

Assignment - 2 Solutions

1. (a).

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x-\theta)} & \text{if } x > \theta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

MLE of $g(\theta) = \theta$ is $\delta_M(\underline{x}) = X_{(1)}$. The density function of $X_{(1)}$ is

$$f_{X_{(1)}}(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-n(x-\theta)} & \text{if } x > \theta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$E_{\theta}(X_{(1)}) = \theta + \frac{1}{n}, \text{ for all } \theta \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

$$E_{\theta}(X_{(1)} - \frac{1}{n}) = \theta, \text{ for all } \theta \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

\implies Unbiased estimator of $g(\theta) = \theta$ is $\delta_U(\underline{x}) = X_{(1)} - \frac{1}{n}$.

Now, we compare $\delta_U(\underline{x}), \delta_M(\underline{x})$ through MSE,

$$\begin{aligned} MSE_{\delta_M(\underline{x})} - MSE_{\delta_U(\underline{x})} &= E_{\theta}(X_{(1)} - \theta)^2 - E_{\theta}(X_{(1)} - \frac{1}{n} - \theta)^2 \\ &= \frac{2}{n} E_{\theta}(X_{(1)} - \theta) - \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &> 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \delta_U(\underline{x})$ is better than $\delta_M(\underline{x})$.

(b). $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$, $g(\theta) = \theta$.

MLE of $g(\theta) = \theta$ is $\delta_M(\underline{x}) = \bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} = \frac{T}{n}$.

$$E_{\theta}(T) = n\theta, \text{ for all } \theta > 0,$$

$$E_{\theta}\left(\frac{T}{n}\right) = \theta$$

$\therefore \delta_U(\underline{x}) = \delta_M(\underline{x}) = \bar{X}$.

(c). $X \sim U(0, \theta)$, $g(\theta) = \theta^r$.

MLE of θ is $X_{(n)} \implies$ MLE of $g(\theta) = \theta^r$ is $\delta_M(\underline{x}) = X_{(n)}^r$. The density function of $X_{(n)}$ is

$$f_{X_{(n)}}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{nx^{n-1}}{\theta^n} & \text{if } 0 < x < \theta, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta(X_{(n)}^r) &= \frac{n}{n+r} \theta^r \\ \implies \delta_U(\underline{x}) &= \frac{n+r}{n} X_{(n)}^r. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} MSE_{\delta_M(\underline{x})} - MSE_{\delta_U(\underline{x})} &= E_\theta(X_{(n)}^r - \theta^r)^2 - E_\theta\left(\frac{n+r}{n} X_{(n)}^r - \theta^r\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{r^2(n-r)}{n(n+r)(n+2r)} \theta^{2r} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

*for $n > r$, $\delta_U(\underline{x})$ is better than $\delta_M(\underline{x})$
for $n < r$, $\delta_M(\underline{x})$ is better than $\delta_U(\underline{x})$
for $n = r$, both have same MSE.*

(d). $X \sim N(\theta, 1)$, $g(\theta) = \theta^2$

MLE of θ^2 is $\delta_M(\underline{x}) = \bar{X}^2$ since the MLE of θ is \bar{X} . $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\theta, \frac{1}{n}\right)$, $E_\theta(\bar{X}^2) = \frac{1}{n} + \theta^2 \implies$
 $E_\theta(\bar{X}^2 - \frac{1}{n}) = \theta^2$, for all $\theta \implies \delta_U(\underline{x}) = \bar{X}^2 - \frac{1}{n}$.

$$\begin{aligned} MSE_{\delta_M(\underline{x})} - MSE_{\delta_U(\underline{x})} &= E_\theta(\bar{X}^2 - \theta^2)^2 - E_\theta\left(\bar{X}^2 - \frac{1}{n} - \theta^2\right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} > 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \delta_U(\underline{x})$ is better than $\delta_M(\underline{x})$.

2. (a). $X \sim U(-\theta, 2\theta)$, $g(\theta) = \theta$.

$$\mu_1^1 = \frac{3\theta}{2} \text{ and } E_\theta(T) = E_\theta\left(\frac{2\bar{X}}{3}\right) = \theta$$

$T = \frac{2\bar{X}}{3}$ is unbiased and consistent for θ .

(b)&(c). $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \implies \bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$. Let $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \implies W = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$.

$$E(\sqrt{W}) = E\left(\frac{\sqrt{n-1}s}{\sigma}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)} \implies E(T_1) = E\left(s \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\frac{n-1}{2}}\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)}\right) = \sigma$$

Similarly,

$$E\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{W}}\right) = E\left(\frac{\sigma}{s\sqrt{n-1}}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{2}\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)} \implies E(T_2) = E\left(\frac{\sqrt{\frac{2}{n-1}}\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)}{s \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right)}\right) = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

As \bar{X} & s are independent,

$U_1 = \bar{X}T_2$ is unbiased and consistent for $\frac{\mu}{\sigma}$

$U_2 = \bar{X} + bT_1$ is unbiased and consistent for $\mu + b\sigma$

(d). $X \sim \text{poisson}(\theta)$, $g(\theta) = e^\theta$.

\bar{X} is an unbiased estimator of θ and $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \theta$. Using the properties of limits one can prove that $e^{\bar{X}} \xrightarrow{p} e^\theta$. Therefore, $e^{\bar{X}}$ is consistent estimator for e^θ .

3. $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim U(0, \theta)$

$MLE \text{ of } \theta \text{ is } \delta_{MLE}(\underline{x}) = X_{(n)}$

$MME \text{ of } \theta \text{ is } \delta_{MME}(\underline{x}) = 2\bar{X}$

$$E_\theta(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta}{n+1}, E_\theta(X_{(n)})^2 = \frac{n\theta^2}{n+2} \text{ and } Var_\theta(X_{(n)}) = \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2}$$

$$E_\theta(X_1) = \frac{\theta}{2}, E_\theta(X_1^2) = \frac{\theta^2}{3} \text{ and } Var_\theta(X_1) = \frac{\theta^2}{12} \implies MSE_{\delta_{MME}(\underline{x})} = E_\theta((2\bar{X} - \theta)^2) = \frac{\theta^2}{3n}$$

$$MSE_{\delta_{MME}(\underline{x})} - Var_\theta(X_{(n)}) = \frac{\theta^2}{3n} - \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \geq 0$$

4. $X_1, X_2 \sim \exp(\lambda)$, mean $\frac{1}{\lambda}$

$$T_1 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{2}, T_2 = \sqrt{X_1 X_2}$$

$$E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \implies T_1 \text{ is unbiased for } \frac{1}{\lambda}. E(T_2) = E(\sqrt{X_1 X_2}) = \left(E(\sqrt{X_1})\right)^2 = \frac{\pi}{4\lambda} \text{ and}$$

$$MSE(T_2) = E\left(\sqrt{X_1 X_2} - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^2 = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right). T_2 \text{ is better than } T_1 \text{ since } Var(T_1) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} > MSE(T_2).$$

5. Given, $T = \alpha T_1 + (1 - \alpha)T_2 \implies E(T) = \alpha E(T_1) + (1 - \alpha)E(T_2) = \alpha\theta + (1 - \alpha)\theta = \theta$, this proves T is an unbiased estimator of θ .

$$Var(T) = \alpha^2\sigma_1^2 + (1 - \alpha)^2\sigma_2^2 + (\alpha - \alpha^2)\sigma_{12}$$

$$Var(T) \text{ attains minimum at } \alpha = \frac{\sigma_2^2 - \sigma_{12}}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - 2\sigma_{12}}$$

- 6.

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{x}{\theta} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2}{2\theta}\right\}, \quad x > 0, \quad \theta > 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log f &= \log x - \log \theta - \frac{x^2}{2\theta} \\ E\left(\frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 &= E\left(\frac{x^2}{2\theta^2} - \frac{1}{\theta}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \end{aligned}$$

The CRLB bound for the variance of the unbiased estimator of θ is $\frac{\theta^2}{n}$. Also, $T = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ is an unbiased estimator for θ .

$$Var(T) = \frac{\theta^2}{n}, \text{ so } T \text{ is UMVUE for } \theta.$$

- 7.

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta(1 - x)^{-(\theta+1)}, \quad x > 0, \quad \theta > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{1}{\theta} - \log(1 + x) \\ E(\log(1 + x)) &= \frac{1}{\theta} \text{ and } E(\log(1 + x))^2 = \frac{2}{\theta^2} \\ E\left(\frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 &= \frac{1}{\theta^2}. \text{ Thus, CRLB is } \frac{\theta^2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + x_i) \text{ is unbiased for } \frac{1}{\theta} \text{ and } Var(T) = \frac{\theta^2}{n} \implies T \text{ is UMVUE of } \frac{1}{\theta}.$$

8. From the given data, $E(X) = \theta - \frac{1}{2}$, So $T = \bar{X} + \frac{1}{2}$ is unbiased for θ and $Var(T) = \frac{1 + 4\theta - 4\theta^2}{4n}$.

$$\frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \begin{cases} 1/(\theta - 1), & x = -1 \\ 0, & x = 0 \\ 1/\theta, & x = 1. \end{cases}$$

$$E\left(\frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2\theta(1 - \theta)}, \text{ CRLB is } \frac{2\theta(1 - \theta)}{n}. \text{ Also, } Var(T) - \frac{2\theta(1 - \theta)}{n} \geq 0.$$

9. (a). (i). α is known

$$f(x|\beta) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma_\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}$$

$$h(x) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma_\alpha}, c(\beta) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha}, w_1(\beta) = \frac{1}{\beta}, t_1(x) = -x.$$

(ii). β is known

$$f(x|\alpha) = e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}} \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma_\alpha} \exp((\alpha-1)\log x)$$

$$h(x) = e^{-\frac{x}{\beta}}, c(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma_\alpha}, w_1(\alpha) = \alpha-1, t_1(x) = \log x$$

(iii). α and β are unknown

$$f(x|\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma_\alpha} \exp\left((\alpha-1)\log x - \frac{x}{\beta}\right)$$

$$h(x) = I_{\{x>0\}}(x), c(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{\beta^\alpha \Gamma_\alpha}, w_1(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha-1, t_1(x) = \log x, w_2(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{-1}{\beta}, t_2(x) = x$$

(b). (i). α is known

$$h(x) = x^{\alpha-1} I_{[0,1]}(x), c(\beta) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)}, w_1(\beta) = \beta-1, t_1(x) = \log(1-x)$$

(ii). β is known

$$h(x) = (1-x)^{\beta-1} I_{[0,1]}(x), c(\alpha) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)}, w_1(\alpha) = \alpha-1, t_1(x) = \log x$$

(iii). α and β are unknown

$$h(x) = I_{[0,1]}(x), c(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)}, w_1(\beta) = \beta-1, t_1(x) = \log(1-x), w_2(\alpha) = \alpha-1, t_2(x) = \log x$$

(c).

$$h(x) = \binom{x-1}{r-1} I_{\{r, r+1, \dots\}}(x), c(p) = \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^r, w_1(p) = \log(1-p), t_1(x) = x.$$

10. (a). Cauchy(1, θ)

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+(x-\theta)^2)} = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-\log(1+(x-\theta)^2)}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

$-\log(1+(x-\theta)^2)$ can not be expressed as $w(\theta)t(x)$.

(b). Uniform $(0, \theta)$

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} = e^{-\log \theta}, \quad 0 < x < \theta.$$

If $f(x|\theta)$ belongs to exponential family, then from Neyman-Fisher factorization criterion $t(x) = 1$ is a sufficient statistic for all $\theta \in (0, \infty)$. But $t(x) = 1$ is not a sufficient statistic for all $\theta \in (0, \infty)$ and hence Uniform $(0, \theta)$ is not exponential family.