

Statistical Inference

Solutions 1

1.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\lambda, \mu; \mathbf{x}) &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2\mu^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{x_i}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left(\frac{n\lambda}{\mu}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2\mu^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i}\right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Factorization Theorem, the statistic

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i}\right)$$

is sufficient for (λ, μ) .

2. (i) The probability generating function $G_{X_i}(s)$ of X_i is given by

$$G_{X_i}(z) = e^{\theta(z-1)}.$$

Hence the p.g.f. $G_T(z)$ of T is given by

$$G_T(s) = G_{X_i}(z)^n = (e^{\theta(z-1)})^n = e^{n\theta(z-1)},$$

the p.g.f. of the Poisson distribution with mean $n\theta$.

(ii)

$$f(\mathbf{x}, t; \theta) = \frac{e^{-n\theta} \theta^t}{\prod x_i!},$$

where $t = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$. From (i), the p.m.f. of T is given by

$$q(t; \theta) = \frac{e^{-n\theta} (n\theta)^t}{t!}.$$

Hence, writing $T(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = t$,

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} | T = t) = \frac{f(\mathbf{x}, t; \theta)}{q(t; \theta)} = \frac{t!}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_n!} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^t.$$

This is a multinomial distribution that does not depend upon θ . Hence, by Theorem 1 of Chapter 1, $T \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

(iii) We may write

$$f(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = (e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum x_i}) \left(\frac{1}{\prod x_i!}\right).$$

Taking $g(\sum x_i; \theta) = e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum x_i}$, $h(\mathbf{x}) = (\prod x_i!)^{-1}$, it follows immediately from the Factorization Theorem that $T \equiv \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

3.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x; \mu, \sigma^2) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu x}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

which is in the form of Equation (8) of Section 1 with $k = 2$,

$$h(x) = 1, \quad A(\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2),$$

$$\eta_1(\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}, \quad t_1(x) = -\frac{1}{2}x^2,$$

$$\eta_2(\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2}, \quad t_2(x) = x.$$

Hence the natural parameters as stated in the question.