1. (a) Suppose  $X \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2)$  then  $\theta \sim N(\mu, \tau^2)$ . Then  $\overline{X} \sim N(\theta, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ . From here we see the joint distribution is given by

$$f(\overline{x},\theta) = f(\overline{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2/n}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\overline{x}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2/n}\right\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau^2}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\tau^2}\right\}$$

(b) We know that the marginal of a jointly normal distribution is normal, so we need only find the mean and variance.

$$\mathbb{E}(\overline{X}) = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}(\overline{X}|\theta)] = \mathbb{E}[\theta] = \mu$$
$$Var(\overline{X}) = Var[\mathbb{E}(\overline{X})] + \mathbb{E}[Var(\overline{X})] = Var[\theta] + \mathbb{E}[\sigma^2/n] = \tau^2 + \sigma^2/n$$

Therefore, the marginal distribution is given by  $N(\mu, \tau^2 + \sigma^2/n)$ .

(c) To derive the posterior distribution we use  $\pi(\theta|\overline{X}) = \frac{f(\overline{X}|\theta)\pi(\theta)}{m(\overline{X})}$ 

$$\pi(\theta|\overline{X}) = \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2/n}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\overline{x}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2/n}\right\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau^2}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\tau^2}\right\}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\tau^2+\sigma^2/n)}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\overline{x}-\mu)^2}{2(\tau^2+\sigma^2/n)}\right\}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\frac{\tau^2\sigma^2/n}{\tau^2+\sigma^2/n}}} exp\left\{-\frac{(\overline{x}-\theta)^2}{2\sigma^2/n} - \frac{(\theta-\mu)^2}{2\tau^2} + \frac{(\overline{x}-\mu)^2}{2(\sigma^2/n+\tau^2)}\right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \frac{\tau^2 \sigma^2/n}{\tau^2 + \sigma^2/n}}} \exp \left\{ \frac{-(\overline{x} - \theta)^2 \tau^2 (\sigma^2/n + \tau^2) + -(\theta - \mu)^2 \sigma^2/n (\sigma^2/n + \tau^2) + (\overline{x} - \mu)^2 \sigma^2/n \tau^2}{2\sigma^2/n \tau^2 (\sigma^2/n + \tau^2)} \right\}$$

We first focus on the numerator of the exponent term. After expanding, we get the following nine terms.

$$\begin{split} & -\overline{x}^{2}(\tau^{2})^{2}(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) + 2\overline{x}\theta\tau^{2}(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) - \theta^{2}\tau^{2}(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) \\ & - \theta^{2}(\sigma^{2}/n)(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) + 2\theta\mu(\sigma^{2}/n)(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) - \mu(\sigma^{2}/n)(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) \\ & + \overline{x}^{2}(\sigma^{2}/n)\tau^{2} - 2\overline{x}\mu(\sigma^{2}/n)\tau^{2} + \mu^{2}(\sigma^{2})\tau^{2} \\ & = -(\overline{x}\tau^{2} + \mu\sigma^{2}/n)^{2} - (\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2})^{2}\theta^{2} + (\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2})(2\overline{x}\theta\tau^{2} + 2\theta\mu\sigma^{2}/n) \\ & = -\left(\theta(\sigma^{2}/n + \tau^{2}) - (\overline{x}\tau^{2} + \mu\sigma^{2}/n)\right)^{2} \end{split}$$

Now dividing by  $(\sigma^2/n + \tau^2)^2$  we see that we have

$$\pi(\theta|\overline{X}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \frac{\tau^2 \sigma^2/n}{\sigma^2/n + \tau^2}}} exp \left\{ -\frac{\left(\theta - \frac{\tau^2}{(\sigma^2/n + \tau^2)}\overline{x} - \frac{\sigma^2/n}{(\sigma^2/n + \tau^2)}\mu\right)}{2\frac{\tau^2 \sigma^2/n}{\sigma^2/n + \tau^2}} \right\}$$

Which we recognize as a  $N(\frac{\tau^2}{(\sigma^2/n+\tau^2)}\overline{x} - \frac{\sigma^2/n}{(\sigma^2/n+\tau^2)}\mu, \frac{\tau^2\sigma^2/n}{\sigma^2/n+\tau^2})$ 

2. (a) Let  $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim Pois(\lambda)$  and  $\lambda \sim Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ . Then we have

$$f(X_1, \dots, X_n | \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!} = \frac{e^{-n\lambda} \lambda^{\sum x_i}}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_n!}$$
$$\pi(\theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^{\alpha}} \lambda^{\alpha - 1} e^{-\lambda/\beta}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\pi(\lambda|X_1,\ldots,X_n) \propto \lambda^{\alpha+\sum x_i-1} e^{-(n+1/\beta)\lambda}$$

which we recognize as a Gamma $(\alpha + \sum x_i, \beta/(n\beta + 1))$ .

(b) The posterior mean and variance is given by the mean and variance of the gamma density.

$$\mathbb{E}(\lambda|X_1,\dots,X_n) = (\alpha + \sum x_i)(\frac{\beta}{n\beta + 1}) \qquad Var(\lambda|X_1,\dots,X_n) = (\alpha + \sum x_i)\left(\frac{\beta}{n\beta + 1}\right)^2$$

3. Suppose we have  $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2)$  with  $\theta \sim \frac{1}{2a} e^{-|\theta|/a}$ . Then we have

$$\pi(\theta|X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \propto f(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta)\pi(\theta)$$

$$\propto e^{-\frac{1}{2}\sum(x_i-\theta)^2} e^{-\frac{|\theta|}{2}}$$

$$= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(n\theta^2 - 2\theta\sum x_i + 2\frac{|\theta|}{a}\right)\right\}$$

To find the appropriate normalizing constant we split the problem into two parts.

$$C_1 := \int_0^\infty \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(n\theta^2 - 2\theta\sum x_i + 2\frac{\theta}{a}\right)\right\}d\theta$$
$$C_2 := \int_{-\infty}^0 \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(n\theta^2 - 2\theta\sum x_i - 2\frac{\theta}{a}\right)\right\}d\theta$$

Then to calculate the posterior mean we write

$$\mathbb{E}(\theta|\underline{X}) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (C_1 + C_2)\theta \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(n\theta^2 - 2\theta\sum x_i + 2\frac{|\theta|}{a}\right)\right\}d\theta}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(n\theta^2 - 2\theta\sum x_i + 2\frac{|\theta|}{a}\right)\right\}d\theta}$$

4. (a) Let  $f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{2\theta}I_{(-\theta,\theta)}(x)$ . Then calculating the joint density we have

$$f(\underline{x}|\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{2\theta}\right)^n \prod_{i=1}^n I_{(-\theta,\theta)}(x_i) = \left(\frac{1}{2\theta}\right)^n \prod_{i=1}^n I_{[0,\theta)}(|x_i|) = \left(\frac{1}{2\theta}\right)^n I_{[0,\theta)} \max_i \{|x_i|\}$$

Therefore  $T = \max_i \{|x_i|\}$  is a sufficient statistic. All we must now show is that is complete and that there exists  $\phi(\cdot)$  such that  $\phi(T)$  is unbiased. Now notice

that T is the maximum order statistic of  $|x_1|, \ldots, |x_n|$ . So  $T \sim nt^{n-1}/\theta^n$  Let  $g(\cdot)$  be an arbitrary function and consider the following

$$\mathbb{E}(g(T)) = \int_0^\theta g(t) \frac{nt^{n-1}}{\theta^n} dt \equiv 0$$
$$\frac{n}{\theta} g(\theta) - \int_0^\theta n^2 \frac{t^{n-1}}{\theta^{n-1}} g(t) dt = 0$$
$$\frac{n}{\theta} g(\theta) - n\theta \mathbb{E}(g(T)) = 0$$
$$g(\theta) = 0$$

Since g(t) = 0 is uniformly zero, T is complete sufficient statistic. From here, we need to find our function  $\phi(\cdot)$ .

$$\mathbb{E}(T) = \int_0^\theta n \frac{t^n}{\theta^n} dt = \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^\theta t^n dt = \frac{n}{\theta^n} \frac{1}{n+1} t^{n+1} \Big|_0^\theta = \frac{n}{n+1} \theta$$

Therefore, if we define  $\phi(t) = \frac{n+1}{n}t$  we see that  $\phi(T)$  is unbiased. Therefore,  $\phi(T)$  is a UMVUE. Therefore, the function  $\tau(\theta) = 1/\theta$  is a function that has a UMVUE.

5. (a) Consider  $f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$ . Then  $L(\theta|X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta x^{\theta-1}$  and  $l(\theta|X_1, \dots, X_n) = n\log\theta + (\theta-1)\sum\log(x_i)$ . Differentiating with respect to  $\theta$  we see that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l(\theta | X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_i X_i = n \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_i -\log x_i - \frac{1}{\theta} \right]$$

Now recall from previous homeworks we've shown  $-\log(X_i) \sim Exp(1/\theta)$  and  $\sum -\log(X_i) \sim Gamma(n, 1/\theta)$ . We see that  $\frac{1}{n}\sum -\log(X_i)$  is unbiased for  $1/\theta$ . Therefore, by Corollary 7.3.15,  $\frac{1}{n}\sum -\log(X_i)$  attains the CRLB and is a UMVUE.

(b) Suppose  $f(x|\theta) = \frac{\log \theta}{\theta - 1} \theta^x$ . Then by the same process as above, we have  $L(\theta|X_1, \dots, X_n) = \left(\frac{\log \theta}{\theta - 1}\right)^n \theta^{\sum x_i}$  and  $l(\theta|X_1, \dots, X_n) = n \log \log \theta - n \log(\theta - 1) + \sum x_i \log \theta$ . Therefore, we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l(\theta | X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{n}{\theta \log \theta} - \frac{n}{\theta - 1} + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} \left[ \overline{x} - \left( \frac{\theta}{\theta - 1} - \frac{1}{\log \theta} \right) \right]$$

Since  $\overline{x}$  is unbiased for the mean, we can again use the Attainment Theorem if the mean of f is given by  $\frac{\theta}{\theta-1} - \frac{1}{\log \theta}$ . We now calculate the mean of f.

$$\mathbb{E}(X) = \int_0^1 x \frac{\log(\theta)}{\theta - 1} \theta^x dx$$

$$= \frac{\log(\theta)}{\theta - 1} \left[ \frac{x\theta^x}{\log \theta} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{\theta^x}{\log \theta} dx \right]$$

$$= \frac{\log(\theta)}{\theta - 1} \left[ \frac{\theta}{\log \theta} - \frac{\theta}{\log^2 \theta} + \frac{1}{\log^2 \theta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta - 1} \left[ \theta - \frac{\theta - 1}{\log \theta} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\theta}{\theta - 1} - \frac{1}{\log \theta}$$

Therefore, the function  $\tau(\theta) = \frac{\theta}{\theta - 1} - \frac{1}{\log \theta}$  has a UMVUE.

6. We will use the iid case for the CRLB. First we calculate the Fisher information.

$$I(\theta) = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}\log f(x|\theta)\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p}(x\log p + (1-x)\log(1-p))\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{x}{p} - \frac{1-x}{1-p}\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{x}{p} + \frac{x-1}{1-p}\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{x-p}{p(1-p)}\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= Var\left[\frac{x-p}{p(1-p)}\right] + \left[\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{x-p}{p(1-p)}\right)\right]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{p(1-p)}$$

Moreover, note that  $\mathbb{E}(\overline{x}) = p$  so  $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p}p\right)^2 = 1$ . Therefore we see the CRBL is given by  $\frac{1}{n/[p(1-p)]} = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$ . But note in our case

$$Var(\overline{x}) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Var(X_i) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} p(1-p) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$$

Hence  $\overline{x}$  is a UMVUE of p

7. Again using the iid version of the CRLB, we calculate Fisher's information for a sin-

gle point.

$$I(\theta) = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x|\theta)\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi + \frac{(x-\theta)^{2}}{2}\right\}\right)^{2}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[-(x-\theta)^{2}\right]$$

$$= Var(x-\theta) + \left[\mathbb{E}(x-\theta)\right]^{2}$$

$$= 1$$

Now, we also have  $\mathbb{E}(\overline{X}^2 - \frac{1}{n}) = \theta^2$  so we have  $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}\theta^2\right)^2 = 4\theta^2$ . Therefore, the CRLB is given by  $\frac{4\theta^2}{n}$ . Now we will show that the variance of this UMVUE does not attain the CRLB.

$$Var(\overline{x} - \frac{1}{n}) = \mathbb{E}(\overline{X}^{4}) - [\mathbb{E}(\overline{X})]^{2}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{3}(\overline{X} - \theta + \theta)] - [1/n + \theta^{2}]^{2}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{3}(\overline{X} - \theta)] + \theta \mathbb{E}(\overline{X}^{3}) - [1/n + \theta^{2}]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{n}\mathbb{E}(\overline{X}^{2}) + \theta \mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{2}(\overline{X} - \theta + \theta)] - [1/n + \theta^{2}]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{n}[\theta^{2} + 1/n] + \theta \mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{2}(\overline{X} - \theta)] + \theta^{2}\mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{2}] - [1/n + \theta^{2}]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{n}[\theta^{2} + 1/n] + \theta/n\mathbb{E}[2\overline{X}] + \theta \mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^{2}] - [1/n + \theta^{2}]^{2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{n}[1/n + \theta^{2}] + 2\theta^{2}/n + \theta^{2}(\theta^{2} + 1/n) - (1/n + \theta^{2})^{2}$$

$$= \frac{4\theta^{2} + 2/n}{n} > \frac{4\theta^{2}}{n}$$

8. Recall that the statistic  $T = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ . Now, we consider  $T^{p/2}$ . (Our hope is to build an unbiased estimate of  $\sigma^p$  through our knowledge of T). First note that

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[T^{p/2}] &= \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{p/2}}{2^{(n-1)/2}\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})} t^{(n-1)/2-1} e^{-t/2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{(n-1)/2}\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})} \int_0^\infty t^{(p+n-1)/2-1} e^{-t/2} dt \\ &= \frac{2^{(p+n-1)/2-1}}{2^{(n-1)/2}\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})} \int_0^\infty \frac{t^{(p+n-1)/2-1} e^{-t/2}}{2^{(p+n-1)/2-1}} dt \\ &= \frac{2^{(p+n-1)/2-1}}{2^{(n-1)/2}\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})} \int_0^\infty (t/2)^{(p+n-1)/2-1} e^{-t/2} dt \end{split}$$

Notice that we recognize this as the Gamma density with  $\alpha = (p+n-1)/2$  and  $\beta = 1$ . Therefore, we have

$$C := \mathbb{E}[T^{p/2}] = \frac{2^{p/-1}\Gamma((p+n-1)/2)}{(n-1)/2}$$

Therefore, for we see that  $\mathbb{E}[T^{p/2}/C] = 1$  and moreover,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{(n-1)S^2}{C^{2/p}}\right)^{p/2}\right] = \sigma^p$$

Therefore, since  $S^2$  is a complete sufficient and for  $\phi(t) = \left(\frac{(n-1)t}{C^{2/p}}\right)^{p/2}$ ,  $\phi(S^2)$  is unbiased for  $\sigma^p$ . Therefore,  $\phi(S^2)$  is a UMVUE for each  $\sigma^p$ .

9. (a) Recall that for the quadratic loss function  $R(\theta, \delta) = MSE(\delta)$ . So for  $\delta(x) = a\overline{X} + b$  we have

$$R(\theta, \delta(x)) = MSE(\delta(x)) = Var(a\overline{X} + b) + [\mathbb{E}[a\overline{X} + b] - \theta]^2 = a^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + [b - (1 - a)\theta]^2$$

(b) Let  $\eta = \frac{\sigma^2}{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2}$  then we note that

$$1 - \eta = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2} = \frac{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2 - \sigma^2}{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2} = \frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + \sigma^2/n}$$

So, for the Bayes Estimator  $\delta^{\pi} := \mathbb{E}[\theta | \underline{x}]$ . As we've seen in a previous exercise, the posterior mean is given by

$$\delta^{\pi} = \frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + \sigma^2/n} \overline{x} + \frac{\sigma^2/n}{\tau^2 + \sigma^2/n} \mu$$

Then using the fact that using quadratic risk is just MSE, we see that

$$\begin{split} R(\theta, \delta^{\pi}) &= Var(\delta^{\pi}) + [\mathbb{E}[\delta^{\pi}] - \theta]^{2} \\ &= \left(\frac{\tau^{2}}{\tau^{2} + \sigma^{2}/n}\right)^{2} \sigma^{2}/n + \left[\frac{\tau^{2}}{\tau^{2} + \sigma^{2}/n}\theta + \frac{\sigma^{2}/n}{\tau^{2} + \sigma^{2}/n}\mu - \theta\right]^{2} \\ &= (1 - \eta)^{2}\sigma^{2}/n + \left[\frac{\sigma^{2}/n\mu - \sigma^{2}/n\theta}{\tau^{2} + \sigma^{2}/n}\right]^{2} \\ &= (1 - \eta)^{2}\sigma^{2}/n + \left[\frac{\sigma^{2}/n(\mu - \theta)}{\tau^{2} + \sigma^{2}/n}\right]^{2} \\ &= (1 - \eta)^{2}\sigma^{2}/n + [\eta(\mu - \theta)]^{2} \end{split}$$

(c) We now calculate the Bayes Risk.

$$\begin{split} B(\pi,\delta^\pi) &= \int R(\theta,\delta^\pi)\pi(\theta)d\theta \\ &= (1-\eta)^2\sigma^n + \eta^2\int (\mu-\theta)^2\pi(\theta)d\theta \\ &= (1-\eta)^2\sigma^n + \eta^2\mathbb{E}[(\mu-\theta)^2] \\ &= (1-\eta)^2\sigma^n + \eta^2\Big[Var(\theta) + (\mathbb{E}[\theta]-\mu))^2\Big] \\ &= (1-\eta)^2\sigma^n + \eta^2Var(\theta) \\ &= (1-\eta)^2\sigma^n + \eta^2\tau^2 \\ &= (\frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2+\sigma^2/n})^2\sigma^2/n + \eta^2\tau^2 \\ &= \tau^2\Big[\frac{n\tau^2\sigma^2}{(n\tau^2+\sigma^2)^2} + \eta^2\Big] \\ &= \tau^2\Big[\frac{n\tau^2\sigma^2+\sigma^4}{(n\tau^2+\sigma^2)^2}\Big] \\ &= \tau^2\sigma^2\Big[\frac{n\tau^2+\sigma^2}{(n\tau^2+\sigma^2)^2}\Big] \\ &= \tau^2\eta^2 \end{split}$$

10. (a) 
$$\mathbb{E}[\overline{X}^2] = Var(\overline{X}) + (\mathbb{E}[\overline{X}])^2 = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n} + \theta^2 \neq \theta^2$$

(b) Let 
$$T_n = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i/n)^2$$
 and  $T_n^{(j)} = (\sum_{i \neq j}^n X_i/(n-1))^2$  Then we have

$$JK(T_n) = nT_n - \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( \sum_{i \neq j}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n-1} \right)^2$$

(c)

$$\mathbb{E}[JK(T_n)] = n\mathbb{E}[T_n] - \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}[T_n^{(j)}]$$

$$= n\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n}\right)^2\right] - \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\sum_{i\neq j}^n \frac{x_i}{n-1}\right)^2\right]$$

$$= \theta(1-\theta) + n\theta^2 - \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{j=1}^n (n-1)\theta(1-\theta) + [(n-1)\theta]^2$$

$$= \theta(1-\theta) + n\theta^2 - \theta(1-\theta) + (n-1)\theta^2$$

$$= \theta^2$$

(d) Recall that a Bernoulli distributions is an exponential family with CSS  $\sum x_i$ .  $JK(T_n)$  is a function of  $\sum x_i$  that is unbiased for  $\theta^2$ . Therefore,  $JK(T_n)$  is a UMVUE.