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MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS  
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*Permitted aids: pocket calculator, one hand-written sheet of formulae (2 pages), dictionary*

*Time: 5 hours. For a pass (mark 3) the requirement is at least 18 points. For the mark 4, 25-31 points are necessary. For an excellent test (mark 5) the requirement is at least 32 points. Every problem is worth 5 points. For the international ECTS the following main rules are valid: A: 36-40 points, B: 28-35 points, C: 23-27 points, D: 20-22 points, E: 18-19 points.*

*OBS: Please explain your approach and write down your arguments. Solutions without any explanation will not be accepted!!!*

1. A manufacturer of ball point pens randomly samples with replacement  $2n$  units per working day from the daily production. During the weekend (Saturday, Sunday) only  $n$  pens are sampled.
  - (a) Assume that the probability of a defect  $p$  is constant during the whole week. Formulate a statistical model for one week.
  - (b) Belongs this model to an exponential family? Determine the natural parameter and the sufficient statistic.
  - (c) Which distribution has the sufficient statistic?
  - (d) Determine the Fisher information.
  - (e) Determine the Cramer Rao bound for estimating  $p$ .
2. Consider an i.i.d. sample  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  from  $Geo(p)$ , with probability function  $p(x; p) = pq^x$ , where  $q = 1 - p, 0 < p < 1$  and with expected value  $EX = \frac{q}{p}$  and variance  $Var(X) = \frac{q}{p^2}$ .
  - (a) Derive the likelihood function of the sample.
  - (b) Derive the score function.
  - (c) Derive the maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{p}_{MLE}$  for  $p$ .
  - (d) Is the  $\hat{p}_{MLE}$  unbiased?

- (e) Is the  $\hat{p}_{MLE}$  efficient?
3. A manufacturer of ball point pens randomly samples with replacement  $n$  units per day from the daily production.
- (a) Formulate a statistical model for one week, where the probability for defective pens during the weekend production is 2 times higher than during the working days production.
  - (b) Belongs this model to an exponential family? Determine the natural parameters and the sufficient statistics.
  - (c) Determine the covariance matrix of the sufficient statistics.
  - (d) Is it a strictly  $k$ -parametric exponential family? In case of "yes", determine  $k$ .
4. Consider an i.i.d. sample  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  with the density (Epanechnikov quadratic kernel)

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{3}{4h} \left(1 - \left(\frac{x-a}{h}\right)^2\right) I_{[a-h, a+h]}(x), \theta = (a, h) \quad (1)$$

with  $Ex = a, Var(X) = \frac{1}{5}h^2$ .

- (a) Does the distribution in (1) belong to an exponential family?
  - (b) Derive moment estimators  $\hat{a}_{MME}, \hat{h}_{MME}$  for  $a$  and  $h$ .
  - (c) Is the moment estimator  $\hat{a}_{MME}$  for  $a$  unbiased?
  - (d) Calculate the variance of  $\hat{a}_{MME}$ .
  - (e) Is the moment estimator  $\hat{a}_{MME}$  BUE?
5. Consider an i.i.d. sample  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  from  $N(\mu, \mu)$ , with density

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\mu}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\mu}(x-\mu)^2\right), \mu > 0.$$

We are interested in the test problem

$$H_0 : \mu = 1 \text{ versus } H_1 : \mu \neq 1.$$

Let us apply the approach of a test: assessing evidence.

- (a) Is the null hypothesis simple? Give the model under  $H_0$ .
- (b) Propose an appropriate test statistic.
- (c) Determine the null distribution. Is the null distribution symmetric?
- (d) Define the  $p$ -value.
- (e) Which distribution has the  $p$ -value under  $H_0$ ? Why?
- (f) Suppose the  $p$ -value takes the value 0.0001. What is your conclusion?

6. Consider the testing problem

$$H_0 : p_0(x) \text{ versus } H_1 : p_1(x)$$

where the distributions are given in the following table.

$x$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$p_0(x)$	0.1	0.02	0.33	0.05	0.2	0.1	0.2
$p_1(x)$	0	0.03	0.17	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1

- (a) Give the Neyman Pearson test for  $\alpha = 0.1$ .
  - (b) Calculate the probability of the error of second type.
  - (c) Give an alternative alpha test for  $\alpha = 0.1$ .
  - (d) Compare your test of (c) with the Neyman Pearson test in (a).
7. Suppose an i.i.d. sample  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  from  $X \sim N(\mu, 1)$  with  $\mu \in \{-1, 1\}$ .

Consider the test problem  $H_0 : \mu = 1$  versus  $H_1 : \mu = -1$

- (a) Explain, what is the error of first type?
- (b) Explain, what is the error of second type?
- (c) Derive the class of Neyman Pearson tests for this test problem.
- (d) Derive the power function of the Neyman Pearson tests. Explain the relation between the error of first and second type.
- (e) Sign (roughly!) the  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -presentation for this test problem.

( Hint: 

$x$	0	0.67	1	1.64	1.67
$\Phi(x)$	0.5	0.75	0.8413	0.95	0.9525

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8. Consider an i.i.d. sample  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  from  $X \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  with density

$$f(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^\alpha (1 - x)^{\beta-1} I_{[0,1]}(x), \quad \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$$

with  $EX = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$ ,  $\text{mode} = \frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha + \beta - 2}$ ,  $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2(\alpha + \beta - 2)}$ .

- (a) Belongs the distribution of  $\mathbf{X}$  to an exponential family? Derive the natural parameters and the sufficient statistics.
- (b) When is the  $\text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  distribution symmetric?
- (c) Consider the two sided test problem:

$$H_0 : \alpha = 2, \beta = 2 \text{ versus } H_0 : \beta = 2, \alpha > 2 \quad (2)$$

Derive the UMP  $\alpha - \text{test}$ .

- (d) Give the properties of an UMP  $\alpha - \text{test}$ .