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Examination Aids: Non-Programmable Calculators

Instructions

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1. Suppose $X|N \sim \text{bin}(N, 3/5)$ and $N \sim \text{geo}(2/3)$.

a) For the variable N obtain both EN and $EN(N-1)$

We have $P(N = n) = pq^{n-1}$ where $p = 2/3 = 1 - q$.

$$\begin{aligned} EN &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} npq^{n-1} = p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nq^{n-1} = p \frac{d}{dq} \left(\frac{1}{1-q} \right) = p \frac{1}{(1-q)^2} = \frac{1}{p} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{♥} \\ EN(N-1) &= \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)pq^{n-1} = pq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(n-1)q^{n-2} = pq \frac{d^2}{dq^2} \left(\frac{1}{1-q} \right) \\ &= pq \frac{2}{(1-q)^3} = \frac{2q}{p^2} = \frac{2/3}{(2/3)^2} = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \quad \text{♥} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

b) Hence or otherwise evaluate both EX and $\sigma(X)$

$$\begin{aligned} EX &= EE(X|N) = EN(3/5) = \frac{3}{5}EN = \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{9}{10} \quad \text{♥} \\ EX^2 &= EE(X^2|N) = E(N(6/25) + N^2(9/25)) = \frac{6}{25}EN + \frac{9}{25}EN^2 \\ &= \frac{6}{25} \times \frac{3}{2} + \frac{9}{25} \times \frac{3}{1} = \frac{36}{25} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where

$$EN^2 = EN(N-1) + EN = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2} = 3$$

And thus, altogether

$$\text{var } X = \frac{36}{25} - \frac{81}{100} = \frac{144}{100} - \frac{81}{100} = \frac{63}{100} \Rightarrow \sigma(X) = \frac{\sqrt{63}}{10} \stackrel{\text{gr}}{=} \frac{3\sqrt{7}}{10} \quad \text{♥}$$

c) Determine the *correlation coefficient* $\rho(X, N)$

$$\begin{aligned} EXN &= EE(XN|N) = ENE(X|N) = EN^2(3/5) = \frac{9}{5} \\ \text{cov}(X, N) &= \frac{9}{5} - \frac{9}{10} \times \frac{3}{2} = \frac{36}{20} - \frac{27}{20} = \frac{9}{20} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

and since

$$\text{var } N = EN^2 - (EN)^2 = 3 - \frac{9}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

thus, altogether

$$\rho(X, N) = \frac{\text{cov}(X, N)}{\sigma(X)\sigma(N)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}} \cdot \quad \text{♥}$$

2. Suppose that $(T_n, n \in \mathbb{N})$ is a *poisson process* with $T_n \sim G(n, 5^{-1})$
and let $U = \frac{T_2}{T_5}$ & $V = \frac{T_2}{T_5 - T_2}$. Determine the following.

a) EU and $\sigma(U)$.

Since $U \sim \text{beta}(2, 3) \Rightarrow U \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{Z}{T}$ w. $T = Z + W$ w. $\left. \begin{array}{l} Z \sim G(2) \\ W \sim G(3) \end{array} \right\} \perp$.

Thus we get

$$EU = \frac{EZ}{ET} = \frac{2}{5} \cdot \heartsuit$$

$$EU^2 = \frac{EZ^2}{ET^2} = \frac{6}{30} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{so } \text{var}U = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{4}{25} = \frac{1}{25} \text{ and } \sigma(U) = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \heartsuit$$

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b) EV and $\sigma(V)$.

In this case $V \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{Z}{W}$

and thus

$$EV = EZEW^{-1} = 2 \cdot \frac{\Gamma(2)}{\Gamma(3)} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1 \cdot \heartsuit$$

$$EV^2 = EZ^2EW^{-2} = \frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(1)}{\Gamma(2)\Gamma(3)} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

$$\text{so } \text{var}V = 3 - 1 = 2 \text{ and } \sigma(V) = \sqrt{2} \cdot \heartsuit$$

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c) $P(U > 1/2)$.

$$P(U > 1/2) = P(2T_2 > T_5) = P(T_2 > T_5 - T_2) = P(V > 1) = P(Z > W)$$

$$= EP(Z > W|W) = EP(T_2 > W) = EP(N_W < 2) \text{ w. } N_W \sim \text{poisson}(W)$$

$$= Ee^{-W}(1+W) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty w^2 e^{-2w} dw + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty w^3 e^{-2w} dw$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^4} \int_0^\infty (2w)^2 e^{-2w} d2w + \frac{1}{2^5} \int_0^\infty (2w)^3 e^{-2w} d2w = \frac{2}{16} + \frac{3}{16} = \frac{5}{16} \cdot \heartsuit$$

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3. Suppose that $X \sim N(1, 1)$, let $Y = X^3$, and consider the simple linear model

$$Y = \alpha + \beta X + W \quad w. \quad EW = 0 = \rho(X, W).$$

- a) Evaluate the constants α and β .

Letting $X = 1 + Z \quad w. \quad Z \sim N(0, 1)$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\text{var}X} = \frac{\text{cov}(X, X^3)}{\text{var}X} \\ &= \frac{\text{cov}(1+Z, (1+Z)^3)}{\text{var}(1+Z)} \\ &= \frac{\text{cov}(Z, 1+3Z+3Z^2+Z^3)}{\text{var}(Z)} \\ &= 3\text{var}Z + 3\text{cov}(Z, Z^2) + \text{cov}(Z, Z^3) \\ &= 3\text{var}Z + 0 + \text{cov}(Z, Z^3) \\ &= 3 + EZ^4 = 3 + 3 = 6 \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= EY - \beta EX = EX^3 - 6EX = E(1+Z)^3 - 6E(1+Z) \\ &= 1 + 3EZ^2 - 6 = -2. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

- b) Determine the relative proximity of Y to its closest linear predictor

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\|Y - (\alpha + \beta X)\|}{\|Y - EY\|} \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \rho(X, Y)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)^2}{\text{var}X \text{var}Y}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{6^2}{\text{var}Y}} \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \frac{6^2}{\text{var}Y}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{6^2}{60}} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{10}} \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

where

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}Y &= \text{cov}(1+3Z+3Z^2+Z^3, 1+3Z+3Z^2+Z^3) \\ &= 9\text{var}Z + 9\text{var}Z^2 + \text{var}Z^3 + 18\text{cov}(Z, Z^2) + 6\text{cov}(Z, Z^3) + 6\text{cov}(Z^2, Z^3) \\ &= 9 + 9(3-1) + 15 + 0 + 6 \times 3 + 0 = 60. \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

4. Let $X \sim \exp(1)$, $Y = e^{-X}$, and consider the simple linear model

$$Y = \alpha + \beta X + W \quad \text{w.} \quad EW = 0 = \rho(X, W).$$

- a) Evaluate the constants α and β .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{noting that } cov(X, Y) &= cov(X, e^{-X}) = EXe^{-X} - EXEe^{-X} \\ &= \int_0^\infty xe^{-x}e^{-x}dx - \int_0^\infty e^{-x}e^{-x}dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^\infty 2xe^{-2x}d2x - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty e^{-2x}d2x \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\beta = \frac{cov(X, Y)}{varX} = \frac{cov(X, e^{-X})}{varX} = -\frac{1}{4} \quad \heartsuit$$

$$\alpha = EY - \beta EX = Ee^{-X} + \frac{EX}{4} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}. \quad \heartsuit$$

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- b) Determine the relative proximity of Y to its closest linear predictor

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\|Y - (\alpha + \beta X)\|}{\|Y - EY\|} \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \rho(X, Y)^2} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{cov(X, Y)^2}{varX varY}} \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \frac{(1/4)^2}{varY}} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{12}{16}} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} varY &= var(e^{-X}) = Ee^{-2X} - (Ee^{-X})^2 \\ &= \int_0^\infty e^{-3x}dx - \left(\int_0^\infty e^{-2x}dx\right)^2 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{12}. \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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5. Suppose $WX|X \sim \text{gamma}(2)$ and $X \sim \text{gamma}(3)$.

a) First determine $P(W > 0)$.

$$P(W > 0) = EP(W > 0|X) = EP(XW > 0|X) = E1 = 1. \quad \heartsuit$$

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b) Obtain the *joint probability density function* $f(x, w)$ for (X, W) .

$$xW|X=x \sim G(2) \Rightarrow f_{W|X}(w|x) = x^2 w e^{-xw} \quad w > 0; x > 0$$

$$X \sim \text{gamma}(3) \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{x^2}{2} e^{-x} \quad x > 0$$

and thus

$$f(x, w) = f_{W|X}(w|x)f_X(x) = \frac{x^4 w}{2} e^{-x(1+w)} \quad x > 0, w > 0. \quad \heartsuit$$

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c) Thus obtain the *marginal probability density function*, $f_W(w)$, of W .

$$\begin{aligned} f_W(w) &= \int_0^\infty f(x, w) dx = \frac{w}{2} \int_0^\infty x^4 e^{-x(1+w)} dx \quad w > 0 \\ &= \frac{w}{2(1+w)^5} \int_0^\infty z^4 e^{-z} dz \quad w > 0 \\ &= \frac{12w}{(1+w)^5} \quad w > 0. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

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d) Hence determine the *distribution function* $F_W(t)$ of W .

$$\begin{aligned} F_W(t) &= \int_0^t \frac{12w}{(1+w)^5} dw = 12 \left(\int_0^t \frac{1}{(1+w)^4} dw - \int_0^t \frac{1}{(1+w)^5} dw \right) \\ &= -12 \left(\frac{1}{3(1+w)^3} - \frac{1}{4(1+w)^4} \right) \Big|_0^t = -\frac{4w+1}{(1+w)^4} \Big|_0^t \\ &= 1 - \frac{4t+1}{(1+t)^4} \quad t > 0. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned}$$

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6. Suppose $WX | X \sim \text{gamma}(2)$ and $X \sim \text{gamma}(3)$.

a) For any value of $n \in \mathbb{N}$ determine $EX^n e^{-X}$.

$$\begin{aligned} EX^n e^{-X} &= \int_0^\infty x^n e^{-x} \frac{x^2 e^{-x}}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty x^{n+2} e^{-2x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n+4}} \int_0^\infty (2x)^{n+2} e^{-2x} d2x = \frac{(n+2)!}{2^{n+4}}. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

b) Noting that $WX \perp\!\!\!\perp X$, obtain the *joint distribution* of $(1+W)X$ and W .

Since

$$WX \sim G(2), \quad X \sim G(3) \quad \text{and} \quad WX \perp\!\!\!\perp X$$

it follows that

$$(1+W)X \sim G(5) \quad \heartsuit, \quad \frac{X}{(1+W)X} = \frac{1}{1+W} \sim \text{beta}(3, 2) \quad \heartsuit$$

$$\text{and} \quad (1+W)X \perp\!\!\!\perp W \quad \heartsuit \quad (4)$$

where

$$\frac{1}{1+W} \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{X}{X+Y} \Leftrightarrow W \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{Y}{X} \quad w. \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} X \sim G(3) \\ Y \sim G(2) \end{array} \right\} \perp\!\!\!\perp. \quad \heartsuit$$

c) Hence, or otherwise, determine $E(X|W)$ and $\sigma(X|W)$

From b), it is clear that $(1+W)X | W \sim G(5)$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} E((1+W)X | W) &= 5 = \text{var}((1+W)X | W) \\ &= (1+W)^2 \text{var}(X | W) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

in which case

$$E(X|W) = \frac{5}{1+W} \quad \heartsuit \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(X|W) = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{1+W}. \quad \heartsuit$$

d) Evaluate $P(W > 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(W > 1) &= P(Y > X) = EP(Y > X | X) \\ &= EP(T_2 > X) \\ &= EP(N_X < 2) \quad \text{where } N_X \sim \text{poisson}(X) \\ &= E e^{-X}(1 + X) = \frac{2}{2^4} + \frac{6}{2^5} = \frac{5}{16}. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

7. Suppose that $X \sim \text{gamma}(3)$, $Y \sim \text{gamma}(2)$ and $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ and let $U = X/(X+Y)$ and $T = X+Y$. Determine the following

a) $E(X^{-1}|U)$ and $\sigma(X^{-1}|U)$.

We know that $U \perp\!\!\!\perp T$ and of course that $X = UT$ and that $T \sim \text{gamma}(5)$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thus } E(X^{-1}|U) &= E(U^{-1}T^{-1}|U) = U^{-1}E(T^{-1}|U) = U^{-1}ET^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{U} \frac{\Gamma(4)}{\Gamma(5)} = \frac{1}{4U} \cdot \heartsuit\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and } E(X^{-2}|U) &= E(U^{-2}T^{-2}|U) = U^{-2}E(T^{-2}|U) = U^{-2}ET^{-2} \\ &= \frac{1}{U^2} \frac{\Gamma(3)}{\Gamma(5)} = \frac{1}{12U^2}\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

$$\text{whence } \text{var}(X^{-1}|U) = \frac{1}{U^2} \left(\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{16} \right) = \frac{1}{U^2} \frac{1}{48}$$

$$\text{and thence } \sigma(X^{-1}|U) = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}U} \stackrel{\text{or}}{=} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12U} \cdot \heartsuit$$

b) $E(U^{-1}|X)$ and $\sigma(U^{-1}|X)$.

$$\begin{aligned}E(U^{-1}|X) &= E(X^{-1}T|X) = X^{-1}E(T|X) = X^{-1}(E(X|X) + E(Y|X)) \\ &= \frac{X + EY}{X} = 1 + \frac{2}{X} \cdot \heartsuit\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E(U^{-2}|X) &= E(X^{-2}T^2|X) = X^{-2}E(X^2 + 2XY + Y^2|X) \\ &= \frac{X^2 + 2XEY + EY^2}{X^2} = 1 + \frac{4}{X} + \frac{6}{X^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{And thus } \text{var}(U^{-1}|X) = \frac{2}{X^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(U^{-1}|X) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{X} \cdot \heartsuit\tag{7}$$

8. Suppose $T|N \sim \text{gamma}(N)$ and $N \sim \text{geometric}(1/3)$.

a) State $P(N = n)$ and $P(T > t | N = n)$.

$$P(N = n) = (2/3)^{n-1}(1/3) \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$P(T > t | N = n) = P(N_t < n) = e^{-t} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} t^k / k! \quad t > 0 \quad \text{for each } n = 1, 2, \dots \quad (3)$$

$$\text{or} = \int_t^\infty \frac{z^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-z} dz. \quad \heartsuit$$

b) Use a) to find $P(T > t)$ as a function of $t > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(T > t) &= EP(T > t | N) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2/3)^{n-1} (1/3) \int_t^\infty \frac{z^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-z} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \int_t^\infty \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2z/3)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-z} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \int_t^\infty e^{-z/3} dz \\ &= \int_{t/3}^\infty e^{-w} dw \\ &= e^{-t/3}. \quad \heartsuit \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

c) Hence, or otherwise, determine ET and $\sigma(T)$.

We obviously have $T = 3Z$ where $Z \sim \exp(1)$

Thus immediately $ET = 3 \heartsuit$, $\text{var}T = 9$ and $\sigma(T) = 3. \heartsuit$

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d) Using the above, or otherwise, obtain the conditional distribution of $N|T$.

The joint distribution is given by $(2/3)^{n-1} (1/3) \frac{t^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} e^{-t}$

so the conditional probability mass function for $N|(T = t)$ is given by

$$\frac{(2/3)^{n-1} (1/3) t^{n-1} e^{-t}}{(n-1)! (1/3) e^{-t/3}} = e^{-2t/3} \frac{(2t/3)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \quad n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \heartsuit \quad (3)$$

which means that $N-1 | T \sim \text{poisson}(2T/3) \heartsuit$ and $T \sim \exp(3)$

e) Determine $E(N|T)$ and $\sigma(N|T)$

$$E(N|T) = 2T/3 + 1 \quad \heartsuit$$

$$\text{and } \text{var}(N|T) = \text{var}(N-1|T) = 2T/3 \Rightarrow \sigma(N|T) = \sqrt{2T/3}. \quad \heartsuit$$

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