

Problem Set #1.

4. (a)

$$\eta \in \mathbb{R}, T(y) = y$$

$$p(y; \eta) = b(y) \exp(\eta y - a(\eta))$$

Derive an expression for the mean of the distribution. Show that $E[Y|X; \theta]$ can be represented as the gradient of the log-partition function a with respect to the natural parameter η .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \int p(y; \eta) dy &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \int \{ b(y) \exp(\eta y - a(\eta)) \} dy & \int p(y; \eta) dy &= 1 \\ &= \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} p(y; \eta) dy \\ &= \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \{ b(y) \exp(\eta y - a(\eta)) \} dy \\ &= \int b(y) \exp(\eta y - a(\eta)) \cdot \{ y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta) \} dy \\ &= \int p(y; \eta) \cdot (y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta)) dy \\ &= \int (y - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta)) p(y; \eta) dy \\ &= \int y p(y; \eta) dy - \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta) p(y; \eta) dy \\ &= E[Y; \eta] - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta) \times \int p(y; \eta) dy \\ &= E[Y; \eta] - \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} a(\eta) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$E[Y; \eta] = E[Y|X; \theta] = \frac{\partial a(\eta)}{\partial \eta}$$