PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS – PROBLEM SET 10

- 1. If X_1, \ldots, X_n is an independent sample of size n from a population defined by the pmf $f(x) = \theta^x (1-\theta)^{1-x}$, x = 0, 1, where $0 < \theta < 1$, find the maximum likelihood estimator for θ .
- 2. Find the maximum likelihood estimator for θ in each of the following cases:
 - (a) $f(x; \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$, 0 < x < 1, where $\theta > 0$. (b) $f(x; \theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}$, x > 0, where $\theta > 0$.

 - (c) $f(x; \theta) = e^{-(x-\theta)}, x \ge \theta$, where θ is any real number. (d) $f(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x-\theta|}$, where θ is any real number.
 - (e) $f(x; \theta) = \frac{2x}{\alpha^2}$, $0 \le x \le \theta$, where $\theta > 0$.
- 3. Find the mles of θ_1 and θ_2 in each of the following cases:
 - (a) $X \sim N(\theta_1, \theta_2)$
 - (b) $f(x; \theta_1, \theta_2) = \frac{1}{\theta_2} e^{-\frac{(x-\theta_1)}{\theta_2}}, x > \theta_1$

where θ_1 is any real number and $\theta_2 > 0$.

- 4. Find the mle of θ in each of the following cases:
 - (a) $X \sim B(m, \theta)$.
 - (b) $X \sim \mathcal{P}(\theta)$.
- 5. Let $X \sim U[0, \theta]$, where $\theta > 0$. Compute the mle for θ and show that it is unbiased.
- 6. Show that \overline{X} is an unbiased and consistent estimator of population mean.
- 7. Let Y_n be an unbiased estimator of θ , such that $V(Y_n) \to 0$ as $n \to \inf$. Then show that Y_n is consistent.