MATH 5431: Advanced Mathematical Statistics I

Course outline

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Course descriptions: This course is concerned with the theory of statistical inference in point estimation. Tentative topics include:

sufficiency, ancillary statistics, completeness, UMVU estimators, information inequality, efficiency, maximum likelihood estimators (MLE), asymptotic efficiency, quantile, M-estimation, U-statistics, jackknife and bootstrap, average risk optimality, Bayes estimator, minimaxity and admissibility.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Gain a deeper understanding of statistical principles
- Be able to choose the optimal estimators under different scenarios
- Understand pros and cons of different statistical models
- Solve real problems using statistical models and statistical packages.

Assessment:

Mid-term: 30% or 0%.

Final: 70% or 100% whichever is higher.

Main References:

- Mathematical Statistics by Jun Shao.
- Theory of Point Estimation by Lehmann and Casella, Springer.
- Statistical Inference, by G. Casella and R. L. Berger.