

Problem 1

- a) Construct a 95% confidence interval to estimate the proportion of students that do not currently have a job

$$\cdot n = 190$$

$$\cdot Z_c = 1.96$$

$$\cdot \hat{p} = \frac{112}{190} = 0.5895$$

$$\hat{p} \pm z_c \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} = 0.5895 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{0.5895(1-0.5895)}{190}} = [0.519, 0.659]$$

We are 95% confident that the true effectiveness rate is between 51.9% and 65.9%.

- b) Find the sample size to construct a 99% confidence interval

$$\cdot \hat{p} = 0.62$$

$$\cdot Z_c = 2.576$$

$$\cdot \Delta = 0.04$$

$$n \geq \hat{p}(1-\hat{p}) \left(\frac{Z_c}{\Delta} \right)^2$$

$$n \geq (0.62)(1-0.62) \left(\frac{2.576}{0.04} \right)^2$$

$$n \geq 977.18$$

$$n = 978 \text{ or more}$$

Problem 2

a) Derive the method of moment estimator (MOME) for θ .

Population Moment

Sample Moment

$$E(x) = \int_0^{\infty} x \theta x^{\theta-1} dx$$

$$\bar{x}$$

$$= \theta \int_0^1 x^{\theta} dx$$

$$= \theta \left. \frac{x^{\theta+1}}{\theta+1} \right|_0^1$$

$$= \theta \left[\frac{1^{\theta+1}}{\theta+1} - 0 \right] = \frac{\theta}{\theta+1}$$

$$\frac{\theta}{\theta+1} = \bar{x}$$

$$\theta = (\theta+1)\bar{x}$$

$$\theta = \bar{x}\theta + \bar{x}$$

$$\theta - \bar{x}\theta = \bar{x}$$

$$\theta(1-\bar{x}) = \bar{x}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{\theta}_{\text{MOME}} = \frac{\bar{x}}{1-\bar{x}}}$$

b) Derive the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for θ

Step 1: $L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta x_i^{\theta-1} = \theta^n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{\theta-1}$

Step 2: $\ln L(\theta) = n \ln \theta + (\theta-1) \ln \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i)$

Step 3: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \ln L(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} + \ln \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i) = 0$

$$\frac{n}{\theta} = -\ln(\bar{x})$$

$$\theta = -\frac{n}{\ln(\bar{x})}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = -\frac{n}{\ln(\bar{x})}$$

Step 4: Confirm $\hat{\theta}$ is the maximum

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \ln L(\theta) = -\frac{n}{\theta^2} < 0$$

$\therefore \hat{\theta}$ is the maximum by 2nd derivative.

Problem 3

Construct a 97% confidence interval for different proportions

$$\cdot x_1 = 51$$

$$\cdot n_1 = 140$$

$$\cdot x_2 = 19$$

$$\cdot n_2 = 49$$

$$\cdot C\text{-level} = 0.97$$

$$\therefore (-0.1984, 0.1515)$$

$$p_1 - p_2 = 0$$

$$p_1 = p_2$$

\therefore There are no evidence that one sex is more musically inclined than other.