

Homework 1 Responses

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1. Slutsky's theorem:

If

$$X_n \xrightarrow{D} X \quad (1)$$

and

$$Z_n \xrightarrow{P} z_0 \quad (2)$$

for some constant $z_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, then:

a) Prove: $X_n + Z_n \xrightarrow{D} X + z_0$

I must show that,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n + Z_n}(a) = F_{X + z_0}(a).$$

By definition,

$$F_{X_n + Z_n}(a) = P(X_n + Z_n \leq a)$$

and from the Law of Total Probability we have that,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) &= P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) P(|Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) \\ &\quad + P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| > \epsilon) P(|Z_n - z_0| > \epsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) &= P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) \cdot 1 \\ &\quad + P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| > \epsilon) \cdot 0 \quad (\text{by assumption 1}) \\ &= P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) \end{aligned}$$

Note that,

$$\begin{aligned} |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon &\equiv z_0 - \epsilon \leq Z_n \leq z_0 + \epsilon \\ &\Rightarrow \\ X_n + z_0 - \epsilon &\leq X_n + Z_n \leq X_n + z_0 + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) &\leq P(X_n + z_0 - \epsilon \leq a) \quad (\text{by assumption 2}) \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n \leq a + \epsilon - z_0) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(a + \epsilon - z_0) \quad (\text{def. of CDF}) \\ &= F_X(a + \epsilon - z_0) \quad (\text{by assumption 1}) \end{aligned}$$

The first inequality is true because the $-\epsilon$ shifts the distribution of $X_n - z_0$ away from a , which means more probability mass occurs before a . By the same reasoning, we have that,

$$F_X(a - \epsilon - z_0) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a)$$

giving

$$F_X(a - \epsilon - z_0) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) \leq F_X(a + \epsilon - z_0)$$

Therefore, in the limit as ϵ approaches 0 we have that,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} F_X(a - \epsilon - z_0) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) \leq \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} F_X(a + \epsilon - z_0) \\ &\equiv \\ F_X(a - z_0) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) \leq F_X(a - z_0) \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) = F_X(a - z_0) \quad (3)$$

Putting together all the peices, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n + Z_n}(a) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) \\ &= F_X(a - z_0) && \text{(by equation 3)} \\ &= P(X < a - z_0) \\ &= P(X + z_0 < a) \\ &= F_{X+z_0}(a) \end{aligned}$$

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b) Prove: $X_n \cdot Z_n \xrightarrow{D} X \cdot z_0$

This has nearly the identical reasoning as in part a), except with a multiplicative factor instead of an additive one.

I will start where the proofs diverge:

Note that,

$$\begin{aligned} |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon &\equiv z_0 - \epsilon \leq Z_n \leq z_0 + \epsilon \\ &\Rightarrow \\ X_n(z_0 - \epsilon) &\leq X_n \cdot Z_n \leq X_n(z_0 + \epsilon), && X_n = x \geq 0 \\ X_n(z_0 - \epsilon) &\geq X_n \cdot Z_n \geq X_n(z_0 + \epsilon), && X_n = x < 0 \end{aligned}$$

Wlog, I will prove the case where $X_n \geq 0$, but the same reasoning applies to the case where $X_n < 0$. Fixing ϵ , this gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n \cdot Z_n \leq a | |Z_n - z_0| \leq \epsilon) &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n(z_0 - \epsilon) \leq a) && \text{(by assumption 2)} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(a/(z_0 - \epsilon)) && \text{(def. of CDF)} \\ &= F_X(a/(z_0 - \epsilon)) && \text{(by assumption 1)} \end{aligned}$$

Note that we do not need to consider the case when $z_0 - \epsilon = 0$. This is because ϵ can be arbitrarily small by the definition of convergence in probability. We can therefore always assume $z_0 - \epsilon > 0$ since we can just limit our consideration to values of ϵ smaller than z_0 .

When combined with the other inequality, this gives:

$$F_X(a/(z_0 + \epsilon)) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(X_n + Z_n \leq a) \leq F_X(a/(z_0 - \epsilon))$$

The rest of the proof is exactly the same as in part a), so I will omit it.

c) Prove: $X_n/Z_n \xrightarrow{D} X/z_0, \quad z_0 \neq 0$

With the assumption that $z_0 \neq 0$, the proof of this is nearly identical to part b) since the only edge case is handled by the assumption. I will therefore omit this since I do not have time to write it again and it will be overly repetitious.

2. Poisson problems

(a) Prove that if $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[Y] = \lambda$ and $\text{Var}(Y) = \lambda$

The first part can be shown directly by the definition of $\mathbb{E}[Y]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[Y] &= \sum_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} y \lambda^y \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{y!} && \text{(by definition)} \\ &= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} y \lambda^y \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{y!} && \text{(Poisson region of interest)} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{y \lambda^y}{y!} && \text{(Algebra)} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} && \text{(Algebra)} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} && \text{(Substitute } k = y - 1) \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \lambda e^{\lambda} && \text{(Taylor expansion for } e^x) \\ &= \lambda \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for $\text{Var}(Y)$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}(Y) &= \mathbb{E}[Y^2] - \mathbb{E}[Y]^2 && \text{(by definition)} \\
&= \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} y^2 \lambda^y \frac{e^{-\lambda}}{y!} - \lambda^2 \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} y \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} - \lambda^2 && \text{(Above steps)} \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} ((y-1) + 1) \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} - \lambda^2 \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \left((y-1) \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} + \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \left(\sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (y-1) \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} + \sum_{y=1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \left(\sum_{y=1}^{\infty} (y-1) \frac{\lambda^{y-1}}{(y-1)!} + e^{\lambda} \right) - \lambda^2 && \text{(Same as above)} \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \left(\lambda \sum_{y=2}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{y-2}}{(y-2)!} + e^{\lambda} \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= e^{-\lambda} \lambda \left(\lambda e^{\lambda} + e^{\lambda} \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= \lambda^2 + \lambda - \lambda^2 \\
&= \lambda
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Decide which estimator is better λ , \bar{Y}_n or s_n^2

We have shown in class that both \bar{Y}_n and s_n^2 are unbiased, so here we will calculate the variance.

i. $\text{Var}(\bar{Y}_n)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}(\bar{Y}_n) &= \mathbb{E}[\bar{Y}_n^2] - \mathbb{E}[\bar{Y}_n]^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right] - \lambda^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Y_i Y_j] - \lambda^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=j} \mathbb{E}[Y_i Y_j] + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{E}[Y_i Y_j] \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[Y_i^2] + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{E}[Y_i] \mathbb{E}[Y_j] \right) - \lambda^2 \quad (\text{by independence}) \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (\text{Var}(Y_i) + \mathbb{E}[Y_i]^2) + n(n-1)\lambda^2 \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&\quad (\mathbb{E}[Y_i^2] = \text{Var}(Y_i) + \mathbb{E}[Y_i]^2, \text{ by def. of } \text{Var}(\dots)) \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(n(\lambda + \lambda^2) + n(n-1)\lambda^2 \right) - \lambda^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \lambda + \frac{1}{n} \lambda^2 + \lambda^2 - \frac{1}{n} \lambda^2 - \lambda^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \lambda
\end{aligned}$$

ii. $\text{Var}(s_n^2)$:

From slide 29 of lecture we know that:

$$\text{Var}(s_n^2) = \frac{\mu_4}{n}$$

Online I found that μ_4 for the Poisson distribution is $\lambda^4 + 7\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 + \lambda$ from taking the fourth derivative of the MGF of the Poisson evaluated at zero. This gives

$$\text{Var}(s_n^2) = \frac{\lambda^4 + 7\lambda^3 + 6\lambda^2 + \lambda}{n} \geq \frac{1}{n} \lambda = \text{Var}(\bar{Y}_n)$$

Therefore I would choose \bar{Y}_n as $\hat{\lambda}$.

3. Show that $r_n \xrightarrow{P} \rho$ when finite second order moments exist for the underlying population distribution.

$$\begin{aligned}
r_n &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sqrt{(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \bar{X})^2} \sqrt{(\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j - \bar{Y})^2}} \\
r_n &= \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}} \sqrt{(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2} \sqrt{(\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j - \bar{Y}_n)^2}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sqrt{\cdot \tilde{s}_{Y_n}^2} \sqrt{\cdot \tilde{s}_{X_n}^2}} \tag{4}
\end{aligned}$$

With $\tilde{s}_{X_n}^2$ and $\tilde{s}_{Y_n}^2$ being the sample variance for X_n and Y_n respectively. By the WLLN, both $\tilde{s}_{Y_n}^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma_{Y_n}^2$ and $\tilde{s}_{X_n}^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma_{X_n}^2$. By the multivariate continuous mapping theorem then,

$$\sqrt{s_{Y_n}^2} \sqrt{s_{X_n}^2} \xrightarrow{P} \sigma_Y \sigma_X$$

Similarly, the numerator of equation 4 can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n) &= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i - \bar{X}_n \bar{Y}_n \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i - \bar{X}_n \bar{Y}_n\end{aligned}$$

Again, by the WLLN and the multivariate continuous mapping theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i &\xrightarrow{P} \mathbb{E}[XY] \\ X_n Y_n &\xrightarrow{P} \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y]\end{aligned}$$

giving,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i - X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{P} \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y] = \text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

Thus, for equation 4

$$\frac{\frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \bar{X}) (\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j - \bar{Y})}{\sqrt{\hat{s}_{Y_n}^2} \sqrt{\hat{s}_{X_n}^2}} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_{X_n} \sigma_{Y_n}} = \rho$$

4. Show that $SE(\hat{\alpha}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2\alpha(\alpha-1)}{n}}$, where $\hat{\alpha} = \bar{Y}_n / s_n^2$ with n samples drawn from a Gamma distribution with parameters α, β .

Following the strategic outline from lecture, we will use the multivariate delta method to derive the variance of $\hat{\alpha}$ for large values of n . From this we can easily get the standard error.

Using the information given on slide 124 of lecture, we have:

$$\text{Var}(\bar{Y}_n) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2 n}, \text{Var}(s_n^2) = \frac{6\alpha}{\beta^4 n} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{\beta^4 n}, \text{Cov}(\bar{Y}_n, s_n^2) = \frac{2\alpha}{\beta^3 n}$$

$$h(\theta) = \theta_1^2 / \theta_2, \theta_1 = \mu^2 \bar{Y}_n, \theta_2 = \sigma$$

Calculating the partial derivatives of $h(\theta)$ gives $h(\theta)'^\top = [2\beta \quad -\beta]$

$$h(\theta)' = \begin{bmatrix} 2\beta \\ -\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

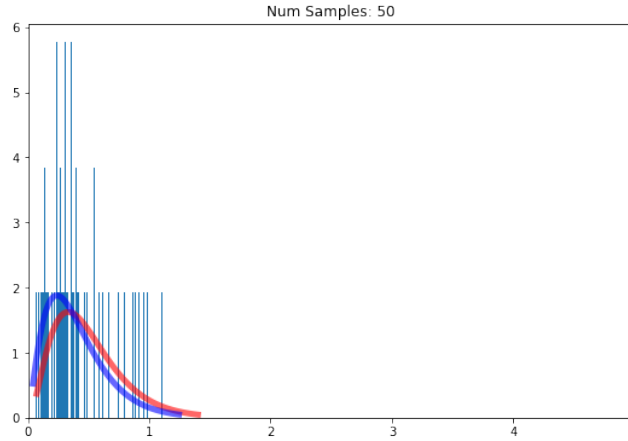
Because of time constraints I will omit the full matrix calculations for the variance, but as shown in lecture:

$$\text{Var}(\bar{Y}_n^2 / s_n^2) = \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{n}$$

By the continuous mapping theorem, and the fact that $\hat{\alpha}$ is an unbiased estimator (i.e. $\mathbb{E}[\hat{\alpha}] = \alpha$), we have that when n grows large:

$$SE(\hat{\alpha}) \approx \sqrt{\frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{n}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\alpha}(\hat{\alpha}+1)}{n}}$$

Figure 1: Random Samples from Gamma



5. First plot is in Figure 1. These are the findings true $\alpha : 3, \hat{\alpha} : 2.458$, true $\beta : 6, \hat{\beta} : 5.238$. The predicted density is in red and the true density is in blue.

Second plot is Figure 2.

6. Show that if $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $M_X(t) = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2}$.

I will show this directly from the definition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_X(t) &= \mathbb{E}[e^{tX}] = \int e^{tx} \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)^2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{tx - \left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sqrt{2}\sigma}\right)^2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{t(u\sigma + \mu) - \left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2} \sigma du && \text{let } u = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \\
 &= \frac{e^{t\mu}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-\frac{u^2}{2} + t\sigma u} du \\
 &= \frac{e^{t\mu}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u+t\sigma)^2 + \frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}} du && \text{(completing the square)} \\
 &= e^{t\mu} e^{\frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u+t\sigma)^2} du \\
 &= e^{t\mu + \frac{t^2\sigma^2}{2}} && \text{(Normal}(u + t\sigma, 1) \text{ integrates to 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

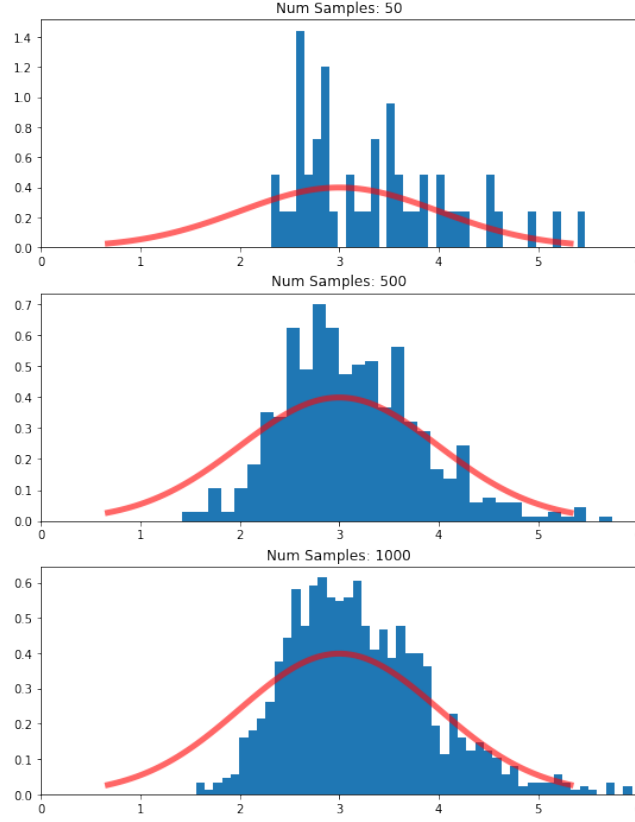
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7. Binomial problems

- (a) Show that for $R \sim \text{Bin}(\pi, m)$, $K_{\text{Bin}}(t)$ the cumulant generating function $\log(M_{\text{Bin}}(t))$ is $m \log(1 - \pi + \pi e^t)$.

We will start by deriving the MGF of the Binomial distribution,

Figure 2: Distribution of Estimator



$$M_{Bin}(t) = (1 - \pi + \pi e^t)^m.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{Bin}(t) &= \mathbb{E}[e^{Rt}] = \sum_{x=0}^m e^{xt} \cdot P(R = x) \\
 &= \sum_{x=0}^m e^{xt} \binom{m}{x} \pi^x (1 - \pi)^{m-x} \\
 &= \sum_{x=0}^m \binom{m}{x} (e^t \pi)^x (1 - \pi)^{m-x}
 \end{aligned}$$

Recall from the Binomial Theorem that:

$$(z + y)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} z^k y^{n-k} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} z^{n-k} y^k \quad (5)$$

By choosing $z := e^t \pi$, $y := 1 - \pi$, $k := x$, and $m := n$, we have that:

$$\sum_{x=0}^m \binom{m}{x} (e^t \pi)^x (1 - \pi)^{m-x} = (\pi e^t + 1 - \pi)^m$$

Thus,

$$K_{Bin}(t) = \log(M_{bin}(t)) = m \log(\pi e^t + 1 - \pi)$$

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(b) Show that $\lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} K_{Bin}(t)$ implies $m\pi \rightarrow \lambda$, for some constant $\lambda > 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} K_{Bin}(t) &= \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m \log(\pi e^t + 1 - \pi) = m \log(1 + \pi e^t - \pi) \\ &= \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \log \left((1 + \pi(e^t - 1))^m \right) \end{aligned}$$

Recall that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + x/n)^n = e^x$. This gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \log \left((1 + \pi(e^t - 1))^m \right) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \log \left(\left(1 + \frac{m\pi(e^t - 1)}{m}\right)^m \right) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \log \left(\left(1 + \frac{\lambda(e^t - 1)}{\lambda/\pi}\right)^{(\lambda/\pi)} \right) \quad (\text{let } \lambda = m\pi) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \log(e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(e^t - 1) \\ &= \lambda(e^t - 1) \end{aligned}$$

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(c) Show that $\lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} K_{Bin}(t) \xrightarrow{D} Pois(\lambda)$

We showed in part 7b that $\lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} K_{Bin}(t) = \lambda(e^t - 1)$. The MGF of the Binomial is just $e^{K_{Bin}(t)}$. The same proof given above holds for $\lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} e^{K_{Bin}(t)}$. This means that in the limits stated, the MGF of the binomial converges to $e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$. This is exactly the MGF of the Poisson distribution. Thus, by the Uniqueness Theorem of MGFs:

$$\lim_{\pi \rightarrow 0} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} P(R = r) \xrightarrow{D} \frac{\lambda^r}{r!} e^{-\lambda} = \text{Poisson}(m\pi = \lambda)$$

(d)

8. Normal problems

(a) If $Z \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$, derive the density of $Y = Z^2$. We can derive the density of Y using the CDF technique for random variable transformations.

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) \\ &= P(X^2 \leq y) \\ &= P(|X| \leq \sqrt{y}) \\ &= P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq \sqrt{y}) \\ &= F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y}) \end{aligned}$$

Now we just need to differentiate the CDF to get the PDF.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F'_Y(y) &= \frac{d}{dy}(F_X(\sqrt{y}) - F_X(-\sqrt{y})) \\
 &= \frac{d}{dy}F_X(\sqrt{y}) - \frac{d}{dy}F_X(-\sqrt{y}) \\
 &= \frac{f_X(\sqrt{y})}{2\sqrt{y}} + \frac{f_X(-\sqrt{y})}{2\sqrt{y}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}2\pi}e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{y})^2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}2\pi}e^{-\frac{1}{2}(-\sqrt{y})^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}2\pi}e^{-\frac{y}{2}} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}2\pi}e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{y}2\pi}e^{-\frac{y}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

This is a chi-squared distribution

(b) Show that Y is uncorrelated with Z .

To do this we will look at $\text{Cov}(Y, Z)$ which is the numerator of the correlation calculation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(Y, Z) &= \mathbb{E}[YZ] - \mathbb{E}[Y]\mathbb{E}[Z] \\
 &= \mathbb{E}[YZ] - 0 && (\mathbb{E}[Z] = 0) \\
 &= \mathbb{E}[Z^3] - 0 && (\mathbb{E}[Z] = 0) \\
 &= 0 - 0 && (\text{odd moments of the normal are 0})
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $\text{Cov}(Y, Z)$ the correlation is also zero.

9. Did not have time for this.

10. Done