

1. (25 points) Let N be Poisson distributed with parameter $0 < \lambda < \infty$, and let Z_1, Z_2, \dots be an i.i.d. sequence of $N(0, \sigma^2)$ random variables, independent of N , with $0 < \sigma^2 < \infty$. Let

$$X = 1\{N > 0\} \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j,$$

where $1\{A\}$ is the indicator of A . Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. realizations of X , and let $U_i = 1\{X_i = 0\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. Do the following:

- (a) (4 points) Show that $EU_i = e^{-\lambda}$, $EX_i = 0$, $EX_i^2 = \lambda\sigma^2$, and $EX_i^4 = 3(\lambda + \lambda^2)\sigma^4$.
(b) (5 points) Show that $\hat{T}_n = -\log(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i)$ is almost surely consistent for λ , and that $\hat{W}_n = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 / \hat{T}_n$ is almost surely consistent for σ^2 , as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
(c) (5 points) Show that

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow_d N(0, \tau_1^2),$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and give the form of τ_1^2 .

- (d) (6 points) Show that

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{T}_n - \lambda \\ \hat{W}_n - \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow_d N(0, \tau_2^2),$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where

$$\tau_2^2 = \begin{pmatrix} e^\lambda - 1 & -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda \\ -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda & \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda^2} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\sigma^4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (e) (5 points) Show that $\hat{W}_n \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \hat{\rho}_n / \sqrt{n}$, where

$$\hat{\rho}^2 = \left(\frac{e^{\hat{T}_n} - 1}{\hat{T}_n^2} + 2 + \frac{1}{\hat{T}_n} \right) \hat{W}_n^2$$

and z_q is the q th-quantile of a standard normal, is an asymptotically valid $1 - \alpha$ level confidence interval for σ^2 .

1) $N \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$; $0 < \lambda < \infty \rightarrow f_N = \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda}}{N!}$

Let Z_1, Z_2, \dots i.i.d sequence of $N(0, \sigma^2)$ RV's $\perp\!\!\!\perp N$; $0 < \sigma^2 < \infty$

Let $X = I(N > 0) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j$; If $Z_j \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, then $\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j \sim N(0, N\sigma^2)$

X_1, \dots, X_n are i.i.d realizations of X , and $U_i = I(X_i = 0)$; $i \in [1, n]$

$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j}{\sqrt{N\sigma^2}} \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2}{N\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_1$
 $\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j \sim (N\sigma^2) \chi^2_1$

(a) Show that $E(U_i) = e^{-\lambda}$, $E(X_i) = 0$, $E(X_i^2) = \lambda\sigma^2$, and $E(X_i^4) = 3(\lambda + \lambda^2)\sigma^4$

• First, $E(U_i) = E(I(X_i = 0)) = P(X_i = 0) = P(I(N > 0) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j = 0) = P(I(N > 0) = 0) + P(\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j = 0)$
 due to $Z_j \perp\!\!\!\perp N$ ↖ need to condition on N

$= P(N \leq 0) + 0 = \frac{\lambda^0 e^{-\lambda}}{0!} = \boxed{e^{-\lambda}} \checkmark$

• Now, $E(X_i) = E[I(N > 0) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j] = E[E[I(N > 0) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j | N]] = E[I(N > 0) E(\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j | N)]$
 $= E[I(N > 0) \cdot 0] = E(0) = \boxed{0} \checkmark$

• $E(X_i^2) = E[(I(N > 0) \sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2] = E[I(N > 0) (\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2] = E[I(N > 0) E((\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2 | N)]$
 ← summing an indicator stays same

$= E[I(N > 0) \{ \text{Var}(\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j | N) + E((\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2 | N) \}] = E[I(N > 0) \{ N\sigma^2 + 0 \}]$
 $= \sigma^2 E[I(N > 0) N] = \sigma^2 \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} N \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda}}{N!} = \sigma^2 \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda}}{(N-1)!} = \sigma^2 \lambda \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{N-1} e^{-\lambda}}{(N-1)!}$
 $= \sigma^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left(\sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{N-1}}{(N-1)!} \right) = \sigma^2 \lambda e^{-\lambda} e^{\lambda} = \boxed{\sigma^2 \lambda} \checkmark$

• $E(X_i^4) = E(I(N > 0) (\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^4) = E(I(N > 0) E((\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^4 | N))$
 $= E(I(N > 0) \{ \text{Var}((\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2 | N) + E((\sum_{j=1}^N Z_j)^2 | N)^2 \})$
 $= E(I(N > 0) \{ 2(1)(N\sigma^2)^2 + (N\sigma^2)^2(1) \})$
 $= E(I(N > 0) \{ 3(N\sigma^2)^2 \}) = 3E(I(N > 0) N^2 \sigma^4) = 3\sigma^4 E(I(N > 0) N^2)$
 $= 3\sigma^4 \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} N^2 \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda}}{N!} = 3\sigma^4 e^{-\lambda} \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} N \frac{\lambda^N}{(N-1)!} = 3\sigma^4 e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} N \frac{\lambda^{N-1}}{(N-1)!}$
 $= 3\sigma^4 e^{-\lambda} \lambda \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{(N-1) \lambda^{N-1}}{(N-1)!} + 1 \left(\frac{\lambda^{N-1}}{(N-1)!} \right) \right) = 3\sigma^4 e^{-\lambda} \lambda \{ \lambda e^{\lambda} + e^{\lambda} \} = \boxed{3\sigma^4 (\lambda^2 + \lambda)} \checkmark$

• Factorial moments
cancel in Poisson!

• Could use MGF instead

(b) Show that $\hat{T}_n = -\log\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i\right)$ is a.s. consistent for λ and that $\hat{W}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 / \hat{T}_n$ is a.s. for σ^2 as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(DEF: $\hat{T}_n \xrightarrow{as} \lambda$ iff $P\left(\sup_{m \geq n} |\hat{T}_m - \lambda| > \varepsilon\right) \rightarrow 0$)

First, let's focus on $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i$

By SLLN, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i \xrightarrow{as} E(U_i) = e^{-\lambda}$, as shown in (a).

Then, let $g(a) = -\log(a)$, which is continuous function $\forall a > 0$, so by continuous mapping theorem,

$$\hat{T}_n = -\log\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i\right) \xrightarrow{as} -\log(e^{-\lambda}) = \lambda \quad \checkmark$$

Now, let's focus on $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$.

Again, by SLLN, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \xrightarrow{as} E(X_i^2) = \lambda \sigma^2$, from (a).

So, we have
$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{T}_n \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{as} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \\ \lambda \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

← note, we could not use this for convergence in dist. unless: $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$ and X or Y are constant, then $\begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$

Now, let $h(a,b) = b/a$, then again by CMT, $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Unless: } X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \text{ and } Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y \text{ and } X \text{ or } Y \text{ are constant,} \\ \text{then } \begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right.$

* Note $P(\hat{T}_n = 0)$ here, so $h(a,b)$ is continuous!

$$\hookrightarrow P(\hat{T}_n = 0) = P\left(-\log\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i\right) = 0\right)$$

$$= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n U_i = n\right)$$

$$= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i = 0) = n\right) = 0$$

b/c all X_i 's not 0!

$$\hat{W}_n = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{\hat{T}_n} \xrightarrow{as} \frac{\lambda \sigma^2}{\lambda} = \sigma^2 \quad \checkmark$$

(c) Show that $\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \tau_1^2)$ and give τ_1^2

Note: We know the second moments are bdd, so we can use CLT!

We know by CLT that $\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - E(U_i) \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \text{Var}(U_i))$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow E(U_i) &= e^{-\lambda} \text{ and } \text{Var}(U_i) = E((I(X_i=0))^2) - E(I(X_i=0))^2 \\ &= E(I(X_i=0)) - E(I(X_i=0))^2 \\ &= E(U_i) - E(U_i)^2 = e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda})$

Also by CLT, we know $\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - E(X_i^2) \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \text{Var}(X_i^2))$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow E(X_i^2) &= \lambda \sigma^2 \text{ and } \text{Var}(X_i^2) = E(X_i^4) - E(X_i^2)^2 \\ &= 3(\lambda + \lambda^2)\sigma^4 - (\lambda \sigma^2)^2 \\ &= 3\sigma^4(\lambda + \lambda^2) - \lambda^2 \sigma^4 \\ &= 3\sigma^4 \lambda^2 - \lambda^2 \sigma^4 + 3\sigma^4 \lambda \\ &= 2\sigma^4 \lambda^2 + 3\sigma^4 \lambda = \sigma^4 \lambda (2\lambda + 3) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda \sigma^2 \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^4 \lambda (2\lambda + 3))$

By properties of MVN, we have

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \text{Var}(U_i) & \text{Cov}(U_i, X_i^2) \\ \text{Cov}(X_i^2, U_i) & \text{Var}(X_i^2) \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \text{Cov}(U_i, X_i^2) &= \text{Cov}(I(X_i=0), X_i^2) = E[I(X_i=0) X_i^2] - E(I(X_i=0)) E(X_i^2) \\ &= 0 - E(U_i) E(X_i^2) = -(e^{-\lambda} \cdot \lambda \sigma^2) = -\lambda \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

either $I(X_i=0) = 0$ or $X_i^2 = 0$

Thus, $\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \tau_1^2)$, where $\tau_1^2 = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda} & -\lambda \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} \\ -\lambda \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} & \sigma^4 \lambda (2\lambda + 3) \end{pmatrix}$

(d) Show that $\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{T}_n - \lambda \\ \hat{W}_n - \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \tau_2^2)$; $\tau_2^2 = \begin{pmatrix} e^\lambda - 1 & -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda \\ -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda & \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda^2} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\sigma^4 \end{pmatrix}$

From (c), we have $\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n U_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \lambda\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \tau_1^2)$

Now, let $g \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\log(a) \\ b / -\log(a) \end{pmatrix}$, then $\nabla g \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{a} & 0 \\ \frac{b(1/a)}{(\log(a))^2} & -\frac{1}{\log(a)} \end{pmatrix}$

So, $\nabla g \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} \\ \lambda\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{e^{-\lambda}} & 0 \\ \frac{\lambda\sigma^2/e^{-\lambda}}{\lambda^2} & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^\lambda & 0 \\ \frac{\sigma^2 e^\lambda}{\lambda} & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$

Then, by multivariate Delta method,

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{T}_n - \underbrace{(-\log(e^{-\lambda}))}_{e^{-\lambda}} \\ \hat{W}_n - \underbrace{(\lambda\sigma^2 / -\log(e^{-\lambda}))}_{\sigma^2} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N \left(0, \underbrace{\nabla g \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} \\ \lambda\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \tau_1^2 \nabla g' \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} \\ \lambda\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}}_{\tau_2^2} \right)$$

$$(\nabla g)' \tau_1^2 (\nabla g) = \begin{pmatrix} -e^\lambda & 0 \\ \frac{\sigma^2 e^\lambda}{\lambda} & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda} & -\lambda\sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} \\ -\lambda\sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} & \sigma^4 \lambda (2\lambda + 3) \end{pmatrix} \nabla g'$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -1 + e^{-\lambda} & \lambda\sigma^2 \\ \frac{\sigma^2 e^\lambda}{\lambda} - \frac{\sigma^2 e^{-\lambda}}{\lambda} - \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} & -\sigma^4 + \sigma^4 (2\lambda + 3) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -e^\lambda & \frac{\sigma^2 e^\lambda}{\lambda} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} e^\lambda - 1 & \frac{-\sigma^2 e^\lambda + \sigma^2 + \lambda\sigma^2}{\lambda} \\ \frac{-\sigma^2 e^\lambda + \sigma^2 + \lambda\sigma^2}{\lambda} & \frac{\sigma^4 e^\lambda}{\lambda^2} - \frac{\sigma^4}{\lambda^2} - \frac{\sigma^4}{\lambda} - \frac{\sigma^4}{\lambda} + \frac{\sigma^4 (2\lambda + 3)}{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}$$

$-\frac{2\sigma^4}{\lambda} + \frac{2\lambda\sigma^4}{\lambda} + \frac{3\sigma^4}{\lambda} = \frac{\sigma^4}{\lambda} + 2\sigma^4$

$$\Rightarrow \tau_2^2 = \begin{pmatrix} e^\lambda - 1 & -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda \\ -(e^\lambda - \lambda - 1)\sigma^2/\lambda & \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)\sigma^4 \end{pmatrix} \checkmark$$

(e) Show that $\hat{W}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \hat{\rho}_n / \sqrt{n}$ where $\hat{\rho}^2 = \left(\frac{e^{\hat{T}_n} - 1}{\hat{T}_n} + 2 + \frac{1}{\hat{T}_n} \right) \hat{W}_n^2$ and Z_q is the q -th quantile of std Normal is an asymptotically valid $1-\alpha$ level CI for σ^2

Again, from (c), $\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum u_i - e^{-\lambda} \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2 - \lambda \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \tau_1^2)$

Now, let $g(a, b) = \frac{b}{-l_g(a)}$, so $\nabla g(a, b) = \left(\frac{b/a}{l_g(a)^2}, \frac{-1}{l_g(a)} \right)$

So $\nabla g(e^{-\lambda}, \lambda \sigma^2) = \left(\frac{\lambda \sigma^2 e^{\lambda}}{\lambda^2}, \frac{-1}{-\lambda} \right) = \left(\frac{\sigma^2 e^{\lambda}}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda} \right)$

Then, by Delta method,

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\hat{W}_n - \frac{\lambda \sigma^2}{\lambda} \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \nabla g' \tau_1^2 \nabla g)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla g' \tau_1^2 \nabla g &= \left(\frac{\sigma^2 e^{\lambda}}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda} & -\lambda \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} \\ -\lambda \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda} & \sigma^4 \lambda (2\lambda + 3) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 e^{\lambda} / \lambda \\ 1 / \lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \left(\frac{\sigma^2 e^{\lambda} (e^{-\lambda} - e^{-2\lambda})}{\lambda} - \sigma^2 e^{-\lambda}, -\sigma^4 + e^{\lambda} \sigma^4 (2\lambda + 3) \right) \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 e^{\lambda} / \lambda \\ 1 / \lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \left(\frac{e^{\lambda} - 1}{\lambda} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \sigma^4 \quad (\text{as can be found in (d) as well}) \end{aligned}$$

So, $\sqrt{n} \frac{\hat{W}_n - \sigma^2}{\sqrt{V}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, Since we don't know λ , we need an estimate for λ ,

and in (b) we showed $\hat{T}_n \xrightarrow{as} \lambda$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so

we use \hat{T}_n as an estimate for λ .

We also showed $\hat{W}_n \xrightarrow{as} \sigma^2$

So a CI for σ^2 takes form

$$\hat{W}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{\text{SE}(\hat{W}_n)}{\sqrt{n}}$$

So, an estimate for ρ_n is:

$$\hat{\rho}_n^2 = \left(\frac{e^{\hat{T}_n} - 1}{\hat{T}_n} + 2 + \frac{1}{\hat{T}_n} \right) \hat{W}_n^2$$

And thus a $1-\alpha$ CI for σ^2 is $\hat{W}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\rho}_n}{\sqrt{n}}$ ✓

WTS: $\frac{\sqrt{n} (\hat{W}_n - \sigma^2)}{\hat{\rho}} \rightarrow_d N(0,1)$

We know $\sqrt{n} (\hat{W}_n - \sigma^2) \rightarrow_d N\left(0, \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \sigma^4\right)$ want to standardize
(show $\hat{\rho}^2 \rightarrow_p$ this, and then
by Slutsky's can just divide
by this!)

We know $\hat{T}_n \xrightarrow{as} \lambda$ and $\hat{W}_n \xrightarrow{as} \sigma^2$

So, $\begin{pmatrix} \hat{T}_n \\ \hat{W}_n \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{as} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \\ \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}$ letting $g(\lambda, \sigma^2) = \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \sigma^4$

and by CMT, $\hat{\rho}^2 \xrightarrow{as} \left(\frac{e^\lambda - 1}{\lambda} + 2 + \frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \sigma^4$

So, by Slutsky's theorem,

$$\frac{\sqrt{n} (\hat{W}_n - \sigma^2)}{\hat{\rho}} \rightarrow N(0,1)$$

And so CI is $\hat{W}_n \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{\rho}}{\sqrt{n}}$