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**Final Examination (Paper A)**  
**Time: 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

**(I) Acronyms:**

mgf	moment generating function
pdf/pmf	probability density/mass function
r.v.	random variable
CI	confidence interval
MLE	maximum likelihood estimator
MPT	most powerful test
UMPT	uniformly most powerful test
UMVUE	uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator
$I(\cdot)$	indicator function
$z_\alpha, t(\alpha, \nu), \chi^2(\alpha, \nu)$	upper $\alpha$ -th quantile of $N(0, 1)$ , $t(0, 1, \nu)$ and $\chi^2(\nu)$

**(II) Commonly used pdfs or pmfs:**

- Gamma distribution. The pdf of  $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  is

$$\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}, \quad x > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0.$$

- $t$ -distribution. The pdf of  $X \sim t(\mu, \sigma^2, \nu)$  is

$$\frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})\sqrt{\nu\pi}\sigma} \left[ 1 + \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\nu\sigma^2} \right]^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R} \triangleq (-\infty, \infty), \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma > 0.$$

- Laplace distribution. The pdf of  $X \sim \text{Laplace}(\mu, \sigma)$  is

$$\frac{1}{2\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{|x-\mu|}{\sigma}\right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma > 0.$$

- Negative binomial distribution. The pmf of  $Y \sim \text{NBinomial}(n, \theta)$  is

$$\Pr(Y = y) = \binom{n+y-1}{y} \theta^n (1-\theta)^y, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots, \infty, \quad \theta \in (0, 1).$$

In particular, when  $n = 1$ , it is reduced to the **geometric distribution**, denoted by  $Y \sim \text{Geometric}(\theta) = \text{NBinomial}(1, \theta)$  with pmf

$$\Pr(Y = y) = \theta(1-\theta)^y, \quad y = 0, 1, \dots, \infty, \quad \theta \in (0, 1).$$

**Answer ALL 6 questions. Marks are shown in square brackets**

1. Directly give your answers to the following questions:

**1.1** Let two discrete r.v.'s  $X, Y \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$  with  $p = 0.6$ . The value of  $\Pr(X \leq Y)$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [2 ms]

**1.2** Let  $X \sim \text{Laplace}(\mu, \sigma)$  and define the standard Laplace r.v.  $Y \triangleq (X - \mu)/\sigma$ , then  $Y \sim \text{Laplace}(0, 1)$ .

(a) The mgf of  $Y$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [2 ms]

(b) The mgf of  $X$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]

**1.3** (a) If  $X$  is a discrete r.v., what is the definition of the median of  $X$ , denoted by  $\text{med}(X)$ ? [1 mk]

(b) The pmf of the discrete r.v.  $X$  is

$X$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$p_i = \Pr(X = i + 1)$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{6}{36}$	$\frac{5}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{3}{36}$	$\frac{2}{36}$	$\frac{1}{36}$

for  $i = 1, \dots, 11$ . The median  $\text{med}(X)$  of  $X$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [2 ms]

**1.4** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent, and  $X_i \sim \text{Logistic}(\mu_i, \sigma_i)$  with pdf

$$\text{Logistic}(x_i | \mu_i, \sigma_i) = \frac{\exp(-\frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i})}{\sigma_i \{1 + \exp(-\frac{x_i - \mu_i}{\sigma_i})\}^2}, \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $\mu_i \in \mathbb{R}$  is the location parameter and  $\sigma_i > 0$  is the scale parameter,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . The distribution of the smallest order statistic  $X_{(1)} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [2 ms]

**1.5** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n, X \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} f(x; \theta) = (1 - \theta)^{-1} I(\theta \leq x \leq 1)$ , where  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ .

(a) The moment estimator of  $\theta$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]

(b) A sufficient statistic of  $\theta$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]

(c) The MLE of  $\theta$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]

**1.6** Assume we want to find the root  $x^*$  of the equation  $0 = g(x)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{X}$ . What is Newton's method to iteratively calculate the root  $x^*$ ? [2 ms]

**1.7** In Bayesian statistics, let  $X | \lambda \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$  and the prior distribution of  $\lambda$  be  $\text{Gamma}(a, b)$  with known  $a (> 0)$  and  $b (> 0)$ .

- (a) The posterior distribution  $\lambda|(X = x)$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]
- (b) The marginal distribution of  $X$  is \_\_\_\_\_. [1 mk]
- 1.8** Let  $\mathbb{C}$  be the critical region of a test for testing  $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$  against  $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$ . What are the definitions of the Type I error function  $\alpha(\theta)$  and the power function  $p(\theta)$ ? [2 ms]
- 1.9** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with unknown  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$ . Suppose that we want to test the null hypothesis  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$  against  $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ .
- (a) The pivotal quantity  $T =$  \_\_\_\_\_ and the test statistic  $T_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (b) Under  $H_0$ , the distribution of  $T_1$  is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (c) The critical region of size  $\alpha$  for the test is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (d) The corresponding  $p$ -value is \_\_\_\_\_. [5 ms]
- 1.10** Let 3.3, -0.3, -0.6, -0.9 be a random sample from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .
- (a) If  $\sigma = 3$ , The 90% CI of  $\mu$ . [2 ms]  
 (b) What would be the CI of  $\mu$  if  $\sigma$  were unknown? [2 ms]  
 [Note:  $z_{0.05} = 1.645$ ,  $t(0.05, 3) = 2.3534$ ]
- 1.11** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, 3.3^2)$  with  $n = 30$  and  $\bar{x} = 27$ . Construct a 90% CI for  $\mu$ , where  $z_{0.05} = 1.645$ . [6 ms]
- 1.12** Let  $X$  be a discrete random variable with pmf  $p_i = \Pr(X = x_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and  $Y$  be a discrete random variable with pmf  $q_j = \Pr(Y = y_j)$  for  $j = 1, 2$ . Given two conditional distribution matrices
- $$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & 1/2 \\ 3/4 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & 2/3 \\ 3/5 & 2/5 \end{pmatrix},$$
- where the  $(i, j)$  element of  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $a_{ij} = \Pr(X = x_i | Y = y_j)$  and the  $(i, j)$  element of  $\mathbf{B}$  is  $b_{ij} = \Pr(Y = y_j | X = x_i)$ .
- (a) Find the marginal distribution of  $X$ . [2 ms]  
 (b) Find the marginal distribution of  $Y$ . [2 ms]  
 (c) Find the joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$ . [2 ms]

[Total: 40 ms]

2. Let  $X \sim t(\mu, \sigma^2, \nu)$ , then  $X$  can be stochastically represented by

$$X \stackrel{d}{=} \mu + \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\xi/\nu}},$$

where  $Z \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\xi \sim \chi^2(\nu)$ , and  $Z \perp \xi$ . Now assume that

$$Y \stackrel{d}{=} \mu + \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\tau}},$$

where  $Z \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  and  $Z \perp \tau$ . Prove that  $Y \sim t(\mu, \sigma_*^2, \nu_*)$  and find the expressions of  $\sigma_*^2$  and  $\nu_*$ . **[Total: 7 ms]**

3. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Geometric}(\theta)$  and define  $\mathbf{X} \triangleq (X_1, \dots, X_n)^\top$ .

3.1 Show that  $T(\mathbf{X}) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a sufficient statistic of  $\theta$ . **[3 ms]**

3.2 Use the mgf method to prove that  $T(\mathbf{X}) \sim \text{NBinomial}(n, \theta)$ . **[5 ms]**

Hint: For a positive integer  $n$ ,

$$(x + a)^{-n} = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (-1)^y \binom{n+y-1}{y} x^y a^{-n-y}, \quad \text{for } |x| < a. \quad (1)$$

3.3 Show that  $T(\mathbf{X})$  is complete for  $\theta$ . **[5 ms]**

3.4 Find the unique UMVUE for  $\tau(\theta) = (1 - \theta)/\theta$  by the Lehmann–Scheffé Theorem. **[5 ms]**

3.5 Show that  $\bar{X}$  is an efficient estimator for  $\tau(\theta)$ . **[5 ms]**

**[Total: 23 ms]**

4. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\theta, 1)$ .

4.1 Use the Neyman–Pearson Lemma, to find the MPT  $\varphi$  of size  $\alpha$  for testing  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  against  $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$  with  $\theta_1 > \theta_0$ . **[8 ms]**

4.2 Find the power function  $p_\varphi(\theta)$ . **[4 ms]**

4.3 Find the UMPT of size  $\alpha$  for testing  $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$ . **[8 ms]**

**[Total: 20 ms]**

5. In the 98 year period from 1900 to 1997, there were 159 U.S. land falling hurricanes. The numbers of hurricanes per year are summarized as follows:

Times of hurricanes per year ( $i$ )	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Frequency of years ( $N_i$ )	18	34	24	16	3	1	2	98

Does the number of land falling hurricanes per year follow a Poisson distribution when the approximate significance level is taken to be 0.05? [10 ms]

[Note:  $\chi^2(0.05, 3) = 7.81$ ,  $\chi^2(0.05, 4) = 9.49$ ,  $\chi^2(0.05, 5) = 11.07$ ]

6. (Bonus question). Let  $X, Y \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , and define a new r.v.  $Z$  by

$$Z = \begin{cases} X, & \text{if } XY > 0, \\ -X, & \text{if } XY < 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } X = 0. \end{cases}$$

Find the distribution of  $Z$ . [5 ms]

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## 1. Suggested Solutions.

**1.1 Solution:** Since  $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr(X \leq Y) &= \Pr(X = Y = 0) + \Pr(X = Y = 1) + \Pr(X = 0, Y = 1) \\
 &= \Pr(X = 0) \cdot \Pr(Y = 0) + \Pr(X = 1) \cdot \Pr(Y = 1) \\
 &\quad + \Pr(X = 0) \cdot \Pr(Y = 1) \\
 &= (1 - p)^2 + p^2 + (1 - p)p \\
 &= 1 - p + p^2 = 0.76.
 \end{aligned}$$

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**1.2 Solution:** See **Example T2.1**.

(a) Define  $Y = (X - \mu)/\sigma$ , then the pdf of  $Y$  is

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right| = 0.5e^{-|y|}, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Thus,

$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tX}) = E[e^{t(\mu + \sigma Y)}] = e^{\mu t} M_Y(\sigma t) \quad (2)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_Y(t) &= E(e^{tY}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ty} \cdot 0.5e^{-|y|} dy \\
 &= 0.5 \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(t+1)y} dy + 0.5 \int_0^{\infty} e^{(t-1)y} dy \triangleq 0.5I_1 + 0.5I_2.
 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(t+1)y} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{t+1} e^{(t+1)y} \Big|_{-\infty}^0 = \frac{1}{t+1} (1 - 0) = \frac{1}{1+t}, \quad \text{and} \\
 I_2 &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{(t-1)y} dy \quad [\text{let } y = -z]
 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_0^{-\infty} (-1)e^{-(t-1)z} dz = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{(1-t)z} dz \quad [\text{similar to (4)}] \\
&= \frac{1}{1-t}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, (3) becomes

$$M_Y(t) = \frac{0.5}{1+t} + \frac{0.5}{1-t} = \frac{1}{1-t^2}.$$

(b) From (2), we obtain

$$M_X(t) = \frac{e^{\mu t}}{1 - \sigma^2 t^2}. \quad \parallel$$

**1.3 Solution:** (a) The median of  $X$  satisfies

$$\Pr\{X \leq \text{med}(X)\} \geq 0.5 \quad \text{and} \quad \Pr\{X \geq \text{med}(X)\} \geq 0.5.$$

See page 18 of the Textbook.

(b) We have  $\text{med}(X) = 7$  because

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr(X \leq 7) &= \frac{1+2+3+4+5+6}{36} = \frac{21}{36} \approx 0.583 \geq 0.5 \quad \text{and} \\
\Pr(X \geq 7) &= \frac{6+5+4+3+2+1}{36} = \frac{21}{36} \approx 0.583 \geq 0.5.
\end{aligned}$$

See **Example T1.8**. \parallel

**1.4 Solution:** Let  $X_i \sim \text{Logistic}(\mu_i, \sigma_i)$ , then the cdf of  $X_i$  is given by

$$F_i(x|\mu_i, \sigma_i) = \left(1 + e^{-\frac{x-\mu_i}{\sigma_i}}\right)^{-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

So the cdf of  $X_{(1)}$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr\{X_{(1)} \leq x\} &= 1 - \Pr\{\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) > x\} \\
&= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n \Pr(X_i > x) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n [1 - F_i(x|\mu_i, \sigma_i)]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ 1 - \left( 1 + e^{-\frac{x-\mu_i}{\sigma_i}} \right)^{-1} \right] \\
&= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\frac{x-\mu_i}{\sigma_i}}}{1 + e^{-\frac{x-\mu_i}{\sigma_i}}}.
\end{aligned}$$

**1.5 Solution:** (a) The expectation of  $X \sim f(x; \theta)$  is

$$E(X) = \int_{\theta}^1 x \frac{1}{1-\theta} dx = \frac{1}{1-\theta} \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{\theta}^1 = \frac{1}{1-\theta} \frac{1-\theta^2}{2} = \frac{1+\theta}{2}.$$

Let  $0.5(1+\theta) = \bar{X}$ , we obtain the moment estimator of  $\theta$  is  $\hat{\theta}^M = 2\bar{X} - 1$ .

(b) The likelihood function of  $\theta$  is

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-\theta} I(\theta \leq x_i \leq 1) = \frac{1}{(1-\theta)^n} I(\theta \leq x_{(1)}) \cdot 1,$$

According to the factorization theorem, we know that  $X_{(1)} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is a sufficient estimator of  $\theta$ .

(c) Note that  $L(\theta)$  is an increasing function of  $\theta$  over the interval  $(0, x_{(1)})$ , thus,  $X_{(1)}$  is the MLE of  $\theta$ . ||

**1.6 Solution:** Newton's method to iteratively calculate the root  $x^*$  of the equation  $g(x) = 0$  is

$$x^{(t+1)} = x^{(t)} - \frac{g(x^{(t)})}{g'(x^{(t)})}, \quad t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty. \quad ||$$

**1.7 Solution:** (i) The joint density of  $(X, \lambda)$  is

$$f(x, \lambda) = f(x|\lambda) \cdot \pi(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda} \times \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \lambda^{a-1} e^{-b\lambda},$$

so that the posterior density is

$$p(\lambda|x) = \frac{f(x, \lambda)}{f_x(x)} \propto f(x, \lambda) \propto \lambda^{x+a-1} e^{-(1+b)\lambda},$$



i.e.,  $\lambda|(X = x) \sim \text{Gamma}(x + a, 1 + b)$ .

(ii) The marginal density of  $X$  is

$$f_X(x) = \int_0^\infty f(x, \lambda) d\lambda = \frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{x! \Gamma(a)} \left( \frac{b}{1 + b} \right)^a \left( \frac{1}{1 + b} \right)^x,$$

for  $x = 0, 1, \dots, \infty$ , i.e.,  $X \sim \text{GPoisson}(a, b)$ . ||

**1.8 Solution:** (i) The Type I error function is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(\theta) = \Pr(\text{Type I error}) &= \Pr(\text{rejecting } H_0 | H_0 \text{ is true}) \\ &= \Pr(\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C} | \theta \in \Theta_0), \end{aligned}$$

which is a function of  $\theta$  defined in  $\Theta_0$ , where  $\mathbf{x} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)^\top$ .

(ii) The power function is defined by

$$p(\theta) = \Pr(\text{rejecting } H_0 | \theta) = \Pr(\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C} | \theta). \quad ||$$

**1.9 Solution:** (i) The pivotal quantity is

$$T \triangleq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t(n - 1),$$

where

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1}}.$$

The test statistic is

$$T_1 \triangleq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{S/\sqrt{n}}.$$

(ii) When  $H_0$  is true, we obtain  $T_1 \sim t(n - 1)$ .

(iii) The critical regions of size  $\alpha$  for the test is  $\mathbb{C} = \{\mathbf{x}: |t_1| \geq t(\alpha/2, n - 1)\}$ , where

$$t_1 = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}}.$$

and  $t(\alpha, n-1)$  denotes the upper  $\alpha$ -th quantile of  $t(n-1)$ .

(iv) The corresponding  $p$ -value can be calculated by

$$p\text{-value} = 2 \Pr(T \geq |t_1|).$$

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**1.10 Solution:** (a) When  $\sigma = \sigma_0$  is known, from (4.4) of Chapter 4, we know that

$$\left[ \bar{X} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}} \right] = [-2.0925, 2.8425]$$

is a  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI for the mean  $\mu$ , where  $n = 4$ ,  $\alpha = 0.1$ ,  $z_{\alpha/2} = z_{0.05} = 1.645$ ,  $\sigma_0 = 3$ , and

$$\bar{X} = \frac{3.3 - 0.3 - 0.6 - 0.9}{4} = 0.375.$$

(b) When  $\sigma$  is unknown, from (4.6) of Chapter 4, we know that

$$\left[ \bar{X} - t\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1\right) \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1\right) \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \right] = [-1.937, 2.687]$$

is a  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI for the mean  $\mu$ , where  $\bar{X} = 0.375$ ,  $n = 4$ ,  $t(\alpha/2, n-1) = t(0.05, 3) = 2.3534$ , and

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}} = \sqrt{3.863} = 1.965.$$

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**1.11 Solution:** Since  $\bar{X}$  is a sufficient statistic of  $\mu$ , we have a pivotal quantity

$$P = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{3.3} \sim N(0, 1),$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr \left\{ -z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{3.3} \leq z_{\alpha/2} \right\} = 1 - \alpha,$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr \left( \bar{X} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = 1 - \alpha,$$

$$\Rightarrow \Pr \left( \bar{X} - z_{0.05} \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{0.05} \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = 0.9.$$

Therefore, a 90% CI for  $\mu$  is given by

$$\left[ 27 - 1.645 \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{30}}, 27 + 1.645 \frac{3.3}{\sqrt{30}} \right] = [26.0089, 27.9911]. \quad \parallel$$

**1.12 Solution:** Note that  $\mathcal{S}_X = \{x_1, x_2\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_Y = \{y_1, y_2\}$ . By using point-wise IBF, the marginal distribution of  $X$  is given by

$$\frac{X}{p_i = \Pr(X = x_i)} \mid \begin{array}{cc} x_1 & x_2 \\ 3/8 & 5/8 \end{array}$$

Similarly, the marginal distribution of  $Y$  is given by

$$\frac{Y}{q_j = \Pr(Y = y_j)} \mid \begin{array}{cc} y_1 & y_2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{array}$$

The joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$  is given by

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/8 & 1/4 \\ 3/8 & 1/4 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \parallel$$

**2.** [L]**Proof.** The pdf of  $W \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$  is

$$\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} w^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta w}, \quad w > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0.$$

We know that

$$c \cdot \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \stackrel{\text{d}}{=} \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta/c), \quad \text{for any } c > 0. \quad (5)$$

$$\text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 1/2) = \chi^2(\nu), \quad (6)$$

We have the following SR:

$$\begin{aligned} Y &\stackrel{\text{d}}{=} \mu + \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\tau}} = \mu + \frac{N(0, \sigma^2)}{\sqrt{\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)}} \\ &\stackrel{(5)}{=} \mu + \frac{N(0, \sigma^2)}{\sqrt{(2\beta)^{-1} \cdot \text{Gamma}(\alpha, 1/2)}} \\ &\stackrel{(6)}{=} \mu + \frac{N(0, \sigma^2)}{\sqrt{2\alpha(2\beta)^{-1} \cdot \chi^2(2\alpha)/(2\alpha)}} \\ &= \mu + \frac{N(0, \beta\sigma^2/\alpha)}{\sqrt{\chi^2(2\alpha)/(2\alpha)}} \sim t(\mu, \sigma_*^2, \nu_*), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_*^2 = \beta\sigma^2/\alpha$  and  $\nu_* = 2\alpha$ .

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### 3. [L] Solution.

**3.1** The joint pmf of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is

$$f(\mathbf{x}; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta(1 - \theta)^{x_i} = \theta^n (1 - \theta)^{T(\mathbf{x})} \times 1 = g(T(\mathbf{x}); \theta) \times h(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $g(t; \theta) = \theta^n (1 - \theta)^t$  and  $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ . Therefore,  $T(\mathbf{X})$  is sufficient for  $\theta$ .

**3.2** The mgf of  $X_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) is

$$\begin{aligned} M_{X_i}(t) &= E(e^{tX_i}) = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{tx} \theta(1 - \theta)^x \\ &= \theta \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} [e^t(1 - \theta)]^x = \frac{\theta}{1 - e^t(1 - \theta)}, \quad t < -\log(1 - \theta). \end{aligned}$$

So the mgf of  $T(\mathbf{X})$  is

$$M_T(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(t) = \left[ \frac{\theta}{1 - e^t(1 - \theta)} \right]^n, \quad t < -\log(1 - \theta).$$

On the other hand, let  $Y \sim \text{NBinomial}(n, \theta)$ . The mgf of  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} M_Y(t) &= E(e^{tY}) = \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} e^{ty} \binom{n+y-1}{y} \theta^n (1 - \theta)^y \\ &= \theta^n \times \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+y-1}{y} [e^t(1 - \theta)]^y \\ &= \theta^n \times \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} (-1)^y \binom{n+y-1}{y} [-e^t(1 - \theta)]^y \cdot 1^{-n-y} \\ &\stackrel{(1)}{=} \theta^n \times [1 - e^t(1 - \theta)]^{-n} \\ &= \left[ \frac{\theta}{1 - e^t(1 - \theta)} \right]^n, \quad t < -\log(1 - \theta). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $M_T(t) = M_Y(t)$ ,  $T(\mathbf{X}) \sim \text{NBinomial}(n, \theta)$ .

**3.3** Assume that  $E\{h(T)\} = 0$ , we have

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} h(t) \binom{n+t-1}{t} \theta^n (1-\theta)^t = 0,$$

or

$$\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+t-1}{t} h(t) (1-\theta)^t = 0, \quad 0 < \theta < 1. \quad (7)$$

The equation (7) is a polynomial of  $(1-\theta)$  and  $(1-\theta)$  must be nonzero. The fact that it equals to zero implies that all its coefficients are zero, i.e.,

$$\binom{n+t-1}{t} h(t) = 0, \quad t = 0, 1, \dots$$

Hence,  $h(T) = 0$ , i.e.  $\Pr\{h(T) = 0\} = 1$ . Therefore,  $T(\mathbf{X})$  is complete for  $\theta$ .

**3.4** We have

$$\begin{aligned} E[T(\mathbf{X})] &= \left. \frac{dM_T(t)}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = \left. \frac{ne^t \theta^n (1-\theta)}{[1 - e^t(1-\theta)]^{n+1}} \right|_{t=0} \\ &= n \cdot \frac{1-\theta}{\theta} = n \cdot \tau(\theta). \end{aligned}$$

Denote  $\bar{X} = T(\mathbf{X})/n$ . It implies that  $E(\bar{X}) = \tau(\theta)$ , and thus  $\bar{X}$  is an unbiased estimator for  $\tau(\theta)$ . Because  $T(\mathbf{X})$  is sufficient and complete, according to the Lehmann–Scheffé Theorem,  $\bar{X}$  is the unique UMVUE for  $\tau(\theta) = (1-\theta)/\theta$ .

**3.5** To prove that  $\bar{X}$  is an efficient estimator for  $\tau(\theta)$ , we need to show that  $\text{Var}(\bar{X})$  equals to the Cramér–Rao lower bound. Since

$$\begin{aligned} E[T(\mathbf{X})]^2 &= \left. \frac{d^2 M_T(t)}{dt^2} \right|_{t=0} = \left. \frac{ne^t \theta^n (1-\theta) [1 - ne^t (1-\theta)]}{[1 - e^t (1-\theta)]^{n+2}} \right|_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{n(1-\theta)[1 - n(1-\theta)]}{\theta^2}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\text{Var}[T(\mathbf{X})] = E[T(\mathbf{X})]^2 - \{E[T(\mathbf{X})]\}^2 = \frac{n(1-\theta)}{\theta^2}.$$

Hence,

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\text{Var}[T(\mathbf{X})]}{n^2} = \frac{1-\theta}{n\theta^2}.$$

The log-likelihood function is

$$\ell(\theta; \mathbf{X}) = \log f(\mathbf{X}; \theta) = n \log \theta + T(\mathbf{X}) \log(1-\theta).$$

Thus, the Fisher information is

$$I_n(\theta) = E \left[ -\frac{d^2 \ell(\theta; \mathbf{X})}{d\theta^2} \right] = E \left[ \frac{n}{\theta^2} + \frac{T(\mathbf{X})}{(1-\theta)^2} \right] = \frac{n}{\theta^2(1-\theta)}.$$

Since

$$\tau'(\theta) = \frac{d\tau(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\frac{1}{\theta^2},$$

the Cramér–Rao lower bound is

$$v(\theta) = \frac{[\tau'(\theta)]^2}{I_n(\theta)} = \frac{1-\theta}{n\theta^2}.$$

Since  $\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = v(\theta)$ ,  $\bar{X}$  is an efficient estimator for  $\tau(\theta) = (1-\theta)/\theta$ . ||

4. [B] **Solution.** See **Example 5.4** on page 195 of Textbook Chapter 5.

**4.1** The likelihood function is given by

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(x_i - \theta)^2 \right\} = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2 \right\}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\theta_1)} &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \{(x_i - \theta_0)^2 - (x_i - \theta_1)^2\} \right] \\ &= \exp \left\{ (\theta_0 - \theta_1) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n(\theta_0^2 - \theta_1^2)/2 \right\} \leq k \end{aligned}$$

is equivalent to

$$\bar{x} \geq \frac{\log(k)}{n(\theta_0 - \theta_1)} + \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} \triangleq c.$$

To determine  $c$ , we consider the size

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \Pr(\bar{X} \geq c | \theta = \theta_0) = \Pr\{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \theta_0) \geq \sqrt{n}(c - \theta_0)\} \\ &= \Pr\{Z \geq \sqrt{n}(c - \theta_0)\} = \Pr(Z \geq z_\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $\sqrt{n}(c - \theta_0) = z_\alpha$  or  $c = \theta_0 + z_\alpha/\sqrt{n}$ . Thus, the test with critical region  $\mathbb{C} = \{\mathbf{x}: \bar{x} \geq \theta_0 + z_\alpha/\sqrt{n}\}$  is the MPT  $\varphi$  of size  $\alpha$ .

**4.2** The power function

$$\begin{aligned} p_\varphi(\theta) &= \Pr(\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C} | \theta) = \Pr(\bar{X} \geq \theta_0 + z_\alpha/\sqrt{n} | \theta) \\ &= \Pr\{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \theta) \geq z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta) | \theta\} \\ &= \Pr\{Z \geq z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\} \\ &= 1 - \Phi\{z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\}. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$



**4.3** See **Example 5.7** on page 200 of Textbook Chapter 5.

Step 1: From the previous question, the test  $\varphi$  with critical region

$$\mathbb{C} = \{\mathbf{x}: \bar{x} \geq \theta_0 + z_\alpha/\sqrt{n}\}$$

is the MPT of size  $\alpha$  for testing  $H_{0s}: \theta = \theta_0$  against  $H_{1s}: \theta = \theta_1 > \theta_0$ . Therefore, we obtain

$$p_\varphi(\theta_0) = \alpha \quad \text{and} \quad (9)$$

$$p_\varphi(\theta) \stackrel{(8)}{=} 1 - \Phi\{z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\}. \quad (10)$$

Step 2: Since the critical region  $\mathbb{C}$  depends only on  $n$ ,  $\theta_0$ ,  $\alpha$  and the fact  $\theta_1 > \theta_0$ , but not on the value of  $\theta_1$ , the test  $\varphi$  is also the UMPT of size  $\alpha$  for testing

$$H_{0s}: \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{against} \quad H_1: \theta > \theta_0. \quad (11)$$

The latter can be obtained immediately since  $\varphi$  is the UMPT of size  $\alpha$  for testing (11). Thus, we only need to prove the type I error rate cannot exceed  $\alpha$ .

Step 3: It follows from (10) that

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} p_\varphi(\theta) &= \sup_{\theta \leq \theta_0} [1 - \Phi\{z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\}] \\ &= \max_{\theta \leq \theta_0} [1 - \Phi\{z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\}] \\ &= 1 - \min_{\theta \leq \theta_0} \Phi\{z_\alpha + \sqrt{n}(\theta_0 - \theta)\} \\ &= 1 - \Phi(z_\alpha) \quad [\because \Phi(-x) \text{ is a decreasing function of } x] \\ &= 1 - (1 - \alpha) = \alpha \stackrel{(9)}{=} p_\varphi(\theta_0). \end{aligned}$$

Then, the test  $\varphi$  is also the UMPT of size  $\alpha$  for testing

$$H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0 \quad \text{against} \quad H_1: \theta > \theta_0. \quad \parallel$$

5. [T] **Solution.** We wish to test

$H_0$  : The distribution is Poisson against

$H_1$  : The distribution is not Poisson.

Under  $H_0$ , the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\lambda$  is

$$\hat{\lambda} = \bar{x} = \frac{159}{98} \approx 1.622.$$

Now

$$\hat{p}_{i0} = p_{i0}(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{\hat{\lambda}^i}{i!} e^{-\hat{\lambda}}, i = 0, 1, \dots, 5, \quad \hat{p}_{6,0} = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^5 \hat{p}_{i0},$$

and  $n = 98$ , we obtain

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6( $\geq 6$ )
$N_i$	18	34	24	16	3	1	2
$\hat{p}_{i0}$	0.1974	0.3203	0.2598	0.1405	0.0570	0.0185	0.0064
$n\hat{p}_{i0}$	19.3466	31.3889	25.4635	13.7711	5.5857	1.8125	0.6317

Those classes with expected frequencies less than 5 should be combined with the adjacent class. Therefore, we combine the last 3 classes, and the revised table is

$i$	0	1	2	3	4( $\geq 4$ )
$N_i$	18	34	24	16	6
$\hat{p}_{i0}$	0.1974	0.3203	0.2598	0.1405	0.0819
$n\hat{p}_{i0}$	19.3466	31.3889	25.4635	13.7711	8.0299

So we have

$$\hat{Q}_{98} = \sum_{i=0}^4 \frac{(N_i - n\hat{p}_{i0})^2}{n\hat{p}_{i0}} = 1.2690 < \chi^2(0.05, 5 - 1 - 1) = 7.81.$$

Thus, we cannot reject  $H_0$  when the approximate significance level is taken to be 0.05. ||

6. [U] **Solution.** Since  $X, Y \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , we have

$$\Pr(X \geq -z) = \Pr(X \leq z) \quad \text{and} \quad \Pr(Y < 0) = \Pr(Y > 0) = 0.5. \quad (12)$$

By the definition of  $Z$ , for  $z < 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(Z \leq z) \\ &= \Pr(X \leq z, XY > 0) + \Pr(-X \leq z, XY < 0) \\ &= \Pr(X \leq z, Y < 0) + \Pr(X \geq -z, Y < 0) \quad (\because z < 0) \\ &= \Pr(X \leq z) \Pr(Y < 0) + \Pr(X \geq -z) \Pr(Y < 0) \quad (\because X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y) \\ &\stackrel{(12)}{=} \Pr(X \leq z) 0.5 + \Pr(X \leq z) 0.5 \\ &= \Pr(X \leq z). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Similarly, for  $z > 0$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(Z > z) \\ &= \Pr(X > z, XY > 0) + \Pr(-X > z, XY < 0) \\ &= \Pr(X > z, Y > 0) + \Pr(X < -z, Y > 0) \quad (\because z > 0) \\ &= \Pr(X > z) \Pr(Y > 0) + \Pr(X < -z) \Pr(Y > 0) \quad (\because X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y) \\ &\stackrel{(12)}{=} \Pr(X > z) 0.5 + \Pr(X > z) 0.5 \\ &= \Pr(X > z), \end{aligned}$$

implying that

$$\Pr(Z \leq z) = \Pr(X \leq z) \quad \text{for any } z > 0. \quad (14)$$

Hence, by combining (13) and (14), we have

$$Z \stackrel{d}{=} X \sim N(0, 1). \quad \parallel$$