

# Probability Theory

## Problem 1.1

a)

Let  $\Omega$  be a sample space and  $\mathcal{A}$  a  $\sigma$ -Algebra on that sample space. Then the mapping  $P : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is a probability measure iff:

1.  $P(A) \geq 0 \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$
2.  $P(\Omega) = 1$
3.  $P\left(\biguplus_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(\mathcal{E}) &= \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}\} \\ \mathcal{P}(\Omega) &= \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{1\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \{1, 3\}, \{1, 2\}, \\ &\quad \{2, 4\}, \{3, 4\}, \{1, 3, 4\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{2\}, \{3\}\}\end{aligned}$$

c)

So we have been given:

$$P(A) = Q(A) = c \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{E}$$

Also this means that:

$$P(A^c) = Q(A^c) = 1 - Q(A) = 1 - c \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{E}$$

This means, that (using Lemma 1.2):

$$P(\{1, 4\}) = Q(\{1, 4\}) = 2c$$

Finally we can say :

$$P(\{1, 4\}^c) = Q(\{1, 4\}^c) = 1 - Q(\{1, 4\}) = 1 - 2c$$

So it holds that:

$$P(A) = Q(A) \quad \forall A \in \sigma(\mathcal{E})$$

d)

Since  $c = 0$  is allowed you can easily find a counter example with:

$$\begin{aligned}P(A) &= \delta_3(A) \\ Q(A) &= \delta_2(A)\end{aligned}$$

And it holds that:

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\{1\}) &= Q(\{1\}) = 0 \\
P(\{4\}) &= Q(\{4\}) = 0 \\
\implies P, Q &\in \mathcal{M}
\end{aligned}$$

But for  $\{3\} \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  it holds that:

$$P(\{3\}) = 1 \neq 0 = Q(\{3\})$$

So the statement does not hold for this example.

e)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} \omega P(\{\omega\}) &= \arg \max_{a,b,c \in [0,1]} 1c + 2a + 3b + 4c \\
&= \arg \max_{a,b,c \in [0,1]} 5c + 2a + 3b
\end{aligned}$$

With the side condition that  $2c + a + b = 1, c < \frac{1}{2}$ . Because the optimization is linear in every input, we just have to just maximize the inputs, that maximize the expected value the most. This means:

$$\begin{aligned}
c_{best} &= \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon \\
a_{best} &= 0 \\
b_{best} &= \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon
\end{aligned}$$

With  $\epsilon > 0$  but arbitrarily small. The expected value then becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\omega \in \Omega} \omega P(\{\omega\}) &= 5 \left( \frac{1}{2} - \epsilon \right) + 3 \left( \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon \right) \\
&= 2.5 - 5\epsilon + 1.5 + 3\epsilon \\
&= 4 - 2\epsilon
\end{aligned}$$

But since you can't find the smallest element of  $\epsilon > 0$  (because the real line is dense), there is no actual solution to this optimization.

## Problem 1.2

a)

It trivially holds that:

$$f_\lambda(x) = \lambda \exp(-\lambda x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

because  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\exp(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Secondly:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{\lambda}(x) dx &= \int_0^{\infty} \lambda \exp(-\lambda x) dx \\
&= \lambda \left[ -\frac{1}{\lambda} \exp(-\lambda x) \right]_0^{\infty} \\
&= \lambda \left[ \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{\lambda} \exp(-\lambda x) - \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} \exp(0) \right) \right] \\
&= \lambda \left[ 0 - \left( -\frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda} = 1
\end{aligned}$$

**b)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\varphi_X(t) &= \mathbb{E}(\exp(itX)) \\
M_X(t) &= \mathbb{E}(\exp(tX))
\end{aligned}$$

These functions are **always** well defined, uniformly continuous and bounded. Also the characteristic function is unique for every probability distribution, and therefore fully *characterizes* the distribution.

**c)**

$$\begin{aligned}
M_X(t) &= \mathbb{E}(\exp(tX)) \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} \exp(tx) \lambda \exp(-\lambda x) dx \\
&= \lambda \int_0^{\infty} \exp(x(t - \lambda)) dx \\
&= \lambda \left[ \frac{1}{t - \lambda} \exp(x(t - \lambda)) \right]_0^{\infty} \\
&= \lambda \left( \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t - \lambda} \exp(x(t - \lambda)) \right) - \frac{\lambda}{t - \lambda} \exp(0) \\
&\stackrel{t < \lambda}{=} 0 - \frac{\lambda}{t - \lambda} = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t}
\end{aligned}$$

**d)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}(X) &= M'_X(0) \\
&\stackrel{\text{chain rule}}{=} -1 \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda - 0)^2} (-1) \\
&= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \\
\mathbb{E}(X^2) &= M''_X(0) \\
&= -2 \frac{\lambda}{(\lambda - 0)^3} (-1) \\
&= 2 \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \\
\text{Var}(X) &= \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mathbb{E}(X)^2 \\
&= \frac{2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}
\end{aligned}$$

**e)**

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(\frac{X - \frac{1}{\lambda}}{\frac{1}{\lambda}} \leq t\right) &= P(\lambda X - 1 \leq t) \\
&= P(\lambda X \leq 1 + t) \\
&\leq \frac{\mathbb{E}(\lambda X)}{1 + t} \\
&= \frac{\frac{\lambda}{\lambda}}{1 + t} = \frac{1}{1 + t}
\end{aligned}$$

**f)**

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}(X - Y | X + Y) &= \mathbb{E}(X | X + Y) - \mathbb{E}(Y | X + Y) \\
&\stackrel{\text{independent}}{=} \frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

### Problem 1.3

**a)**

i)

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 : P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

ii)

$$\mathbb{E}((X_n - X)^p) \rightarrow 0$$

**b)**

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then:

$$P(|X_n| > \epsilon) \leq P(X_n = n^2) \\ = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$$

**c)**

$$\mathbb{E}(X_n) = 0P(X_n = 0) + n^2P(X_n = n^2) \\ = n^2 \frac{1}{n} = n \rightarrow \infty \neq 0$$

No convergence in 1st mean given

**d)**

because of the statement written in the exercise we can state (because a normal distribution is stochastically bounded):

$$\sqrt{n} \left( \begin{pmatrix} Y_n \\ Z_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mu_Y \\ \mu_Z \end{pmatrix} \right) = \mathcal{O}_p(1)$$

But also:

$$n \left( \begin{pmatrix} Y_n \\ Z_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mu_Y \\ \mu_Z \end{pmatrix} \right) = \mathcal{O}_p(\sqrt{n})$$

**e)**

Using:

$$\phi(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \ln x + \ln y \\ \ln x - \ln y \end{pmatrix}$$

The derivative becomes:

$$\phi'(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{x} & \frac{1}{y} \\ \frac{1}{x} & -\frac{1}{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

So (inserting the mean values):

$$\phi'(\mu_Y, \mu_Z) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & -\frac{1}{\mu_Z} \end{pmatrix}$$

applying this to the given covariance structure yields:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & -\frac{1}{\mu_Z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_Z} & -\frac{1}{\mu_Z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \\ \frac{1}{\mu_Y} & -\frac{1}{\mu_Z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} + \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} & \frac{1}{\mu_Y} - \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} \\ \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} + \frac{1}{\mu_Z} & \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} - \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \end{pmatrix}$$

This then leads to:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\mu_Y} \left( \frac{1}{\mu_Y} + \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \left( \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} + \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \right) & \frac{1}{\mu_Y} \left( \frac{1}{\mu_Y} - \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} \right) + \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \left( \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} - \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \right) \\ \frac{1}{\mu_Y} \left( \frac{1}{\mu_Y} + \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} \right) - \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \left( \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} + \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \right) & \frac{1}{\mu_Y} \left( \frac{1}{\mu_Y} - \frac{\rho}{\mu_Z} \right) - \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \left( \frac{\rho}{\mu_Y} - \frac{1}{\mu_Z} \right) \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\Sigma}$$

Asymptotically it then holds that:

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \left( \ln Y_n + \ln Z_n \right) - \left( \ln \mu_Y + \ln \mu_Z \right) \\ \left( \ln Y_n - \ln Z_n \right) - \left( \ln \mu_Y - \ln \mu_Z \right) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \tilde{\Sigma} \right)$$

And for asymptotic independence  $\tilde{\Sigma}_{1,2} = \tilde{\Sigma}_{2,1} = 0$  must hold. The only example i found was:

$$\mu_Y = \mu_Z = \rho = 1$$

## Decision Theory

### Problem 2.1

a)

First let's compute the likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(X|\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \end{aligned}$$

So the likelihood is decreasing in  $\theta$ . Therefore we need to take the smallest  $\theta$  where all of realizations are still in the support of the resulting density.

$$\implies \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} x_i$$

b)

From the way the cdf is defined, we already know that the support of  $f$  is the interval  $[0, \theta)$  and there the pdf is just the derivative of the cdf:

$$\Rightarrow f(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & , x < 0 \\ \frac{n}{\theta} \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} & , 0 \leq x < \theta \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

And for the expectation:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(\hat{\theta}_{ML}) &= \int_0^\theta x \frac{n}{\theta} \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} dx \\ &= \int_0^\theta n \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^n dx \\ &= n \int_0^1 u^n \theta du \\ &= n\theta \left[ \frac{u^{n+1}}{n+1} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \theta \frac{n}{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

So the estimator is biased but asymptotically unbiased.

**c)**

We again are going to use bias variance decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}((\theta - \tilde{\theta})^2) &= Var(\tilde{\theta}) + Bias(\tilde{\theta})^2 \\ &= \frac{n}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \theta^2 + 0 \quad \text{unbiased + hint} \end{aligned}$$

For  $\bar{\theta}$  we are going to first show, that it is unbiased:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\theta}) &= 2 \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(X_i) \\ &= 2 \frac{1}{n} n \frac{\theta}{2} = \theta \end{aligned}$$

Then we continue with the loss:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}((\theta - \bar{\theta})^2) &= \text{Var}(\bar{\theta}) \quad \text{unbiased} \\
&= \frac{4}{n^2} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) \\
&= \frac{4}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) \\
&= \frac{4}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta^2}{12} \\
&= \frac{4}{n^2} n \frac{\theta^2}{12} \\
&= \frac{\theta^2}{3n}
\end{aligned}$$

Now that we have these two risks we can compare them:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{n}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \theta^2 &\leq \frac{\theta^2}{3n} \\
\frac{1}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} &\leq \frac{1}{3} \\
(n+2)(n+1)^2 &\geq 3 \\
n &\geq 1
\end{aligned}$$

This means, that the corrected maximum likelihood estimator is R-better.

## Problem 2.2

**a)**

The set is not **minimally** essentially complete, because the lower boundary is also essentially complete, we therefore have found a proper subset, that is essentially complete which proves the statement

**b)**

Because the half-circle is also a proper subset and complete. Therefore proving, that the proposed set is only complete but not minimal

**c)**

The half-circle of the lower border is a minimally complete set, because all rules are admissible meaning, that there is no R-better rule in the decision set for every element of the proposed set of the half-circle

**d)**

No, because the set is convex. If you take two points (or rules) of the set, their line will be above the proposed line (so all the randomized rules are R-worse than the rules from the set)



e)

Because all the rules are admissible, we only need to find an equalizer rule:

$$\begin{aligned}R(\theta_1, \delta_M) &= R(\theta_0, \delta_M) \\y &= 1 - \sqrt{1 - (y - 1)^2} \\1 - y &= \sqrt{1 - (y - 1)^2} \\(1 - y)^2 &= 1 - (y - 1)^2 \\(1 - y)^2 + (y - 1)^2 &= 1 \\1 - 2y + y^2 + y^2 - 2y + 1 &= 1 \\0 &= 2y^2 - 4y + 1 \\0 &= y^2 - 2y + \frac{1}{2} \\y_{1,2} &= 1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \\y &= 1 - \sqrt{0.5}\end{aligned}$$

### Problem 2.3

a)

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta &= \{0.3, 0.7\} \\ \mathcal{X} &= \{0, 1\}^2 \\ D &= \{\delta_0, \delta_1\} = \begin{cases} H_0 \text{ is true} \\ H_1 \text{ is true} \end{cases} \\ L &= 0-1 \text{ loss} \end{aligned}$$

b)

We can say:

$$Y \sim \text{Binom}(2, p)$$

And this makes the calculation a lot easier:

$$\begin{aligned}P_{p_0}(Y = 0) &= (1 - p_0)^2 = 0.49 \\ P_{p_0}(Y = 1) &= 2p_0(1 - p_0) = 2 * 0.3 * 0.7 = 0.42 \\ P_{p_0}(Y = 2) &= p_0^2 = 0.3^2 = 0.09\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand for  $p_1 = 0.7$  we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{p_1}(Y = 0) &= (1 - p_1)^2 = 0.09 \\
P_{p_1}(Y = 1) &= 2p_1(1 - p_1) = 2 * 0.7 * 0.3 = 0.42 \\
P_{p_1}(Y = 2) &= p_1^2 = 0.7^2 = 0.49
\end{aligned}$$

For the accept and reject probabilities we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{p_0}(\delta(Y, \{0.7\}) = 0) &= P_{p_0}(Y \neq 2) = 0.91 \\
P_{p_0}(\delta(Y, \{0.7\}) = 1) &= P_{p_0}(Y = 2) = 0.09 \\
P_{p_1}(\delta(Y, \{0.7\}) = 0) &= P_{p_1}(Y \neq 2) = 0.51 \\
P_{p_1}(\delta(Y, \{0.7\}) = 1) &= P_{p_1}(Y = 2) = 0.49
\end{aligned}$$

So Type 1 (false rejection) is pretty low at 9% but false acceptance is even higher than correct acceptance at 49%.

**c)**

Like said in **b)** the test statistic is binomial distributed by definition:

$$Y \sim \text{Binom}(2, p)$$

And for any specific  $\alpha$  for the size of the test, yes we can, by randomization:

$$\delta_\alpha(y, \{0.7\}) = \begin{cases} X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\min\{1, \frac{0.09}{\alpha}\}) & , y = 2 \\ 0 & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$

**d)**

The risk is the expected loss:

$$\mathbb{E}(L(\delta, p))$$

With the  $0-K_i$  loss we get:

$$\mathbb{E}(L(\delta(y, \{0.7\}, p))) = \begin{cases} P(\text{type 1 error})2K_0 & , \text{ if } p = 0.3 \\ P(\text{type 2 error})K_0 & , \text{ if } p = 0.7 \end{cases}$$

**e)**

To calculate the Bayes risk we have to compute:

$$B(\delta, P) = \sum_{i=0}^1 R(\delta, p_i)P(p = p_i)$$

Now  $p$  is a random variable and now the computation changes to:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=0}^1 R(\delta, p_i)P(p = p_i) &= P(p = p_0)P(\text{type 1 error})2K_0 \\
&+ P(p = p_1)P(\text{type 2 error})K_0 \\
&= \frac{2}{3}0.18K_0 + \frac{1}{3}0.51K_0
\end{aligned}$$

**f)**

Make it an equalizer rule:

$$\begin{aligned}
R(\delta, p_0) &= R(\delta, p_1) \\
\frac{2}{3}0.09cK_0 &= \frac{1}{3}0.51K_0 \\
c &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{0.51}{0.09} \\
c &= 2.889
\end{aligned}$$