Stat 122 (Mathematical Statistics III)

Problem Set No. 1

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INSTRUCTION: Present neat and detailed solutions.

1. Let Y_1, Y_2, \cdots, Y_n denote a random sample from the uniform distribution on the interval $(\theta, \theta + 1)$. Let

$$\hat{\theta}_1 = \overline{Y} - \frac{1}{2}$$

and

$$\hat{\theta}_2 = Y_{(n)} - \frac{n}{n+1}$$

- a. Show that both $\hat{\theta}_1$ and $\hat{\theta}_2$ are unbiased estimators for θ . [10 points]
- b. Find the efficiency of $\hat{\theta}_1$ relative to $\hat{\theta}_2$. [10 points]
- 2. Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n denote a random sample from the uniform distribution over the interval $(0, \theta)$. Show using the Factorization Theorem that $Y_{(n)} = max(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)$ is sufficient for θ . [10 points]