

## CSCI 22012-Statistics for Decision Making

### Assignment #01

Due on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Time: 4.00 p.m.

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1. Given a random sample of  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$  size  $n$  from a geometric population. Use the method of moments to find an estimator for the parameter  $\theta$ .
2. If  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$  constitute a random sample of size  $n$  from a population given by

$$g(x; \alpha) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot e^{\frac{-(x-\delta)}{\alpha}}; & \text{for } x > \delta \\ 0 & ; \text{ elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find an estimator for  $\delta$  and  $\alpha$  by using the method of moments.

3. Given a random sample of  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$  size  $n$  from a uniform distribution  $\left(f(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}; \alpha < x < \beta\right)$ ,  $\alpha = 0$ , find an estimator for  $\beta$  by
  - a) Method of moments,
  - b) Method of maximum likelihood.
4. Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a normal distribution with unknown mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ .
  - a) Find maximum likelihood estimators of mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ .
  - b) Suppose the weights of randomly selected American female college students are normally distributed with unknown mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$ . A random sample of 10 American female college students yielded the following weights (in pounds):

115 122 130 127 149 160 152 138 149 180

Using the given sample, find a maximum likelihood estimate of  $\mu$ .

5. Let  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n$  be random variables that follow a Weibull distribution, which has the density,

$$f(y; \alpha, \theta) = \frac{\alpha y^{\alpha-1}}{\theta^\alpha} e^{-\left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^\alpha}$$

Suppose that  $\alpha$  is known, but  $\theta$  is unknown. Show that the MLE of  $\theta$  is,  $\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^\alpha\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$

6. Consider the distribution of serum cholesterol levels for all males in the US who are hypertensive and who smoke. This distribution has an unknown mean and a standard deviation of 46mg /100ml. Suppose we draw a random sample of 12 individuals from this population and find that the mean cholesterol level is 217mg/100ml. Find 95%,99%, and 90% confidence intervals for population mean  $\mu$ .
7. a) Let be a random sample from the normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  construct a 95% CI for  $\mu$ .  
 b)On the basis of the results obtained from a random sample of 100 men from a particular district, the 95% CI for the mean height of a man in the district is found to be (177.22cm, 179.18cm) . Find the values of the sample mean and the population standard deviation of the normal distribution from which the sample was drawn. Also find the 98% for the mean height.
8. A sample of 500 nursing applications included 60 men. Find the 90% confidence interval of the true proportion of men who applied to the nursing program.
9. A survey of 200,000 boat owners found that 12% of the pleasure boats were named *Serenity*. Find the 95% confidence interval of the proportion of boats named *Serenity*.
10. A social experiment conducted in 1962 involved  $n = 123$  three and four-year-old children from poverty-level families in Ypsilanti and Michigan. The children were randomly assigned either to (1) a treatment group receiving two years of preschool instruction, or to (2) a control group receiving no preschool instruction. The participants were followed into their adult years. Here is a summary of the data:

	Arrested for some crime	
	Yes	No
Control	32	30
Treatment	19	42

Find a 95% confidence interval for  $p_1 - p_2$ , the difference in the two population proportions.