

## ECE 313: Problem Set 5

**Due:** Friday, September 29 at 7:00:00 p.m.

**Reading:** *ECE 313 Course Notes*, Sections 2.10 - 2.11

**Note on reading:** For most sections of the course notes there are short answer questions at the end of the chapter. We recommend that after reading each section you try answering the short answer questions. Do not hand in; answers to the short answer questions are provided in the appendix of the notes.

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1. [ML Hypothesis Testing]

Consider the hypothesis testing problem in which the pmf's of the observation  $X$  under hypotheses  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  are given, respectively, by:

$$p_0(k) = \frac{1}{4} \text{ for } k = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

and

$$p_1(k) = \frac{k}{10} \text{ for } k = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

- (a) Find the ML decision rule using the likelihood matrix.
- (b) Confirm that you obtain the same ML rule from the likelihood ratio form.
- (c) Find  $p_{\text{false-alarm}}$  and  $p_{\text{miss}}$  for the ML rule.
- (d) Assuming priors  $\pi_0 = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $\pi_1 = \frac{2}{3}$ , find the average probability of error  $p_e$  for the ML rule.

2. [MAP Hypothesis Testing]

Consider the same hypotheses as in Problem 1. Assume priors  $\pi_0 = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $\pi_1 = \frac{2}{3}$ .

- (a) Find the MAP decision rule using the joint probability matrix.
- (b) Confirm that you obtain the same MAP rule using the likelihood ratio form.
- (c) Find the average probability of error  $p_e$  for the MAP rule.
- (d) Compare the  $p_e$  value for the MAP rule with that of the ML rule for priors  $\pi_0 = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $\pi_1 = \frac{2}{3}$ .

3. **[ML Testing between geometrics]**

Anne has two biased coins which look identical, but with probability of Heads being  $\rho_0$  for one of the coins, and  $\rho_1$  for the other, with  $0 < \rho_0 < \rho_1 < 1$ . She hands one of these coins to Ben without telling him which one it is. Ben tosses the coin he receives multiple times. Let  $X$  denote the number of tosses it takes for Ben to see the first Heads. Let  $H_i$  denote the hypothesis that the coin that Ben is tossing is has probability of Heads being  $\rho_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1$ . Ben needs to determine which hypothesis is true (i.e., which coin he is tossing) based on the observation  $X$ . In this problem Ben uses the ML decision rule since he has no priors on the hypotheses.

- (a) Find the ML decision rule as a function of  $\rho_0$  and  $\rho_1$ . Assume that ties are broken in favor of  $H_1$ . Recall that  $0 < \rho_0 < \rho_1 < 1$ , and note that it is easier to use the likelihood ratio test approach.
- (b) Find  $p_{\text{false-alarm}}$  and  $p_{\text{miss}}$  for the ML rule, assuming that  $\rho_0 = 0.25$  and  $\rho_1 = 0.75$ .

4. **[MAP Testing between geometrics]**

Consider the same hypothesis testing problem as in Problem 2. Assume now that Ben knows that Anne is three times as likely to hand him the coin that has probability of Heads being  $\rho_0$ , i.e.,  $\pi_0 = 3\pi_1$ .

- (a) Find the MAP decision rule as a function of  $\rho_0$  and  $\rho_1$ . Assume that ties are broken in favor of  $H_1$ . Again note that it is easier to use the likelihood ratio test approach.
- (b) Find the average probability of error  $p_e$  for the MAP rule, assuming that  $\rho_0 = 0.25$  and  $\rho_1 = 0.75$ .