

# Homework 3

1. For  $X \sim f(x; \theta)$ , show that

$$E \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x; \theta) \right\} = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad -E \left\{ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f(x; \theta) \right\} = E \left[ \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x; \theta) \right\}^2 \right].$$

2. Suppose we have  $y_i \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\mu_i), i = 1, \dots, n$ .

- (a) Show that the Poisson distribution belongs to the exponential dispersion family to identify  $\theta_i$ ,  $b(\theta_i)$ ,  $a(\phi)$  under the exponential dispersion family form given in Lecture note.
- (b) Derive the canonical link function  $g(\mu_i)$  to be modeled via  $\eta_i = \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}, i = 1, \dots, n$  for the Poisson regression.

3. Write your own `code` (both in `R` and `Python`) to estimate the parameters  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  in the Poisson regression based on Newton-Raphson method. Namely, we have the following model for  $(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i), i = 1, \dots, n$ :

$$y_i \mid \mathbf{x}_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

where

$$g(\mu_i) = \eta_i = \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta},$$

with  $g$  being the canonical link function obtained in Problem 2-(b).

4. Apply your code and report your parameter estimates of the Poisson regression to “Smoking and Lung Cancer data” that contains information from a Canadian study of mortality by age and smoking status, downloadable from

<https://grodrri.github.io/glms/datasets/#smoking>

where you can also find the details about the data.