

Q1) (i) $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U[-\sigma, 0]$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} & \text{if } x \in [-\sigma, 0] \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$L(\sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n} I(-\sigma \leq x_{\min})$$

$$\frac{dL}{d\sigma} = -\frac{n}{\sigma^{n+1}} < 0, \quad \forall \sigma > 0$$

\therefore As σ decreases, $L(\sigma)$ increases.

$\therefore \sigma \geq -x_{\min}$ for $L(\sigma)$ to be non-zero

$$\therefore \hat{\sigma}_{MLE} = -x_{\min}$$

(ii) $L(\sigma) = I(-\sigma \leq x_{\min}) \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma^n} = g(T; \sigma) h(x_1, \dots, x_n)$
where $g(T; \sigma) = I(-\sigma \leq x_{\min}) \frac{1}{\sigma^n}$ with $T = x_{\min}$,
and $h(x_1, \dots, x_n) = 1$.

\therefore By factorization theorem, $T = x_{\min}$ is a sufficient statistic for σ .

Q2) The MLE of θ depends on the realization of X . That is, the actual observed value of X .

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x=0 \\ 1 & \text{if } x=1 \\ 2 \text{ or } 3 & \text{if } x=2 \\ 3 & \text{if } x=3 \\ 3 & \text{if } x=4 \end{cases}$$

$$Q3)(i) \quad L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \frac{\theta^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \mathbb{I}(\theta \leq x_{\min})$$

$$\frac{dL}{d\theta} = \frac{n\theta^{n-1}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2}, \quad \forall \theta > 0$$

\therefore As $\theta \uparrow$, L always \uparrow

$\therefore \theta \leq x_{\min}$ for $L(\theta)$ to be non-zero.

$$\therefore \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = x_{\min}$$

$$(ii) \quad E(X^{\frac{1}{3}}) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\theta}{x^2} dx = \theta \int_0^{\infty} x^{-\frac{5}{3}} dx = \theta \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \left[x^{-\frac{2}{3}}\right]_0^{\infty} \\ = -\frac{3}{2} \theta [0 - \theta^{-\frac{2}{3}}] = \frac{3}{2} \theta^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{3}{2} \theta^{\frac{1}{3}} = E(X^{\frac{1}{3}}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow \theta^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{\frac{1}{3}} \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{8}{27} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^3$$

$\therefore X_1^{\frac{1}{3}}, X_2^{\frac{1}{3}}, X_3^{\frac{1}{3}}, \dots, X_n^{\frac{1}{3}}$ are i.i.d. with $E(X_i^{\frac{1}{3}}) < \infty$

\therefore By WLLN, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^{\frac{1}{3}} \xrightarrow{P} E(X_i^{\frac{1}{3}}) = \frac{3}{2} \theta^{\frac{1}{3}} \dots \dots \dots (1)$

$\therefore g(y) = \frac{8}{27} y^3$ is a continuous function

\therefore By the continuous mapping theorem and (1),

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{8}{27} \left(\frac{3}{2} \theta^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^3 = \theta.$$

$\therefore \hat{\theta}_{MLE}$ is a consistent estimator for θ .

Q4) Solution:

(i)

Let X be number of failures until and up to the first success. Then, $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$, p is the success probability.

$$\Pr(X = x) = p(1 - p)^x, \quad \text{for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \text{ and } 0 < p < 1.$$

Note: This is an alternative definition of Geometric distribution and the support of X is $S_X = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. $\text{Geo}(p)$.

Let $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \Pr(X_i = x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n [p(1 - p)^{x_i}] \\ &= p^n (1 - p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \times 1 = g(T; p) \times h(\vec{x}^\top), \end{aligned}$$

where $g(T; p) = p^n (1 - p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$ and $h(\vec{x}^\top) = 1$.

\therefore By factorization theorem,

$T = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is a sufficient statistic of p .

Now, let's prove the completeness of T .

Note: To prove completeness, you can also use Property 3.4 of Lecture 3. I have used the following method here because I want you to have a deeper understanding on the definition of completeness.

Since X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. Geometric random variables, their sum must follow Negative Binomial distribution. $\text{Geo}(p)$, it is possible show that using mgf.

Note: You can prove this using mgf.

$\therefore T \sim \text{NB}(n, p)$.

Note: T is defined as the number of failures until and up to the n -th successes, as we have used the alternative definitions of Negative Binomial & Geometric distributions.

Then, the pmf of T is

$$\Pr(T = t) = \binom{n + t - 1}{t} p^n (1 - p)^t, \quad \text{for } y = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \text{ and } 0 < p < 1.$$

Let $h(T)$ be any function of T s.t. $E(h(T)) = 0$ for $\forall p \in \Theta$.

Let's prove $h(T) = 0$ for $\forall T$, i.e. $\Pr(h(T) = 0) = 1$.

Note: $T \sim \text{NB}(n, p)$.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= E(h(T)) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} h(t) \Pr(T = t) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} h(t) \binom{n + t - 1}{t} \theta^n (1 - \theta)^t \\ \xrightarrow{\theta \neq 0} 0 &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} C_t u^t, \quad \text{where } C_t = h(t) \binom{n + t - 1}{t} \text{ and } u = (1 - \theta). \end{aligned}$$

\therefore We have $0 = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} C_t u^t$ for $\forall u \in (0, 1)$.

Theorem: If $0 = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} C_t u^t$, for all $u \in (0, 1)$, then

$$C_t = 0, \forall t \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}.$$

By theorem above, $C_t = 0, \forall t \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

\therefore

$$\binom{n+t-1}{t} \neq 0, \forall t \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

$\therefore h(t) = 0, \quad \text{for } \forall t \in \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}.$

\therefore We have the following result:

$$E(h(T)) = 0, \quad \forall p \in \Theta \implies h(T) = 0, \forall T.$$

$\therefore T$ is complete for p .

(ii)

Now, let's use Lehmann-Scheffé Theorem to find the UMVUE of θ .

First of all, noticed that $\frac{T}{n}$ is not an unbiased estimator of θ because we have used the alternative definitions of Geometric & Negative Binomial distributions.

$$E(T) = nE(X_i) = \frac{n(1-p)}{p},$$

and

$$E\left(\frac{T}{n}\right) = \frac{(1-p)}{p}.$$

Now, let's find an unbiased estimator of θ .

Define

$$I_{(0)}(X_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X_j = 0; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E(I_{(0)}(X_j)) &= 1 \Pr(X_j = 0) + 0 \Pr(X_j \neq 0) \\ &= 1 \cdot p \\ &= p. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore I_{(0)}(X_j)$ is an unbiased estimator of p .

Let $g(T) = E(I_{(0)}(X_j)|T)$.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E(g(T)) &= E_T[E(I_{(0)}(X_j)|T)] \\ &= E(I_{(0)}(X_j)) \\ &= p. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore g(T)$ is an unbiased estimator of p .

$\therefore T$ is sufficient and complete for p .

$\therefore g(T)$ is unique UMVUE for p .

Now, let's work out the explicit expression of $g(T)$.

$$\begin{aligned} g(T) &= E(I_{(0)}(X_j|T)) \\ &= 1 \cdot \Pr(X_j = 0|T) + 0 \Pr(X_j \neq 0|T) \\ &= \Pr(X_j = 0|T) \quad \dots\dots (*) \end{aligned}$$

Let $T' = \sum_{i:i \neq j} X_i$, then from part (b), we know

$$T \sim \text{NB}(n, p), \text{ and } T' \sim \text{NB}(n-1, p)$$

\therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(X_j = 0|T = t) &= \frac{\Pr(X_j = 0 \cap T = t)}{\Pr(T = t)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(T = t|X_j = 0) \Pr(X_j = 0)}{\Pr(T = t)} \\ &= \frac{\Pr(T' = t) \Pr(X_j = 0)}{\Pr(T = t)} \\ &= \frac{\binom{n-1+t-1}{t} p^{n-1} (1-p)^t p}{\binom{n+t-1}{t} p^n (1-p)^t} \\ &= \frac{(n+t-2)!}{(n-2)!t!} \div \left[\frac{(n+t-1)!}{(n-1)!t!} \right] \\ &= \frac{n-1}{n+t-1} \\ &= \frac{n-1}{t+n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

\therefore By (*), $g(T) = \Pr(X_j = 0|T) = \frac{n-1}{T+n-1} = \frac{n-1}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i + n-1}$.

$\therefore T$ is complete and sufficient for p and $g(T)$ is unbiased for p .

\therefore By Lehmann-Scheffé Theorem, $g(T) = \frac{n-1}{T+n-1} = \frac{n-1}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i + n-1}$ is the UMVUE of p .

Note:

$\therefore T = T' + X_j$.

$\therefore \Pr(T = t|X_j = 0) = \Pr(T' = t)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Q5) (i)} \quad E(T_1) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum E(X_i Y_i) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \sum E(X_i) E(Y_i) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{p}{q} q \\
 &= p
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T_1$ is an unbiased estimator for p .

(ii) $\because \{X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n\}$ are independent

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{Var}(T_1) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i\right) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i Y_i) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{identical}}{=} \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X_i Y_i)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(XY) &= E(X^2 Y^2) - E(XY)^2 \\
 &\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} E(X^2) E(Y^2) - E(X)^2 E(Y)^2 \\
 &= \left(b_1^2 + \frac{p^2}{q^2}\right) (b_2^2 + q^2) - \frac{p^2}{q^2} q^2 \\
 &= b_1^2 b_2^2 + \frac{p^2 b_2^2}{q^2} + b_1^2 q^2 + p^2 - p^2 \\
 &= b_1^2 b_2^2 + \frac{p^2 b_2^2}{q^2} + b_1^2 q^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(T_1) = \frac{1}{n} \left(b_1^2 b_2^2 + \frac{p^2 b_2^2}{q^2} + b_1^2 q^2 \right)$$

$$Q5) (iii) \quad E(T_2) = E\left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i\right)\right]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{=} E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i\right] E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{iid}}{=} E(X_i) E(Y_i)$$

$$= \frac{p}{q} \cdot q$$

$$= p$$

$\therefore T_2$ is also an unbiased estimator for p .

(iv) $\because X_i$'s are i.i.d. with $E(X_i) = \frac{p}{q} < \infty$

\therefore By WLLN, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} \frac{p}{q}$.

$\because Y_i$'s are i.i.d. with $E(Y_i) = q < \infty$

\therefore By WLLN, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \xrightarrow{P} q$.

\therefore By Slutsky's theorem,

$$T_2 = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i\right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right) \xrightarrow{P} \frac{p}{q} \cdot q = p.$$

$\therefore T_2$ is a consistent estimator for p .

$$Q5) (v) \text{Var}(T_2) = \text{Var}(\bar{X} \bar{Y})$$

$$= E(\bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2) - E(\bar{X})^2 E(\bar{Y})^2$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} E(\bar{X}^2) E(\bar{Y}^2) - \frac{p^2}{q^2} q^2$$

$$= [E(\bar{X}^2) - E(\bar{X})^2] [E(\bar{Y}^2) - E(\bar{Y})^2] + E(\bar{X})^2 E(\bar{Y})^2 - p^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{b_1^2}{n} + \frac{p^2}{q^2} \right) \left(\frac{b_2^2}{n} + q^2 \right) - p^2$$

$$= \frac{b_1^2 b_2^2}{n^2} + \frac{p^2 b_2^2}{n q^2} + \frac{b_1^2 q^2}{n}$$

$$= \frac{2 b_1^2 b_2^2}{n^2}$$

Note: $p=0$
 $q^2 = \frac{b_2^2}{n}$

$$\text{Var}(T_1) = \frac{1}{n} \left(b_1^2 b_2^2 + \frac{b_1^2 b_2^2}{n} \right) = \frac{b_1^2 b_2^2}{n} \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right)$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(T_1) \div \text{Var}(T_2) = \frac{n+1}{2} > 1 \quad \text{iff} \quad n \geq 2.$$

$\therefore T_2$ is more efficient if $n \geq 2$.

When $n=1$, T_1 and T_2 are identical and they are equally efficient.

Q6) (i) $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poi}(\lambda)$.

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

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{E}(X_i)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{identical}}{=} \frac{1}{n} n \bar{E}(X_i)$$

$$= \lambda$$

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2$$

$$\therefore \bar{E}(S^2) = \bar{E}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{identical}}{=} \frac{1}{n} n \bar{E}(X_i^2) - \bar{E}(\bar{X}^2)$$

$$= \left[\text{Var}(X_i) + \bar{E}(X_i)^2 \right] - \left[\text{Var}(\bar{X}) + \bar{E}(\bar{X})^2 \right]$$

$$\stackrel{iid}{=} (\lambda + \lambda^2) - \left(\frac{1}{n} + \lambda^2 \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right) \lambda$$

$$\therefore \bar{E}\left(\frac{n}{n-1} S^2\right) = \frac{n}{n-1} \bar{E}(S^2) = \lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Q6) (ii) } \Pr(X=x) &= \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} = \frac{1}{x!} e^{-\lambda} \exp\{\ln(\lambda^x)\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{x!} e^{-\lambda} \exp\{(\ln \lambda) x\} \\
 &= h(x) c(\lambda) \exp\{P(\lambda) t(x)\},
 \end{aligned}$$

where $h(x) = \frac{1}{x!}$, $c(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda}$, $P(\lambda) = \ln \lambda$ and $t(x) = x$

\therefore By property 3.2, $\sum_{i=1}^n t(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is sufficient for the estimation of λ .

$\therefore \Theta = \{\lambda: \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+\}$ contains an open set in \mathbb{R}^1

$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is also complete for λ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(iii) } \ln \Pr(X=x) &= \ln \left[\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \right] \\
 &= -\lambda + x \ln \lambda + \ln \frac{1}{x!}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \ln \Pr(X=x) = -1 + \frac{x}{\lambda}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{d\lambda^2} \ln \Pr(X=x) = -\frac{x}{\lambda^2}$$

$$I(\lambda) = -E \left[\frac{d^2}{d\lambda^2} \ln \Pr(X=x) \right] = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} E(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$I_n(\lambda) = n I(\lambda) = \frac{n}{\lambda}$$

Q6) (iv) $CRLB = \frac{1}{nI(\lambda)} = \frac{\lambda}{n}$.

(v) $\therefore \bar{X}$ is an unbiased estimator for λ and is also a function of the complete and sufficient statistic $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

\therefore By Theorem 3.2, \bar{X} is the UMVUE for λ

$\therefore \bar{X}$ is preferred.

Q7) (i) $X_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\theta, \theta^2)$. $f(x_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x_i-\theta)^2}{2\theta^2}\right\}$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\theta)^2}{2\theta^2}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum x_i^2 - 2\theta \sum x_i + n\theta^2}{2\theta^2}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum x_i^2}{2\theta^2} + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta}\right\} \exp\left\{-\frac{n}{2}\right\} \\ &= g(T_1, T_2; \theta) \cdot h(x_1, \dots, x_n), \end{aligned}$$

where $g(T_1, T_2; \theta) = (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum x_i^2}{2\theta^2} + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta}\right\}$
 with $T_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ and $T_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$,
 and $h(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \exp\left\{-\frac{n}{2}\right\}$.

\therefore By factorization theorem, T_1 and T_2 are jointly sufficient for the estimation of θ .

Let's prove the sufficient statistics are not complete.

Define $g(T_1, T_2) = \frac{2\left[T_1 - n\left(\frac{T_2}{n}\right)^2\right]}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} T_1$.

Then, $g(T_1, T_2) = \frac{2\left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2\right]}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$

Q7) (i) cont.

$$\therefore E[g(T_1, T_2)] = \frac{2[nE(X_i^2) - nE(\bar{X}^2)]}{n-1} - E(X_i^2)$$

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

$$= \frac{2[2n\theta^2 - \theta^2 - n\theta^2]}{n-1} - 2\theta^2$$

$$= \frac{2(n-1)\theta^2}{n-1} - 2\theta^2$$

$$= 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

However, $\Pr(g(T_1, T_2) = 0) \neq 1$.

$\therefore \{T_1, T_2\}$ is not complete for θ .

Note 1: $g(T_1, T_2) = \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$.

Obviously, $g(T_1, T_2)$ is not always equal to zero.

Note 2: $E(X^2) = \text{Var}(X) + E(X)^2 = \theta^2 + \theta^2 = 2\theta^2$

$$E(\bar{X}^2) = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) + E(\bar{X})^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{n} + \theta^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q7) (ii) L(\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}{2\theta^2}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi\theta^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\sum x_i^2}{2\theta^2} + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta} - \frac{n}{2}\right\} \dots\dots\dots (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$l(\theta) = \ln L(\theta) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln \theta^2 - \frac{\sum x_i^2}{2\theta^2} + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta} - \frac{n}{2} + \ln[(2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}}]$$

$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = -\frac{n}{2} \frac{2\theta}{\theta^2} + \frac{\sum x_i^2}{\theta^3} - \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n\theta^2 + \sum x_i \theta - \sum x_i^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{-\sum x_i \pm \sqrt{(\sum x_i)^2 + 4n \sum x_i^2}}{2n} = \frac{-\bar{x} \pm \sqrt{\bar{x}^2 + 4\bar{x}^2}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \theta_1 = \frac{-\bar{x} + \sqrt{\bar{x}^2 + 4\bar{x}^2}}{2} \text{ and } \theta_2 = \frac{-\bar{x} - \sqrt{\bar{x}^2 + 4\bar{x}^2}}{2}, \text{ where } \bar{x}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2.$$

It is possible to show that the 2nd derivative of $l(\theta)$ is negative when $\theta = \theta_1$ or θ_2 .

$$\therefore \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \begin{cases} \theta_1 & \text{if } l(\theta_1) > l(\theta_2) \\ \theta_1 \text{ or } \theta_2 & \text{if } l(\theta_1) = l(\theta_2) \\ \theta_2 & \text{if } l(\theta_1) < l(\theta_2) \end{cases}$$

Note: By equation (1), we can easily see that as $|\theta| \rightarrow \infty$, $L(\theta) \rightarrow 0$ and that $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^+} L(\theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^-} L(\theta) = 0$ (as the exponential term dominates). Since $L(\theta)$ is always non-negative and always differentiable for any $\theta \neq 0$ ($L(\theta)$ is undefined when $\theta = 0$), the only two stationary points $L(\theta_1)$ and $L(\theta_2)$ must be the local maximums.

$$Q7) \text{ (iii) } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\theta^2} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\theta)^2}{2\theta^2}\right\} = (\theta^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2 - 2\theta x + \theta^2}{2\theta^2}\right\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$\ln f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \ln \theta^2 - \frac{x^2}{2\theta^2} + \frac{x}{\theta} - \frac{1}{2} + \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \ln f(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{2\theta}{\theta^2} + \frac{x^2}{\theta^3} - \frac{x}{\theta^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \ln f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{3x^2}{\theta^4} + \frac{2x}{\theta^3}$$

$$I(\theta) = -E\left(\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \ln f(X)\right) = -\frac{1}{\theta^2} + \frac{3E(X^2)}{\theta^4} - \frac{2E(X)}{\theta^3}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\theta^2} + \frac{3(\theta^2 + \theta^2)}{\theta^4} - \frac{2\theta}{\theta^3}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\theta^2} + \frac{6}{\theta^2} - \frac{2}{\theta^2}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\theta^2}$$

∴ By the asymptotic properties of MLE,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N\left(0, \frac{\theta^2}{3}\right)$$

Note: CRLB = $\frac{1}{I_n(\theta)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q8) (i) \quad E(\tilde{S}_1) &= E\left(\frac{X_1 + 2X_2}{3}\right) \\
 &= \frac{E(X_1) + 2E(X_2)}{3} \\
 &= \frac{S_1 + 2S_1}{3} \\
 &= S_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \tilde{S}_1$ is an unbiased estimator for S_1 .

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad L(s_1, s_2) &= f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} f(x_1, \dots, x_m) f(x_{m+1}, \dots, x_n) \\
 &\stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^m \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2} e^{-\frac{(x_i - s_1)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}} \right] \prod_{i=m+1}^n \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2} e^{-\frac{(x_i - s_2)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}} \right] \\
 &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2} \right) \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(x_i - s_1)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right\} \left(\prod_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2} \right) \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{(x_i - s_2)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore l(s_1, s_2) = \ln L(s_1, s_2) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(x_i - s_1)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} - \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{(x_i - s_2)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} + c,$$

$$\text{where } c = \ln\left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2}\right) + \ln\left(\prod_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial s_1} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(x_i - s_1)}{\sigma_i^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2} - \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{s_1}{\sigma_i^2} = 0 \Rightarrow s_1 \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow s_1 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial s_2} = \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{(x_i - s_2)}{\sigma_i^2} = 0 \Rightarrow s_2 \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} = \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2} \Rightarrow s_2 = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$$

It's possible to show that the second total derivative of $l(s_1, s_2)$ is negative when $s_1 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$ and $s_2 = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$.

$$\therefore \hat{S}_{1,MLE} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{S}_{2,MLE} = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}$$

$$\text{Q8) (iii)} \because \sigma_i^2 = \frac{m}{i}, \forall i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \hat{S}_{1,MLE} &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\frac{m}{i}} \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\frac{m}{i}} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-1} m^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{i x_i}{m} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m i x_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \hat{S}_{2,MLE} = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n i x_i.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{S}_{1,MLE}) &= \text{Var} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m i x_i \right] \\ &\stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^m i^2 \text{Var}(x_i) \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^m i^2 \frac{m}{i} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^m i m \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-1} m \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{S}_1) &= \text{Var} \left(\frac{X_1 + 2X_2}{3} \right) \stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} \frac{1}{9} \left[\text{Var}(X_1) + 4 \text{Var}(X_2) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \left[\frac{m}{1} + 4 \frac{m}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{m}{3} > \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i \right)^{-1} m = \text{Var}(\hat{S}_{1,MLE}) \text{ iff } m > 2.$$

$\therefore \hat{S}_{1,MLE}$ is more efficient when $m > 2$, and they are identical and equally efficient when $m = 2$.

$$Q8) (iv) \because 6_i^2 = \frac{m}{i}, \forall i$$

$$\therefore l(s_1, s_2) = - \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(x_i - s_1)^2}{2m/i} - \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{(x_i - s_2)^2}{2m/i} + C$$

$$= - \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{i(x_i - s_1)^2}{2m} - \sum_{i=m+1}^n \frac{i(x_i - s_2)^2}{2m} + C$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial s_1} = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{i(x_i - s_1)}{m}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial s_1^2} = - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m i$$

$$\therefore I_m(s_1) = - E\left(- \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial s_1^2}\right) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m i = \frac{1}{m} \frac{(1+m)m}{2} = \frac{1+m}{2}$$

Similarly, we can find $\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial s_2^2} = - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=m+1}^n i$

$$\therefore I_m(s_2) = - E\left(- \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial s_2^2}\right) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=m+1}^n i = \frac{1}{m} \frac{(m+1+n)m}{2} = \frac{3m+1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}(\sqrt{m} \hat{S}_{1,MLE}) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m I_m(s_1)^{-1} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2m}{1+m} = 2$$

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}(\sqrt{m} \hat{S}_{2,MLE}) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} m I_m(s_2)^{-1} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2m}{3m+1} = \frac{2}{3}$$

By the asymptotic properties of MLE, we have

$$\sqrt{m} (\hat{S}_{1,MLE} - s_1) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 2) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\sqrt{m} (\hat{S}_{2,MLE} - s_2) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{2}{3})$$

Note: When you study STAT3602, you will also learn how to work out the joint asymptotic distribution of $\hat{S}_{1,MLE}$ and $\hat{S}_{2,MLE}$.

$$(QB)(v) \quad E(\hat{S}_{1,MLE}) = E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^m i\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m i X_i\right] = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m i E(X_i) = S_1, \\ \text{as } E(X_i) = S_1, \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}.$$

$$\text{Similarly, } E(\hat{S}_{2,MLE}) = E\left[\left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n i\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n i X_i\right] = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n i\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=m+1}^n i E(X_i) = S_2, \\ \text{as } E(X_i) = S_2, \forall i \in \{m+1, \dots, n\}.$$

Hence, $\hat{S}_{1,MLE}$ and $\hat{S}_{2,MLE}$ are unbiased estimators for S_1 and S_2 , respectively.

Therefore, it suffices to show their asymptotic variances are zeros.

In part (iii), we have shown that

$$\text{Var}(\hat{S}_{1,MLE}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^m i\right)^{-1} m = \left[\frac{m(m+1)}{2}\right]^{-1} m = \frac{2}{m+1} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty. \\ \text{Similarly, } \text{Var}(\hat{S}_{2,MLE}) = \left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n i\right)^{-1} m = \left[\frac{m(m+1+n)}{2}\right]^{-1} m = \frac{2}{3m+1} \\ \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

$\therefore \hat{S}_{1,MLE}$ and $\hat{S}_{2,MLE}$ are consistent estimators for S_1 and S_2 , respectively.

Q9. (i) **Label (LE)**

The likelihood function is

$$L(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta) = \frac{\theta^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\theta+1}}.$$

(ii) **Label (L)**

According to the factorization theorem, $T = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

(iii) **Label (L)**

$$\begin{aligned}\ln f(X; \theta) &= \ln \theta - (\theta + 1) \ln(x) \\ \frac{\partial \ln f(X; \theta)}{\partial \theta} &= \frac{1}{\theta} - \ln X \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln f(X; \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} &= -\frac{1}{\theta^2} \\ I(\theta) &= E \left[-\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(X; \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right] = E \left[\frac{1}{\theta^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\theta^2}\end{aligned}$$

The Fisher information is

$$I_n(\theta) = nI(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta^2}.$$

(iv) **Label (L)**

The Cramer-Rao Lower Bound for estimation of θ is $\frac{1}{nI(\theta)} = \frac{\theta^2}{n}$.

(v) **Label (L)**

(a) The log-likelihood is

$$l(\theta) = n \ln \theta - (\theta + 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(X_i).$$

The first derivative of log-likelihood is

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(X_i).$$

The MLE is

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln(X_i)}.$$

(b) Asymptotically the MLE $\hat{\theta}$ is distributed normal:

$$\sqrt{\frac{n}{\theta^2}}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \rightarrow N(0, 1), \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

or $\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, \theta^2/n)$ asymptotically.