

Exercise 2:

A statistics $T = T(X)$ is sufficient statistics for θ if the conditional distribution of X given T is free of θ ; i.e. if the ratio

$$f_{X|T}(x|t) = \frac{f_X(x|\theta)}{f_T(t|\theta)}$$

is free of θ for all $x \in X$. In other words, after conditioning on T , we have removed all information about θ from sample X .

The joint distribution of the n -order statistics is

$$\begin{aligned} & f_{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) \\ &= n! f_X(x_1 | \theta) f_X(x_2 | \theta) \dots f_X(x_n | \theta) \\ &= n! f_X(x | \theta) \end{aligned}$$

for $-\infty < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n < \infty$. Therefore the ratio

$$\frac{f_X(x | \theta)}{f_T(x | \theta)} = \frac{f_X(x | \theta)}{n! f_X(x | \theta)} = \frac{1}{n!}$$

which is free of θ .

So, according to the definition of sufficiency: $T = T(X) = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is a sufficient statistic.

