

4. a)

$$P\left[|\mu - \bar{X}| > \varepsilon\right] < \sqrt{1+n} e^{\frac{-n^2 \varepsilon^2}{2(1+n)}}$$

$$\delta = \sqrt{1+n} e^{\frac{-n^2 \varepsilon^2}{2(1+n)}}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{1+n}} = e^{\frac{-n^2 \varepsilon^2}{2(1+n)}}$$

$$-\ln\left[\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{1+n}}\right] = n^2 \varepsilon^2 / 2(1+n)$$

$$\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right] = \varepsilon^2$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]}$$

Now, $P\left[|\mu - \bar{X}| > \varepsilon\right] < \delta$

$$\Leftrightarrow P\left[|\mu - \bar{X}| \leq \varepsilon\right] > 1 - \delta$$

$$P\left[|\mu - \bar{X}| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]}\right] > 1 - \delta$$

where $-\sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]} \leq \mu - \bar{X} \leq \sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]}$

$$\Rightarrow P\left[\mu \in \left[\bar{X} - \sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]}, \bar{X} + \sqrt{\frac{2(1+n)}{n^2} \ln\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+n}}{\delta}\right]}\right]\right] > 1 - \delta$$

b) Derive for Bernoulli first:

→ K actions; when played, prob θ_k there will be a reward of 1 ($p(r=1) = 1 - \theta_k$)

$\Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_K)$ are fixed over time.

If we take a beta prior, $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_K)$ $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_K)$

then $p(\theta_k) = \text{Beta}(\alpha_k, \beta_k)$

The posterior is also Beta. α_k, β_k are a count of successes and failures

⇒ Update rule, suppose action $X_t = k$

$$\alpha_k = r_t$$

$$\beta_k = 1 - r_t$$

$r_t \in \{0, 1\}$ reward at time t .

Alg:

For $t = 1, 2, \dots$:

For $k = 1 \dots K$:

$$\theta_k \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha_k, \beta_k)$$

$$X_t = \arg\max_k \theta_k$$

$$r_t \leftarrow \text{apply}(X_t)$$

$$(\alpha_{X_t}) = \alpha_{X_t} + r_t$$

$$\beta_{X_t} = \beta_{X_t} + (1 - r_t)$$

Poisson $x_t = k^{\text{th}}$ action

$$p(r_t | x_t, \lambda) = \text{poisson}(\lambda_t)$$

$p(\lambda_t) = \gamma(\alpha, \beta)$, since γ is poisson conjugate prior.

$$\text{Posterior} \sim \gamma(\alpha + \sum x_i, n + \beta)$$

Algorithm:

for $t = 1, 2, \dots$

for $k = 1, \dots, K$

$$\lambda_k \sim \gamma(\alpha_k, \beta_k)$$

$$i = \text{argmax}_k \lambda_k$$

$r_t \leftarrow \text{apply}(x_t = i^{\text{th}} \text{ action})$

$$\alpha_i = r_t + \alpha_i$$

$$\beta_i = 1 + \beta_i$$

Since, for question 4c, we know how the rewards are generated, we can further specify

4c Alg:

for $t = 1, \dots, 20,000$

for $k = 1, \dots, K$:

$$\lambda_k \sim \gamma(\alpha_k, \beta_k)$$

$$i = \text{argmax}_k \lambda_k$$

$r_t \sim \text{pois}(\text{rate} = i^{\text{th}} \text{ actual rate})$ i.e. if $x_t = 3$

$$(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = (r_t + \alpha_i, 1 + \beta_i)$$

$$x_t^k = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] [3]$$
$$= 3$$