EE 3070 Statistics

Homework #2

Due at 23:59, May 23, 2023 online submission to eeclass systems

Note: There are **8** questions, each worth **13** points, for a total of 104 points. The maximum score, however, will be capped at 100 points.

You may use computers, software packages, and online tools for this Homework.

1. (Exercise 4.1.3) Suppose the number of customers X that enter a store between the hours 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. follows a Poisson distribution with parameter θ . Suppose a random sample of the number of customers that enter the store between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. for 10 days results in the values: 9, 7, 9, 15, 10, 13, 11, 7, 2, 12.

Note: You may feel that this question seems familiar. Yup, it's the same one from the midterm.

- (a) Determine the maximum likelihood estimate of θ . Show that it is an unbiased estimator.
- (b) Based on these data, obtain the realization of your estimator in part (a). Explain the meaning of this estimate in terms of the number of customers.
- 2. (Exercise 4.2.1) Let the observed value of the mean \bar{X} and of the sample variance of a random sample of size 20 from a distribution that is $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ be 81.2 and 26.5, respectively. Find respectively 90%, 95% and 99% confidence intervals for μ .

Note: how the lengths of the confidence intervals increase as the confidence increases.

- 3. (Exercise 4.2.9) Let \bar{X} denote the mean of a random sample of size n from a distribution that has mean μ and variance $\sigma^2 = 10$. Find n so that the probability is approximately 0.954 that the random interval $(\bar{X} \frac{1}{2}, \bar{X} + \frac{1}{2})$ includes μ .
- 4. (Exercise 4.4.7) Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{6}$, x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, zero elsewhere, be the pmf of a distribution of the discrete type. Show that the pmf of the smallest observation of a random sample of size 5 from this distribution is

$$g_1(y_1) = \left(\frac{7-y_1}{6}\right)^5 - \left(\frac{6-y_1}{6}\right)^5, y_1 = 1, 2, \dots, 6, \text{ zero elsewhere.}$$

Note that in this exercise the random sample is from a distribution of the discrete type. All formulas in the text were derived under the assumption that the random sample is from a distribution of the continuous type and are not applicable. Why?

5. (Exercise 4.4.20) Let the joint pdf of X and Y be $f(x,y) = \frac{12}{7} \cdot x(x+y)$, 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, zero elsewhere. Let $U = \min(X, Y)$ and $V = \max(X, Y)$. Find the joint pdf of U and V.

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- 6. (Exercise 4.5.3) Let X have a pdf of the form $f(x;\theta) = \theta \cdot x^{(\theta-1)}, 0 < x < 1$, zero elsewhere, where $\theta \in \{\theta : \theta = 1, 2\}$. To test the simple hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 1$ against the alternative simple hypothesis $H_1 : \theta = 2$, use a random sample X_1, X_2 of size n = 2 and define the critical region to be $C = \{(x_1, x_2) : \frac{3}{4} \le x_1 \cdot x_2\}$. Find the power function of the test.
- 7. (Exercise 4.6.2) Consider the power function $\gamma(\mu)$ and its derivative $\gamma'(\mu)$ given by equations (4.6.5) and (4.6.6), on page 249. Show that $\gamma'(\mu)$ is strictly negative for $\mu < \mu_0$ and strictly positive for $\mu > \mu_0$.
- 8. (Exercise 6.1.1) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a $\Gamma(\alpha = 3, \beta = \theta)$ distribution, $0 < \theta < \infty$. Determine the mle of θ .