

ST210A - Homework 2

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Problem 1. Sample of two-dimensional normal distribution

Proof. (a) We have:

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ \dots \\ X_n \\ Y_1 \\ \dots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \dots \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \dots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \theta & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \ddots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \theta \\ \theta & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \ddots \\ 0 & \theta & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Denote $X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]^T, Y = [Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n]^T, W = [X^T, Y^T]^T$. For simplification, we write the covariance matrix as $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & \theta I_n \\ \theta I_n & I_n \end{bmatrix}$. For a block matrix $S = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$, we have $\det(S) = \det(A) \det(D - CA^{-1}B)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \det(\Sigma) &= \det(I_n) \det(I_n - \theta I_n \theta I_n) \\ &= \det((1 - \theta^2) I_n) \\ &= (1 - \theta^2)^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma^{-1} &= \frac{1}{(1 - \theta^2)^n} \begin{bmatrix} I_n & -\theta I_n \\ -\theta I_n & I_n \end{bmatrix} \\ \Rightarrow f_W(w) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n}(1 - \theta^2)^n}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} w^T \Sigma^{-1} w \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n}(1 - \theta^2)^n}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1 - \theta^2)^n} [x^T, y^T] \begin{bmatrix} I_n & -\theta I_n \\ -\theta I_n & I_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n}(1 - \theta^2)^n}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1 - \theta^2)^n} [x^T - \theta y^T, -\theta x^T + y^T] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n}(1 - \theta^2)^n}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1 - \theta^2)^n} (x^T x + y^T y - 2\theta x^T y) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $T = [X^T X + Y^T Y, X^T Y]^T := [T_1, T_2]^T$, then $f_T(t) = g_\theta(T)$, for:

$$g_\theta(T) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{2n}(1 - \theta^2)^n}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1 - \theta^2)^n} [1, -2\theta] T \right\}.$$

Then by the factorization theorem, T is a sufficient statistics.

Now assume that $f_W(w) = k f_W(w'), k > 0$, we have $\forall \theta$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\log f_W(w) &= \log f_W(w') + \log k \\
\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta^2)^n}(T_1 - 2\theta T_2) &= -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta^2)^n}(T'_1 - 2\theta T'_2) + \log k \\
&\Rightarrow T_1 - 2\theta T_2 = T'_1 - 2\theta T'_2 - 2(1-\theta^2)^n \log k
\end{aligned}$$

Since the LHS and RHS of the last expression are polynomial of θ , and they are equal $\forall \theta \in (-1, 1)$, we must have all the coefficient for each degree of the two polynomial are equal. For degree $2n$, we have $-2\log k = 0 \Rightarrow k = 1$. For degree 1, we have $T_2 = T'_2$, and for degree zero we have $T_1 = T'_1$. Thus $T = T'$. By theorem 3.11 in Keener, we have T is minimal sufficient.

(b) Let $h(T) = [1, 0]T = X^T X + Y^T Y$, then $h(T)$ is not a constant function, but

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}h(T) &= \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2 \right] \\
&= 2n
\end{aligned}$$

is a constant. Thus T is not complete.

(c) We have $[X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]^T \sim N(\mathbf{0}, I)$, as such $Z_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ has distribution independent of θ . In fact it has a χ^2 distribution with n degree of freedom. Thus Z_1 is ancillary. Similarly Z_2 is ancillary.

Now consider $Z = [Z_1, Z_2]^T$. For $X_i, Y_i, U_i = \theta X_i + Y_i - \theta X_i := \theta X_i + U_i$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned}
\theta &= \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_i) = \text{Cov}(X_i, \theta X_i) + \text{Cov}(X_i, U_i) \\
&= \theta + \text{Cov}(X_i, U_i) \\
&\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X_i, U_i) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus X_i, U_i are independent since they are normal and uncorrelated. Let $U_i = \sqrt{1-\theta^2}V_i$ then V_i has variance 1. At the end we have: $Y_i = \theta X_i + \sqrt{1-\theta^2}V_i$. Now:

$$\begin{aligned}
X_i^2 Y_i^2 &= \theta^2 X_i^4 + 2\theta\sqrt{1-\theta^2}X_i^3 V_i + (1-\theta^2)X_i^2 V_i^2 \\
\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[X_i^2 Y_i^2] &= 3\theta^2 + 1 - \theta^2 = 2\theta^2 + 1. \\
\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(X_i^2, Y_i^2) &= \mathbb{E}[X_i^2 Y_i^2] - \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] \mathbb{E}[Y_i^2] \\
&= 2\theta^2 \\
\Rightarrow \text{Cov}(Z_1, Z_2) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i^2, Y_j^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Cov}(X_i^2, Y_i^2) \\
&= 2n\theta^2
\end{aligned}$$

Since the $\text{Cov}(Z_1, Z_2)$ depends on θ , the joint distribution of $[Z_1, Z_2]$ must also depend on θ . Thus $[Z_1, Z_2]$ is not ancillary. \square

Problem 2. Uniform on $(-\theta, \theta)$.

Proof. (a) For each X_i , $f_{X_i}(x_i) = \frac{1}{2\theta} \mathbb{I}[-\theta < x_i < \theta]$, since X_i 's are independent,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_X(x) &= \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}[-\theta < x_i < \theta] \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n} \mathbb{I}[x_i \in (-\theta, \theta), \forall i = 1, \dots, n] \\
&= \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n} \mathbb{I}\left[\max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} |x_i| < \theta\right]
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $T = \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} |x_i|$ is a sufficient statistic. Now if $\forall \theta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f_X(x) &= k f_X(x') \\
\Rightarrow \mathbb{I}[T < \theta] &= k \mathbb{I}[T' < \theta]
\end{aligned}$$

Then $k = 1$, and $T = T'$. Thus T is minimal sufficient.

(b) We will show that V is ancillary.

$$\begin{aligned}
V &= \frac{\bar{X}}{X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}} \\
&= \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}} \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\theta}}{\frac{X_{(n)}}{\theta} - \frac{X_{(1)}}{\theta}}
\end{aligned}$$

Let Y_i be i.i.d uniform on $(-1, 1)$, then $V = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i}{Y_{(n)} - Y_{(1)}}$, as such the distribution of V does not depend on θ . Thus V is ancillary. By the Basu theorem, T is independent with V . \square

Problem 3. Uniform on $[\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}]$.

Proof. (a) $T = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)})$. $X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n]$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{X_i}(x_i) &= \mathbb{I}\left[\theta - \frac{1}{2} \leq x_i \leq \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right] \\
\Rightarrow f_X(x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}\left[\theta - \frac{1}{2} \leq x_i \leq \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right] \\
&= \mathbb{I}\left[x_i \in \left[\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right], \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\right] \\
&= \mathbb{I}\left[x_{(n)} < \theta + \frac{1}{2} \wedge x_{(1)} > \theta - \frac{1}{2}\right].
\end{aligned}$$

So T is sufficient.

(b) By the Rao-Blackwell theorem for the sufficient statistics T , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
R(\theta, \delta(X_1, \dots, X_n)) &\leq R(\theta, \bar{X}) \\
\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}[(\theta - \delta)^2] &\leq \mathbb{E}[(\theta - \bar{X})^2] \\
\Leftrightarrow \text{MSE}(\delta) &\leq \text{MSE}(\bar{X}).
\end{aligned}$$

Since the loss function is not linear, the equality hold iff $\bar{X} \mid \min\{X_i\}, \max\{X_i\}$ is equal to a constant with probability 1, which is not true when $n > 2$. So MSE for δ is strictly better than MSE for \bar{X} when $n > 2$. And we can easily see that they are equal when $n = 2$ or $n = 1$.

Now we will calculate δ .

First for A, B independent random variables, we have:

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X | A]]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\bar{X} | \min\{X_i\} = a, \max\{X_i\} = b] &= \mathbb{E}[\bar{X} | X_i \in [a, b], \forall i = 1, \dots, n] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i | X_i \in [a, b], \forall i = 1, \dots, n\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i | X_j \in [a, b], \forall i = 1, \dots, n] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i | X_i \in [a, b]] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{b+a}{2} \\ &= \frac{b+a}{2} = \frac{\min\{X_i\} + \max\{X_i\}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

□

Problem 4. Location-scale family

Proof. Write $X_i = a + bZ_i$ then Z_i has known cumulative distribution function $F(x)$ does not depend on neither a nor b.

(a) Now $(X_1 - X_i)/b = Z_1 - Z_i$ has distribution not depending on a . Thus $(X_1 - X_i)/b$ are ancillary if b is known.

(b) $(X_1 - a)/(X_i - a) = Z_1/Z_i$ has distribution not depending on b . Thus it is ancillary

(c) $(X_1 - X_i)/(X_2 - X_i) = b(Z_1 - Z_i)/(b(Z_2 - Z_i)) = (Z_1 - Z_i)/(Z_2 - Z_i)$ has distribution not depending on neither a nor b. Thus the statistics is ancillary. □

Problem 5. Unbiased estimator

Proof. (a) $\mathbb{E}S_1 = \mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0] \times 1 + \mathbb{P}[X_1 \neq 0] \times 0 = \mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0] = \exp(-\lambda)$. Thus S_1 is an unbiased estimator.

$\mathbb{E}S_2 = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}[X_i = 0] = \frac{1}{n} \exp(-\lambda) = \exp(-\lambda)$. Thus S_2 is also unbiased. Note that we can see that S_2 has a smaller risk than S_1 as it has smaller variance (due to averaging independent observation).

(b) Consider the density function

$$\begin{aligned} f_X(x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{x_i} e^{-\lambda}}{x_i!} \\ &= e^{-n\lambda} \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \\ &= g_\lambda\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) h(x) \end{aligned}$$

Thus by the factorization theorem, $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is sufficient.

(c) From the lemma we proved in the last homework, sum of independent Poisson is Poisson with mean parameter equal to sum of mean parameter.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[S_1 \mid T = t] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{I}[X_1 = 0] \mid T = t] \\
&= \mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0 \mid T = t] \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0 \wedge \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t]}{\mathbb{P}[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t]} \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0 \wedge \sum_{i=2}^n X_i = t]}{\mathbb{P}[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t]} \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{P}[X_1 = 0] \mathbb{P}[\sum_{i=2}^n X_i = t]}{\mathbb{P}[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t]} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-\lambda)((n-1)\lambda)^t \exp(-(n-1)\lambda)/t!}{(n\lambda)^t \exp(-n\lambda)/t!} \\
&= \frac{(n-1)^t}{n^t} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^t
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[S_2 \mid T = t] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{I}[X_j = 0] \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{I}[X_j = 0] \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} n \mathbb{E}[S_1 \mid T = t] \\
&= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^t
\end{aligned}$$

So apply Rao-Blackwell to two estimators result in the same estimator. Now since T is complete as it comes from a full-rank exponential distribution family. It is expected that the two Rao-Blackwellized of S_1 and S_2 are the same as they are both the UMVU. \square

Problem 6. Determine UMUV for $e^{-2\lambda}$ for single *Poisson* distribution mean λ .

Proof. Let an unbiased estimator be $g(X)$, we need:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[g(X)] &= e^{-2\lambda} \\
\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} g(i) e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} &= e^{-2\lambda} \\
\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} g(i) \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} &= e^{-\lambda} \\
\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} g(i) \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{i+1} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!} \\
\Rightarrow g(i) &= (-1)^{i+1}, \forall i
\end{aligned}$$

So $g(X) = (-1)^{X+1}$. Since there is only one observation, this $g(X)$ is the only unbiased estimator, thus it is UMUV. \square