

# Stochastic Process Assignment I

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**Problem.1** Denote  $A_i := \{\text{The player fails at } i^{\text{th}} \text{ round}\}$ . Then clearly  $\{A_i : i \geq 1\}$  are (mutually) independent.  $E_i := \{\text{The first player wins at } i^{\text{th}} \text{ round}\}$ ,  $i$  odd, are disjoint. We have

$$E_n = \left( \bigcap_{i=1}^{n-1} A_i \right) \cap A_n^c; \quad E = \bigcup_{n \geq 1, \text{odd}} E_n$$

Hence,

$$\mathbb{P}(E) = \sum_{n \geq 1, \text{odd}} p(1-p)^{n-1} = \frac{p}{1 - (1-p)^2} = \frac{1}{2-p}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(E^c) = \frac{1-p}{2-p}$$

**Problem.2** Let  $S_{n,m}$  be a string consisting of  $n$  copies of  $A$  and  $m$  copies of  $B$  which represents the stack of votes. Say, a possible version of  $S_{3,2}$  can be  $S_* = AABAB$ .

Denote  $S_{n,m}^{[k]}$  be the prefix of  $S_{n,m}$  that has  $k$  characters. For example, the above  $S_*$  has prefixes:  $S_*^{[1]} = A$ ,  $S_*^{[2]} = AA$ ,  $S_*^{[3]} = AAB$ ,  $S_*^{[4]} = AABA$ ,  $S_*^{[5]} = AABAB$ .

Then we have a equivalent problem:

$$E := \{A \text{ always in the lead}\}$$

$$\iff \{k^{\text{th}} \text{ prefix of } S_{n,m} \text{ contains more } A \text{ than } B, \forall 1 \leq k \leq (n+m)\} \quad (1)$$

Denote  $K(n, m)$  be the number of solutions (i.e. the string  $S_{n,m}$ ) that solve the problem. Observing that we can recursively remove the last character of  $S_{n,m}$ , we have:

$$K(n, m) = K(n-1, m) + K(n, m-1)$$

$$P_{n,m} = \frac{K(n, m)}{\binom{m+n}{n}} \quad (\dagger)$$

Which implies that this problem has a *Dynamic Programming* solution. Trivially,  $K(n, 0) = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . The value of  $K(n, m)$  for all  $0 \leq n, m \leq 6$  are given in following matrix, with  $\mathbf{K}_{ij} = K(i, j)$ .

$$\begin{array}{c} m : \\ \mathbf{K} = \end{array} \begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & & & & & \\ 1 & 0 & & & & & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & & & & \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 0 & & & \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 5 & 0 & & \\ 1 & 4 & 9 & 14 & 14 & 0 & \\ 1 & 5 & 14 & 28 & 42 & 42 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{matrix} \end{array} : n$$

By  $(\dagger)$ :

$$P_{2,1} = 1; \quad P_{3,1} = \frac{1}{2}; \quad P_{3,2} = \frac{1}{5}; \quad P_{4,2} = \frac{1}{3}; \quad P_{4,3} = \frac{1}{7}; \quad P_{5,3} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Look at the first column,

$$P_{n,1} = \frac{n-1}{\binom{1+n}{n}} = \frac{n-1}{n+1}$$

Look at the second column, by the algorithm, we know  $K(n, 2) = \sum_{j=3}^n K(j, 1)$  for  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$P_{n,2} = \frac{\sum_{j=3}^n (j-1)}{\binom{2+n}{n}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(n+1)(n-2)}{\frac{1}{2}(n+2)(n+1)} = \frac{n-2}{n+2}$$

*Claim.*  $P_{n,m} = \frac{n-m}{n+m}$ .

*Proof of Claim. (by induction)* Suppose  $P_{n,m-1} = \frac{n-m+1}{n+m-1}$ ,  $P_{n-1,m} = \frac{n-1-m}{n-1+m}$ . We choose the *boundary cases* as the second column and the diagonal in  $\mathbf{K}$ , which is already ensured by  $P_{n,1} = \frac{n-1}{n+1}$  and  $P_{n,n} = 0$ ,  $\forall n \geq 1$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n,m} &= \mathbb{P}(E|\{\text{last char is A}\}) \mathbb{P}(\text{last char is A}) \\ &\quad + \mathbb{P}(E|\{\text{last char is B}\}) \mathbb{P}(\text{last char is B}) \\ &= P_{n-1,m} \frac{n}{m+n} + P_{n,m-1} \frac{m}{m+n} \\ &= \frac{n-1-m}{n-1+m} \frac{n}{m+n} + \frac{n-m+1}{n+m-1} \frac{m}{m+n} \\ &= \frac{(m+n)(m-n) + m-n}{(m+n-1)(m+n)} = \frac{m-n}{m+n} \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

**Problem.3** Denote  $A_i := \{\text{Person } i \text{ get his hat correctly.}\}$ , note that  $\{A_i : 0 \leq i \leq n\}$  are *not* disjoint.

$$A := \{\text{At least one person get his hat.}\} = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(A) &= \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(A_i) + (-1)^{2-1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2} \mathbb{P}(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2}) + \dots \\ &\quad + (-1)^{k-1} \sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^k A_{i_j}\right) + \dots \\ &\quad + (-1)^{n-1} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^n A_{i_j}\right) \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

We look into the representative term  $\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^k A_{i_j}\right)$ . There are  $\binom{n}{k}$  choices of men (who pick hat correctly) inside the summation. For each choice of  $\{i_j : 1 \leq j \leq k\}$ , there are  $n$ -permutations of possible outcomes, in which  $k$  hats are already matched. So among all cases, there  $(n-k)$ -permutations of feasible outcomes.

$$\sum_{i_1 < \dots < i_k} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^k A_{i_j}\right) = \binom{n}{k} \frac{(n-k)!}{n!} = \frac{1}{k!}$$

Therefore

$$\mathbb{P}(A^c) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A) = 1 - \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} - \dots + (-1)^n \frac{1}{n!} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{e} \quad \blacksquare$$

**Problem.4** Denote  $W := \{\text{This is a woman.}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(C|W) &= \frac{\mathbb{P}(W|C)\mathbb{P}(C)}{\mathbb{P}(W)} = \frac{\mathbb{P}(W|C)\mathbb{P}(C)}{\mathbb{P}(W|A)\mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(W|B)\mathbb{P}(B) + \mathbb{P}(W|C)\mathbb{P}(C)} \\ &= \frac{0.7 \cdot \frac{4}{9}}{0.5 \cdot \frac{2}{9} + 0.6 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 0.7 \cdot \frac{4}{9}} = \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

**Problem.5** (a)

$$1 = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)dx = \int_0^2 c(4x - 2x^2)dx = c \cdot \frac{8}{3} \Rightarrow c = \frac{3}{8} \quad (5)$$

(b)

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\frac{1}{2} < X < \frac{3}{2}\right) = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{3}{8}(4x - 2x^2)dx = \frac{11}{16} \quad (6)$$

**Problem.6** (a)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(Y = j) &= \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{j}{i} \frac{e^{-2\lambda}\lambda^j}{j!} = \frac{e^{-2\lambda}}{j!} \sum_{i=0}^j \binom{j}{i} \lambda^{j-i} \lambda^i \\ &= \frac{e^{-2\lambda}(2\lambda)^j}{j!}\end{aligned}\quad (7)$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X = i) &= \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} \binom{j}{i} \frac{e^{-2\lambda}\lambda^j}{j!} = \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} \frac{j!}{i!(j-i)!} \frac{e^{-2\lambda}\lambda^j}{j!} \\ &= \sum_{j=i}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^i}{i!} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^{(j-i)}}{(j-i)!} \quad (\text{Let } t := j - i) \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^i}{i!} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^t}{t!} = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^i}{i!}\end{aligned}\quad (8)$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(Y - X = k) &= \mathbb{P}(X = i, Y = i + k) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \binom{i+k}{i} \frac{e^{-2\lambda}\lambda^{i+k}}{(i+k)!} \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^i}{i!} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^k}{k!} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^k}{k!} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^i}{i!} = \frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^k}{k!}\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

**Problem.7** (a) Since  $\{X_i : 1 \leq i \leq 10\}$  are independent Poisson with mean 1. But for Poisson RV,  $\mathbb{E}[X] = \lambda = 1 =: \mu$ . Hence the distribution is fully parametrized.  $\{X_i\} \sim \text{i.i.d Poisson}(1)$ . So  $S_{10} := \sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(10)$ . By Markov

$$\mathbb{P}(S_{10} \geq 15) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[S_{10}]}{15} = \frac{2}{3} \quad (10)$$

(2)  $\text{Var}[X] = \lambda = 1 =: \sigma^2$ . By CLT:  $\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{D} W \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ . I.e.  $\frac{(S_n/n)-1}{1/\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{a} Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

$$\mathbb{P}(S_{10} \geq 15) = \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{S_{10}}{10} \geq 1.5\right) = \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{\frac{S_{10}}{10} - 1}{1/\sqrt{10}} \geq \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) \approx 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) = 0.057 \quad (11)$$

**Problem.8** Use same notations as of problem 3.  $A_i := \{\text{Person } i \text{ picks right hat.}\}$ . It is clear that  $\mathbb{P}(A_i) = \frac{1}{n} = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i}]$  for all  $i$ . Moreover, we have

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i}; \quad \mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i}\right] = 1$$

Clearly  $\mathbb{1}_{A_i} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\frac{1}{n})$ . Hence  $\text{Var}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i}] = \frac{1}{n}(1 - \frac{1}{n})$ . For any  $i \neq j$ ,  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i \cap A_j}] = \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{1}_{A_i \cap A_j} = 1) = \mathbb{P}(A_i A_j) = \mathbb{P}(A_i) \mathbb{P}(A_j | A_i) = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n-1}$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i}, \mathbb{1}_{A_j}] &= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{1}_{A_i} - \mathbb{E}[A_i])(\mathbb{1}_{A_j} - \mathbb{E}[A_j])] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{1}_{A_i \cap A_j} - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbb{1}_{A_j} + \mathbb{1}_{A_i}) + \frac{1}{n^2}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i \cap A_j}] - \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} - \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n^2(n-1)} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[X] &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i}] + \sum_{i \neq j} \text{Cov}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i}, \mathbb{1}_{A_j}] \\ &= n \cdot \frac{n-1}{n^2} + (n^2 - n) \cdot \frac{1}{n^2(n-1)} \\ &= \frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{1}{n} = 1 \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

**Problem.9** It suffices to check moment generating function. By thm.  $\phi_{2X}(t) = \phi_{X+Y}(t)\phi_{X-Y}(t) \iff X+Y$  and  $X-Y$  are independent.  
Note that as linear combinations of gaussian,  $2X \sim \mathcal{N}(2\mu, 4\sigma^2)$ ;  $X+Y \sim \mathcal{N}(2\mu, 2\sigma^2)$ ;  $X-Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 2\sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \exp\left(2\mu t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4\sigma^2 t^2\right) \\ RHS &= \exp\left(2\mu t + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sigma^2 t^2\right) \exp\left(0 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\sigma^2 t^2\right) = LHS \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

**Problem.10** (a) The first equality:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[N] &:= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=j) \quad (\text{Note that } j = \sum_{k=1}^j 1) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^j 1\right) \mathbb{P}(N=j) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{k \leq j\}}(k)\right) \mathbb{P}(N=j) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{k \leq j\}}(k) \cdot \mathbb{P}(N=j)\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=k}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N=j)\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N \geq k) \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

The second is pretty much the same,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[N] &:= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j \cdot \mathbb{P}(N = j) \quad (\text{Note that } j = \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} 1) \\
&= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} 1 \right) \mathbb{P}(N = j) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{k < j\}}(k) \right) \mathbb{P}(N = j) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{k < j\}}(k) \cdot \mathbb{P}(N = j) \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N = j) \right) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N \geq k+1) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(N > k) \quad \blacksquare
\end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

(c) But I want to show general case directly...

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[g(X)] &= \int_{\Omega} g(X) d\mathbb{P} = \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_0^{g(X)} 1 dt \right) d\mathbb{P} \\
&= \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_0^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{t < g(X)\}} dt \right) d\mathbb{P} = \int_0^{\infty} \left( \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{1}_{\{t < g(X)\}} d\mathbb{P} \right) dt \quad (\text{By Tonelli.}) \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X > g^{-1}(t)) dt \quad (\text{Define } z := g^{-1}(t), \text{ then } t = g(z)) \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(X > z) g'(z) dz \quad (\dagger) \quad \blacksquare
\end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

The equations in (b) are implied by  $(\dagger)$ . Take  $g(X) := X$ , we have (b-1), take  $g(X) := X^n$ , we obtain (b-2). Both also satisfy  $g(0) = 0$ .

**Problem.11** (a) CDF is defined as the mapping  $F_X(x) := \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$ <sup>1</sup>. Hence the CDF of RV  $F_X(X)$  is

$$F_{F_X(X)}(z) := \mathbb{P}(F_X(X) \leq z) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq F_X^{-1}(z)) =: F_X(F_X^{-1}(z)) = z \tag{17}$$

for all  $z \in (0, 1)$ ; implies that  $F_X(X) \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ .

(b) Now given  $U \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ , we have  $F_U(u) = \frac{u-0}{1-0}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{F_X^{-1}(U)}(z) &= \mathbb{P}(F_X^{-1}(U) \leq z) = \mathbb{P}(U \leq F_X(z)) \\
&= F_U(F_X(z)) = \frac{F_X(z) - 0}{1 - 0} = F_X(z) \quad \blacksquare
\end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

**Problem.12** (a) It suffices to determine joint-pmf:

$$\begin{aligned}
p_{N_1, \dots, N_r}(n_1, \dots, n_r) &:= \mathbb{P}(N_1 = n_1, N_2 = n_2, \dots, N_r = n_r) \\
&= \mathbb{P}(N_1 = n_1) \mathbb{P}(N_2 = n_2 | N_1 = n_1) \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbb{P}(N_r = n_r | N_1 = n_1, \dots, N_{r-1} = n_{r-1}) \\
&= \binom{n}{n_1} p_1^{n_1} \binom{n-n_1}{n_2} p_2^{n_2} \cdot \dots \cdot \binom{n-n_1-\dots-n_{r-1}}{n_r} p_r^{n_r} \\
&= \frac{n!}{n_1!(n-n_1)!} \frac{(n-n_1)!}{n_2!(n-n_1-n_2)!} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{(n-n_1-\dots-n_{r-1})!}{n_r!0!} \prod_{k=1}^r p_k^{n_k} \\
&= \frac{n!}{\prod_{k=1}^r n_k!} \prod_{k=1}^r p_k^{n_k}
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

<sup>1</sup>To avoid duplicate notations we specify  $F_X(\cdot) \equiv F(\cdot)$  in this problem, but not using  $F(\cdot)$  on its own.

When  $\sum_{k=1}^r n_k = 1$ . Otherwise  $p_{N_1, \dots, N_r}(n_1, \dots, n_r) = 0$  ■.

(b) Denote  $A_i^{[m]} := \{i^{th} \text{ outcome appears at } m^{th} \text{ trial}\}$ .  $1 \leq i \leq r$ ,  $1 \leq m \leq n$ . Then  $A_i^{[p]}, A_j^{[q]}$  are independent as long as  $p \neq q$ . Moreover  $\mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]} \cap A_j^{[m]}} \equiv 0$  for  $i \neq j$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]}}] &= \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]}} = 1) = p_i; \quad \text{Var}[\mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]}}] = p_i(1 - p_i) \\ \mathbb{E}[N_i] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{m=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]}}\right] = np_i; \quad \text{Var}[N_i] = np_i(1 - p_i) \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[N_i N_j] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{m=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]}} \sum_{m=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_j^{[m]}}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{m=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[m]} \cap A_j^{[m]}} + \sum_{1 \leq p \neq q \leq n} \mathbb{1}_{A_i^{[p]} \cap A_j^{[q]}}\right] = (n^2 - n)p_i p_j \\ \text{Cov}[N_i, N_j] &= \mathbb{E}[(N_i - np_i)(N_j - np_j)] = \mathbb{E}[N_i N_j] - n^2 p_i p_j = -np_i p_j \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

(c) Denote  $B_i := \{\text{Outcome } i \text{ does not occur throughout all trials}\}$ .  $\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{B_i}] = \mathbb{P}(B_i) = (1 - p_i)^n$ .  $K := \sum_{i=1}^r \mathbb{1}_{B_i}$  is #outcomes that do not occur.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[K] &= \sum_{i=1}^r (1 - p_i)^n \\ \mathbb{E}[K^2] &= \sum_{i=1}^r (1 - p_i)^{2n} + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_{B_i \cap B_j}] \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

And  $\mathbb{P}(B_i \cap B_j) = \mathbb{P}(B_i) \mathbb{P}(B_j | B_i) = (1 - p_i)^n \left(1 - \frac{p_j}{1 - p_i}\right)^n = (1 - p_i - p_j)^n$ . Hence  
**TODO**

**Problem.13** (a)  $X_1, X_2$  indep.  $\iff \phi_{X_1+X_2}(t) = \phi_{X_1}(t)\phi_{X_2}(t)$ . Hence

$$\phi_{X_1+X_2}(t) = \exp[\lambda_1(e^t - 1)] \exp[\lambda_2(e^t - 1)] = \exp[(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)(e^t - 1)] \quad (23)$$

Therefore  $X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} p_{X_1|X_1+X_2}(x|z) &= \mathbb{P}(X_1 = x | X_1 + X_2 = z) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(X_1 = x, X_1 + X_2 = z)}{\mathbb{P}(X_1 + X_2 = z)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{e^{-\lambda_1} \lambda_1^x}{x!} \frac{e^{-\lambda_2} \lambda_2^{z-x}}{(z-x)!}}{e^{-\lambda_1 - \lambda_2} (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^z / z!} = \frac{z!}{x!(z-x)!} \frac{\lambda_1^x \lambda_2^{z-x}}{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^z} \\ &= \binom{z}{x} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)^x \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)^{z-x} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Hence,  $X_1 | \{X_1 + X_2 = n\} \sim \text{Binomial}(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}, n)$ . ■

**Problem.14** Due to **(Jensen)**, for *concave* function  $\phi(\cdot)$  and RV  $X$ , we have  $\phi(\mathbb{E}[X]) \geq \mathbb{E}[\phi(X)]$ . Take  $X$  be the discrete RV that takes value  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  with uniform probability. Take  $\phi(\cdot) = \log(\cdot)$ . Then

$$\log\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i) = \log\left(\left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}\right) \quad (25)$$

And log is monotone transform. We are done with required equation. ■

**Problem.15** (a)

$$LHS = \mathbb{E} [X^2] - \mathbb{E}^2 [X] \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{aligned} RHS &= \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E} [X^2|Y] - \mathbb{E}^2 [X|Y]] + \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E}^2 [X|Y] - \mathbb{E}^2 [\mathbb{E} [X|Y]]] \\ &= \mathbb{E} [X^2] - \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E}^2 [X|Y]] + \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E}^2 [X|Y] - \mathbb{E}^2 [X]] \\ &= LHS \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

(b) By **Wald's Identity**, since  $\{X_i\}$  are i.i.d, indep. of  $N$ , denote  $S_N := \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$

$$\mathbb{E} [S_N] = \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{E} [S_N|N]] = \mathbb{E} [N\mathbb{E} [X_1]] = \mu\mathbb{E} [N] \quad (28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{V}\text{ar} [S_N] &= \mathbb{E} [\mathbb{V}\text{ar} [S_N|N]] + \mathbb{V}\text{ar} [\mathbb{E} [S_N|N]] \\ &= \mathbb{E} [N\sigma^2] + \mathbb{V}\text{ar} [\mu N] \\ &= \sigma^2\mathbb{E} [N] + \mu^2\mathbb{V}\text{ar} [N] \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$