

CALCULATION OF DENSITY FOR THE MULTIVARIATE POISSON DISTRIBUTION

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§1. Summary.

On the bivariate case, each Poisson density has five different recurrence relations, in the following lines, we denote them as $r.r$'s. and conversely, if we need to calculate the density, we can omit one of the two main relations. On the trivariate case, there are 13 different $r.r$'s. Let us put the $r.r$'s in the concrete, on the bivariate case.

It is known that a density function of Poisson distribution $p(k, l)$ ($k, l=0, 1, 2, \dots$) satisfies two main recurrence relations:

$$\begin{aligned} k p(k, l) &= \lambda_{10} p(k, l-1) + \lambda_{11} p(k-1, l-1), \\ l p(k, l) &= \lambda_{01} p(k-1, l) + \lambda_{11} p(k-1, l-1), \end{aligned}$$

Conversely, if we need to calculate the density using the $r.r$'s., not using the direct calculation, one of the relations would be meaning less except in the usage of its reduced relations:

$$\begin{aligned} k p(k, 0) &= \lambda_{10} p(k-1, 0), & l p(0, l) &= \lambda_{01} p(0, l-1) \\ \text{and } p(0, 0) &= \exp(-\lambda_{10} - \lambda_{01} - \lambda_{11}). \end{aligned}$$

On the trivariate case, we have three main recurrence relations ($r.r$'s.):

$$\begin{aligned} k p(k, l, m) &= \lambda_{100} p(k-1, l, m) + \lambda_{110} p(k-1, l-1, m) \\ &\quad + \lambda_{101} p(k-1, l, m-1) + \lambda_{111} p(k-1, l-1, m-1), \\ l p(k, l, m) &= \lambda_{010} p(k, l-1, m) + \lambda_{110} p(k-1, l-1, m) \\ &\quad + \lambda_{011} p(k, l-1, m-1) + \lambda_{111} p(k-1, l-1, m-1), \\ m p(k, l, m) &= \lambda_{001} p(k, l, m-1) + \lambda_{101} p(k-1, l, m-1) \\ &\quad + \lambda_{011} p(k, l-1, m-1) + \lambda_{111} p(k-1, l-1, m-1). \end{aligned}$$

To calculate the density $p(k, l, m)$ from the $r.r$'s. we need one of the rela-

tion and their reduced relations.

In this paper we will express the r 's for the multivariate case and it will be shown that if we need to calculate the density we use only one of the n main relations and their reduced relations. Because they include the other main relations as shown in the last section of this paper.

§ 2. Notations and Definitions.

$p(k; \lambda)$: univariate Poisson density with parameter λ

$\mathbf{i}=(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n)$ $i_j=0$ or 1 ($j=1, 2, \dots, n$)

$\mathbf{k}=(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)$ $k_j \geq 0$ nonnegative integer for $j=1, 2, \dots, n$

$\mathbf{0}=(0, 0, \dots, 0)$

$\mathbf{E}_0=\{0, 1\}^n$, $\mathbf{E}=\{0, 1\}^n - \mathbf{0}$

$p(\mathbf{k})$: n -variate Poisson density

α_i, β_i : nonnegative integers

$\alpha=\{\alpha_i, i \in E\}$ vector with nonnegative components α_i for some ordering of i , say, the binary scale.

$[C(\mathbf{k})]$: a restriction of α depending only on \mathbf{k} a set of α

$\mathbf{p}=\{p_i; i \in E_0\}$ vector with 2^n components of probabilities such that

$$\sum_{i \in E_0} p_i = 1 \quad (*)$$

$\lambda=\{\lambda_i; i \in E\}$ vector with $2^n - 1$ nonnegative parameters.

$\#\mathbf{k}$: the number of positive components of a vector \mathbf{k}

—calculable, p_0 -calculable—

$p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable on S : If we can calculate all the values $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \in S$ from some prescribed relations then we call $p(\mathbf{k})$ to be “calculable on S ” or simply “calculable”. In the same way, if we can calculate all the values $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \in S - (0, 0)$ from some prescribed relations except the boundary condition indicating the value of origin p_0 , we call $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \in S - (0, 0)$ to be “ p_0 -calculable on S ” or simply “ p_0 -calculable”.

$[C(\mathbf{k})]$: a set of vectors $\alpha=\{\alpha_i, i \in E\}$ with a restriction listed as below, and we will shorten it as $[C]$

$$[C]=[C(\mathbf{k})]=\{\alpha; \sum_{i \neq 0} i \alpha_i = \mathbf{k}\}$$

where $i \neq 0$ means $i \in E$ and $0 \neq \mathbf{i} \leq \mathbf{k}$ and $\sum_{[C]} u_\alpha$ means the sum of u_α where α varies on the set $[C]$.

n -variate Poisson density:

$$p(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{[C]} \prod_{i \in E} p(\alpha_i; \lambda_i),$$

we denote this distribution as $P(\lambda)$. If X is a n -variate random vector with the distribution $P(\lambda)$ then we can express X as

$$X = \sum_{i \in E} i X_i$$

where X_i is an univariate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda_i)$ and X_i are mutually independent for $i \in E$, see Kawamura [4].

$\mathbf{k} \geq \mathbf{i}$: A relation of two vectors of both sides, which means any two corresponding components k_j and i_j satisfy $k_j \geq i_j$. We use the relation as $0 \leq \mathbf{i} \leq \mathbf{k}$.

§3. Introduction.

On the bivariate case, the density function of $P(\lambda)$ is expressed as

$$p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}) = \sum_{\delta=0}^{\mathbf{k} \Delta \mathbf{l}} P(\mathbf{k} - \delta; \lambda_{10}) P(\mathbf{l} - \delta; \lambda_{01}) P(\delta; \lambda_{11})$$

for any nonnegative integers k, l and we used $\mathbf{k} \Delta \mathbf{l} = \min(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$, see Kawamura [2] and Polak [7].

The density function $p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$: a nonnegative function defined on the lattice points of the first quadrant including two axes, satisfies following recurrence relations, see Johnson and Kotz [1].

$$\mathbf{k} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}) = \lambda_{10} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l}) + \lambda_{11} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l} - 1)$$

$$\mathbf{l} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}) = \lambda_{01} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} - 1) + \lambda_{11} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l} - 1)$$

It is better to express the relations as followings, because of they don't include the reduced forms of at least one of \mathbf{k} and \mathbf{l} equals zero.

$$\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{l} = 0 \quad p(0, 0) = \exp(-\lambda_{10} - \lambda_{01} - \lambda_{11}) \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \geq 1, \mathbf{l} = 0 \quad \mathbf{k} p(\mathbf{k}, 0) = \lambda_{10} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, 0) \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k} = 0, \mathbf{l} \geq 1 \quad \mathbf{l} p(0, \mathbf{l}) = \lambda_{01} p(0, \mathbf{l} - 1) \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} \geq 1 \quad \mathbf{k} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}) = \lambda_{10} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l}) + \lambda_{11} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l} - 1) \tag{4}$$

$$\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} \geq 1 \quad \mathbf{l} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l}) = \lambda_{01} p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} - 1) + \lambda_{11} p(\mathbf{k} - 1, \mathbf{l} - 1). \tag{5}$$

The first equality (1) is not a relation but explains the density. If we need to calculate the density $p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$ ($\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} \geq 0$), we can calculate $p(0, 0)$ by (1) and $p(\mathbf{k}, 0)$ ($\mathbf{k} \geq 1$) are calculable from (2) and the induction for k and also $p(0, \mathbf{l})$ ($\mathbf{l} \geq 1$) are calculable from the same argument. For $p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$ ($\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} \geq 1$) we need one of the main relations (4) and (5). That is, we don't need one of the other relation to prove the calculability of the density $p(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l})$ ($\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{l} \geq 0$), see Kawamura [5].

In the case of trivariate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$. The density is written as

$$p(\mathbf{k}) = p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \sum_{\mathbf{c} \subset \mathbf{C}} \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i) \quad (\mathbf{k} \geq 0)$$

for any pair of nonnegative integers $\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3$, see for Kawamura [3] and Liu [6], where $\mathbf{k}=(k_1, k_2, k_3)$ and $\mathbf{k} \geqq 0$ means every component k_j ($j=1, 2, 3$) is nonnegative. And for given $\mathbf{k} \geqq 0$, $[C]$ means a set of pair $\alpha = \{\alpha_i; i \in E\}$ having a restriction listed as follows

$$[C] = \{\alpha; \sum_{i \neq 0} i\alpha_i = \mathbf{k}\}$$

and $\sum_{[C]} u_\alpha$ means the sum of u_α where α varies on the set $[C]$. Another expression for $[C]$:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \neq 0} i\alpha_i = \mathbf{k} &\langle \Rightarrow \rangle \sum_{i_1=1} i_1\alpha_{i_1} = \mathbf{k}_1, \quad \sum_{i_2=1} i_2\alpha_{i_2} = \mathbf{k}_2, \quad \sum_{i_3=1} i_3\alpha_{i_3} = \mathbf{k}_3 \\ &\langle \Rightarrow \rangle \sum_{i_j=1} \alpha_{i_j} = \mathbf{k}_j \quad (j=1, 2, 3). \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM 3-1. *For given trivariate Poisson density $p(\mathbf{k})$ ($\mathbf{k} \geqq 0$), we have an expression of the recurrence relations*

$$\mathbf{k} = 0; \quad p(0) = \prod_{i \in E} p(0; \lambda_i) = \exp(-\sum_{i \in E} \lambda_i) \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{k} \neq 0; \quad \mathbf{k}_j, p(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{i_j=1, i \leq \mathbf{k}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i})$$

for j such that $k_j \geqq 1$ ($j=1, 2, \dots, n$).

We can combine the last equation as

$$\mathbf{k} p(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{i \in E, i \leq \mathbf{k}} i\lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}) \tag{2} \sim (13).$$

We have a concrete expression of the recurrence relations as given in the next corollary.

COROLLARY 3-1. *For given trivariate Poisson density $p(\mathbf{k})$ ($\mathbf{k} \geqq 0$), we have a concrete expression of the r. r.'s:*

$$p(0, 0, 0) = \exp(-\lambda_{100} - \lambda_{010} - \lambda_{001} - \lambda_{110} - \lambda_{101} - \lambda_{011} - \lambda_{111}) \tag{1}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_1 \geqq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_1 p(\mathbf{k}_1, 0, 0) = \lambda_{100} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, 0, 0) \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_2 \geqq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_2 p(0, \mathbf{k}_2, 0) = \lambda_{010} p(0, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, 0) \tag{3}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_3 \geqq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_3 p(0, 0, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{001} p(0, 0, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{4}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 \geqq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_2 p(0, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{010} p(0, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3) + \lambda_{011} p(0, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{5}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_3 p(0, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{001} p(0, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{011} p(0, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{6}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_1 \geqq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_3 p(\mathbf{k}_1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{001} p(\mathbf{k}_1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{101} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{7}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_1 p(\mathbf{k}_1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{100} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3) + \lambda_{101} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, 0, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{8}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2 \geq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_1 p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, 0) = \lambda_{100} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2, 0) + \lambda_{110} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, 0) \tag{9}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_2 p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, 0) = \lambda_{010} p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, 0) + \lambda_{110} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, 0) \tag{10}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 \geq 1 \quad \mathbf{k}_1 p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{100} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) + \lambda_{110} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3) \\ + \lambda_{101} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{111} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{11}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_2 p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{010} p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3) + \lambda_{110} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3) \\ + \lambda_{011} p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{111} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \tag{12}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_3 p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) = \lambda_{001} p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{101} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) \\ + \lambda_{011} p(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1) + \lambda_{111} p(\mathbf{k}_1 - 1, \mathbf{k}_2 - 1, \mathbf{k}_3 - 1). \tag{13}$$

Conversely, if we calculate the density function $p(\mathbf{k})$ ($\mathbf{k} \geq 0$) from the relations, we need only one of 3 main relations (11)~(13) and their reduced relations. If we search diligently we have 13 relations and we need only specified 8 from the 13 relations to calculate the density conversely.

THEOREM 3-2 (8 relations). *If nonnegative function $q(\mathbf{k})$ defined on $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ satisfy (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6), (7) or (8), (9) or (10) and (11) or (12) or (13) then $q(\mathbf{k})$ consists with the density of the Poisson distribution $p(\mathbf{k})$ ($\mathbf{k} \geq 0$).*

This theorem means the minimal r, r 's. are (1)~(4) and one of (5) and (6), and one of (7) and (8), and one of (9) and (10), and one of (11), (12) and (13) to get the calculability.

COROLLARY 3-2 (7 relations). *If a density functions $q(\mathbf{k})$ on $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ satisfy (2)~(4), (5) or (6), (7) or (8), (9) or (10) and (11) or (12) or (13) then $q(\mathbf{k})$ consists with one of the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ on $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$.*

§ 4. Multivariate Poisson distribution and its recurrence relations.

We assume X_0 to be n -variate bivariate distribution $B(N, p)$, X_0 is explained as the sum of N independent distributions $B(1, p)$. We can derive n -variate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$ by the limiting distribution of X_0 with the restriction $Np_i \rightarrow \lambda_i$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for every $i \in E$. Denote X as the n variate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$ then we can represent the density

$$p(X = \mathbf{k}) = \sum_{[C]} \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i)$$

where $p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i)$ ($i \in E$) are usual univariate Poisson density

$$p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i) = (\lambda_i / \alpha_i!) \exp(-\lambda_i) \quad (i \in E)$$

and $[C]$ should be generalized to n -variate α set

$$[C] = \{\alpha; \sum_{i \neq 0} i \alpha_i = k\},$$

see Kawamura [4]. Then we have a recurrence relation of $P(\lambda)$

$$k p(k) = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} i \lambda_i p(k-i) \quad (*)$$

and if $k=0$ we have $p(0) = \prod_{i \in E} p(0, \lambda_i) = \exp(-\sum_{i \in E} \lambda_i)$ or we can express $(*)$ as

$$k_j p(k) = \sum_{i_j=1, i \leq k} \lambda_i p(k-i)$$

where $k_j \geq 1$ for some $j=1, 2, \dots, n$. We can summarize these relations as following.

THEOREM 4-1. *The density $p(k)$ of n -variate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$ satisfies the recurrence relations*

$$p(0) = \exp(-\sum_{i \in E} \lambda_i)$$

and

$$k p(k) = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} i \lambda_i p(k-i).$$

Proof. If $k_j \geq 1$ then

$$\begin{aligned} k_j &= \left[\sum_{i \in E} i \alpha_i \right]_j = \sum_{i \in E} i_j \alpha_i = \sum_{i_j=1} \alpha_i, \\ k_j p(k) &= k_j \sum_{[C]} \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i) \\ &= \sum_{[C]} \left(\sum_{i_j=1} \alpha_i \right) \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\alpha_i, \lambda_i) \\ &= \sum_{[C]} \sum_{i_j=1} \lambda_i \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\beta_i, \lambda_i) \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, n), \end{aligned}$$

where $\beta_i = \alpha_i - 1$ with i satisfying $i_j = 1$ and otherwise $\beta_i = \alpha_i$.

$$\begin{aligned} k_j p(k) &= \sum_{i_j=1} \lambda_i \sum_{[C]} \prod_{i \neq 0} p(\beta_i, \lambda_i) \\ &= \sum_{i_j=1} \lambda_i p(k-i) \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, n), \end{aligned}$$

where $p(\beta_i, \lambda_i) = 0$ for $\beta_i = -1$. We can summarize these relations as

$$k p(k) = \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} i \lambda_i p(k-i) \quad k \neq 0. \quad \blacksquare$$

The recurrence relations just proved involves $n 2^{n-1}$ different relations which are caused on the boundary conditions regarding k . And if $\mathbf{k}=0$ then we have directly from the density

$$p(0) = \prod_{i \in E} p(0; \lambda_i) = \prod_{i \neq 0} \exp(-\lambda_i) = \exp(-\sum_{i \neq 0} \lambda_i).$$

In the case if $\mathbf{k} \neq 0$ we could classify \mathbf{k} by the number of positive components of the vector as followings.

If $\#\mathbf{k}=1$, that is, only one of the components $k_j \geq 1$ then we have

$$k_j p(\mathbf{k}) = \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}) \quad (0 \neq \mathbf{i} \leq \mathbf{k})$$

where $\mathbf{i} \leq \mathbf{k}$ and $\mathbf{i} \neq 0$ include only one i such that $i_j = 1$ otherwise $i_k = 0$ for $k \neq j$. Practically we have for $\#\mathbf{k}=1$,

$$k_j p(0 \cdots 0 k_j 0 \cdots 0) = \lambda_{0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0} p(0 \cdots 0 k_j - 1 0 \cdots 0).$$

We can vary j from 1 to n , so we have n relations for $\#\mathbf{k}=1$. The number of relations would be $\binom{n}{1}$, having one term in the right side.

Also, in the case $\#\mathbf{k}=2$ ($k_i, k_j \geq 1, i < j$), we have practically

$$k_j p(0 \cdots 0 k_i 0 \cdots 0 k_j 0 \cdots 0) = \lambda_{0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0 0 0 \cdots 0} p(0 \cdots 0 k_i - 1 0 \cdots 0 k_j 0 \cdots 0) + \lambda_{0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0} p(0 \cdots 0 k_i - 1 0 \cdots 0 k_j - 1 0 \cdots 0).$$

$$k_i p(0 \cdots 0 k_i 0 \cdots 0 k_j 0 \cdots 0) = \lambda_{0 \cdots 0 0 0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0} p(0 \cdots 0 k_i 0 \cdots 0 k_j - 1 0 \cdots 0) + \lambda_{0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0 1 0 \cdots 0} p(0 \cdots 0 k_i - 1 0 \cdots 0 k_j - 1 0 \cdots 0).$$

The number of relations would be $\binom{n}{2}$, and each has two terms in the right side.

By the induction for $\#\mathbf{k}$ we have totally

$$1 \binom{n}{1} + 2 \binom{n}{2} + \cdots + n \binom{n}{n} = n 2^{n-1}$$

relations. We can conclude as the theorem.

THEOREM 4-2. *The density function $p(\mathbf{k})$ on $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ of n -variate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$ has totally*

$$1 + 1 \binom{n}{1} + 2 \binom{n}{2} + \cdots + n \binom{n}{n} = n 2^{n-1} + 1$$

mutually different recurrence relations depending on the boundary condition for \mathbf{k} , including the density

$$p(0) = \exp(-\sum_{i \neq 0} \lambda_i).$$

§ 5. Minimal relations for getting a multivariate Poisson density.

Let's consider the main theme of calculation of the density. Primarily we will try to calculate directly from the density function but we will risk summing up a lot of accidental error, really we can calculate the density by computer if we make the software being careful not to summarize the error. It is, generally, a very difficult way to calculate the density and we will be able to improve the situation by these recurrence relations.

To calculate the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ of n -variate Poisson distribution $P(\lambda)$ we need only prespecified 2^n relations from the $1+n2^{n-1}$ relations given in the theorem 4-2. We can express the assertion in the following theorem.

As denoted and defined in the preceding section, we use the notation $\#\mathbf{k}$ as the number of positive components of $\mathbf{k}=(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)$, if we can calculate the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \in S$ by some prescribed relations, then we call $p(\mathbf{k})$ to be "calculable on S " or simply "calculable".

THEOREM 5-1. *The density of n -variate Poisson distribution $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ is "calculable" from the prescribed 2^n relations including the relation*

$$p(0) = \exp\left(-\sum_{i \neq 0} \lambda_i\right).$$

In the case of $\#\mathbf{k}=0$ ($\mathbf{k}=0$), we have one relation $p(0) = \exp\left(-\sum_{i \neq 0} \lambda_i\right)$ we need it to calculate the density.

In the case of $\#\mathbf{k}=1$. If $k_j \geq 1$ for fixed $j=1, 2, \dots, n$ we have one relation

$$k_j p(0 \dots 0 k_j 0 \dots 0) = \lambda_{0 \dots 010 \dots 0} p(0 \dots 0 k_j - 1 0 \dots 0).$$

and we need it to do this. The selection of j may be $\binom{n}{1}$ cases then we have totally $\binom{n}{1}$ relations and we need all of them to do this.

In the case of $\#\mathbf{k}=2$, if $k_i, k_j \geq 1$ for fixed $i, j; 1 \leq i < j \leq n$ then we have two relations

$$k_i p(0 \dots 0 k_i 0 \dots 0 k_j 0 \dots 0) = \lambda_{0 \dots 010 \dots 000 \dots 0} p(0 \dots 0 k_i - 1 0 \dots 0 k_j 0 \dots 0)$$

$$+ \lambda_{0 \dots 010 \dots 010 \dots 0} p(0 \dots 0 k_i - 1 0 \dots 0 k_j - 1 0 \dots 0),$$

and

$$k_j p(0 \dots 0 k_i 0 \dots 0 k_j 0 \dots 0) = \lambda_{0 \dots 000 \dots 010 \dots 0} p(0 \dots 0 k_i 0 \dots 0 k_j - 1 0 \dots 0)$$

$$+ \lambda_{0 \dots 010 \dots 010 \dots 0} p(0 \dots 0 k_i - 1 0 \dots 0 k_j - 1 0 \dots 0).$$

The selection of i and j may be $\binom{n}{2}$ cases, each case has two relations then we have totally $2\binom{n}{2}$ relations and we need one of the relation in each case to do this so that we need $\binom{n}{2}$ relations to do this.

In the case of $\# \mathbf{k} = t$ ($0 < t \leq n$) if $k_{j_1}, k_{j_2}, \dots, k_{j_t} \geq 1$ for fixed $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_t \leq n$, we have t different relations and we need one of the relations to calculate the density. The selection of $j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_t$ may be in $\binom{n}{t}$ cases, so we have totally $t \binom{n}{t}$ relations and we need $\binom{n}{t}$ relations to do this. Additionally we can confirm each of the t relations has 2^{t-1} terms in maximum in the right side of the relation; if $\lambda_i > 0$ for every $i; i \in E, i \leq \mathbf{k}$ then our relation

$$k_j p(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{i \in E, i \leq \mathbf{k}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i})$$

has maximum number of terms for $k_j \geq 1$. See DISCUSSION.

In the case of $\# \mathbf{k} = n, \mathbf{k} = (k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)$ if any component of \mathbf{k} is a positive integer then we have n different relations and we need one of the n relations to calculate the density. The selection of such a case may be $\binom{n}{n}$ case, so we have totally n relations and we need one of the relations to calculate the density.

Proof of the theorem. Put $\# \mathbf{k} = 1$ and $\mathbf{k} = (0 \dots 0 k_j 0 \dots 0)$ where $k_j > 0$ and assume $i \leq \mathbf{k}$ then $\mathbf{i} = (0 \dots 0 i 0 \dots 0)$. In the case we can use specified recurrence relation

$$k_j p(\mathbf{k}) = \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}), \quad \mathbf{i} = (0 \dots 0 i 0 \dots 0)$$

then we have

$$p(\mathbf{k}) = (\lambda_i / k_j) p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}). \tag{1}$$

If $\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i} = (0 \dots 0 k_j - 1 0 \dots 0) \neq 0$ in the right side, then we use the relation in iteration,

$$\begin{aligned} k_j(k_j - 1) p(\mathbf{k}) &= \lambda_i(k_j - 1) p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}) \\ &= \lambda_i 2 p(\mathbf{k} - 2\mathbf{i}). \end{aligned}$$

By the iteration and $\mathbf{k} - k_j \mathbf{i} = 0$, we conclude

$$k_j! p(\mathbf{k}) = \lambda_i k_j p(0). \tag{2}$$

We can calculate all the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ for every \mathbf{k} satisfying $\# \mathbf{k} = 1$ and $k_j \geq 1$ for fixed j from j -th r.r. of type(1). From the arbitrariness of j , we can calculate all the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ for every \mathbf{k} satisfying $\# \mathbf{k} \leq 1$, from our n recurrence relations of type(1) ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$). If we put $\# \mathbf{k} = t$ then in the case $t = 0$ ($\mathbf{k} = 0$) we know that $p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable from the relation. In the case $t = 1$ ($\# \mathbf{k} = 1$) all the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\# \mathbf{k} = 1$ are calculable which is proved by using the recurrence relations of type(1) and the fact of $p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable on $\mathbf{k} = 0$. That is, the fact means all the density $p(\mathbf{k})$ are calculable on $\# \mathbf{k}$.

To proceed, in the proof by the induction for t . If $t = 0$ then $p(\mathbf{k})$ is cal-

culable, and if $t=1$ then $p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable. The proof is made using the fact $p(0)$ ($t=0$) is calculable. Therefore if we assume $p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable for every \mathbf{k} such that $\#\mathbf{k} < t$ and let prove that $p(\mathbf{k})$ is calculable on $\#\mathbf{k} = t$ using prescribed type t recurrence relations. In the case $\#\mathbf{k} = t$, we use our notations $\mathbf{i} \in E$, $E = \{0, 1\}^n - 0$ and $(\mathbf{k})_j = k_j$. For every $k_j > 0$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$) we can express the recurrence relation of type t

$$k_j p(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\{\mathbf{i}; i_j=1, i \leq \mathbf{k}\}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}) \quad (*)$$

where $\{ \}$ means $\{\mathbf{i}; i_j=1, i \leq \mathbf{k}, i \in E\} = \{\mathbf{i}; (i)_j=1, 0 \leq \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}, i \in E\}$, and put \mathbf{i}_1 the number of $\{ \}$ then we have $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1) \leq t$. If $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1) < t$ then $p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1)$ in the right side of the relation (*) is calculable from the assumption of the induction and otherwise if $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1) = t$ then $(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1)_j = k_j - 1 \geq 1$ and we can use the relation (*) of type t for $p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1)$ one more time then we have

$$(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1)_j p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1) = \sum_{\{\mathbf{i}; i_j=1, 1 \leq \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1, i \in E\}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}).$$

Put \mathbf{i}_2 the member of $\{ \}$ then we have $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2) \leq \#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1) \leq t$. If $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2) < t$ then $p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2)$ in the right side of the relation is calculable from the assumption of the induction and otherwise if $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2) = t$ then $(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2)_j = k_j - 2 \geq 1$ and we can use the relation (*) of type t for $p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2)$ one more time then we have

$$(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2)_j p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2) = \sum_{\{\mathbf{i}; i_j=1, i \leq \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2, i \in E\}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \mathbf{i}).$$

Put \mathbf{i}_3 the member of $\{ \}$ then we have $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \mathbf{i}_3) \leq t$. If $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \mathbf{i}_3) < t$ then $p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \mathbf{i}_3)$ in the right side of the relation is calculate from the assumption (of the induction) and otherwise if $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \mathbf{i}_3) = t$ we have to continue this process so as to satisfy all the terms of the right side of the relation (*) to be calculable. The process to get calculability require at most $k_j - 1$ steps and we put $s = k_j - 1$ then we have

$$(k_j - s) p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s) = \sum_{\{\mathbf{i}; i_j=1, i \leq \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s, i \in E\}} \lambda_i p(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s - \mathbf{i}).$$

where $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s) \leq t$ and if $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s) < t$ then the left side is already calculable by the assumption and otherwise, in the right side, $\#(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s - \mathbf{i}) < t$ because $(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{i}_1 - \mathbf{i}_2 - \dots - \mathbf{i}_s - \mathbf{i})_j = k_j - (s+1) = 0$ for every member of $\{ \}$. Therefore we have a result that all the terms of the right side of the relation (*) are calculable where we used only the relation (*) of type t repeatedly and the assumption for the induction.

We recognize that the proof is made only on using the relation of type t and disregard the other $t-1$ relations in the case $\#\mathbf{k} = t$. And arbitrariness of t (on $0 \leq t \leq n$), we have the conclusion of the theorem.

Theorem 5-1. The density of n -variate Poisson distribution $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ is calculable from prescribed 2^n relations including the relation

$$p(0) = \exp\left(-\sum_{i \in E} \lambda_i\right).$$

If we omit the relation $p(0) = \exp\left(-\sum_{i \in E} \lambda_i\right)$ and put $p(0) = p_0$ and using the other prescribed 2^{n-1} relations, we can calculate all the values $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ as the function of p_0 and if we introduce the assumption of the function to be a density, that is, summing up to unity then all the function $p(\mathbf{k})$ $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ consists with the multivariate Poisson density.

THEOREM 5-2. *The function $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ is calculable from prescribed $2^n - 1$ relations if we assume $p(\mathbf{k})$ for $\mathbf{k} \geq 0$ to be a density.*

The proof may be completed by putting $p(0) = p_0$ and using prescribed $2^n - 1$ relations all the density is calculable as the multiple of p_0 in the same discussion of theorem 5-1 and $\sum_{\mathbf{k} \geq 0} p(\mathbf{k}) = 1$. That is, the function is proved as p_0 -calculable.

DISCUSSION

Through this paper, we have counted the number of relations and the number of terms in a relation including $\lambda_i = 0$ for some of $i \in E$.

If we consider multivariate Poisson distribution usually we need to treat $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for $i \in E$ then occasionally some parameters $\lambda_{i_1}, \dots, \lambda_{i_t}$ ($i_1, \dots, i_t \in E$) are equal to zero.

So we have to understand the numbers in these theorems to be counted at most!

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