IE 605: Engineering Statistics

Solutions of tutorial 4

Solution 1

Part 1: MGF of Exponential(λ) distribution is $\frac{\lambda}{\lambda-u}$. Therefore, this is Exponential distribution with $\lambda = 2$.

Part 1: MGF of Binomial(n, p) distribution is $(pe^t + q)^n$. Therefore, this is Binomial distribution with $p = \frac{1}{3}$ and n = 1050.

Part 3: MGF of Poisson (λ) distribution is $e^{\lambda(e^u-1)}$. Therefore, this is Poisson distribution with $\lambda = 3.5$.

Solution 2

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The conditional density of X, given that Y = 1, is given by

$$f_{X|Y}(x|1) = \frac{f(x,1)}{f_Y(1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}e^{-x}}{\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2}e^{-x}} = e^{-x}$$

Hence, by the definition of $\mathbb{E}\left[g(X)\right]$ we have,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[e^{X/2} \mid Y=1\right] = \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{x/2} f_{X|Y}(x|1) dx$$
$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{x/2} e^{-x} dx$$
$$= 2$$

Solution 3

Part 1: If X and Y are independent then

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} = \frac{f_X(x)f_Y(y)}{f_Y(y)} = f_X(x)$$

So,

$$E[X|Y = y] = \int x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = \int x f_X(x) dx = E[X]$$

Similarly, it can be proved for discrete case.

Part 3: We must compute E[Xg(Y)|Y = y]. Given that Y = y, the possible values of Xg(Y) are xg(y) where x varies over the range of X. The probability of the value xg(y) given that Y = y is just P(X = x|Y = y). So

$$\begin{split} E[Xg(Y)|Y=y] &= \sum_x xg(y)P(X=x|Y=y) \\ &= g(y)\sum_x xP(X=x|Y=y) \\ &= g(y)E[X|Y=y] \end{split}$$

Solution 4

0.0175

Let X_i be the indicator random variable for the *i*th bit in the packet. That is, $X_i = 1$ if the *i*th bit is received in error, and $X_i = 0$ otherwise. Then the X_i 's are i.i.d. and $X_i \sim Bernoulli(p = 0.1)$.

If Y is the total number of bit errors in the packet, we have $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$. Since $Xi \sim Bernoulli(p = 0.1)$, we have $E[X_i] = \mu = p = 0.1, Var(X_i) = \sigma^2 = p(1 - p) = 0.09$

Using the CLT, we have

$$P(Y > 120) = P\left(\frac{Y - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\sigma}} > \frac{120 - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\sigma}}\right)$$
$$= P\left(\frac{Y - n\mu}{\sqrt{n\sigma}} > \frac{120 - n\mu}{\sqrt{90}}\right)$$
$$\approx 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{20}{\sqrt{90}}\right)$$
$$= 0.0175$$

Solution 5

0.1587

If we let X_i denote the lifetime of the *i*th battery to be put in use, then we desire $p = P\{X_1 + \cdots + X_{25} > 1100\}$, which is approximated as follows:

$$p = P\left\{\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_{25} - 1000}{20\sqrt{25}} > \frac{1100 - 1000}{20\sqrt{25}}\right\}$$
$$= P\{N(0, 1) > 1\}$$
$$= 1 - \Phi(1)$$

= 0.1587

Solution 6

0.2405

We have

$$E[X_i] = (0.6)(1) + (0.4)(-1)$$

= $\frac{1}{5}$
$$E[X_i^2] = (0.6)(1)^2 + (0.4)(-1)^2$$

= 1

Therefore,

$$Var(X_i) = 1 - \frac{1}{25} = \frac{24}{25}$$

and $\sigma_{X_i} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{5}$

Now,

$$E[Y] = 25 \times \frac{1}{5} = 5$$
$$Var(Y) = 25 \times \frac{24}{25} = 24$$
and $\sigma_Y = 2\sqrt{6}$

$$P(3.5 \le Y \le 6.5) = P\left(\frac{3.5-5}{2\sqrt{6}} \le \frac{Y-5}{2\sqrt{6}} \le \frac{6.5-5}{2\sqrt{6}}\right)$$
$$= P\left(-0.3062 \le \frac{Y-5}{2\sqrt{6}} \le +0.3062\right)$$
$$\approx \Phi(0.3062) - \Phi(-0.3062)$$
$$= 2\Phi(0.3062) - 1$$
$$\approx 0.2405$$

Solution 7

74

Let X_i be the number of sandwiches that the *i*th person needs, and let

$$Y = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{64}$$

The goal is to find y such that $P(Y \le y) \ge 0.95$. Now, $E[X_i] = (0.25)(0) + (0.5)(1) + (0.25)(2) = 1$,
$$\begin{split} E[X_i^2] &= (0.25)(0^2) + (0.5)(1^2) + (0.5)(2^2) = 1.5.\\ \text{Thus, } Var(X_i) &= E[X_i^2] - (E[X_i])^2 = 1.5 - 1 = \frac{1}{2} \implies \sigma_{X_i} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.\\ \text{Then, } E[Y] &= 64 \times 1 = 64,\\ Var(Y) &= 64 \times 12 = 32 \implies \sigma_Y = 4\sqrt{2}.\\ \text{Now, we can use the CLT to find } y \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} P(Y \leq y) &= P\left(\frac{Y - 64}{4\sqrt{2}} \leq \frac{y - 64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{y - 64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) \end{split}$$

We have

$$\Phi\left(\frac{y-64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) = 0.95$$

Therefore,

$$\left(\frac{y-64}{4\sqrt{2}}\right) = \Phi^{-1}(0.95)$$
$$\approx 1.6449$$

Thus, y = 73.3.

Therefore, if you make 74 sandwiches, you are 95% sure that there is no shortage. Note that the numerical value of $\Phi^1(0.95)$ by can be computed on MATLAB by running the norminv(0.95) command.

Solution 8

0.00043

Let W be the total weight, then $W = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_n$, where n = 100. We have

$$E[W] = n\mu = (100)(170) = 17000$$
$$Var(W) = 100Var(X_i) = 100(30)^2 = 90000.$$

Thus, $\sigma_W = 300$. We have

$$P(W > 18000) = P\left(\frac{W - 17000}{300} > \frac{18000 - 17000}{300}\right)$$
$$= P\left(\frac{W - 17000}{300} > \frac{10}{3}\right)$$
$$= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{10}{3}\right) \quad \text{(by CLT)}$$
$$\approx 0.00043$$

Solution 9

Let X_i be Poisson with mean 1, and $\mathbb{E}[X_i] = 1$ and $Var(X_i) = 1$. We define $S_n = X_0 + X_1 + \cdots + X_n$, and S_n follows Poisson distribution with mean n (Verify by MGF).

Therefore, $\mathbb{P}\left\{S_n \leq n\right\} = e^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n^k}{k!}.$

Use the central limit theorem to show that $\lim_{n \to \infty} e^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{n^k}{k!} = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} e^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{n^k}{k!} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left\{ S_n \le n \right\}$$
$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left\{ \frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \le \frac{n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \right\}$$
$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left\{ Z_n \le 0 \right\} \qquad \text{where } Z_n \sim N(0, 1)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}.$$

Solution 10

Here,

$$\begin{split} P(X \ge \theta n) &= P(X - np \ge \theta n - np) \\ &\le P\big(|X - np| \ge n\theta - np\big) \\ &\le \frac{Var(X)}{(n\theta - np)^2} \quad \text{(using Chebyshev's inequality)} \\ &= \frac{p(1 - p)}{n(\theta - p)^2} \end{split}$$

For, p = 1/2 and $\theta = 3/4$, we get

$$P(X \ge \frac{3n}{4}) \le \frac{4}{n}.$$
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Solution 11

This is the binomial distribution with n = 20 and $p = \frac{1}{5}$, and $E[X] = np = 20 \times \frac{1}{5}$. By Markov's inequality, we have

$$P\{X \ge 16\} \le \frac{E[X]}{16} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Now, the actul probabilty is given by

$$P\{X \ge 16\} = \sum_{k=16}^{20} {}^{20}C_k \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^k \cdot \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{20-k} = 1.38 \times 10^{-8}$$

So, it can be seen that Markov's inequality is not a very good estimate as it doesn't get close enough to the true value.

Solution 12

Let X be any RV, and suppose that the MGF of $X, M(t) = \mathbb{E}\left[e^{tX}\right]$, exists for every t > 0.

To show: For any t > 0, $\mathbb{P}\left\{tX > s^2 + logM(t)\right\} < e^{-s^2}$.

 $\mathbb{P}\left\{tX > s^2 + \log M(t)\right\} = \mathbb{P}\left\{e^{tX} > e^{s^2 + \log M(t)}\right\}$ $= \mathbb{P}\left\{e^{tX} > e^{s^2} \cdot M(t)\right\}$ Taking exponent on both sides $\leq \frac{\mathbb{E}\left[e^{tX}\right]}{e^{s^2} \cdot M(t)}$ By Markov's Inquality $= \frac{M(t)}{e^{s^2} \cdot M(t)}$ $\Longrightarrow \mathbb{P}\left\{tX > s^2 + \log M(t)\right\} \le e^{-s^2}$