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1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables with finite means. Find a function  $g^*(X)$  such that

$$\min_{g(X)} E[(Y - g(X))^2] = E[(Y - g^*(X))^2],$$

where  $g(x)$  ranges over all functions.

解答:

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y - g(X)]^2 &= E[(Y - E[Y|X]) + (E[Y|X] - g(X))]^2 \\ &= E[Y - E[Y|X]]^2 + E[E[Y|X] - g(X)]^2 \\ &\quad + 2E[(Y - E[Y|X])(E[Y|X] - g(X))]. \end{aligned}$$

The cross term can be shown to be zero by iterating the expectation. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y - g(X)]^2 &= E[Y - E[Y|X]]^2 + E[E[Y|X] - g(X)]^2 \\ &\geq E[Y - E[Y|X]]^2, \quad \text{for all } g(\cdot). \end{aligned}$$

The choice  $g^*(X) = E[Y|X]$  will give equality.

2. Suppose  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent  $N(0, 1)$  random variables. Find  $P(X^2 + Y^2 < 1)$ .

解答: Note that  $X^2 + Y^2 \sim \chi_2^2$ . Thus  $P(X^2 + Y^2 < 1) = \int_0^1 \frac{e^{-x/2}}{2} dx = 1 - \frac{1}{e} = 0.3935$ .

3. Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  are jointly continuous and independent, each distributed with marginal pdf  $f(x)$ , where each  $X_i$  represents annual rainfall at a given location.

- (a) Find the distribution of the number of years until the first year's rainfall,  $X_1$ , is exceeded for the first time.
- (b) Show that the mean number of years until  $X_1$  is exceeded for the first is infinite.

解答:

- (a) Let  $N$  denote the number of years until the first year's rainfall,  $X_1$ , is exceeded for the first time. Then, for  $n \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(N = n - 1) &= \int_0^\infty P(X_1 = x, X_2 \leq x, \dots, X_{n-1} \leq x, X_n > x | X_1 = x) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty F^{n-2}(x)(1 - F(x))f(x) dx \quad (u = F(x)) \\ &= \int_0^1 u^{n-2}(1 - u) du \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \right) \end{aligned}$$

or equivalently,

$$\begin{aligned} P(N \geq n - 1) &= \int_0^\infty P(X_1 = x, X_2 \leq x, \dots, X_{n-1} \leq x | X_1 = x) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty F^{n-2}(x)f(x) dx \quad (u = F(x)) \\ &= \int_0^1 u^{n-2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$(b) E[N] = \sum_{n=2}^\infty P(N \geq n - 1) = \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{1}{n-1} = \infty$$

4. What is the probability that the larger of two continuous iid random variables will exceed the population median? Generalize this result to sample of size  $n$ .

解答: Let  $m$  denote the median. Then, for general  $n$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(\max(X_1, \dots, X_n) > m) &= 1 - P(X_i \leq m \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n) \\ &= 1 - P(X_1 \leq m)^n = 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n. \end{aligned}$$

5. Let  $U_i, i = 1, 2, \dots$ , be independent uniform(0, 1) random variables, and let  $X$  have distribution

$$P(X = x) = \frac{c}{x!}, \quad x = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

where  $c = 1/(e - 1)$ . Find the distribution of

$$Z = \min\{U_1, \dots, U_X\}.$$

解答：

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Z > z) &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(Z > z|x) P(X = x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(U_1 > z, \dots, U_x > z|x) P(X = x) \\
 &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^x P(U_i > z) P(X = x) \quad (\text{by independence of the } U_i\text{'s}) \\
 &= \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} P(U_i > z)^x P(X = x) = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} (1-z)^x \frac{1}{(e-1)x!} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(e-1)} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1-z)^x}{x!} = \frac{e^{1-z} - 1}{e-1}, \quad 0 < z < 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

6. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent random variables with densities

$$f_{X_i}(x|\sigma) = \begin{cases} e^{i\theta-x} & \text{if } x \geq i\theta, \\ 0 & \text{if } x < i\theta. \end{cases}$$

Prove that  $T = \min_i(X_i/i)$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .

解答：By the Factorization Theorem,  $T(X) = \min_i(X_i/i)$  is sufficient because we can write the joint pdf of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n e^{i\theta-x_i} I_{(i\theta, +\infty)}(x_i) = \underbrace{e^{\theta \sum_{i=1}^n i} I_{(\theta, +\infty)}(T(x))}_{g(T(x)|\theta)} \cdot \underbrace{e^{-\sum x_i}}_{h(x)}.$$

Notice, we use the fact that  $i > 0$ , and the fact that all  $x_i$ s  $> i\theta$  if and only if  $\min(X_i/i) > \theta$ .

7. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a sample from the *inverse Gaussian* pdf,

$$f(x|\mu, \lambda) = \left( \frac{\lambda}{2\pi x^3} \right)^{1/2} \exp\{-\lambda(x - \mu)^2 / (2\mu^2 x)\}, \quad x > 0.$$

Find the MLEs of  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$ .

解答：The likelihood is

$$L(\mu, \lambda|x) = \frac{\lambda^{n/2}}{(2\pi)^n \prod_i x_i} \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_i \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\mu^2 x_i}\right\}.$$

For fixed  $\lambda$ , maximizing with respect to  $\mu$  is equivalent to minimizing the sum in the exponential.

$$\frac{d}{d\mu} \sum_i \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\mu^2 x_i} = \frac{d}{d\mu} \sum_i \frac{((x_i/\mu) - 1)^2}{x_i} = - \sum_i \frac{2((x_i/\mu) - 1)}{x_i} \frac{x_i}{\mu^2}.$$

Setting this equal to zero is equivalent to setting

$$\sum_i \left( \frac{x_i}{\mu} - 1 \right) = 0,$$

and solving for  $\mu$  yields  $\hat{\mu}_n = \bar{x}$ . Plugging in this  $\hat{\mu}_n$  and maximizing with respect to  $\lambda$  amounts to maximizing an expression of the form  $\lambda^{n/2} e^{-\lambda b}$ . Simple calculus yields

$$\hat{\lambda}_n = \frac{n}{2b} \quad \text{where} \quad b = \sum_i \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{2\bar{x}^2 x_i}.$$

Finally,

$$2b = \sum_i \frac{x_i}{\bar{x}^2} - 2 \sum_i \frac{1}{x_i} + \sum_i \frac{1}{x_i} = -\frac{n}{\bar{x}} + \sum_i \frac{1}{x_i} = \sum_i \left( \frac{1}{x_i} - \frac{1}{\bar{x}} \right).$$

8. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{2\theta}, \quad -\theta < x < \theta, \quad \theta > 0.$$

Find, if one exists, a best unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ .

解答: To find a best unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ , first find a complete sufficient statistic.

The joint pdf is

$$f(x|\theta) = \left( \frac{1}{2\theta} \right)^n \prod_i I_{(-\theta, \theta)}(x_i) = \left( \frac{1}{2\theta} \right)^n I_{[0, \theta]}(\max_i |x_i|).$$

By the Factorization theorem,  $\max_i |X_i|$  is a sufficient statistic. To check that it is a complete sufficient statistic, let  $Y = \max_i |X_i|$ . Note that the pdf of  $Y$  is  $f_Y(y) = ny^{n-1}/\theta^n$ ,  $0 < y < \theta$ . Suppose  $g(y)$  is a function such that

$$E[g(Y)] = \int_0^\theta \frac{ny^{n-1}}{\theta^n} g(y) dy = 0, \quad \text{for all } \theta.$$

Talking derivatives shows that  $\theta^{n-1}g(\theta) = 0$ , for all  $\theta$ . So  $g(\theta) = 0$ , for all  $\theta$ , and  $Y = \max_i |X_i|$  is a complete sufficient statistic. Now

$$E[Y] = \int_0^\theta y \frac{ny^{n-1}}{\theta^n} dy = \frac{n}{n+1} \theta \quad \Rightarrow \quad E\left[ \frac{n+1}{n} Y \right] = \theta.$$

Therefore  $\frac{n+1}{n} \max_i |X_i|$  is a best unbiased estimator for  $\theta$  because it is a function of a complete sufficient statistic.

9. Show that for a random sample  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  from a  $N(0, \sigma^2)$  population, the most

powerful test of  $H_0 : \sigma = \sigma_0$  versus  $H_1 : \sigma = \sigma_1$ , is given by

$$\phi\left(\sum X_i^2\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum X_i^2 > c, \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum X_i^2 \leq c. \end{cases}$$

For a given value of  $\alpha$ , the size of the Type I Error, show how the value of  $c$  is explicitly determined.

解答: From the Neyman-Pearson lemma the UMP test rejects  $H_0$  if

$$\frac{f(x|\sigma_1)}{f(x|\sigma_0)} = \frac{(2\pi\sigma_1^2)^{-n/2} e^{-\sum_i x_i^2/(2\sigma_1^2)}}{(2\pi\sigma_0^2)^{-n/2} e^{-\sum_i x_i^2/(2\sigma_0^2)}} = \left(\frac{\sigma_0}{\sigma_1}\right)^n \exp\left\{\frac{1}{2} \sum_i x_i^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}\right)\right\} > k$$

for some  $k \geq 0$ . After some algebra, this is equivalent to rejecting if

$$\sum_i x_i^2 > \frac{2 \log(k(\sigma_1/\sigma_0)^n)}{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}\right)} = c \quad \left(\text{because } \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} > 0\right).$$

This is the UMP test of size  $\alpha$ , where  $\alpha = P_{\sigma_0}(\sum_i X_i^2 > c)$ . To determine  $c$  to obtain a specified  $\alpha$ , use the fact that  $\sum_i X_i^2/\sigma_0^2 \sim \chi_n^2$ . Thus

$$\alpha = P_{\sigma_0}\left(\sum_i X_i^2/\sigma_0^2 > c/\sigma_0^2\right) = P(\chi_n^2 > c/\sigma_0^2),$$

so we must have  $c/\sigma_0^2 = \chi_{n,\alpha}^2$ , which means  $c = \sigma_0^2 \chi_{n,\alpha}^2$ .

10. If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are iid from a location pdf  $f(x - \theta)$ , show that the confidence set

$$C(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \{\theta : \bar{x} - k_1 \leq \theta \leq \bar{x} + k_2\},$$

where  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are constants, has constant coverage probability.

解答:

$$\begin{aligned} P_\theta(\theta \in C(X_1, \dots, X_n)) &= P_\theta(\bar{X} - k_1 \leq \theta \leq \bar{X} + k_2) \\ &= P_\theta(-k_2 \leq \bar{X} - \theta \leq k_1) \\ &= P_\theta\left(-k_2 \leq \sum Z_i/n \leq k_1\right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $Z_i = X_i - \theta$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Since this is a location family, for any  $\theta$ ,  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$  are iid with pdf  $f(z)$ , i. e., the  $Z_i$ s are pivots. So the last probability does not depend on  $\theta$ .