

$$f(x_i; q) = q^{1-x_i} (1-q)^{x_i}$$

$$L(q) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; q) = q^{1-x_1} (1-q)^{x_1} \times q^{1-x_2} (1-q)^{x_2} \dots \times q^{1-x_n} (1-q)^{x_n}$$

i)

$$L(q) = q^{n-\sum x_i} (1-q)^{\sum x_i} \rightarrow \text{likelihood}$$

$$\log L(q) = (n - \sum x_i) \log(q) + \sum x_i \log(1-q)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(q)}{\partial q} = \frac{(n - \sum x_i)}{q} - \frac{\sum x_i}{1-q} \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$q(1-q) \left( \frac{(n - \sum x_i)}{q} - \frac{\sum x_i}{1-q} \right) = (n - \sum x_i)(1-q) - (\sum x_i)q = 0$$

$$n - nq - \sum x_i + \sum x_i q - \sum x_i q = 0$$

$$n - nq - \sum x_i = 0$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$n(1-q) - \sum x_i = 0$$

$$\sum x_i = n(1-q)$$

ii)

maximum likelihood  $\rightarrow$

$$\hat{q} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \hat{q} = 1 - \frac{\overset{\# \text{ of } 1}{17}}{n} = 1 - \frac{17}{30} = 0.433$$

iii)

the MLE gives us 0.433 if the students are not interested in buying tickets

iv) The MLE of the population distribution based on the sample data = 0.433 (from eqn iii) - (a)

The  $q$  value obtained from our sample data =  $\frac{13}{30} = 0.433$  - (b)

$\therefore$  Hence, from (a) and (b), we see that  $a = b$ .

$\therefore$  the MLE estimate is unbiased