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Answer ALL Questions

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1. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from the Bernoulli( $\theta$ ), where  $\theta$  is the unknown parameter.

(a) (**2 marks**) Find the complete and sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . Find its distribution.

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x; \theta) &= \theta^x(1 - \theta)^{1-x} \\&= \exp \{x \log \theta + (1 - x) \log (1 - \theta)\} \\&= \exp \left\{ \log(1 - \theta) + x \log \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \right\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a(\theta) = \log(1 - \theta), b(X) = 0, c(\theta) = \log\left(\frac{\theta}{1 - \theta}\right), d(X) = X,$$

$\therefore$  Bin( $1, \theta$ ) belongs to the exponential family and  $\sum_{i=1}^n d(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is complete and sufficient for  $\theta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}E(e^{t \sum X_i}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n E(e^{t X_i}) \\&= \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \theta + \theta e^t) \\&= (1 - \theta + \theta e^t)^n\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n\theta).$$

(b) (**3 marks**) Find the UMVUE for  $\theta^2$ .

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}E\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)^2\right) &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) + \left(E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)\right)^2 \\&= n\theta(1 - \theta) + n^2\theta^2 \\&= n\theta + n(n - 1)\theta^2 \\&= nE\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}\right) + n(n - 1)\theta^2 \\&\Rightarrow E\left(\frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)}{n(n - 1)}\right) = \theta^2\end{aligned}$$

- (c) (**3 marks**) Find the CRLB for  $\theta^2$ . Is the variance of the UMVUE for  $\theta^2$  equal to its CRLB? Explain in details.

Answer

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

$$\Rightarrow \text{The CRLB} = \frac{(2\theta)^2}{-nE \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f(X; \theta) \right]} = \frac{4\theta^3(1 - \theta)}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(x) &= \frac{(1 - \theta) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - (n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i) \theta}{(1 - \theta) \theta} \\
 &= \frac{n}{\theta(1 - \theta)} (\bar{x} - \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, CRLB for  $\theta^2$  cannot be achieved.

- (d) (**2 marks**) Find the limiting distribution of the maximum likelihood estimator for  $\theta^2$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by Delta method. What phenomenon do you observe?

Answer

$$\hat{\theta} = \bar{x} \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}^2 = \bar{X}^2$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{X} &\rightarrow N \left( \theta, \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)}{n} \right) \\
 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \theta \right) &\rightarrow N \left( 0, \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)}{n} \right) \\
 \bar{X}^2 &\rightarrow N \left( \theta^2, \frac{4\theta^3(1 - \theta)}{n} \right) \\
 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} (\bar{X}^2 - \theta^2) &\rightarrow N \left( 0, \frac{4\theta^3(1 - \theta)}{n} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta^2$  is unbiased, normally distributed and fully efficiency, i.e., its variance is equal to C-R lower bound.

(e) (**5 marks**) Find the UMVUE of  $P(X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 1)$ .

Answer

$$P(X_1 + X_2 + X_3 = 1) = \binom{3}{1} \theta(1 - \theta)^2 = 3\theta(1 - \theta)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(h(y)) &= 3\theta(1 - \theta)^2 \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} &= 3\theta(1 - \theta)^2 \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} \frac{1}{3} \theta^{y-1} (1 - \theta)^{n-2-y} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Set  $h(y) = 0$  for  $y = 0, n, n - 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{y=1}^{n-2} h(y) \binom{n}{y} \frac{1}{3} \theta^{y-1} (1 - \theta)^{n-2-y} = 1$$

Let  $x = y - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{n-3} h(x+1) \binom{n}{x+1} \frac{1}{3} \theta^x (1 - \theta)^{n-3-x} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{n-3} h(x+1) \frac{\binom{n}{x+1}}{\binom{n-3}{x}} \frac{1}{3} \binom{n-3}{x} \theta^x (1 - \theta)^{n-3-x} &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow h(x+1) &= \frac{3 \binom{n-3}{x}}{\binom{n}{x+1}} \\ \Rightarrow h(y) &= \begin{cases} \frac{3 \binom{n-3}{y-1}}{\binom{n}{y}} & \text{for } y = 1, 2, \dots, n-2 \\ 0 & \text{for } y = 0, n, n-1 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- (f) (**5 marks**) Find the maximum likelihood estimator for the variance of  $\sum X_i$ , i.e.,  $n\theta(1-\theta)$ . Is it unbiased? Hence or otherwise, find the UMVUE for the variance of  $\sum X_i$ .

Answer

The maximum likelihood estimator for the variance of  $\sum X_i$  is  $n\bar{X}(1 - \bar{X})$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(n\bar{X}(1 - \bar{X})) &= E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i(1 - \bar{X})\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i(n - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}E(Y(n - Y)) \quad \text{where } Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}[E(nY) - E(Y^2)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}[nE(Y) - \text{Var}(Y) - [E(Y)]^2] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}[n \cdot n\theta - n\theta(1 - \theta) - n^2\theta^2] \\
 &= \frac{1}{n}[n^2\theta + n\theta^2 - n\theta - n^2\theta^2] \\
 &= \theta(n - 1) - \theta^2(n - 1) \\
 &= (n - 1)\theta(1 - \theta) \\
 \therefore E\left[\frac{n^2}{n - 1}\bar{X}(1 - \bar{X})\right] &= n\theta(1 - \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{n^2}{n-1}\bar{X}(1 - \bar{X})$  is function of complete sufficient statistic  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ , it is the UMVUE for  $n\theta(1 - \theta)$ .

2. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a r.s. from the continuous uniform distribution in the interval  $(\theta, 2\theta)$ ,  $\theta \in (0, \infty)$ .

Hint:

$$f(y_1, y_n) = n(n-1)(y_n - y_1)^{n-2}/\theta^n \quad \theta \leq y_1 \leq y_n \leq 2\theta$$

and

$$\text{Cov}(Y_1, Y_n) = \frac{\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}.$$

- (a) (**3 marks**) Find the method of moments estimator,  $\tilde{\theta}$ , for  $\theta$ . Is it unbiased? Hence or otherwise, find an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$  as a function of  $\tilde{\theta}$ . What is its corresponding variance?

Answer

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2\theta - \theta} = \frac{1}{\theta}$$

and

$$F_X(x) = \int_{\theta}^x \frac{1}{\theta} dt = \left[ \frac{t}{\theta} \right]_{\theta}^x = \frac{x}{\theta} - 1 = \frac{1}{\theta}(x - \theta)$$

Method of moments estimator for  $\theta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{E(X)} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \\ \Rightarrow \frac{3\tilde{\theta}}{2} &= \bar{X} \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{\theta} &= \frac{2\bar{X}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$E(\tilde{\theta}) = \theta \Rightarrow \text{Unbiased}$$

$$\text{Var}(\tilde{\theta}) = \frac{\theta^2}{27n}$$

- (b) (**3 marks**) Find  $E(Y_1)$ , where  $Y_1 = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ . Hence or otherwise, find an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$  as a function of  $Y_1$ .

Answer

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y_1}(y_1) &= \frac{n!}{(1-1)!(n-1)!} [F_X(y_1)]^{1-1} [1 - F_X(y_1)]^{n-1} f_X(y_1) \\ &= n \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\theta}(y_1 - \theta) \right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{\theta} \\ &= \frac{n}{\theta} \left[ 2 - \frac{y_1}{\theta} \right]^{n-1} \quad \theta < y_1 < 2\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow E(Y_1) &= \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1 f_{Y_1}(y_1) dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1 \left(2 - \frac{y_1}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1 (2\theta - y_1)^{n-1} dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^0 -(2\theta - z) z^{n-1} dz, & \text{let } z = 2\theta - y_1, dz = -dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (-z^n + 2\theta z^{n-1}) dz \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{-1}{n+1} z^{n+1} + \frac{2\theta}{n} z^n \right]_0^{\theta} \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{-\theta^{n+1}}{n+1} + \frac{2\theta^{n+1}}{n} \right] \\
&= \frac{-n\theta}{n+1} + 2\theta \\
&= \frac{n+2}{n+1} \theta \\
\Rightarrow U_a &= \frac{n+1}{n+2} Y_1
\end{aligned}$$

- (c) (**2 marks**) Find  $E(Y_n)$ , where  $Y_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ . Hence or otherwise, find an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$  as a function of  $Y_n$ .

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{Y_n}(y_n) &= \frac{n!}{(n-1)!(n-n)!} [F_X(y_n)]^{n-1} [1 - F_X(y_n)]^{n-n} f_X(y_n) \\
&= n \left(1 - \frac{1}{\theta}(y_n - \theta)\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{\theta} \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta} \left[\frac{y_n}{\theta} - 1\right]^{n-1} & \theta < y_n < 2\theta
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y_n) &= \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n f_{Y_n}(y_n) dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n \left( \frac{y_n}{\theta} - 1 \right)^{n-1} dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n (y_n - \theta)^{n-1} dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (z + \theta) z^{n-1} dz, \quad \text{let } z = y_n - \theta, dz = dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (z^n + \theta z^{n-1}) dz \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{1}{n+1} z^{n+1} + \frac{\theta}{n} z^n \right]_0^{\theta} \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{\theta^{n+1}}{n+1} + \frac{\theta^{n+1}}{n} \right] \\
&= \frac{n\theta}{n+1} + \theta \\
&= \frac{2n+1}{n+1} \theta \\
\Rightarrow U_b &= \frac{n+1}{2n+1} Y_n
\end{aligned}$$

- (d) (**9 marks**) Define the unbiased estimators of  $\theta$  in parts (b) and (c) as  $U_a$  and  $U_b$ , respectively. Find a constant  $k$  so that the unbiased estimator,  $kU_a + (1-k)U_b$ , has the smallest variance. What is the variance of this unbiased estimator?

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y_1^2) &= \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1^2 f_{Y_1}(y_1) dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1^2 \left( 2 - \frac{y_1}{\theta} \right)^{n-1} dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_1^2 (2\theta - y_1)^{n-1} dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^0 -(2\theta - z)^2 z^{n-1} dz, \quad \text{let } z = 2\theta - y_1, dz = -dy_1 \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (z^{n+1} - 4\theta z^n + 4\theta^2 z^{n-1}) dz \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{1}{n+2} z^{n+2} - \frac{4\theta}{n+1} z^{n+1} + \frac{4\theta^2}{n} z^n \right]_0^{\theta} \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{\theta^{n+2}}{n+2} - \frac{4\theta^{n+2}}{n+1} + \frac{4\theta^{n+2}}{n} \right] \\
&= \left[ \frac{n}{n+2} - \frac{4n}{n+1} + 4 \right] \theta^2
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
Var(Y_1) &= E(Y_1^2) - [E(Y_1)]^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} - \frac{4n}{n+1} + 4 \right) \theta^2 + \left[ \left( \frac{n+2}{n+1} \right) \theta \right]^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} - \frac{4n}{n+1} + 4 - \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^2 \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} - \frac{4n}{n+1} + 4 - 1 - \frac{2}{n+1} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} - \frac{4n}{n+1} + 3 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y_n^2) &= \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n^2 f_{Y_n}(y_n) dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n^2 \left( \frac{y_n}{\theta} - 1 \right)^{n-1} dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_{\theta}^{2\theta} y_n^2 (y_n - \theta)^{n-1} dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (z + \theta)^2 z^{n-1} dz, \quad \text{let } z = y_n - \theta, dz = dy_n \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} (z^{n+1} + 2\theta z^n + \theta^2 z^{n-1}) dz \\
&= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \left[ \frac{1}{n+2} z^{n+2} + \frac{2\theta}{n+1} z^{n+1} + \frac{\theta^2}{n} z^n \right]_0^{\theta} \\
&= \left[ \frac{n}{n+2} + \frac{2n}{n+1} + 1 \right] \theta^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Var(Y_n) &= E(Y_n^2) - [E(Y_n)]^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} + \frac{2n}{n+1} + 1 \right) \theta^2 - \left( \frac{2n+1}{n+1} \theta \right)^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} + \frac{2n}{n+1} + 1 - \left( 2 - \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^2 \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} + \frac{2n}{n+1} + 1 - 4 + \frac{4}{n+1} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \left( \frac{n}{n+2} + \frac{2n+4}{n+1} - 3 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right) \theta^2 \\
&= \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$Cov(Y_1, Y_n) = \frac{\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \text{Var}(U_a) &= \left(\frac{n+1}{n+2}\right)^2 \text{Var}(Y_1) \\
&= \left(\frac{n+1}{n+2}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \\
\text{Var}(U_b) &= \left(\frac{n+1}{2n+1}\right)^2 \text{Var}(Y_n) \\
&= \left(\frac{n+1}{2n+1}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{n\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \\
\text{Cov}(U_a, U_b) &= \frac{(n+1)^2}{(n+2)(2n+1)} \text{Cov}(Y_1, Y_n) \\
&= \frac{(n+1)^2}{(n+2)(2n+1)} \cdot \frac{\theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
&k^2 \text{Var}(U_a) + (1-k)^2 \text{Var}(U_b) + 2k(1-k) \text{Cov}(U_a, U_b) \\
&= \left\{ \frac{k^2 n}{(n+2)^2} + \frac{(1-k)^2 n}{(2n+1)^2} + \frac{2k(1-k)}{(n+2)(2n+1)} \right\} \cdot \frac{(n+1)^2 \theta^2}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \\
\Rightarrow &\frac{kn}{(n+2)^2} - \frac{(1-k)n}{(2n+1)^2} + \frac{1-2k}{(n+2)(2n+1)} = 0 \\
\Rightarrow &k = \frac{n+2}{5n+4}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the unbiased estimator has the smallest variance is

$$\begin{aligned}
kU_a + (1-k)U_b &= \frac{n+2}{5n+4}U_a + \frac{2(2n+1)}{5n+4}U_b \\
&= \frac{n+1}{5n+4}Y_1 + \frac{2(n+1)}{5n+4}Y_n \\
&= \frac{n+1}{5n+4}(Y_1 + 2Y_n) \\
\Rightarrow \text{Var}\left(\frac{n+1}{5n+4}(Y_1 + 2Y_n)\right) &= \frac{\theta^2}{(5n+4)(n+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

(e) (**3 marks**) Does the UMVUE for  $\theta$  exist? If yes, find it; if no, explain in details.

Answer

No. UMVUE for  $\theta$  doesn't exist.

$$\begin{aligned}
&E\left(\frac{n+1}{n+2}Y_1\right) = \theta \quad \& \quad E\left(\frac{n+1}{2n+1}Y_n\right) = \theta \\
\Rightarrow &E\left(\frac{n+1}{n+2}Y_1 - \frac{n+1}{2n+1}Y_n\right) = 0 \\
\text{But } &\frac{n+1}{n+2}Y_1 - \frac{n+1}{2n+1}Y_n \neq 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $(Y_1, Y_n)$  is not complete.

3. Individuals were classified according to gender and according to whether or not they were color-blind as follows:

	Male	Female
Normal	$x_{11}$	$x_{12}$
Color-blind	$x_{21}$	$x_{22}$

Let  $X = (X_{11}, X_{12}, X_{21}, X_{22}) \sim \text{multinomial}(n, P_{11}, P_{12}, P_{21}, P_{22})$ .

- (a) Test the hypothesis  $H_0 : P_{11} = \frac{p}{2}, P_{12} = \frac{p^2}{2} + pq, P_{21} = \frac{q}{2}, P_{22} = \frac{q^2}{2}$ , where  $q = 1 - p$ , against  $H_1 : (P_{11}, P_{12}, P_{21}, P_{22})$  takes any other value in  $[0, 1]^4$  at the level of significance  $\alpha$ .

- i. (4 marks) Find the likelihood ratio statistic and then derive the approximate large sample likelihood ratio test.

Answer

The likelihood function is  $L(P_{11}, P_{12}, P_{21}, P_{22}) = \text{constant} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=1}^2 P_{ij}^{x_{ij}}$

Under  $H_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} L_o &= \text{constant} \times \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{x_{11}} \left(\frac{p^2}{2} + pq\right)^{x_{12}} \left(\frac{q}{2}\right)^{x_{21}} \left(\frac{q^2}{2}\right)^{x_{22}} \\ &= \text{constant} \times p^{x_{11}} (p^2 + 2pq)^{x_{12}} q^{x_{21}} q^{2x_{22}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(L_o) &= \text{constant} \times x_{11} \ln(p) + x_{12} \ln(p^2 + 2p(1-p)) + (x_{21} + 2x_{22}) \ln(1-p) \\ &= \text{constant} \times (x_{11} + x_{12}) \ln(p) + x_{12} \ln(2-p) + (x_{21} + 2x_{22}) \ln(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ln(L_o)}{\partial p} &= \frac{x_{11} + x_{12}}{p} - \frac{x_{12}}{2-p} - \frac{x_{21} + 2x_{22}}{1-p} = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & (x_{11} + 2x_{12} + x_{21} + 2x_{22})p^2 - (3x_{11} + 2x_{21} + 4(x_{12} + x_{22}))p + 2(x_{11} + x_{12}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $x_1 = x_{11} + x_{12}$ ,  $x_2 = x_{21} + 2x_{22}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & (x_1 + x_2 + x_{12})p^2 - (3x_1 + x_{12} + 2x_2)p + 2x_1 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \hat{p} = \frac{(3x_1 + x_{12} + 2x_2) - \sqrt{(x_1 + x_{12} + 2x_2)^2 - 4x_1x_{12}}}{2(x_1 + x_2 + x_{12})} \end{aligned}$$

The numerator of the likelihood ratio

$$\sup\{L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) : \theta \in \Theta_o\} = \text{constant} \times \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=1}^2 \hat{P}_{ij}^{x_{ij}}$$

$$\text{where } \hat{P}_{11} = \frac{\hat{p}}{2}, \hat{P}_{12} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2} + \hat{p}(1-\hat{p}), \hat{P}_{21} = \frac{1-\hat{p}}{2}, \hat{P}_{22} = \frac{(1-\hat{p})^2}{2}$$

The denominator of the likelihood ratio involves finding the MLE for  $\theta$

$$\sup\{L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) : \theta \in \Theta\} = \text{constant} \times \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=1}^2 \left(\frac{x_{ij}}{n}\right)^{x_{ij}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^2 \prod_{j=1}^2 \left( \frac{n\hat{P}_{ij}}{x_{ij}} \right)^{x_{ij}}$$

The approximate large sample likelihood ratio test

$$C_1 = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : 2 \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 x_{ij} \log \frac{x_{ij}}{n\hat{P}_{ij}} \geq \chi_{\alpha}^2(2) \right\} \quad \text{for large } n$$

- ii. **(2 marks)** Write down the Pearson's goodness of fit test statistic and state the critical region for this test.

Answer

$$C_1 = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : G = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{(x_{ij} - n\hat{P}_{ij})^2}{n\hat{P}_{ij}} \geq \chi_{\alpha}^2(2) \right\} \quad \text{for large } n$$

- (b) Suppose  $x_{11} = 442, x_{12} = 514, x_{21} = 38, x_{22} = 6$ . Perform the following tests at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . State clearly the hypothesis statements, value of test statistic, critical value and your conclusion for each test.

- i. **(6 marks)** Test whether the null hypothesis  $H_0 : P_{11} = \frac{p}{2}, P_{12} = \frac{p^2}{2} + pq, P_{21} = \frac{q}{2}, P_{22} = \frac{q^2}{2}$  is true by the two tests derived above.

Answer

Since  $x_1 = 442 + 514 = 956, x_2 = 38 + 2 * 6 = 50$  and  $x_{12} = 514$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{p} &= \frac{(3x_1 + x_{12} + 2x_2) - \sqrt{(x_1 + x_{12} + 2x_2)^2 - 4x_1x_{12}}}{2(x_1 + x_2 + x_{12})} \\ &= \frac{3482 - 2\sqrt{124841}}{3040} \\ &= 0.912942 \end{aligned}$$

	Male	Female
Normal	442 (456.471)	514 (496.210)
Color-blind	38 (43.529)	6 (3.78955)

The test statistics of tests derived above

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 x_{ij} \log \frac{x_{ij}}{n\hat{P}_{ij}} &= 2.92128 \\ G = \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{(x_{ij} - n\hat{P}_{ij})^2}{n\hat{P}_{ij}} &= 3.08818 \end{aligned}$$

Since both test statistics are smaller than  $\chi_{\alpha}^2(2) = 5.991$ ,  $H_0$  can't be rejected.

- ii. (4 marks) Test the hypothesis that color blindness is independent of gender. No need to make the Yates's Correction.

Answer

	Male	Female	
Normal	442	514	956
Color-blind	38	6	44
	480	520	1000

$$\begin{aligned}
 G &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{(x_{ij} - \frac{a_i b_j}{n})^2}{\frac{a_i b_j}{n}} \\
 &= n \left( \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \frac{x_{ij}^2}{a_i b_j} - 1 \right) \\
 &= 27.1387 > \chi_{0.05}^2(1) = 3.841
 \end{aligned}$$

$H_0$  is rejected and conclude that color blindness and gender are not independent.

- iii. (4 marks) Test whether the probabilities of color-blind individuals for male and female are equal by  $z$  test. No need to make the continuity correction.

Answer

Let  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  be the probabilities of color-blind individuals for male and female, respectively. Let  $P$  be the probability of color-blind individuals under  $H_0$ .

$$\text{Then } \hat{P}_1 = \frac{38}{442 + 38}, \hat{P}_2 = \frac{6}{514 + 6} \text{ and } \hat{P} = \frac{38 + 6}{442 + 514 + 38 + 6}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= \frac{\hat{P}_1 - \hat{P}_2}{\sqrt{\hat{P}(1 - \hat{P})\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{38}{442 + 38} - \frac{6}{514 + 6}}{\sqrt{\frac{38 + 6}{442 + 514 + 38 + 6} \left(1 - \frac{38 + 6}{442 + 514 + 38 + 6}\right) \left(\frac{1}{480} + \frac{1}{520}\right)}} \\
 &= 5.20949 > z_{0.025} = 1.96
 \end{aligned}$$

$H_0$  is rejected and conclude that the probabilities of color-blind individuals for male and female are not equal.

4. If  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independently and normally distributed with the same unknown mean  $\mu$  but different known variances  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2$ .

(a) **(4 marks)** Find the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\mu$ . Hence, find its distribution.

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_i} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right\} \\
 &= (2\pi)^{-n/2} \prod_{i=1}^n (\sigma_i^2)^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma_i^2}\right\} \\
 \log L(\mu) &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\sigma_i^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma_i^2} \\
 \frac{\partial \log L(\mu)}{\partial \mu} = 0 &\Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_i &\sim N(\mu, \sigma_i^2) \\
 \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2} &\sim N\left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma_i^2}, \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right) \\
 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2} &\sim N\left(\mu \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}, \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}\right) \\
 \hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} &\sim N\left(\mu, \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) **(6 marks)** Construct the UMP test for testing  $H_0 : \mu \leq \mu_0$  against  $H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$  at a significance level of  $\alpha$ .

Answer

The MP test for testing  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  against  $H_1 : \mu = \mu_1$ , where  $\mu_1 > \mu_0$  has the critical region

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= \left\{ \mathbf{x} : \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_0)}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_1)} \leq k \right\} \\
 \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_0)}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_1)} &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu_0)^2}{\sigma_i^2} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu_1)^2}{\sigma_i^2} \right] \right\} \\
 &= \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu_1^2 - \mu_0^2 - 2x_i(\mu_1 - \mu_0)}{\sigma_i^2} \right] \right\} \leq k
 \end{aligned}$$

Take logarithm,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu_1^2 - \mu_0^2 - 2x_i(\mu_1 - \mu_0)}{\sigma_i^2} \right] \leq \log k \\
\Rightarrow & \frac{\mu_1 - \mu_0}{2} \left[ \frac{n(\mu_1 + \mu_0)}{\sigma_i^2} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2} \right] \leq \log k \\
\Rightarrow & \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\frac{1}{n}} \geq K \\
\Rightarrow & C_1 = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \geq K \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \sim N \left( \mu, \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \right)$

$$Pr \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \geq K; \mu_0 \right) = \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{K - \mu_0}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}} = z_\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow K = \mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}$$

$$\therefore C_1 = \left\{ \mathbf{x} : \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \geq \mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}} \right\}$$

Since the critical value of  $C_1$  doesn't depend on the value of  $\mu$  under the alternative hypothesis,  $C_1$  is the UMP test for testing  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  against  $H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup\{Pr(\mathbf{X} \in C_1) : \mu \in \Theta_0\} \\
&= \sup \left\{ Pr \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \geq \mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}} : \mu \leq \mu_0 \right) \right\} \\
&= \sup \left\{ Pr \left( Z \geq \frac{\mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}} - \mu}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}} : \mu \leq \mu_0 \right) \right\} \\
&= \sup \left\{ Pr \left( Z \geq z_\alpha + \frac{\mu_0 - \mu}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}} : \mu \leq \mu_0 \right) \right\} \\
&= \alpha \quad \text{when } \mu = \mu_0
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $C_1$  is the UMP test for testing  $H_0 : \mu \leq \mu_0$  against  $H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$ .

- (c) **(2 marks)** Based on the test in part (b), calculate the power of test at  $\mu_1 = 1$ , where  $\mu_1 \in \Theta_1$ , when  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $\mu_0 = 0$ ,  $n = 10$ ,  $\sigma_1^2 = \dots = \sigma_5^2 = 1$  and  $\sigma_6^2 = \dots = \sigma_{10}^2 = 2$ . Round the value to two decimal places before finding the probability.

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}
& Pr(\mathbf{X} \in C_1 : \mu = \mu_1) \\
&= Pr \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}} \geq \mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}} : \mu = \mu_1 \right) \\
&= Pr \left( Z \geq \frac{\mu_0 + z_\alpha \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}} - \mu_1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}} \right) \\
&= Pr \left( Z \geq z_\alpha + \frac{\mu_0 - \mu_1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}}}} \right) \\
&= Pr(Z \geq -1.09361) \\
&= 0.8621
\end{aligned}$$



- (d) Assuming that  $\mu = 0$  and all  $\sigma_j^2$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , are equal to  $\sigma^2$  but unknown, consider another hypothesis testing problem with  $H_0 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$  versus  $H_1 : \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$  at the level of significance  $\alpha$ .

- i. (4 marks) Find the expression of the likelihood ratio statistic.

Answer

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{x_i^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \\ \log L(\sigma^2) &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} \end{aligned}$$

Under  $H_a$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \log L(\sigma^2) &= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} \\ \frac{\partial \log L(\sigma^2)}{\partial \sigma^2} &= 0n \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = S_n^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\sup\{L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) : \theta \in \Theta_o\}}{\sup\{L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) : \theta \in \Theta\}} \\ &= \frac{(2\pi\sigma_0^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right\}}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right\}} \\ &= \left(\frac{S_n^2}{\sigma_0^2}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{n}{2}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

- ii. (4 marks) Hence, derive the exact likelihood ratio test at the significance level of  $\alpha$ .

Answer

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(\mathbf{x}) &\leq K \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{n\sigma_0^2} \right)^{n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{n}{2}\right\} &\leq K \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \right)^{n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right\} &\leq K\end{aligned}$$

Let  $y = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2}$ . Consider

$$\begin{aligned}g(y) &= x^{n/2} \exp\{-y/2\} \\ g'(y) &= \frac{n}{2} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} - \frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \\ &= x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{y}{2}} \left( \frac{n}{2} - \frac{x}{2} \right) \\ g'(y) = 0 &\Rightarrow x = n \\ &\Rightarrow g'(x) > 0 \text{ when } x < n \\ &\quad g'(x) < 0 \text{ when } x > n\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore g(x)$  attain maximum at  $x = n$ , decrease when  $x > n$  and increase when  $x < n$ .

$$\begin{aligned}g(y) \leq K &\Rightarrow x \leq k_1 \text{ or } x \geq k_2 \\ \lambda(\mathbf{x}) \leq K &\Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \leq k_1 \text{ or } \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \geq k_2\end{aligned}$$

Under  $H_0$ ,  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi^2(n)$  and  $Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \leq k_1\right) = Pr\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma_0^2} \geq k_2\right) = \frac{\alpha}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow k_1 = \chi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2(n)$ ,  $k_2 = \chi_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2(n)$

5. **(Bonus: 10 marks)** Consider a random sample of a fixed size  $n$ ,  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ , from a p.m.f. given by

$$p_{-1} = P(X_i = -1) = \frac{1 - \theta}{2}, \quad p_0 = P(X_i = 0) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad p_1 = P(X_i = 1) = \frac{\theta}{2},$$

where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ . Define  $n_{-1} = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i=-1\}}$ ,  $n_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i=0\}}$ , and  $n_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i=1\}}$ . Given that  $(n_{-1}, n_0, n_1) \sim \text{multinomial}(n, p_{-1}, p_0, p_1)$ .

Find the maximum likelihood estimator,  $\hat{\theta}$ , for  $\theta$ . Find  $E(\hat{\theta})$ . Hence or otherwise, find an unbiased estimator for  $\theta$

Answer

Since

$$\ln L(\theta) = \ln c + n_{-1} \ln(1 - \theta) - n_{-1} \ln 2 - n_0 \ln 2 + n_1 \ln \theta - n_1 \ln 2,$$

$$0 = \frac{d}{d\theta} \ln L(\theta) \Big|_{\theta=\hat{\theta}} = -\frac{n_{-1}}{1 - \hat{\theta}} + \frac{n_1}{\hat{\theta}} \implies \hat{\theta} = \frac{n_1}{n_1 + n_{-1}} \in [0, 1],$$

which is a unique critical point and inside the parameter space of  $\theta$ .

Also,

$$\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \ln L(\hat{\theta}) = -\frac{n_{-1}}{(1 - \hat{\theta})^2} - \frac{n_1}{\hat{\theta}^2} < 0.$$

Hence,  $\hat{\theta}$  is a MLE of  $\theta$ .

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\theta}) &= E\left(\frac{n_1}{n_1 + n_{-1}}\right) = E_{n_1+n_{-1}}\left[E\left(\frac{n_1}{n_1 + n_{-1}} \middle| n_1 + n_{-1}\right)\right] \\ &= E_{n_1+n_{-1}}\left[\frac{1}{n_1 + n_{-1}} E(n_1 \middle| n_1 + n_{-1})\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now we consider the conditional pmf of  $n_1$  given  $n_1 + n_{-1}$ .

Since  $n_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i=0\}} \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_0)$ ,

$$n_{-1} + n_1 = n - n_0 \sim \text{Bin}(n, 1 - p_0 = 1/2)$$

because  $n - n_0 = n - \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i=0\}} = \sum_{i=1}^n [1 - I_{\{X_i=0\}}] = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{X_i \neq 0\}} \sim \text{Bin}(n, EI_{\{X_i \neq 0\}} = P(X_i \neq 0) = 1 - P(X_i = 0))$ .

Since

$$\begin{aligned} P(n_1 = t \mid n_1 + n_{-1} = s) &= \frac{P(n_1 = t, n_1 + n_{-1} = s)}{P(n_1 + n_{-1} = s)} \\ &= \frac{P(n_1 = t, n_{-1} = s - t, n_0 = n - s)}{P(n_1 + n_{-1} = s)} \\ &= \frac{\binom{n}{s-t, n-s, t} p_{-1}^{s-t} p_0^{n-s} p_1^t}{\binom{n}{s} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^s \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-s}} \\ &= \frac{s!}{t!(s-t)!} \theta^t (1 - \theta)^{s-t}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $n_1|n_1 + n_{-1} \sim \text{Bin}(n_1 + n_{-1}, \theta)$ .

Hence,  $E\left(n_1 \middle| n_1 + n_{-1}\right) = (n_1 + n_{-1})\theta$  and  $E(\hat{\theta}) = E_{n_1+n_{-1}}\left[\frac{1}{n_1 + n_{-1}}(n_1 + n_{-1})\theta\right] = \theta$ .

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