

STA 602. HW01

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Q1.

From Bayes Theorem, we know that

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

In this case, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} P(Knew|Correct) &= \frac{P(Correct|Knew)P(Knew)}{P(Correct)} \\ &= \frac{1 \times p}{1 \times p + \frac{1}{m}(1-p)} \\ &= \frac{mp}{mp + 1 - p} \end{aligned}$$

Q2.

Let X and Y be the time of from 12pm to arrival of the the man and woman, respectively.

So, from the question we know that X and Y are both random variable with $X \sim Unif(0, 60)$ and $Y \sim Unif(0, 60)$.

Since their marginal pdf are both $1/60$ and they are independent events, their joint pdf is

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{3600}$$

So we first calculate the man waits for more than 10 mins:

$$P(X < Y - 10) = \int_{10}^{60} \int_0^{y-10} \frac{1}{3600} dx dy = \frac{25}{72}$$

Similarly, we could get that $P(Y < X - 10) = \frac{25}{72}$ as well.

Therefore, $P(|X - Y| > 10) = \frac{25}{36}$.

Q3.

Since we know that $Z \sim N(0, 1)$, we can write out the pdf:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

Now by the definition of expected value (or first norm)

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[X] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx \\
 &= \int_x^{\infty} x f(x) dx + \int_{-\infty}^x x f(x) dx \\
 &= \int_x^{\infty} z f(z) dz + 0 \\
 &= \int_x^{\infty} z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} dz \\
 &= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \Big|_x^{\infty} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q4.

Since X follows the Binomial(n, p), we can write out its pmf as

$$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Now we add the condition that U = p

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \\
 &= \int_0^1 \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} dp \\
 &= \binom{n}{x} \int_0^1 p^x (1-p)^{n-x} dp \\
 &= \binom{n}{x} \frac{x!(n-x)!}{(n+1)!}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q5.

(a) We can use the moment generating functions to prove

First of all, since X and Y are both Poisson r.v., we know that

$$M_X(t) = e^{\lambda_1(e^t-1)}, \quad M_Y(t) = e^{\lambda_2(e^t-1)}$$

To show the sum of their distribution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{X+Y}(t) &= E[e^{t(X+Y)}] \\
 &= E[e^{t(X)}] E[e^{t(Y)}] \\
 &= M_X(t) M_Y(t) \\
 &= e^{\lambda_1(e^t-1)} e^{\lambda_2(e^t-1)} \\
 &= e^{(\lambda_1+\lambda_2)(e^t-1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

So we have shown that their sum is still a Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$.

(b) By Bayes Theorem used below, we would found that $P(X|X+Y=n)$ follows a Binomial distribution.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = x|X + Y = n) &= \frac{P(X + Y = n|X = x)P(X = x)}{P(X + Y = n)} \\
 &= \frac{P(Y = n - x)P(X = x)}{\frac{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^n e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}}{n!}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{(\lambda_2)^{n-x} e^{-(\lambda_2)}}{(n-x)!} \frac{(\lambda_1)^x e^{-(\lambda_1)}}{x!}}{\frac{(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^n e^{-(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)}}{n!}} \\
 &= \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} (\lambda_2)^{n-x} (\lambda_1)^x / (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)^n \\
 &= \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)^{n-x} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}\right)^x \\
 &= \frac{1}{n+1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q6.

Since Y follows a uniform distribution with $\text{Unif}(0, X)$

$$E(Y|X) = \frac{X}{2}; \text{Var}(Y|X) = \frac{X^2}{12}$$

Then we want to compute the unconditional ones, by Law of total expectation:

$$E(Y) = E(E(Y|X)) = E\left(\frac{X}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4}$$

For Variance, we can use the Law of total variance:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(Y) &= E(\text{Var}(Y|X)) + \text{Var}(E(Y|X)) \\
 &= E\left(\frac{X^2}{12}\right) + \text{Var}\left(\frac{X}{2}\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{12}E(X^2) + \frac{1}{4}\text{Var}(X) \\
 &= \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{12} \\
 &= \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{12} \\
 &= \frac{7}{144}
 \end{aligned}$$

Q7.

(a) The table of joint distribution is shown below.

Table	X = 1	X = 0
Y = 1	(0.5)(0.4) = 0.2	(0.5)(0.6) = 0.3
Y = 0	(0.5)(0.6) = 0.3	(0.5)(0.4) = 0.2

(b) From the table we have

$$E[Y] = E[Y|X = 1] + E[Y|X = 0] = 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5$$

(c) It can be noticed that $\text{Var}[Y]$ is the larger one. Intuitively, knowing X as the condition will give us more information and thus reduce the amount of variability.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}[Y|X = 0] &= E[Y^2|X = 0] - (E[Y|X = 0])^2 \\
&= 1^2 * 0.6 - (1 * 0.6)^2 = 0.24 \\
\text{Var}[Y|X = 1] &= E[Y^2|X = 1] - (E[Y|X = 1])^2 \\
&= 1^2 * 0.4 - (1 * 0.4)^2 = 0.24 \\
\text{Var}[Y] &= E[Y^2] - (E[Y])^2 \\
&= 0.5 - (1 * 0.5)^2 = 0.25
\end{aligned}$$

(d) Using Bayes Theorem:

$$P(X = 0|Y = 1) = \frac{P(X = 0, Y = 1)}{P(Y = 1)} = 0.3/(0.3 + 0.2) = 0.6$$