aligned}$$

This then gives us y by taking the inverse: $P_X(P_X^{-1}(y)) = y$. We then know that Y is uniformly distributed over $[0, 1]$, as it has a cdf that is linear in y .

2. Some results regarding the poisson distribution

a) \mathcal{N} has param. Show that its prob. gen. func. is $e^{\lambda(t-1)}$

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

We have that the Poisson

$$P(X) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!}$$

$$G(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} P(X_n) t^{X_n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{X_n} e^{-\lambda}}{X_n!} t^{X_n}$$

Outcome space is $\mathcal{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{X_n} e^{-\lambda}}{X_n!} t^{X_n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!} t^n = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n t^n}{n!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda t} \\ &= e^{\lambda(t-1)} \end{aligned}$$

b) show:
Binom has PGF $(1-r+rt)^n$
 $M \sim \text{Binomial}(r; n)$

The binom is the sum of n ind. Bernoulli obs. The Bern has a PGF of $1-r+rt$.

Just like in Ex. 2.7., we get a PGF of a sum of distributions: $G_S = (1-r+rt)(1-r+rt)\dots(1-r+rt)$

$$= \underbrace{(1-r+rt)}_n^n$$

c) Binom where $n \rightarrow \infty$, $n_r = \lambda$. What happens to PGF?

Binomial \rightarrow Poisson?

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

$$\begin{aligned} & (1-r+rt) \rightarrow (1+\frac{n\lambda t}{n}) \\ & P = (1+\frac{\lambda t}{n})^\infty \\ & = \underbrace{e^{\lambda t}}_{(\cdot)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (1+r(t-1))^n \rightarrow (1+\frac{n\lambda(t-1)}{n})^n \\ & \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{\lim} (1+\frac{\lambda(t-1)}{n})^\infty = \underbrace{e^{\lambda(t-1)}}_{(\cdot)} \end{aligned}$$

d) Use PGF to show that the dist $N = N_1 + N_2$
is Poiss dist. w. param $\lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$

$$G_1(t) = \exp(\lambda_1(t-1))$$

$$G_2(t) = \exp(\lambda_2(t-1))$$

$$G_N(t) = \exp(\lambda_1(t-1)) \exp(\lambda_2(t-1))$$

$$= \exp(\lambda_1(t-1) + \lambda_2(t-1))$$

$$= \exp((\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)(t-1))$$

(the PGF of
which is $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2$)

Convolution is tricky.

3. Continuous time arrival process

Exp. dist. w. rate λ . $P_{\Delta T_i}(\Delta t_i) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(\Delta t_i)}$

$$\Delta T_i = T_i - T_{i-1} \text{ for } i \geq 2 \text{ and } \Delta T_1 = T_1$$

a) Bayes' rule to show that $P_{T_1, T_2 \geq t_0}(t_1) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(t_1 - t_0)}$ for $t_1 \geq t_0$ and 0 otherwise. Note:

$$P_{T_1}(t_1) = P_{\Delta T_1}(t_1) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(t_1)}$$

Bayes' tells us: $P(T_1 | T_2 \geq t_0) = \frac{P(T_1 \geq t_0 | T_2) P(T_2)}{P(T_2 \leq t_0)}$

$$P(T_1 \geq t_0 | T_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } T_1 > t_0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$P(T_1) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t_1}, \quad P(T_2 \leq t_1) = \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \lambda e^{-\lambda t} dt$$

$$= e^{-\lambda(t_1 - t_0)}$$

$$P(T_1 | T_2 \geq t_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda \cdot \lambda e^{-\lambda t_1}}{e^{-\lambda t_0}}, & t_1 \geq t_0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda(t_1 - t_0)}, & t_1 \geq t_0 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

b) $T_0 = t_0$ now. What is the distribution of
 $T_n - T_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n T_i - T_{i-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta T_i$ given
 $T_i > t_0$?

$$G(t) = \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{n}\right)$$

We have the PGF $G_{T_n - T_0}(t) = \frac{t}{t_0} G(t) = \left(1 - \frac{\alpha t}{n}\right)^n$

ex 2.8:

The sum of n exponentials becomes a gamma distributed random variable w. s.t.
 $r \sim \Gamma(n, \lambda)$ (?)

c) What is the prob. that boat $n+1$ did not
arrive before $t > 0$ given boat n arrived at
time $T_n = t_n \leq 6$? That is, find

$$\Pr(T_{n+1} > t \mid T_n = t_n \in [0, 6])$$

Hint: $\Pr(T_{n+1} > t \mid T_n = t_n \in [0, 6]) =$

$$\Pr(T_{n+1} - t_n > t - t_n \mid T_n = 6 \in [0, 6]) =$$

$$\Pr(\Delta T_{n+1} > t - t_n \mid T_n = t_n \in [0, 6]) =$$

$$1 - \int_0^{t-t_n} \lambda e^{-\lambda \Delta t} d\Delta t = 1 - \left[-e^{-\lambda(t-t_n)} + 1 \right]$$

$$= e^{-\lambda(t-t_n)}$$

d) Use the last two results to show that the dist. of no. of buses N to arrive between t_0 and t , given by $P_N(n)$

$P_N(n) = \Pr(T_{n+1} > t \cap T_n \leq t; T_i \geq t_0)$, is Poisson distributed.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \Pr(T_{n+1} > t \mid T_n \leq t; T_i \geq t_0) \\ &= \Pr(T_{n+1} > t \mid T_n \leq t; T_i \geq t_0) \\ &\quad \cdot \Pr(T_n \leq t \mid T_i \geq t_0) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)}$ (see prev.)

$$\Pr(\Delta T \leq \Delta t \mid T_i \geq t_0) = \Pr(\Delta T \leq \Delta t)$$

$$= \int_{t_0}^{t_0 + \Delta t} \left(\frac{\lambda^n \cdot \Delta t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \right) e^{-\lambda \Delta t} d\Delta t = \frac{\lambda^n \Delta t^n}{n!} e^{-\lambda(t_0 - t_0)}$$

$$P_N(n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda(t-t_0)} \cdot \frac{\lambda^n \Delta t^n}{n!}}{n!} \xrightarrow{\text{which is a Poisson distribution.}}$$

4. Finding posterior estimates of the number of boats in the region.

$$m = n_0 + m_{\text{fa}} \xrightarrow{\text{error, ind, Poisson}}$$

$P_D \in (0, 1)$ independently

Each detection is Bernoulli distributed, w.

$$\text{Param. } P_D \Rightarrow p(n_0 | n) = \text{Binom}(n_0; P_D, n) \\ = \binom{n}{n_0} P_D^{n_0} (1 - P_D)^{n - n_0}. \text{ Let } n_u = n - n_0, \\ \text{ we have that } p(n_0, n_u | n) = p(n_0 | n)$$

since the binom. is a prob. unconditional split
into C and D.

$$n \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$$

a) Show that the marginal dist. for n_0 and $n_u = n - n_0$ can be written as the prod. of two indep. Poisson distributions $p(n_0, n_u) = p(n_0) p(n_u)$.

$$p_{\text{prod}}(n_0, n_u) = p(n_0 | n) \cdot p(n_u | n) \\ = \binom{n}{n_0} P_D^{n_0} (1 - P_D)^{n - n_0} \cdot \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^n}{n!}$$

which by writing out the expression for NCR is

$$= \frac{n!}{n_0! \cdot (n-n_0)!} \cdot P_0^{n_0} (1-P_0)^{n-n_0} \cdot \frac{\tilde{e}^{-\lambda}}{\lambda^n}$$

$$= \frac{P_0^{n_0} (1-P_0)^{n-n_0}}{n_0! \cdot n_0!} \cdot \tilde{e}^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda^{n_0+n_0}$$

$$= \left(\frac{P_0^{n_0}}{n_0!} \cdot \frac{(1-P_0)^{n_0}}{n_0!} \right) \cdot \lambda^{n_0+n_0} \cdot \tilde{e}^{-\lambda + \lambda P_0 - \lambda P_0}$$

$$= \left(\frac{P_0^{n_0} \lambda^{n_0}}{n_0!} \cdot e^{-\lambda P_0} \right) \left(\frac{(1-P_0)^{n_0+n_0}}{n_0!} e^{-\lambda(1-P_0)} \right)$$

$$= \underline{P(n_0)P(n_0)} \quad (= P(n_0, n_0))$$

b) $m = n_0 + m_{fa}$. Find $P(n_0|m)$

$m_{fa} \sim \text{Pois}(1\Delta)$

$$P(n_0|m) = P(m|n_0) \frac{P(n_0)}{P(m)} \quad (*)$$

$n_0 \sim \text{Pois}(1P_0)$

The sum of two Poiss is also Poiss:

$$m = n_0 + m_{fa} \sim \text{Pois}(1P_0 + 1)$$

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$$(*) \quad P(n_0|m) = \frac{1^{m-n_0}}{(m-n_0)!} e^{-1} \left(\frac{\frac{(1P_0)^{n_0}}{n_0!} e^{-P_0}}{\frac{(1+1P_0)^m - (1+1P_0)}{m!} e^{-1+1P_0}} \right)$$

↓ math

$$\binom{m}{n_0} (1-r)^m r^{m-n_0}$$

(probably)

c)

MMSE estimator

$$\hat{n}_{0,\text{MMSE}} = E[n_0|m]$$

$$= \sum_{n_0} P(n_0|m) \cdot n_0,$$

which can be found from the results of a)