

STAT-S620

Assignment 8

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$$\begin{aligned} E[X^r(1-X)^S] &= \int_0^1 x^r(1-x)^s \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1} dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 x^{(\alpha+r)-1}(1-x)^{(\beta+s)-1} dx \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+r)\Gamma(\beta+s)}{\Gamma(\alpha+r+\beta+s)} \end{aligned}$$

Not from text

Problem 1

We are given $f(x) = (\theta + 1)x^\theta$ for $x \in [0, 1]$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \int_0^1 (\theta + 1)x^{\theta+1} dx \\ &= (\theta + 1) \int_0^1 x^{\theta+1} dx \\ &= \frac{\theta + 1}{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

Using the method of moments, we set $E[X] = \bar{x}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} &= \frac{\hat{\theta} + 1}{\hat{\theta}} \\ \hat{\theta} &= \frac{1}{\bar{x} - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

If $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta} \\ &= \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \exp(-\alpha \log \beta - x/\beta) \end{aligned}$$

Then we can set:

- $\eta(\beta) = 1/\beta$
- $T(x) = -x$
- $B(\beta) = \alpha \log \beta$

Part a

We can see from $\eta(\beta)$ that $\beta \neq 0$, and from $B(\beta)$ that $\beta > 0$.

Part b

In order to get the canonical form, we need to replace $B(\beta)$ with $A(\eta)$. Since $\eta(\beta) = 1/\beta$, $\beta = 1/\eta$. Then $A(\eta) = \alpha \log \frac{1}{\eta} = -\alpha \log \eta$.

$E[T(X)] = E[-X]$, but we also know

$$\begin{aligned} E[T(X)] &= E[-X] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} A(\eta) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} (-\alpha \log \eta) \\ &= -\alpha / \eta \\ &= -\alpha \beta \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3

We know that $f(\theta|x) \propto f(x|\theta)f(\theta)$. We are also given

- $f(x|\theta) = (2\pi\theta)^{-1/2} \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\theta})$
- $f(\theta) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \theta^{-(\alpha+1)} e^{-\beta/\theta}$

Then ignoring constant factors,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta|x) &\propto \theta^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\theta}\right) \theta^{-\alpha-1} \exp(-\beta/\theta) \\ &\propto \theta^{-(\alpha+\frac{1}{2}+1)} \exp\left(-\frac{\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2} + \beta}{\theta}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Then we get

$$\theta|x \sim \text{InvGamma}\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2} + \beta\right)$$