

# Problem 1

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## Part A

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States of nature  $\Theta = \{\theta_0, \theta_1\}$  where  $\theta_0$  denotes that there is no snow tomorrow, and  $\theta_1$  denotes that there is snow tomorrow.

Action space  $\mathcal{A} = \{a_0, a_1\}$  where  $a_0$  denotes the action of opening the school tomorrow, and  $a_1$  denotes the action of closing the school tomorrow.

Appropriate loss function  $L(\theta, a)$  for this problem:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta_0, a_0) &= 0 & L(\theta_0, a_1) &= 1 \\ L(\theta_1, a_0) &= 2 & L(\theta_1, a_1) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Part B

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Expert  $i = 1, 2$  forecasting snow:

$$Y_i \sim^{iid} Y \text{ for } i = 1, 2 \text{ with } S_Y = \{0, 1\}$$

where 0 denotes a no-snow forecast, and 1 denotes a snow forecast.

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y = 0 \mid \theta_0) &= 0.50 & P(Y = 1 \mid \theta_0) &= 0.50 \\ P(Y = 0 \mid \theta_1) &= 0.25 & P(Y = 1 \mid \theta_1) &= 0.75 \end{aligned}$$

Number of experts forecasting snow:

$$X = Y_1 + Y_2 \text{ with } S_X = \{0, 1, 2\}$$

Distribution of the number of experts forecasting snow conditioned on the states of nature:

$$p_{X|\Theta}(x \mid \theta) = \sum_{y_2 \in S_{Y_2}} p_{Y_1}(x - y_2 \mid \theta) p_{Y_2}(y_2 \mid \theta)$$

$$p_{X|\Theta}(x \mid \theta_0) = \begin{cases} P(Y_1 = 0 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_0) + P(Y_1 = -1 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_0) = 0.25 & x = 0 \\ P(Y_1 = 1 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_0) + P(Y_1 = 0 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_0) = 0.50 & x = 1 \\ P(Y_1 = 2 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_0) + P(Y_1 = 1 \mid \theta_0) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_0) = 0.25 & x = 2 \\ 0 & \text{ow} \end{cases}$$

$$p_{X|\Theta}(x \mid \theta_1) = \begin{cases} P(Y_1 = 0 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_1) + P(Y_1 = -1 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_1) = 0.0625 & x = 0 \\ P(Y_1 = 1 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_1) + P(Y_1 = 0 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_1) = 0.3750 & x = 1 \\ P(Y_1 = 2 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 0 \mid \theta_1) + P(Y_1 = 1 \mid \theta_1) P(Y_2 = 1 \mid \theta_1) = 0.5625 & x = 2 \\ 0 & \text{ow} \end{cases}$$

## Part C

Given decision rules:

$\mathbf{x}$	$\mathbf{d_1}$	$\mathbf{d_2}$	$\mathbf{d_3}$	$\mathbf{d_4}$	$\mathbf{d_5}$	$\mathbf{d_6}$	$\mathbf{d_7}$	$\mathbf{d_8}$
0	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_0$	$a_1$
1	$a_0$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_0$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_1$
2	$a_0$	$a_0$	$a_0$	$a_0$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$	$a_1$

We calculate corresponding risk points:

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_1) &= L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 0 * 0.25 + 0 * 0.50 + 0 * 0.25 = 0.000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_2) &= L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 1 * 0.25 + 0 * 0.50 + 0 * 0.25 = 0.250 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_3) &= L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 0 * 0.25 + 1 * 0.50 + 0 * 0.25 = 0.500 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_4) &= L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 1 * 0.25 + 1 * 0.50 + 0 * 0.25 = 0.750 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_5) &= L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 0 * 0.25 + 0 * 0.50 + 1 * 0.25 = 0.250 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_6) &= L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 1 * 0.25 + 0 * 0.50 + 1 * 0.25 = 0.500 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_7) &= L(\theta_0, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 0 * 0.25 + 1 * 0.50 + 1 * 0.25 = 0.750 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_0, d_8) &= L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_0) + L(\theta_0, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_0) \\ &= 1 * 0.25 + 1 * 0.50 + 1 * 0.25 = 1.000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_1, d_1) &= L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ &= 2 * 0.0625 + 2 * 0.3750 + 2 * 0.5625 = 2.000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_1, d_2) &= L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ &= 0 * 0.0625 + 2 * 0.3750 + 2 * 0.5625 = 1.875 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_1, d_3) &= L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ &= 2 * 0.0625 + 0 * 0.3750 + 2 * 0.5625 = 1.250 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta_1, d_4) &= L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ &= 0 * 0.0625 + 0 * 0.3750 + 2 * 0.5625 = 1.125 \end{aligned}$$

$$R(\theta_1, d_5) = L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ = 2 * 0.0625 + 2 * 0.3750 + 0 * 0.5625 = 0.875$$

$$R(\theta_1, d_6) = L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ = 0 * 0.0625 + 2 * 0.3750 + 0 * 0.5625 = 0.750$$

$$R(\theta_1, d_7) = L(\theta_1, a_0) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ = 2 * 0.0625 + 0 * 0.3750 + 0 * 0.5625 = 0.125$$

$$R(\theta_1, d_8) = L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(0 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(1 | \theta_1) + L(\theta_1, a_1) p_{X|\Theta}(2 | \theta_1) \\ = 0 * 0.0625 + 0 * 0.3750 + 0 * 0.5625 = 0.000$$

	<b>d<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>6</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>7</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>8</sub></b>
<b>R(θ<sub>0</sub>, d<sub>i</sub>)</b>	0.000	0.250	0.500	0.750	0.250	0.500	0.750	1.000
<b>R(θ<sub>1</sub>, d<sub>i</sub>)</b>	2.000	1.875	1.250	1.125	0.875	0.750	0.125	0.000

## Part D

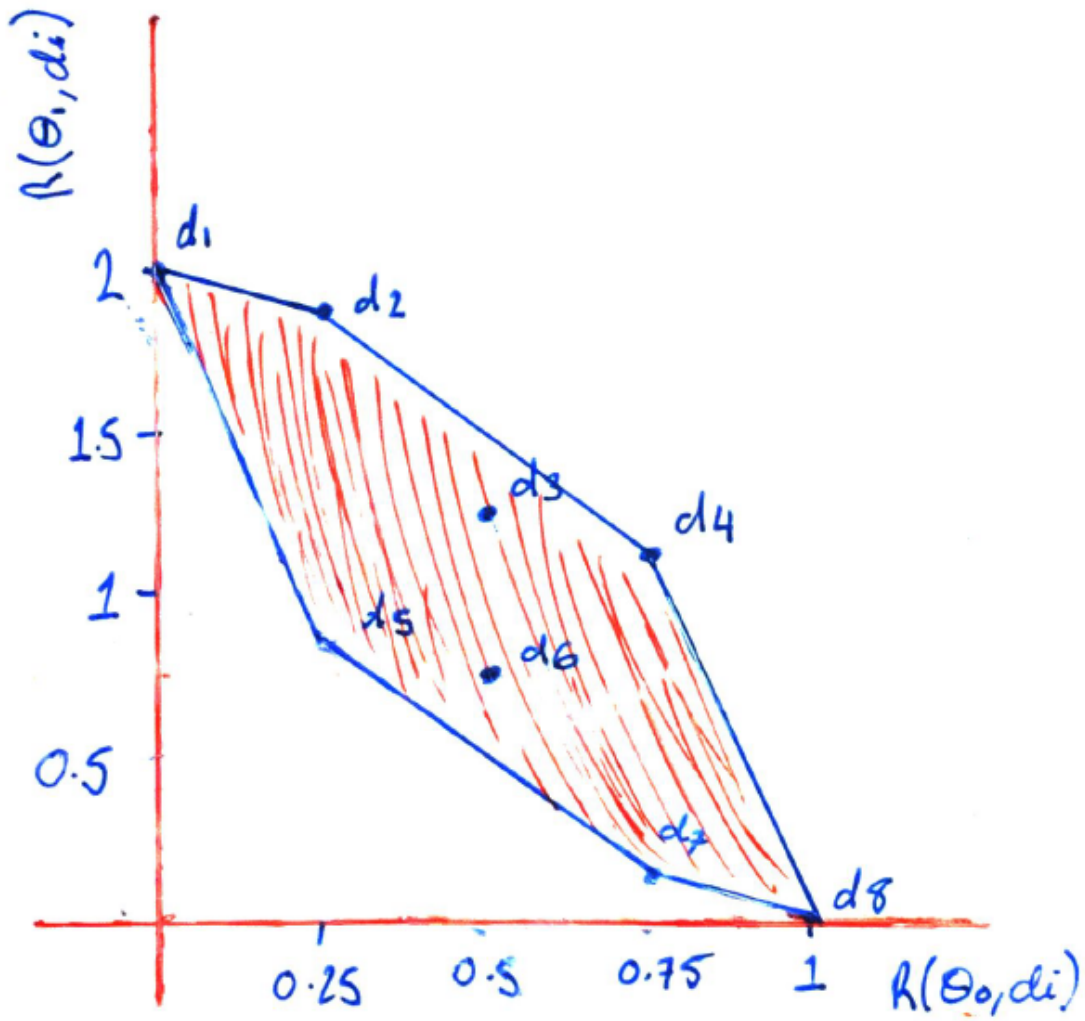
	<b>d<sub>1</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>3</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>5</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>6</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>7</sub></b>	<b>d<sub>8</sub></b>
<b>R(θ<sub>0</sub>, d<sub>i</sub>)</b>	0.000	0.250	0.500	0.750	0.250	0.500	0.750	1.000
<b>R(θ<sub>1</sub>, d<sub>i</sub>)</b>	2.000	1.875	1.250	1.125	0.875	0.750	0.125	0.000
<b>sup<sub>θ∈Θ</sub> R(θ, d<sub>i</sub>)</b>	2.000	1.875	1.250	1.125	0.875	0.750	0.750	1.000

Hence minimax rules among non-randomised rules in **D** are  $d_6$  and  $d_7$  with a risk value of:

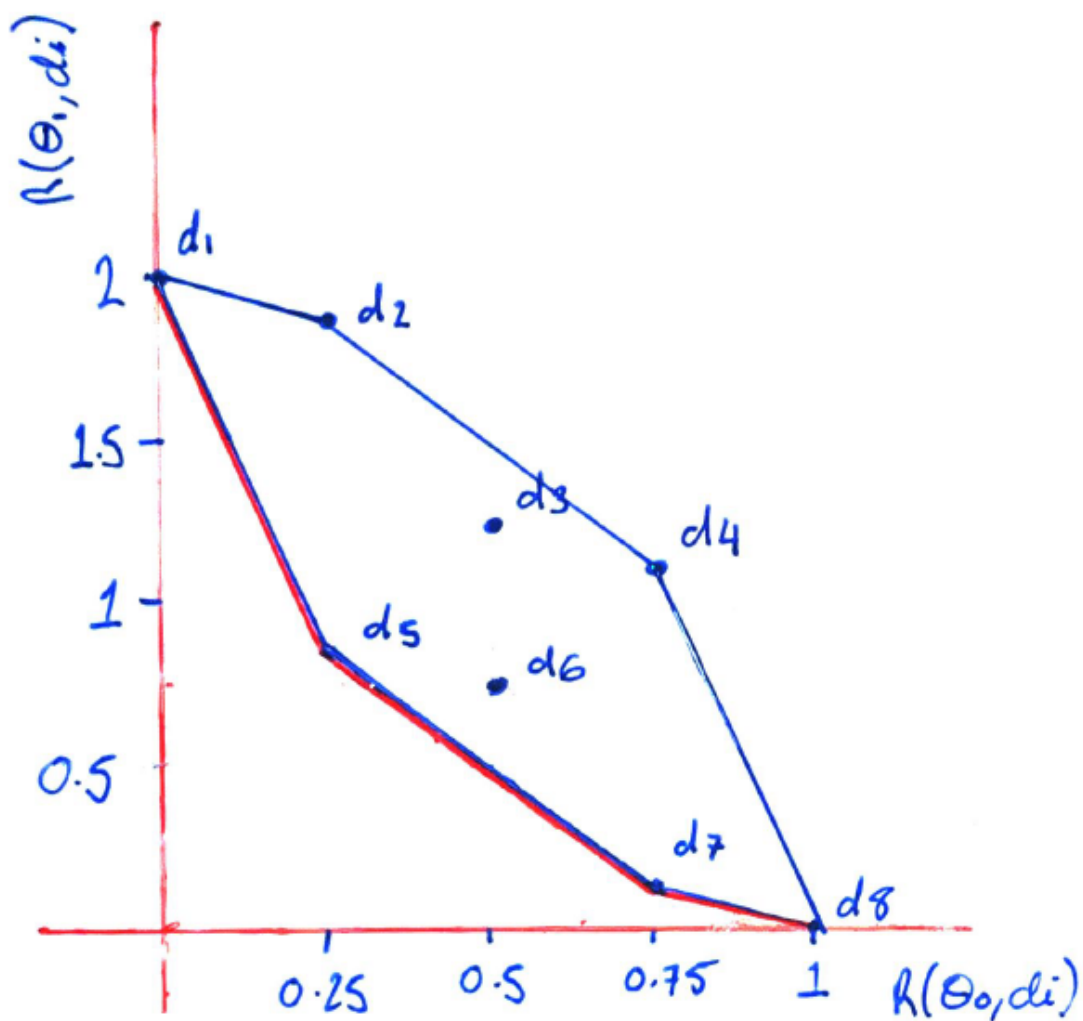
$$\inf_{d \in D} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, d) = 0.75$$

## Part E

Risk set of all randomized rules  $\mathcal{D}$  generated by the set of rules in  $\mathbf{D}$ :

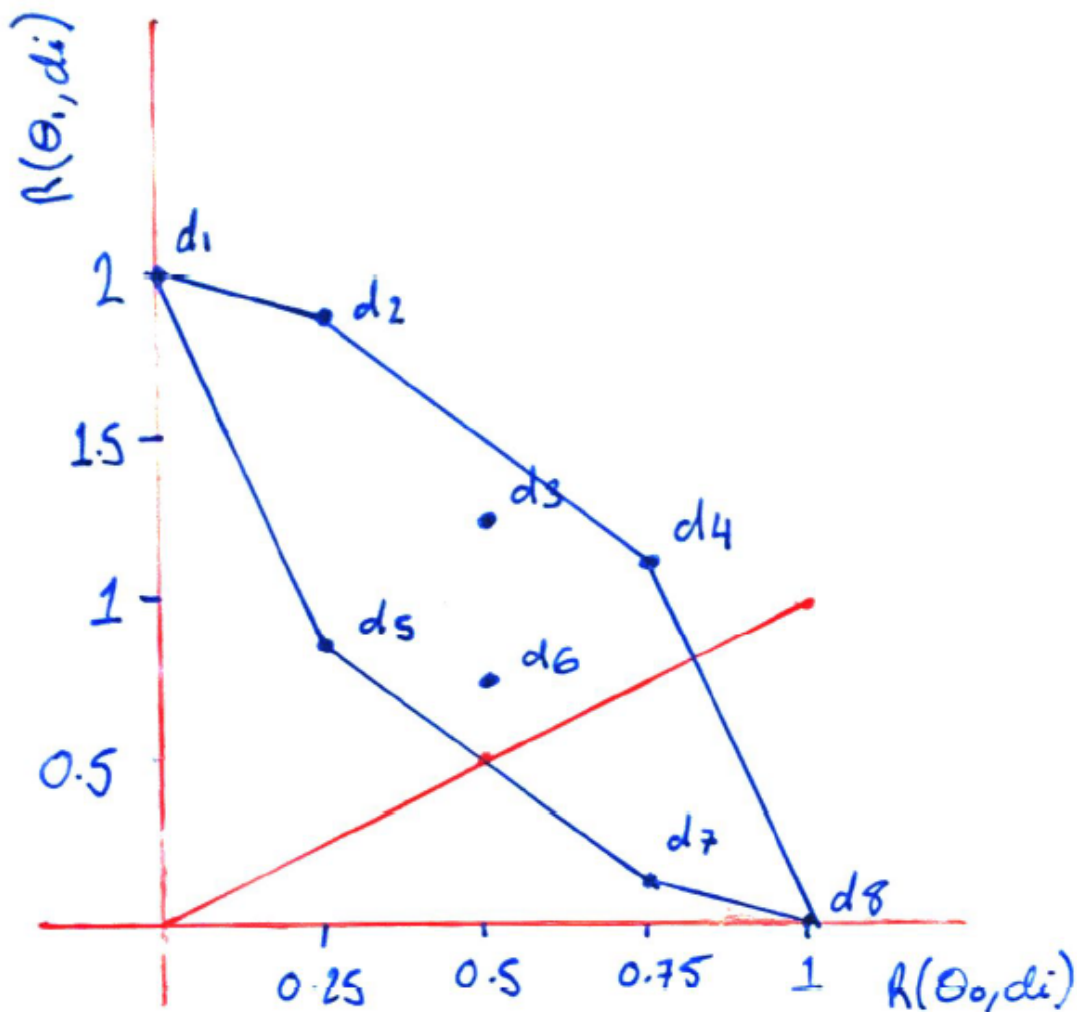


## Part F



Admissible decision rules are decision rules that are not strictly dominated by any other rules. For a risk plot, these are risk points that have either lower x or y coordinate than all other risk points, i.e. lower left boundary of the convex hull, marked by a red line on our graph above.

## Part G



To find the risk point of the minimax rule for randomized decision rules  $\mathcal{D}$  we need to find the intersection of the lines  $y = x$  and  $\overline{d_5 d_7}$ :

$$\begin{cases} y = x \\ \frac{y-0.875}{x-0.25} = \frac{0.125-0.875}{0.75-0.25} \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} y = x \\ y = -1.5x + 1.25 \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} x = 0.5 \\ y = 0.5 \end{cases}$$

Hence  $(0.5, 0.5)$  is the risk point of the minimax decision rule  $\delta^*$  in set  $\mathcal{D}$  of randomized decision rules generated by  $\mathbf{D}$ .

Thus minimax risk is equal to  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \delta^*) = \sup\{0.5, 0.5\} = 0.5$

Therefore minimax risk of 0.5 from the minimax decision rule in set  $\mathcal{D}$  of randomized decision rules is lower than the corresponding minimax risk of 0.75 from the minimax decision rule in set  $\mathbf{D}$  of non-randomized decision rules.

## Part H

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We express the rule  $\delta^*$  in the terms of  $d_5$  and  $d_7$  by finding a value  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  such that we choose  $d_5$  with probability  $\alpha$ , and  $d_7$  with probability  $(1 - \alpha)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}R(\theta_0, d_5) \alpha + R(\theta_0, d_7) (1 - \alpha) &= \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \delta^*) \\0.25 \alpha + 0.75 (1 - \alpha) &= 0.5 \\ \alpha &= 0.5\end{aligned}$$

The randomised decision rule  $\delta^*$  is to choose  $d_5$  with probability 0.5 and to choose  $d_7$  with probability 0.5.

## Part I

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Let a prior be  $(p, 1 - p)$ . It should be perpendicular to  $\overline{d_5 d_7}$ .

Hence a slope of it's normal should be equal to the slope of  $\overline{d_5 d_7}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{-p}{1-p} &= \frac{0.125-0.875}{0.75-0.25} = -1.5 \\ p &= 0.6 \\ 1 - p &= 0.4\end{aligned}$$

Thus the least favourable prior with respect to  $\delta^*$  is  $\tau^* = (0.6, 0.4)$

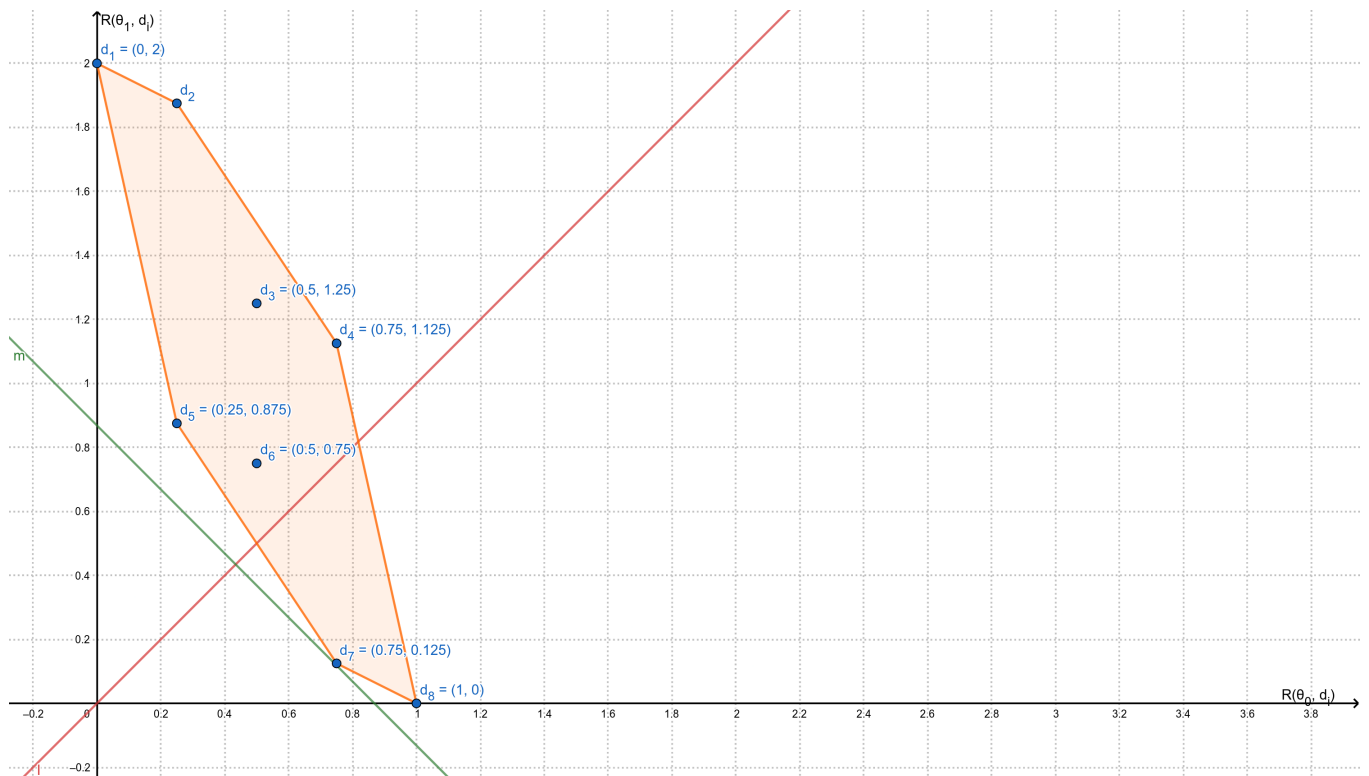
## Part J

The principle believes that there is snow with a probability of 0.5, therefore he also believes that there is no snow with a probability of 0.5.

Aim is to determine the Bayes rule and risk of the prior  $(0.5, 0.5)$  on  $\{\theta_0, \theta_1\}$

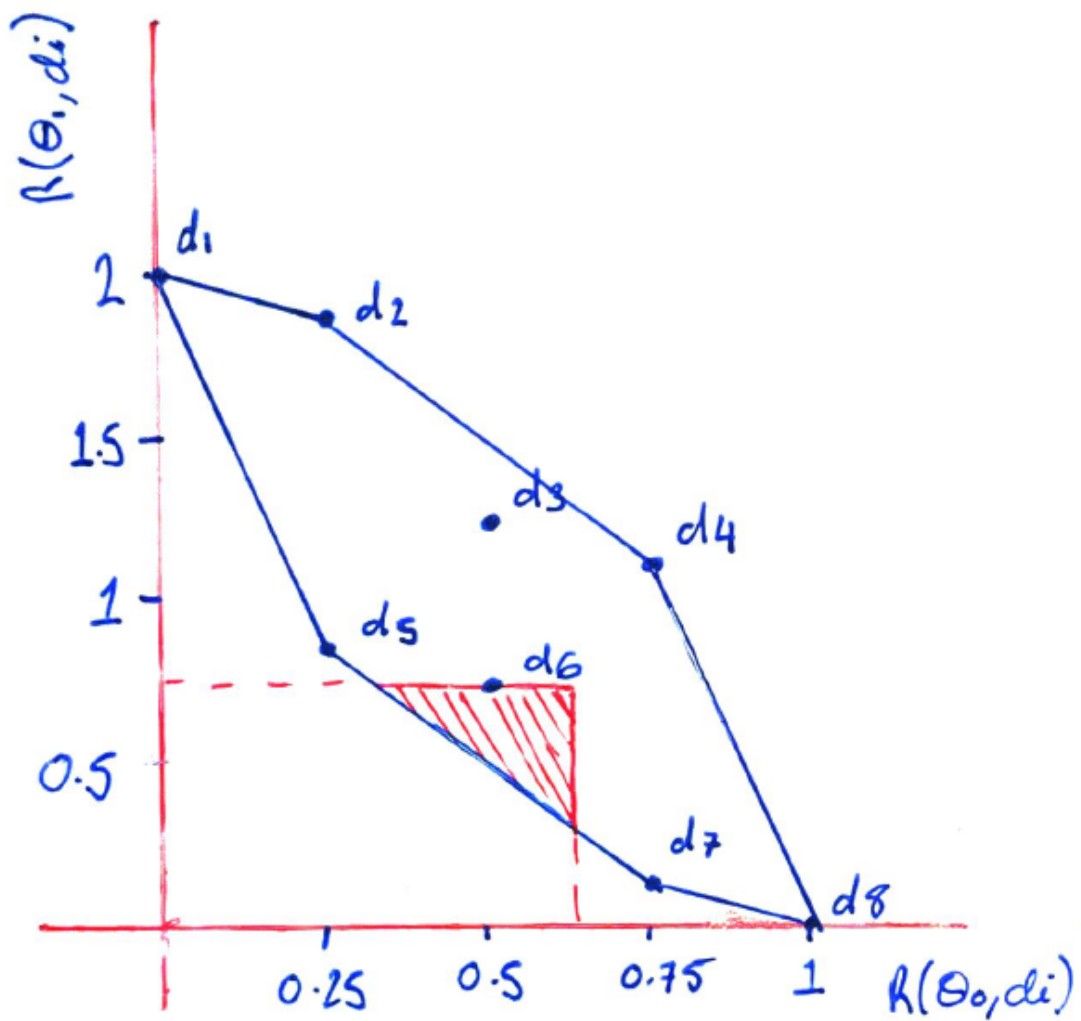
Bayes rule chooses  $d_7$  as the first south west point that lies on a normal to principle's prior.

Bayes risk wrt the prior  $= (1 - p) R(\theta_0, d_7) + p R(\theta_1, d_7) = 0.5 * 0.750 + 0.5 * 0.125 = 0.4375$





## Part K



See the shaded area on the graph, these vertices are  $(0.6, 0.35)$ ,  $(0.43, 0.6)$ ,  $(0.6, 0.6)$

## Problem 2

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$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$$

$\tau(\theta) = 1$  on  $[0, 1]$ , and 0 otherwise.

We are given loss function  $L(\theta, d) = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)}(\theta - d)^2$

Calculating posterior:

$$h(\theta | X) = \frac{f(X|\theta) \tau(\theta)}{g(X)} \propto \theta^x (1 - \theta)^{n-x}$$

Calculating Bayes rule:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(X, d) &= \int_{\Theta} L(\theta, d) h(\theta | X) d\theta \\ &\propto \int_0^1 \frac{(\theta-d)^2}{\theta(1-\theta)} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x} d\theta = \int_0^1 (\theta-d)^2 \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating wrt to  $d$  and setting it to 0:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial d} \left[ \int_0^1 (\theta-d)^2 \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta \right] = 0$$

$$\int_0^1 (\theta-d) \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta = 0$$

$$d \int_0^1 \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta = \int_0^1 \theta \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta$$

$$d = \frac{\int_0^1 \theta^{x+1-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta}{\int_0^1 \theta^{x-1} (1-\theta)^{n-x-1} d\theta}$$

Numerator is a Beta function with  $\alpha = x + 1$  and  $\beta = n - x$ , where as denominator is a Beta function with  $\alpha = x$  and  $\beta = n - x$ . Hence:

$$d = \frac{\text{Beta}(x+1, n-x)}{\text{Beta}(x, n-x)} = \frac{x}{x+n-x} = \frac{x}{n}$$

Hence the Bayes rule:

$$d_{\tau}(X) = \frac{X}{n}$$

If a Bayes estimator has constant risk, it is minimax. Hence we are calculating the risk:

$$\begin{aligned} R(\theta, d_{\tau}) &= \mathbb{E}(L(\theta, d_{\tau})) \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)}(\theta - d_{\tau})^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)} \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\theta - \frac{X}{n}\right)^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)} \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\theta - \frac{X}{n}\right)^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)} \left(\text{Var}\left(\frac{X}{n}\right) + \text{Bias}^2\left(\frac{X}{n}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

$d_\tau = \frac{X}{n}$  is an unbiased estimator, hence:

$$R(\theta, d_\tau) = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)} \mathbb{V}\text{ar}\left(\frac{X}{n}\right) = \frac{\mathbb{V}\text{ar}(X)}{n^2 \theta(1-\theta)} = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n^2 \theta(1-\theta)} = \frac{1}{n}$$

Risk above is a constant. Hence  $d_\tau$  is a minimax estimator.

# Problem 3

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$$X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$X_i \sim^{iid} \text{Exp}(\theta) \text{ and } f(x_i; \theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x_i}, \quad x_i, \theta > 0$$

$$\theta \sim \Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$\tau(\theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/\beta}, \quad \alpha, \beta, \theta > 0$$

## Part A

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$$\text{Let } s = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Calculating likelihood:

$$f_{X|\Theta}(X | \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i|\Theta}(x_i | \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta e^{-\theta x_i} = \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} = \theta^n e^{-\theta s}$$

Calculating posterior:

$$h_{\Theta|X}(\theta | X) = \frac{f_{X|\Theta}(X|\theta) \tau(\theta)}{\int_0^\infty f_{X|\Theta}(X|\theta) \tau(\theta) d\theta} = \frac{\theta^n e^{-\theta s} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/\beta}}{\int_0^\infty \theta^n e^{-\theta s} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/\beta} d\theta} \propto \theta^{\alpha+n-1} e^{-\theta(\frac{1}{\beta}+s)}$$

This can be identified as a Gamma distribution with parameters  $\alpha + n$  and  $\frac{1}{\beta} + s$ .

Thus using a conjugate prior and normalizing appropriately we get:

$$h_{\Theta|X}(\theta | X) = \Gamma(\theta; \alpha + n, \frac{1}{\beta} + s) = \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)} \theta^{\alpha+n-1} e^{-\theta(\frac{1}{\beta}+s)}$$

## Part B

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Bayes estimator wrt quadratic loss  $L(a, \theta) = (a - \theta)^2$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\tau(X) &= \mathbb{E}[\theta | X] = \int_{\Theta} \theta h_{\Theta|X}(\theta | X) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^\infty \theta \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)} \theta^{\alpha+n-1} e^{-\theta(\frac{1}{\beta}+s)} d\theta \\ &= \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)} \int_0^\infty \theta^{\alpha+n} e^{-\theta(\frac{1}{\beta}+s)} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Let  $t = \theta(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)$ , then  $\theta = \frac{t}{\frac{1}{\beta} + s}$  and:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\tau(X) &= \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{t}{\frac{1}{\beta} + s}\right)^{\alpha+n} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{\frac{1}{\beta} + s} \\ &= \frac{(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n}}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)^{\alpha+n+1}} \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha+n+1-1} e^{-t} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)} \Gamma(\alpha + n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Finally } \delta_\tau(X) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + n)(\alpha + n)}{\Gamma(\alpha + n)(\frac{1}{\beta} + s)} = \frac{\alpha + n}{\frac{1}{\beta} + s}$$

## Part C

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Nature states  $\Theta = \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_1$  where  $\Theta_0 = \{\theta : \theta \leq 2.5\}$  and  $\Theta_1 = \{\theta : \theta > 2.5\}$

Hypothesis space  $H_0 = \theta \in \Theta_0$  and  $H_1 = \theta \in \Theta_1$

Action space  $\mathcal{A} = \{a_0, a_1\}$  where  $a_0$  denotes to accept  $H_0$ , and  $a_1$  denotes to reject  $H_0$

Losses are given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta, a_0) &= 0 \text{ if } \theta \in \Theta_0 & L(\theta, a_1) &= 1 \text{ if } \theta \in \Theta_0 \\ L(\theta, a_0) &= 2 \text{ if } \theta \in \Theta_1 & L(\theta, a_1) &= 0 \text{ if } \theta \in \Theta_1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus 1-0 loss constants are  $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 2$

Sample  $X = (0.12, 0.28, 0.43, 0.34, 0.47, 0.67, 0.82, 0.12, 0.30, 0.45)$

Hence  $n = 10$  and  $s = \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 4.00$

Distribution parameters  $\alpha = 2, \beta = 1$

Calculating conditional probability:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\theta \in \Theta_0 \mid X) &= \int_{\Theta_0} h(\theta \mid X) d\theta \\ &= \int_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \Gamma(\theta; \alpha + n, \frac{1}{\beta} + s) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2.5} \frac{5^{12}}{\Gamma(12)} \theta^{11} e^{-5\theta} d\theta = 0.594239 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing conditional probability with the loss ratio:

$$P(\theta \in \Theta_0 \mid X) = 0.594239 < \frac{c_2}{c_1 + c_2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Hence choose action  $a_1$  to reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_1$

# Problem 4

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Loss function

$$L(\theta, d) = \begin{cases} \alpha(\theta - d) & \text{if } d \leq \theta \\ \beta(d - \theta) & \text{if } d > \theta \end{cases}$$

Minimizing the following

$$Q(X, d) = \int_{\theta} L(\theta, d)h(\theta, X)d\theta = \int_{-\infty}^d \beta(d - \theta)f(\theta)d\theta + \int_d^{\infty} \alpha(\theta - d)f(\theta)d\theta$$

Let the density of  $\Theta$  be denoted by  $f(\theta)$  and the cdf by  $F(\theta)$

Taking the derivative with respect to  $d$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial d} Q(X, d) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial d} [\beta \int_{-\infty}^d (d - \theta)f(\theta)d\theta + \alpha \int_d^{\infty} (\theta - d)f(\theta)d\theta] \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial d} [\beta [\int_{-\infty}^d df(\theta)d\theta - \int_{-\infty}^d \theta f(\theta)d\theta] + \alpha [\int_d^{\infty} \theta f(\theta)d\theta - \int_d^{\infty} df(\theta)d\theta]] \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial d} [\beta dF(d) - \beta \int_{-\infty}^d \theta f(\theta)d\theta + \alpha \int_d^{\infty} \theta f(\theta)d\theta - \alpha d(1 - F(d))] \\ &= \beta [F(d) + df(d) - df(d) - 0] + \alpha [0 - df(d) - 1 + F(d) + df(d)] \\ &= \beta F(d) - \alpha + \alpha F(d) \end{aligned}$$

Then setting this equal to 0 we get:

$$F(d^*)(\alpha + \beta) - \alpha = 0$$

$$F(d^*) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

The stationary point  $d^*$  gives rise to the minimum.

The second derivative delivers the minimum  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial d^2} Q(X, d^*) = (\alpha + \beta)h(d^*|X) > 0$

Since  $\alpha, \beta$  are positive and the posterior evaluated at  $d^*$  is also positive.