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**Problem 1**

a) To find the cumulative distribution function  $F_Y(y)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) = P(X^2 \leq y) = P(-\sqrt{y} \leq X \leq +\sqrt{y}) \\ &= \int_{-\sqrt{y}}^{\sqrt{y}} \frac{1+x}{2} dx = \sqrt{y} \end{aligned}$$

for  $y \in (0, 1)$ .

Then

$$F_Y(y) = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ \sqrt{y} & y \in (0, 1) \\ 1 & y \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

We then find the pdf by deriving  $F_Y(y)$  wrt  $y$ :

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{dF_Y(y)}{dy} = \begin{cases} 0 & y \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}y^{-1/2} & y \in (0, 1) \\ 0 & y > 1 \end{cases}$$

Finally we get the expected value of  $2Y - Y^2$  by:

$$\begin{aligned} E(2Y - Y^2) &= \int_{\mathcal{R}} (2y - y^2) f_Y(y) dy \\ &= \int_0^1 (2y - y^2) \frac{1}{2} y^{-1/2} dy \\ &= \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{5} \\ &= \frac{7}{15} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 2**

a) A Poisson process must satisfy the following properties

- The number of events occurring in disjoint time intervals are independent

- The probability that a single outcome will occur in a very short time interval is proportional to the length of the time interval

$$P(X = 1 \text{ in } (0, t)) = \lambda t + o(t)$$

- The probability that more than one outcome will occur in such a short time interval is negligible

$$P(X \geq 2 \text{ in } (0, t)) = o(t)$$

The parameter  $\lambda$  is the expected number of cars passing by the specific point every minute.

**b)** We have that  $P(X(t) = x) = \frac{(\lambda t)^x}{x!} \exp\{-(\lambda t)\}$  with  $\lambda = 1.5$

$$P(X(1) = 2) = \frac{(\lambda 1)^2}{2!} \exp\{-(\lambda 1)\} = \frac{1.5^2}{2!} \exp\{-1.5\} = 0.25$$

$$P(X(2) \geq 2) = 1 - P(X(2) \leq 1) = 1 - \sum_{x=0}^1 \frac{(2\lambda)^x}{x!} \exp\{-2\lambda\} = 1 - 0.1991 = 0.8$$

To solve the last question we first compute the probability that during 1-minute period there are more than 5 cars passing:

$$P(X(1) > 5) = 1 - P(X(1) \leq 5) = 1 - \sum_{x=0}^5 \frac{(\lambda)^x}{x!} \exp\{-(\lambda)\} = 1 - 0.9955 = 0.0045$$

Let  $Z = \{\text{more than 5 cars are passing in at least period}\}$ , thus

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z) &= 1 - P(\text{at most 5 cars are passing in every period}) \\ &= 1 - (P(\text{at most 5 cars are passing in one period}))^{10} \\ &= 1 - (1 - 0.0045)^{10} \\ &= 0.044 \end{aligned}$$

**c)** The hypotheses test to perform is:

$$\begin{cases} H_0 : & \lambda = 1.5 \\ H_1 : & \lambda > 1.5 \end{cases}$$

We have that  $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda t_i)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, 10$  and the  $X_i$ 's are independent. Therefore the stochastic variable  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i$  is distributed as a Poisson with mean  $\mu = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i$  and variance  $\mu = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i$ .

Under  $H_0$  we have that  $\lambda = 1.5$ , moreover, from the data is  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i = 100$ .

Thus,  $\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i$  is approximately normally distributed with mean  $\mu = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i$  and variance  $\mu = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i$  since  $\mu = 150$  under the null hypothesis. Alternatively, we have

$$E(\hat{\lambda}) = E\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}\right) = \frac{\lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i} = \lambda$$

and

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}\right) = \frac{\lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i\right)^2} = \frac{\lambda}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}$$

A test statistics is then

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\lambda} - \lambda}{\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{\sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}{\sqrt{\lambda \sum_{i=1}^{10} t_i}}$$

which is  $N(0, 1)$  under  $H_0$ .

With a significance of 1% we reject if  $Z > z_{0.01} = 2.326$ . In our case we have

$$Z = \frac{192 - 1.5 \cdot 100}{\sqrt{1.5 \cdot 100}} = 3.429$$

Therefore we reject  $H_0$  and build a toll house.

- d) We have that  $Z$  is a binomial random variable with parameters  $n = 10$  and

$$p = P(X(t) > \lambda_0 t)$$

Under  $H_0 : \lambda = \lambda_0 = 1.5$  we have that  $X(t) \sim \text{Poisson}(1.5t)$ , so

$$p = 1 - P(X(t) \leq 15) = 1 - \sum_{x=0}^{15} \frac{15^x}{x!} \exp\{-15\} = 1 - 0.5681 = 0.4319$$

So under  $H_0$  we have  $Z \sim \text{Binom}(n = 10, p = 0.4319)$

We need to find the smallest value of  $k$  such that when  $\lambda = 1.5$  we have  $P(Z \geq k) \leq 0.01$ .

For different values of  $k$  we have:

$k$	$P(Z \geq k \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is correct})$
10	0.00022
9	0.0032
8	0.0207

So we have that  $k = 9$ .

In our dataset we have that  $z = 8$  so we do not reject  $H_0$ .

**Problem 3**

a) Since  $Y \sim n(y; 15, 4)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y > 20) &= 1 - P(Y \leq 20) \\
 &= 1 - P\left(\frac{Y - 15}{4} \leq \frac{20 - 15}{4}\right) \\
 &= 1 - \Phi(1.25) \\
 &= 1 - 0.8944 \\
 &= 0.1056
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Y$  is normally distributed with expectation 15 and the normal distribution is symmetric around the mean, we get that  $P(Y > 20) = P(Y < 10) = 0.1056$ . Since the events  $Y > 20$  and  $Y < 10$  are disjoint we get

$$P(Y < 10 \cup Y > 20) = 2P(Y > 20) = 2 \cdot 0.1056 = 0.2112.$$

Finally, from the definition of conditional probability we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Y > 20 | Y > 10) &= \frac{P(Y > 10 \cap Y > 20)}{P(Y > 10)} \\
 &= \frac{P(Y > 20)}{P(Y > 10)} \\
 &= \frac{0.1056}{1 - 0.1056} \\
 &= 0.1181
 \end{aligned}$$

b) The likelihood function is given as

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(\beta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n n(y_i; \beta x_i, 4) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n n(z_i; c_0 + \beta x_i, 4) \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 4^2}}\right)^n \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta x_i)^2\right\} \\
 &\quad \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \cdot 4^2}}\right)^n \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - c_0 - \beta x_i)^2\right\} \\
 &= (2\pi \cdot 4^2)^{-n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta x_i)^2\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - c_0 - \beta x_i)^2\right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

The log-likelihood is given as

$$l(\beta) = -n \log(2\pi \cdot 4^2) - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta x_i)^2 - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - c_0 - \beta x_i)^2$$

Differentiating with respect to  $\beta$

$$\begin{aligned} l'(\beta) &= -\frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - \beta x_i)(-x_i) - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n 2(z_i - c_0 - \beta x_i)(-x_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{4^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(y_i + z_i - c_0 - 2\beta x_i) \end{aligned}$$

Set  $l'(\beta) = 0$  and solve for  $\beta$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(y_i + z_i - c_0 - 2\beta x_i) &= 0 \\ \beta \cdot 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(y_i + z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \beta &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i(y_i + z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the MLE for  $\beta$  is

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i(Y_i + Z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$$

Its expectation and variance is given as

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\beta}) &= E\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i(Y_i + Z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot E(Y_i + Z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot (\beta x_i + c_0 + \beta x_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \\ &= \frac{2\beta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \\ &= \beta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i(Y_i + Z_i) - c_0 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}\right) \\
&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \cdot \text{Var}(Y_i + Z_i)}{(2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{(2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \\
&= \frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}
\end{aligned}$$

since  $Y_i$  and  $Z_i$  are independent.

- c) Since  $\hat{\beta}$  is a linear combination of independent and normally distributed random variables it is also normally distributed:

$$\hat{\beta} \sim n\left(z; \beta, \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}\right).$$

We therefore construct a  $(1 - \alpha) \cdot 100$  % confidence interval for  $\beta$  based on

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\beta} - \beta}{\sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}} \sim n(z; 0, 1).$$

$$P\left(-z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\hat{\beta} - \beta}{\sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}} \leq z_{\alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

Solving for  $\beta$  we get

$$P\left(\hat{\beta} - z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}} \leq \beta \leq \hat{\beta} + z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

That is, the  $(1 - \alpha) \cdot 100$  % confidence interval for  $\beta$  is

$$\left[\hat{\beta} - z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}, \hat{\beta} + z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}\right]$$

We have

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{68586 + 72398 - 5 \cdot 982}{2 \cdot 97324} = 0.699$$



and

$$\sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{4^2}{2 \cdot 97324}} = 0.009$$

thus we get

$$[0.699 - 1.645 \cdot 0.009, 0.699 + 1.645 \cdot 0.009] = [0.684, 0.713].$$

Since  $\mu_0 = 0.5$  is not inside the 90 % interval we reject the null hypothesis.

#### Problem 4

- a) In the case with a random sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim n(x; \mu, \sigma)$  where both  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  is unknown it is known that a  $(1 - \alpha) \cdot 100$  % prediction interval for a new observation  $X_0$  independent of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is given as

$$\left[ \bar{X} - t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \sqrt{S^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)}, \bar{X} + t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \sqrt{S^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)} \right]$$

where  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  and  $t_{\alpha/2, n-1}$  is the  $\alpha/2$  critical value in the student  $t$ -distribution with  $n - 1$  degrees of freedom.

In our case a 95 % prediction interval is

$$\left[ \frac{53.37}{10} - 2.262 \cdot \sqrt{0.73^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{10}\right)}, \frac{53.37}{10} + 2.262 \cdot \sqrt{0.73^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{10}\right)} \right] = [3.605, 7.069]$$

- b) Under the null hypothesis we have

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim n(z; 0, 1).$$

We reject the null hypothesis on a significance level  $\alpha$  if  $Z \geq z_\alpha$ . For a given alternative hypothesis  $\mu = \mu_0 + \delta$  the power of the test is

$$1 - \beta \geq P(\text{reject } H_0 \text{ when } \mu = \mu_0 + \delta)$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta &\leq P(\text{do not reject } H_0 \text{ when } \mu = \mu_0 + \delta) \\
 &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_\alpha \text{ when } \mu = \mu_0 + \delta\right) \\
 &= P\left(\bar{X} \leq \mu_0 + z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ when } \mu = \mu_0 + \delta\right) \\
 &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq \frac{\mu_0 + z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \text{ when } \mu = \mu_0 + \delta\right) \\
 &= P\left(Z \leq \frac{z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} - \delta}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) \\
 &= P\left(Z \leq z_\alpha - \frac{\delta}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}
 -z_\beta &\geq z_\alpha - \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} \\
 \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} &\geq z_\alpha + z_\beta \\
 n &\geq \left(\frac{(z_\alpha + z_\beta)\sigma}{\delta}\right)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

In our case we have  $\sigma = 1$ ,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $z_\alpha = 1.645$ ,  $\beta = 0.05$ ,  $z_\beta = 1.645$  and  $\delta = 0.5$ , and get

$$n \geq 43.3.$$

Eva needs to weight at least 44 salmons.