

Solution to assignment 1

Problem 2.1, 20'

Table 1: Joint distribution of occupational categories of fathers and sons

father's occupation(Y_1)	son's occupation (Y_2)				
	farm	operatives	craftsmen	sales	professional
farm	0.018	0.035	0.031	0.008	0.018
operatives	0.002	0.112	0.064	0.032	0.069
craftsmen	0.001	0.066	0.094	0.032	0.084
sales	0.001	0.018	0.019	0.010	0.051
professional	0.001	0.029	0.032	0.043	0.130

Notation: A = farm, B = operatives, C = craftsmen, D = sales, E = professional

a) $P(Y_1 = A) = P(Y_1 = A, Y_2 = A) + P(Y_1 = A, Y_2 = B) + P(Y_1 = A, Y_2 = C) + P(Y_1 = A, Y_2 = D) + P(Y_1 = A, Y_2 = E)$, i.e, the marginal distribution of father to be a farm is the sum of the first row of the Table 1, so, $P(Y_1 = A) = 0.11$.

Similarly, we have $P(Y_1 = B) = 0.279$, $P(Y_1 = C) = 0.277$, $P(Y_1 = D) = 0.099$, $P(Y_1 = E) = 0.235$.

b) Similar to a), we have $P(Y_2 = A) = 0.023$, $P(Y_2 = B) = 0.26$, $P(Y_2 = C) = 0.24$, $P(Y_2 = D) = 0.125$, $P(Y_2 = E) = 0.352$.

$$c) P(Y_2 = A|Y_1 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_1=A)} = \frac{0.018}{0.11} = 0.164.$$

$$P(Y_2 = B|Y_1 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=B, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_1=A)} = \frac{0.035}{0.11} = 0.318.$$

$$P(Y_2 = C|Y_1 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=C, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_1=A)} = \frac{0.031}{0.11} = 0.282.$$

$$P(Y_2 = D|Y_1 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=D, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_1=A)} = \frac{0.008}{0.11} = 0.073.$$

$$P(Y_2 = E|Y_1 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=E, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_1=A)} = \frac{0.018}{0.11} = 0.164.$$

$$d) P(Y_1 = A|Y_2 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=A)}{P(Y_2=A)} = \frac{0.018}{0.023} = 0.783.$$

$$P(Y_1 = B|Y_2 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=B)}{P(Y_2=A)} = \frac{0.002}{0.023} = 0.087.$$

$$P(Y_1 = C|Y_2 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=C)}{P(Y_2=A)} = \frac{0.001}{0.023} = 0.043.$$

$$P(Y_1 = D|Y_2 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=D)}{P(Y_2=A)} = \frac{0.001}{0.023} = 0.043.$$

$$P(Y_1 = E|Y_2 = A) = \frac{P(Y_2=A, Y_1=E)}{P(Y_2=A)} = \frac{0.001}{0.023} = 0.043.$$

Problem 2.2, 20'

Assume that X and Y are independent random variables with density function $f(x)$ and $f(y)$, respectively, a and b are arbitrary constants. So the joint density function of (X, Y) is $f(x, y) = f(x)f(y)$, we have,

Property of expectation:

$$E(aX + bY) = \int (aX + bY)f(x, y)dxdy = \int (aX + bY)f(x)f(y)dxdy = aE(X) + bE(Y).$$

Property of variance:

$Var(aX + bY) = E(aX + bY)^2 - (E(aX + bY))^2 = a^2Var(X) + b^2Var(Y)$, by using the property of expectation, and a simple arrangement.

a) Let $a = a_1, b = a_2, X = Y_1, Y = Y_2$, we have,

$$E(a_1Y_1 + a_2Y_2) = E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y) = a\mu_1 + b\mu_2 = a_1\mu_1 + a_2\mu_2.$$

$$Var(a_1Y_1 + a_2Y_2) = Var(aX + bY) = a^2Var(X) + b^2Var(Y) = a^2\sigma_1^2 + b^2\sigma_2^2 = a_1^2\sigma_1^2 + a_2^2\sigma_2^2.$$

b) Similar to a) we have, $E(a_1Y_1 - a_2Y_2) = a_1\mu_1 - a_2\mu_2$, $Var(a_1Y_1 - a_2Y_2) = a_1^2\sigma_1^2 + a_2^2\sigma_2^2$.

Problem 2.3, 20'

According to the assumption, we have $f(x, y, z) = Cf(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)$, where C is a constant.

$$a) p(x|y, z) = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{f(y, z)} = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{\int f(x, y, z)dx} = \frac{f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)}{\int f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)dx} = \frac{f(x, z)}{\int f(x, z)dx} \propto f(x, z).$$

$$b) p(y|x, z) = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{f(x, z)} = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{\int f(x, y, z)dy} = \frac{f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)}{\int f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)dy} = \frac{g(y, z)}{\int g(y, z)dy} \propto g(y, z).$$

$$c) p(x, y|z) = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{f(z)} = \frac{f(x, y, z)}{\int \int f(x, y, z)dxdy} = \frac{f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)}{\int \int f(x, z)g(y, z)h(z)dxdy} = \frac{f(x, z)g(y, z)}{\int f(x, z)dx \int g(y, z)dy} = f(x|z)g(y|z),$$

so, X and Y are conditionally independent given Z .

Problem 2.5, 20'

a)

$$P(X = 1, Y = 1) = P(Y = 1|X = 1)P(X = 1) = 0.5 \times 0.4 = 0.2$$

$$P(X = 1, Y = 0) = P(Y = 0|X = 1)P(X = 1) = 0.5 \times 0.6 = 0.3$$

$$P(X = 0, Y = 1) = P(Y = 1|X = 0)P(X = 0) = 0.5 \times 0.6 = 0.3$$

$$P(X = 0, Y = 0) = P(Y = 0|X = 0)P(X = 0) = 0.5 \times 0.4 = 0.2$$

Table 2: Joint distribution of X and Y

Y \ X	X	
	1	0
1	0.2	0.3
0	0.3	0.2

$$b) P(Y = 1) = 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5, P(Y = 0) = 0.3 + 0.2 = 0.5, E(Y) = 0.5 \times 1 + 0.5 \times 0 = 0.5.$$

$$c) E(Y^2) = 0.5 \times 1 + 0.5 \times 0 = 0.5, Var(Y) = E(Y^2) - (EY)^2 = 0.5 - 0.25 = 0.25.$$

$$E(Y^2|X = 1) = P(Y = 1|X = 1) \times 1 = 0.4, E(Y|X = 1) = P(Y = 1|X = 1) \times 1 = 0.4, Var(Y|X = 1) = E(Y^2|X = 1) - (E(Y|X = 1))^2 = 0.4 - 0.16 = 0.24.$$

$$E(Y^2|X = 0) = P(Y = 1|X = 0) \times 1 = 0.6, E(Y|X = 0) = P(Y = 1|X = 0) \times 1 = 0.6,$$

$$Var(Y|X = 1) = E(Y^2|X = 1) - (E(Y|X = 1))^2 = 0.6 - 0.36 = 0.24.$$

Since X and Y are dependent, if X is given, we get more information about Y , then we have less uncertainty about Y .

$$d) P(X = 0|Y = 1) = \frac{P(X=0,Y=1)}{P(Y=1)} = \frac{0.3}{0.5} = 0.6.$$

Problem 3.1, 20'

a)

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_{100} = y_{100}|\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^{100} P(Y_i = y_i|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{100} \theta^{y_i} (1 - \theta)^{1-y_i} = \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i} (1 - \theta)^{100 - \sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = y|\theta) = C_{100}^y \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{100-y}.$$

b) For $y = 57$, let $g(\theta) = P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta) = C_{100}^{57} \theta^{57} (1 - \theta)^{43}$, we have,

$$g(0) = 0, g(1) = 0$$

$$g(0.1) = 4.107157 \times 10^{-31}, g(0.2) = 3.738459 \times 10^{-16}, g(0.3) = 1.306895 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$g(0.4) = 2.285792 \times 10^{-4}, g(0.5) = 3.006864 \times 10^{-2}, g(0.6) = 6.672895 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$g(0.7) = 1.853172 \times 10^{-3}, g(0.8) = 1.003535 \times 10^{-7}, g(0.9) = 9.395858 \times 10^{-18}$$

Plot of g see Figure 1.

c) According to the assumption, for $\theta = (0, 0.1, \dots, 1)$, $\theta_0 \in \theta$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(\theta_0) &= P(\theta_0 | \sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57) \\ &= \frac{P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta_0)P(\theta_0)}{P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57)} \\ &= \frac{P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta_0)P(\theta_0)}{\sum_{i=1}^{11} P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta_i)P(\theta_i)} \\ &= \frac{P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta_0)}{\sum_{i=1}^{11} P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta_i)} \\ &= \frac{g(\theta_0)}{\sum_{i=1}^{11} g(\theta_i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$h(0) = 0, h(1) = 0$$

$$h(0.1) = 4.153701 \times 10^{-30}, h(0.2) = 3.780824 \times 10^{-15}, h(0.3) = 1.321705 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$h(0.4) = 2.311695 \times 10^{-3}, h(0.5) = 3.040939 \times 10^{-1}, h(0.6) = 6.748515 \times 10^{-1}$$

$$h(0.7) = 1.874172 \times 10^{-2}, h(0.8) = 1.014907 \times 10^{-6}, h(0.9) = 9.502335 \times 10^{-17}$$

Plot of h see Figure 1.

d) $k(\theta) = p(\theta) \times P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta) = P(\sum_{i=1}^{100} y_i = 57|\theta) = C_{100}^{57} \theta^{57} (1 - \theta)^{43}$, Plot of k see Figure 1.

e) $B(\theta) = \text{Beta}(58, 44)$, Plot of B see Figure 1.

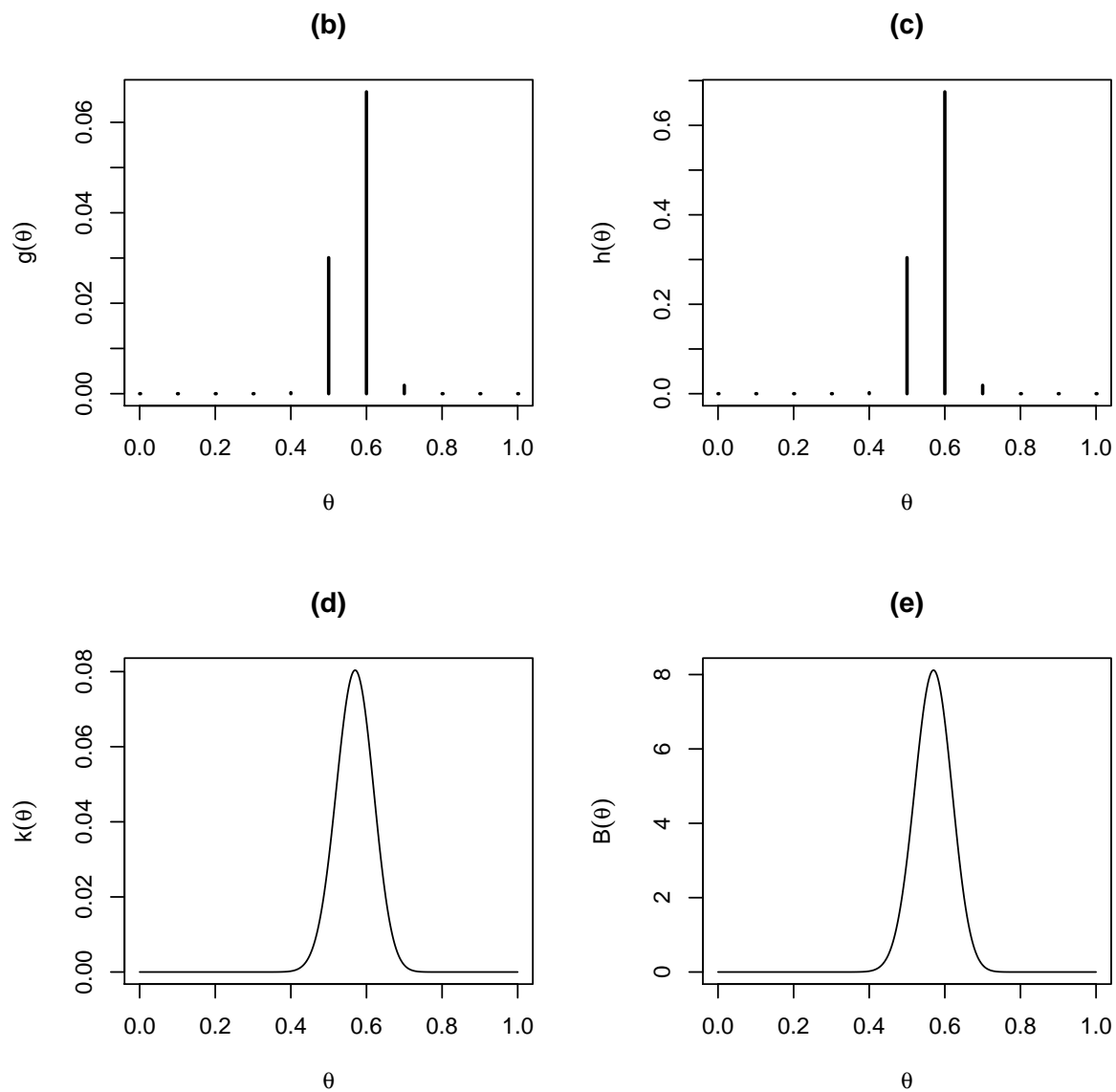


Figure 1: Plots of problem 3.1 (b-e). As $g(\theta) = C_1 h(\theta)$, (b) and (c) give the same estimation of θ , denoted by $\hat{\theta}_1 = 0.6$. In fact, $k(\theta) = C_2 B(\theta)$, so, (d) and (e) give the same estimation of θ , denoted by $\hat{\theta}_2 = 0.57$. Here C_1 and C_2 are constants.