

Introduction to probability and statistic: Assignment 2

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Exercise 1

Let Y be a r.v. that has a Poisson distribution with a parameter $\lambda > 0$ and X a r.v. such that X given $Y = y$ has a binomial distribution with parameters (y, p) , $(0 < p < 1)$.

1. Show that the distribution of X is a Poisson distribution with parameter λp .

$$Y \sim \mathbb{P}(\lambda) \text{ and } X/Y \sim \mathbb{B}(y, p)$$

$$P(Y = y) = \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} \text{ and } P(X = x/Y = y) = \binom{y}{x} p^x (1-p)^{y-x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(X = x) &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} P(X = x, Y = y) \\ &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} P(Y = y) P(X = x/Y = y) \\ &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} \binom{y}{x} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} \\ &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} \frac{y!}{x!(y-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} \\ &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{y-x} \lambda^x}{x!(y-x)!} e^{-\lambda} p^x (1-p)^{y-x} \\ &= \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!(y-x)!} e^{-\lambda} [\lambda(1-p)]^{y-x} \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{y=x}^{\infty} \frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^{y-x}}{(y-x)!} \quad z = y - x \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda} \sum_{z=0}^{\infty} \frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^z}{(z)!} \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda(1-p)} \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} e^{-\lambda p} \\ &= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-(\lambda p)} \end{aligned}$$

Based on the expression of $P(X = x) = \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-(\lambda p)}$ we can say that X follows the poisson distribution with parameter (λp)

2. Show that the distribution of $Y - X$ is a Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda(1 - p)$.

we know that the momment generative function of poisson distribution is $M_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$

In order to show that let's compute the moment generative function of $Y - X$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(Y - X = z) &= \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} P(Y - X = z/Y = y)P(Y = y) \\
&= \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} P(X = y - z/Y = y)P(Y = y) \\
&= \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} \binom{y}{y-z} p^{y-z} (1-p)^{y-y+z} \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} \\
&= \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} \frac{y!}{(y-z)!z!} p^{y-z} (1-p)^z \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda} \\
&= \frac{(1-p)^z e^{-\lambda}}{z!} \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} \frac{p^{y-z} \lambda^y}{(y-z)!} \\
&= \frac{(1-p)^z e^{-\lambda}}{z!} \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} \frac{p^{y-z} \lambda^{y-z} \lambda^z}{(y-z)!} \\
&= \frac{(1-p)^z e^{-\lambda}}{z!} \lambda^z \sum_{y=z}^{\infty} \frac{(p\lambda)^{y-z}}{(y-z)!} \quad k = y - z \\
&= \frac{(1-p)^z e^{-\lambda}}{z!} \lambda^z \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(p\lambda)^k}{(k)!} \\
&= \frac{(\lambda(1-p))^z e^{-\lambda}}{z!} e^{p\lambda} \\
&= \frac{(\lambda(1-p))^z e^{-\lambda+p\lambda}}{z!} \\
&= \frac{(\lambda(1-p))^z e^{-(1-p)\lambda}}{z!}
\end{aligned}$$

based on the expression of $P(Y - X = z) = \frac{(p(1-p))^z e^{-(1-p)\lambda}}{z!}$ we can say that $Y - X$ follows the poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda(1-p)$

3. Are X and $Y - X$ independent ?

In Order to answer to this question let's Calculate $P(X = x/Y - Z = z)$ and based on this probability we will able de answer to this question:

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X = x/Y - X = z) &= \frac{P(X = x, Y - X = Z)}{P(Y - X = z)} \\
&= \frac{P(X = x, Y = x + z)}{P(Y - X = z)} \\
&= \frac{P(Y = z + x)P(X = x/Y = z + x)}{P(Y - X = z)} \\
&= \frac{\frac{\lambda^{z+x}}{(z+x)!} \binom{z+x}{x} p^x (1-p)^z}{\frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^z}{z!} e^{-\lambda(1-p)}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{\lambda^{z+x}}{(z+x)!} \frac{(z+x)!}{x!z!} p^x (1-p)^z}{\frac{[\lambda(1-p)]^z}{z!} e^{-\lambda(1-p)}} \\
&= \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} p^x e^{-\lambda P} \\
&= \frac{(\lambda p)^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda p} \\
&= P(X = x)
\end{aligned}$$

so $P(X = x/Y - X = z) = P(X = x)$ that mean X and $X - Y$ are independent variable aleatoric

Exercise 2

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample of n independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) random variables with a standard normal distribution.

1. Show that X_i^2 , $i = 1, \dots, n$ has a gamma distribution.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_i^2 \leq \sqrt{x}) &= P(\sqrt{X_i} < X_i \leq \sqrt{x}) \\ &= P(X_i \leq \sqrt{x}) - P(X_i \leq -\sqrt{x}) \\ &= 2\Phi(\sqrt{x}) - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{X_i^2}(x) &= F'_{X_i^2}(x) = [P(X_i^2 \leq \sqrt{x})]' = [2\Phi(\sqrt{x}) - 1]' \\ &= 2\Phi'(\sqrt{x})(\sqrt{x})' \\ &= 2\phi(\sqrt{x}) \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} x^{\frac{1}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} \\ &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x} \quad \text{where} \quad \alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma(\alpha) = \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

let's prove that $\Gamma(\alpha) = \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = \sqrt{\pi}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}) &= \int_0^{+\infty} x^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x} e^{-x}} dx \quad \text{let's denote } y = \sqrt{x} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \implies dx = 2\sqrt{x} dy = 2y dy \\ &= \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{y} e^{-y^2} 2y dy \\ &= 2 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-y^2} dy \quad \text{we recognize the Gaussian integral} \\ &= \sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

we have prove that the probability density function of $f_{X_i^2}(x) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}$ where $\alpha = \beta =$

$\frac{1}{2}$ and $\Gamma(\alpha) = \sqrt{\pi}$

so, we can conclude that X_i^2 follows the Gamma distribution with parameter $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$

2. Let consider $K_n = \sum_{i=0}^n X_i^2$

Show that K_n follows a gamma distribution with parameter $(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ which is also called a chi-square distribution with n degrees of freedom, denoted $\chi^2(n)$

we know that X_1^2, \dots, X_n^2 are n identically independent random variable because X_1, \dots, X_n are n identically independent random variable and we also know that the moment generative function of random variable X that follows the gamma distribution is $M_X(t) = (\frac{\beta}{\beta - t})^\alpha$

In order to prove that let's compute the moment generative function of K_n

$$\begin{aligned} M_{K_n}(t) &= M_{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}(t) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i^2}(t) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} - t}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{because } X_i^2 \sim \mathbb{G}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} - t}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$M_{K_n}(t) = \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{1}{2} - t}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \quad \text{that mean } K_n \text{ follows the gamma distribution with parameter } \left(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Exercise 3

Let f_1 and f_2 , be two probability density functions such that :

$$\int x f_1(x) = \mu_1 \text{ and } \int x f_2(x) = \mu_2$$

assume that $\mu_1 > \mu_2$

Let X be a random variable with probability density function :

$$f_X(x) = \theta f_1(x) + (1 - \theta) f_2(x). \quad \theta \in [0, 1]$$

1. Check that f is a probability density function.

In order to answer to this question we need to prove that f is positive and $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$

- Let's prove that $f_X(x) \geq 0$:
we know that f_1 and f_2 are the density probability that mean that $f_1(x) \geq 0$ and $f_2(x) \geq 0$
and $\theta \in [0, 1]$ and $(1 - \theta) \in [0, 1]$
so, f is a summation of positive value that mean $\forall \theta \in [0, 1] f(x) \geq 0$
- now, let's prove that $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_X(x) dx &= 1 = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \theta f_1(x) + (1 - \theta) f_2(x) \\ &= \theta \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_1(x) dx + (1 - \theta) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_2(x) dx \\ &= \theta * 1 + (1 - \theta) * 1 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

so f is a probability density function

2. Express the expectation of X for any $\theta \in [0, 1]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
E(X) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_X(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x [\theta f_1(x) + (1 - \theta) f_2(x)] dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x \theta f_1(x) dx + \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x (1 - \theta) f_2(x) dx \\
&= \theta \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_1(x) dx + (1 - \theta) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_2(x) dx \\
&= \theta \mu_1 + (1 - \theta) \mu_2
\end{aligned}$$

so $E(X) = \theta \mu_1 + (1 - \theta) \mu_2$

3. Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be n i.i.d r.v.'s with the p.d.f. $f_X(x)$.

(a) Use the method of moments to propose an estimator of θ .

- Theoretical value:

$$E(X) = \theta \mu_1 + (1 - \theta) \mu_2$$

- empirically value: $\bar{X}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(X) &= \bar{X}_n \\
\theta \mu_1 + (1 - \theta) \mu_2 &= \bar{X}_n \\
\theta(\mu_1 - \mu_2) &= \bar{X}_n - \mu_2 \\
\Rightarrow \theta &= \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_2}{\mu_1 - \mu_2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } MME(\theta) = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_2}{\mu_1 - \mu_2}$$

(b) Is this estimator unbiased ?

To answer to this question let's compute $E(\hat{\theta})$:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\hat{\theta}) &= E\left(\frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_2}{\mu_1 - \mu_2}\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} E(\bar{X}_n - \mu_2) \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} [E(\bar{X}_n) - \mu_2] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \left[E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n X_i\right) - \mu_2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n E(X_i) - \mu_2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} \left[\frac{1}{n} n E(X_i) - \mu_2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} [\theta \mu_1 + (1 - \theta) \mu_2 - \mu_2] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} [\theta \mu_1 + \mu_2 - \theta \mu_2 - \mu_2] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} [\theta \mu_1 - \theta \mu_2] \\
&= \frac{1}{\mu_1 - \mu_2} [\mu_1 - \mu_2] \theta \\
&= \theta
\end{aligned}$$

$E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$ that mean estimator $\hat{\theta}$ is unbiased

Exercise 4

Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be n independent and identically distributed random variables following a log-normal distribution with parameter (μ, σ^2) .

$$f_{X_i}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(\log(x) - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

1. Find the $\hat{\mu}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2$, the maximum likelihood estimator of μ and σ^2

• Likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned}
L(\mu, \sigma^2) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(\log(X_i) - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n \left(\frac{1}{\sigma}\right)^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i - \mu))^2}
\end{aligned}$$

• log-likelihood:

$$\log(L(\mu, \sigma^2)) = n \log\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) + \log\left(\prod_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{X_i}\right) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\log(X_i) - \mu)^2$$

• likelihood-Equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
\begin{cases} \frac{d}{d\mu} \log(L(\mu, \sigma^2)) = 0 \\ \frac{d}{d\sigma^2} \log(L(\mu, \sigma^2)) = 0 \end{cases} &\implies \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \mu) = 0 \\ -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i - \mu))^2 = 0 \end{cases} \implies \begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \mu) = 0 \\ -n\sigma^2 + \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i - \mu))^2 = 0 \end{cases} \\
\begin{cases} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i) - \sum_{i=0}^n \mu = 0 \\ \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i - \mu))^2 = n\sigma^2 \end{cases} &\implies \begin{cases} \mu = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i) \\ \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i - \mu))^2 \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

so we have found the value :

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i) \\ \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \hat{\mu})^2 \end{cases}$$

2. Show that $\hat{\mu}$ is unbiased.

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\mu}) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i)\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n E(\log(X_i)) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n E(Y_i) \quad \text{where } Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \mu \\ &= \frac{1}{n} n\mu \\ &= \mu \end{aligned}$$

$E(\hat{\mu}) = \mu$ that mean that $\hat{\mu}$ is unbiased

3. Show that $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is biased but asymptotically unbiased.

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\hat{\sigma}^2) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \hat{\mu})^2\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \hat{\mu})^2\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n ((\log(X_i))^2 - 2\hat{\mu} \log(X_i) + \hat{\mu}^2)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - 2\hat{\mu} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i) + \sum_{i=0}^n \hat{\mu}^2\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - 2\hat{\mu}n\hat{\mu} + n\hat{\mu}^2\right)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - n\hat{\mu}^2\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2\right) - nE(\hat{\mu}^2)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n E(\log(X_i))^2 - nE\left(\frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i)\right)^2\right)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n E(Y_i^2) - \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n Y_i\right)^2\right) \quad \text{where } Y_i \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n (\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - \frac{1}{n} E\left(\sum_{i=0}^n Y_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} X_i X_j\right)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n E(Y_i^2) + \sum_{i \neq j} E(X_i X_j)\right)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - \frac{1}{n} \left(n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) + \sum_{i \neq j} E(X_i)E(X_j)\right)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \left(n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - \frac{1}{n} (n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) + n(n-1)\mu^2)\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} (n(\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - (\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - (n-1)\mu^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} (n\mu^2 + n\sigma^2 - \mu^2 - \sigma^2 - n\mu^2 + \mu^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} (n\sigma^2 - \sigma^2) \\
&= \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2
\end{aligned}$$

$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \neq \sigma^2$ that mean $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is biased

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 = \sigma^2$ that mean $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is asymptotically unbiased.

4. Find the distribution of $\hat{\mu}$ and the distribution of $\hat{\sigma}^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{\hat{\mu}} &= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i)}) \\
&= E\left(\prod_{i=0}^n e^{\frac{t}{n} \log(X_i)}\right) \\
&= \prod_{i=0}^n E(e^{\frac{t}{n} \log(X_i)}) \\
&= (M_{\log(X_i)}(\frac{t}{n}))^n \\
&= (M_{Y_i}(\frac{t}{n}))^n \quad \text{where } Y_i \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \\
&= \left(e^{\mu(\frac{t}{n}) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(\frac{t}{n})^2}\right)^n \\
&= e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2(\frac{t^2}{n})} \\
&= e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma^2}{n}t^2}
\end{aligned}$$

so $M_{\hat{\mu}} = e^{\mu t + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\sigma^2}{n}t^2}$ it's a moment generative function of normal distribution with parameter $(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$
so $\hat{\mu} \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{\hat{\sigma}^2} &= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i) - \hat{\mu})^2}) \\
&= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n ((\log(X_i))^2 - 2\hat{\mu} \log(X_i) + \hat{\mu}^2)}) \\
&= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} ((\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - 2\hat{\mu} \sum_{i=0}^n \log(X_i) + \sum_{i=0}^n \hat{\mu}^2))}) \\
&= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} ((\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - \hat{\mu} n \hat{\mu} + n \hat{\mu}^2))}) \\
&= E(e^{\frac{t}{n} ((\sum_{i=0}^n (\log(X_i))^2 - n \hat{\mu}^2))})
\end{aligned}$$