

(3) Minimal sufficient statistic 1

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \mu)$  distribution, where  $\mu > 0$  is unknown.

(a) Show that the statistic  $\sum X_i^2$  is minimal sufficient in the  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \mu)$  family.

(b) Show that the statistic  $(\sum X_i, \sum X_i^2)$  is sufficient but not minimal sufficient in the  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \mu)$  family.

$$a) L(x|\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\mu}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\mu}\right) = (2\pi\mu)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2\mu} (2x_i\mu - x_i^2 - \mu^2)\right) \\ = (2\pi\mu)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{n\mu}{2}\right) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) = g(T(x)|\mu) h(x), \text{ where}$$

$$g(z|\mu) = (2\pi\mu)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} z - \frac{n\mu}{2}\right) \text{ and } h(x) = \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)$$

Hence,  $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$  is sufficient.

$$\frac{L(x|\mu)}{L(y|\mu)} = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right)\right) \frac{h(x)}{h(y)} \text{ is constant as a function of } \mu, \text{ if and}$$

only if  $T(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = T(x)$ , hence  $T(x)$  is minimal sufficient.

b)  $S(x) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right)$  is clearly sufficient, since one component is  $T(x)$ , simply

$$\text{take } \tilde{g}(z|\mu) = (2\pi\mu)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu} z - \frac{n\mu}{2}\right)$$

Assume there was a function  $r: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $r(T(x)) = S(x)$ .

$$\text{We have } 1 = 1 + \sum_{i=2}^n 0 = \pi_1\left(r\left(1 + \sum_{i=2}^n 0^2\right)\right) = \pi_2\left(r\left((-1)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n 0^2\right)\right) = -1 \quad \text{b}$$

Hence, such a function  $r$  can not exist and  $S(x)$  is bigger than  $T(x)$ .