

Q.1 a) Compute the Likelihood Function (LF)

Ans: Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be a sample of n iid random variable following poisson distribution.

Then: PMF

$$P(X_i = k) = \left(\lambda^k * e^{-\lambda} \right) / k!$$

where $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ so on

$$= P(X_1 = x_1) * P(X_2 = x_2) * \dots * P(X_n = x_n)$$

$$= \left(\lambda^{x_1} * e^{-\lambda} \right) / x_1! * \left(\lambda^{x_2} * e^{-\lambda} \right) / x_2! * \dots$$

$$\dots * \left(\lambda^{x_n} * e^{-\lambda} \right) / x_n!$$

$$= \lambda^{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)} * e^{(-n * \lambda)} / (x_1! * x_2! * \dots * x_n!)$$

OR

$$f(x_i | \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!} \Rightarrow f((x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_9, x_{10}) / \lambda)$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_1}}{x_1!} * \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_2}}{x_2!} * \dots * \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_{10}}}{x_{10}!}$$

$$= e^{-10\lambda} * \lambda^{(x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_{10})}$$

Q.2b) Adopt the appropriate conjugate prior to Parameter

Ans: Appropriate conjugate prior to poisson dist is gamma distribution.

PDF:

$$F(x | A, \beta) = \left(\beta^A \cdot x^{(A-1)} \cdot e^{(-\beta \cdot x)} \right) / \Gamma(A)$$

x = Random Variable

A, β = Parameters

Γ = Gamma function.

Assuming I choose a gamma prior with hyperparameter a_0 & β_0

Then PDF:

$$F(\lambda | a_0, \beta_0) = \left(\beta_0^{a_0} \cdot \lambda^{(a_0-1)} \cdot e^{(-\beta_0 \cdot \lambda)} \right) / \Gamma(a_0)$$

Note: λ (lambda) is rate parameter of Poisson Distribution.

$$F(\lambda | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, a_0, \beta_0) = \left(\beta_0^{a'} \cdot \lambda^{(a'-1)} \cdot e^{(-\beta_0 \cdot \lambda)} \right) / \Gamma(a')$$

Q2 c) Using (a) & (b), Find the posterior distribution of

Ans: Combining Likelihood function with Gamma Prior

$$LF(\lambda | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = e^{-(n * \lambda)} * \lambda^n / P(x_i)$$

PDF for Gamma prior distribution

$$F(\lambda | a_0, \beta_0) = (\beta_0^{a_0} * \lambda^{(a_0-1)}) * e^{(-\beta_0 * \lambda)} / \Gamma(a_0)$$

$$F(\lambda | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, a_0, \beta_0) = (\beta^a * \lambda^{(a-1)} * e^{(-\beta * \lambda)}) / \Gamma(a)$$

Q2 d) compute the minimum Bayesian risk estimator of

Ans: Minimize loss function (Squared Error Loss).

$$L(\lambda, d) = (\lambda - d)^2 \rightarrow d \text{ is true value of } \lambda$$

Expected loss:

$$E[L(\lambda, d) | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, a_0, \beta_0] =$$

$$\int L(\lambda, d) * F(\lambda | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, a_0, \beta_0) d\lambda$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\lambda - a)^2 * (\beta^a * \lambda^{(a-1)} * e^{(-\beta * \lambda)})}{\Gamma(a) * \lambda}$$

$$\Gamma(a) * \lambda$$

∴ Taking derivative & setting it to zero to minimize loss

$$\frac{d/d\lambda [(\lambda - a)^2 * (\beta^a * \lambda^{(a-1)} * e^{(-\beta * \lambda)})]}{\Gamma(a)}$$

$$= \frac{2a(\beta^a * \lambda^{(a-1)} * e^{(-\beta * a)})}{\Gamma(a)}$$