

Solutions to Exercise Set 9.

20.3. (a) $\mu(\theta) = 2^{-1/\theta}$.

(b) $f(\mu(\theta)|\theta) = \theta 2^{-(\theta-1)/\theta}$, so $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mu}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}(0, 2^{-2/\theta}/\theta^2)$.

(c) Fisher information is $1/\theta^2$, and $g(\theta) = 2^{-1/\theta}$, $\dot{g}(\theta) = (2^{-1/\theta} \log 2)/\theta^2$, so an unbiased estimate of μ has variance at least $\dot{g}(\theta)^2/\mathcal{I}(\theta) = 2^{-2/\theta}(\log 2)^2/\theta^2$.

(d) The efficiency is $[2^{-2/\theta}(\log 2)^2/\theta^2]/[2^{-2/\theta}/\theta^2] = (\log 2)^2 = .48 \dots$.

20.6. (a) $P(Y_1 = n) = \int_n^{n+1} (1/\theta) e^{-x/\theta} dx = e^{-n/\theta} - e^{-(n+1)/\theta} = (1-p)p^n$, where $p = e^{-1/\theta}$.

(b) The likelihood function is

$$L_n(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right\} (1 - e^{-1/\theta})^n \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i\right\}.$$

We see that $\bar{X}_n + \bar{Y}_n$ is a sufficient statistic. Taking the derivative of the log of L_n gives

$$\dot{\ell}_n(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta^2} \left[\bar{X}_n + \bar{Y}_n - \theta - \frac{1}{e^{1/\theta} - 1} \right]$$

which gives the likelihood equation

$$\theta + \frac{1}{e^{1/\theta} - 1} = \bar{X}_n + \bar{Y}_n.$$

One can use $\hat{\theta}_n^{(0)} = \bar{X}_n$ as a preliminary estimate for the method of scoring. A fully efficient estimate of θ is therefore

$$\hat{\theta}_n^{(1)} = \bar{X}_n + \mathcal{I}(\bar{X}_n)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \dot{\ell}_n(\bar{X}_n)$$

where $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$ is found in part (c).

(c) Fisher information for X is $1/\theta^2$. All we need to do is to find Fisher information for Y and add (since X and Y are independent). We have $\log P_\theta(y) = \log(1-p) + y \log(p)$, where $p = \exp\{-1/\theta\}$, so that $(\partial/\partial\theta) \log P_\theta(y) = -(\partial p/\partial\theta)/(1-p) + y(\partial p/\partial\theta)/p$. Fisher information is the variance of this. We have $\text{Var}_\theta(Y) = p/(1-p)^2$, and $\partial p/\partial\theta = p/\theta^2$. Therefore, Fisher information of Y is

$$\mathcal{I}(\theta) = \text{Var}(Y(\partial p/\partial\theta)/p) = \frac{p}{(1-p)^2} \cdot \frac{(\partial p/\partial\theta)^2}{p^2} = \frac{p}{(1-p)^2 \theta^4},$$

and Fisher information for X and Y is $1/\theta^2 + p/(1-p)^2 \theta^4$. So the asymptotic variance of

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n^{(1)} - \theta) \text{ is } \frac{\theta^4(1-p)^2}{(1-p)^2 \theta^2 + p}.$$

22.3. (a) The likelihood function is $L = \prod_i \prod_j (1/\beta_i) e^{-x_{ij}/\beta_i} = \prod_i (1/\beta_i^n) e^{-x_{i.}/\beta_i}$. Under the general hypothesis, H , the MLE's are $\hat{\beta}_i = \bar{X}_{i.}$. Under hypothesis H_0 , the MLE is $\tilde{\beta} + \bar{X}_{..}$. The likelihood ratio test rejects H_0 if the likelihood ratio,

$$\Lambda = \frac{\sup_{H_0} L}{\sup_H L} = \frac{(1/\tilde{\beta}^{nk}) e^{-nk}}{(\prod_i (1/\hat{\beta}_i^n) e^{-nk})} = \left(\frac{\prod_i \bar{X}_{i.}}{\bar{X}_{..}^k} \right)^n$$

is too small.

(b) Under H_0 , the statistic $-2 \log \Lambda$ has asymptotically a chi-square distribution with $k - 1$ degrees of freedom.