

**Homework 1: Due Jan. 20th 2022**

1 **Statistics and Sufficient Statistics** Consider experiments that produce  $n$  i.i.d. observation  $Y_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} p(y; \theta)$ . For each of the following model, find the log-likelihood function  $L(\mathbf{y}; \theta)$  and a sufficient statistic of as “low dimension” as possible.

- (a) Normal distribution with unknown mean  $\mathcal{N}(\theta, 1)$ .
- (b) Exponential distribution with unknown mean  $\mathcal{E}(\theta)$ .
- (c) Poisson distribution with unknown mean  $\mathcal{P}(\theta)$ .
- (d) Bernoulli with unknown mean  $\mathcal{B}(\theta)$ .
- (e) Uniform distribution  $\mathcal{U}(0, \theta)$ .

2 **Gaussian Mixture** Suppose that  $Y_i$  is an i.i.d. sequence drawn from  $\mathcal{N}(\theta, 1)$ , and  $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$ . We know that  $t(\mathbf{Y}) = \sum_i Y_i$  is a sufficient statistic. Consider next the model involving a Bernoulli random variable  $X \sim \mathcal{B}(\frac{1}{4})$  in which

$$Y \sim \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}(\theta, 1) & X = 0 \\ \mathcal{N}(\theta, 2) & X = 1 \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that  $(\sum_i Y_i, X)$  is a sufficient statistic.
- (b) Is  $\sum_i Y_i$  a sufficient statistic?