

## Sec-4

(21) Find the mean & variance of poisson distribution.  
The distribution of the number of road accidents<sup>ion.</sup> per day in a city is poisson with mean 4.  
Find the number of days out of 100 day when there will be.

(i) no accident

(ii) at least 2 accident

(iii) at most 3 accident

(iv) between 2 & 5 accidents.

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For the poisson distribution,  $P(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$

mean of poisson distribution:

$$\text{mean } \mu = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x P(x) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \cdot \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$= e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{x \lambda^x}{x!} = e^{-\lambda} \left[ 0 + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{2\lambda^2}{2!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left[ 1 + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda} = \lambda$$

variance of poisson distribution.

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^2 P(x) - \mu^2$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x^2 \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} - \lambda^2 = e^{-\lambda} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^2 \lambda^x}{x!} - \lambda^2$$

$$= e^{-\lambda} \left[ \frac{1^2 \lambda}{1!} + \frac{2^2 \lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{3^2 \lambda^3}{3!} + \frac{4^2 \lambda^4}{4!} + \dots \right] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left[ 1 + \frac{2\lambda}{1!} + \frac{3\lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{4\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots \right] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left[ 1 + \frac{(1+1)\lambda}{1!} + \frac{(1+2)\lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{(1+3)\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots \right] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots \right) + \left( \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^3}{2!} + \dots \right) \right] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \left[ e^{\lambda} + \lambda \left( 1 + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \dots \right) \right] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} [e^{\lambda} + \lambda e^{\lambda}] - \lambda^2$$

$$= \lambda e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda} (1 + \lambda) - \lambda^2$$



$$= \lambda(1 + \lambda) - \lambda^2 = \lambda.$$

Here, the variance of poisson distribution is also  $\lambda$ .

mean  $\lambda = 4$ , Number of days,  $N = 100$

$$(i) P(X=0) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^0}{0!} = e^{-4} = 0.01831$$

$$\therefore \text{Required number of days} = N \cdot P(X=0) \\ = 100 \times 0.01831 = 1.831 \approx 2$$

$$(ii) P(X \geq 2) = 1 - P(X < 2) = 1 - [P(X=0) + P(X=1)] \\ = 1 - \left[ e^{-4} + \frac{e^{-4}(4)}{1!} \right] = 1 - 5e^{-4} \\ = 0.90842$$

$$\therefore \text{Required number of days} = N \cdot P(X \geq 2) \\ = 100 \times 0.90842 = 90.842 \approx 91$$

$$(iii) P(X \leq 3) = P(X=0) + P(X=1) + P(X=2) + P(X=3) \\ = \frac{e^{-4}(4)^0}{0!} + \frac{e^{-4}(4)^1}{1!} + \frac{e^{-4}(4)^2}{2!} + \frac{e^{-4}(4)^3}{3!} \\ = e^{-4} + 4e^{-4} + 8e^{-4} + 6.4e^{-4} \\ = 0.43347$$

$$\therefore \text{Required number of days} \\ = N \cdot P(X \leq 3)$$

$$= 100 \times 0.43347 = 43.347 \approx 43$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} \quad P(2 < X < 5) &= P(X=3) + P(X=4) = \\ &= \frac{e^{-4}(4)^3}{3!} + \frac{e^{-4}(4)^4}{4!} \\ &= \left( \frac{64}{6} + \frac{256}{24} \right) e^{-4} = 0.3907 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{required number of days} \\ &= N \cdot P(2 < X < 5) = 100 \times 0.3907 \\ &= 39.07 \approx 39 \end{aligned}$$