

Isi Mock 3 PSB

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Group A

1. Suppose V is the space of all $n \times n$ matrices with real elements. Define $T : V \rightarrow V$ by $T(A) = AB - BA$, $A \in V$, where $B \in V$ is a fixed matrix. Show that for any $B \in V$ (a) T is linear; (b) T is not one-one; (c) T is not onto.
2. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n x^n$ be a power series with radius of convergence R . Define the sequence y_n as follows:

$$y_0 = 0; y_n = \theta y_{n-1} + b_n; \text{ for } n \geq 1, \theta \neq 0.$$

Show that the sequence $\left\{ \frac{y_n - b_n}{\theta^n} : n \geq 1 \right\}$ converges if $|\theta| > \frac{1}{R}$.

3. Consider a random arrangement of 20 boys and 16 girls in a line. Let X be the number of boys with girls on both sides, and Y be the number of girls with boys on both sides. Find $E(X + Y)$.

Group B

1. Suppose two teams play a series of games, each producing a winner and a loser, until one team has won two more games than the other. Let G be the total number of games played. Assume each team has a chance of 0.5 to win each game, independent of the results of the previous games. (a) Find the probability distribution of G . (b) Find the expected value of G .
2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be *iid* random variables with one of two probability density functions $f(x|\theta), \theta = 0, 1$. If $\theta = 0$, then,

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

while if $\theta = 1$, then,

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} & \text{if } 0 < x < 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- a) Find the maximum likelihood estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ of θ .
 - b) Show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{\theta=0}(\hat{\theta}_n = 0) = 1$.
3. Let $X_1 \sim \text{Geo}(p_1)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Geo}(p_2)$ be independent random variables. We are interested in testing the null hypothesis $H_0 : p_1 = p_2$ against the alternative $H_1 : p_1 < p_2$. Intuitively, it is clear that we should reject if X_1 is large, but unfortunately we cannot compute a cutoff because the distribution of X_1 under H_0 depends on the unknown (common) value of p_1 and p_2 .
 - a) Let $Y = X_1 + X_2$. Find the conditional distribution of $X_1|Y = y$ when $p_1 = p_2$.
 - b) Based on the result obtained in a), derive a level 0.05 test for H_0 against H_1 that rejects H_0 when X_1 is large.

4. Suppose die A has 4 red faces and 2 green faces while die B has 2 red faces and 4 green faces. Assume that both the dice are unbiased. An experiment is started with the toss of an unbiased coin. If the toss results in a Head, then die A is rolled repeatedly while if the toss of the coin results in a Tail, then die B is rolled repeatedly. For $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, define

$$X_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k^{\text{th}} \text{ role of the die results in red face} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the probability mass function of X_k . (b) Calculate $\rho(X_1, X_7)$.
5. Let X_1, X_2, Z be independent RVs such that $X_i \sim N(0, 1), i=1, 2$ and $P(Z = 1) = P(Z = -1) = \frac{1}{2}$. Let, $Y_i = Z|X_i|, i=1, 2$. Show that Y_1, Y_2 are $N(0, 1)$ variables. Are Y_1, Y_2 independent?
6. A straight line regression $E(y) = \alpha + \beta x$ is to be fitted using four observations. Assume $\text{Var}(y|x) = \sigma^2$ for all x . The values of x at which observations are to be made lie in the closed interval $[-1, 1]$. The following choices of the values of x where observations are to be made are available: (a) two observations each at $x = -1$ and $x = 1$, (b) one observation each at $x = -1$ and $x = 1$ and two observations at $x = 0$, (c) one observation each at $x = -1, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1$. If the interest is to estimate the slope with least variance, which of the above strategies would you choose and why?