

## Solution to Question 1

### Part a). 4 marks

Approach 1: Using property of one parameter exponential family (see p25 of lecture notes).

Indeed, we observe that,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x, \theta) &= \theta^x (1 - \theta)^{1-x} \\ &= (1 - \theta) \exp \left( x \log \left( \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, Bernoulli belongs to one parameter exponential family. This then implies  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is (minimal) sufficient, and complete.

Marking criteria:

- 2 marks for notifying that binomial belongs to a one parameter exponential family.
- 1 mark for making the conclusion that the test statistic is sufficient.
- 1 mark for notifying that the test statistic is complete.

Approach 2: Lehmann and Scheffe's method (see p22 of lecture notes) and definition of completeness (see p38 of lecture notes).

We calculate the proportion of the joint density

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L(X, \theta)}{L(Y, \theta)} &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{x_i} (1 - \theta)^{1-x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{y_i} (1 - \theta)^{1-y_i}} \\ &= \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i} (1 - \theta)^{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}. \end{aligned}$$

This is independent of  $\theta$  iff  $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$ . Thus,  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is (minimal) sufficient.

To show it is also complete, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_\theta(g(T)) &= \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k} g(k) \\ &= (1 - \theta)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \left( \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} \right)^k g(k) \\ &= (1 - \theta)^n \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \eta^k g(k) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\eta = \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta}$ , holds for all  $\theta \in (0, 1)$ , and all  $\eta \in (0, \infty)$  only if implies  $g(k) = 0$  for all  $k = 0, \dots, n$ . Notice that  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} > 0$ ,  $1 - \theta > 0$ , and  $\eta^k$  is a polynomial. As a consequence, we have  $\mathbb{P}(g(T) = 0) = 1$ .

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for calculating the proportion.
- 1 mark for proving the sufficiency.
- 1 mark for using the definition of completeness.

- 1 mark for proving the test statistic is complete.

Approach 3: First Investigation (see p21 of lecture notes)

By definition of sufficient statistics, it is enough to show that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right) = \frac{\theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k}}{\binom{n}{k} \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k}} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{k}}.$$

is independent of  $\theta$ , which is obvious. For completeness, see Approach 2.

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for using the definition of sufficiency.
- 1 mark for proving the test statistic is sufficiency.
- 1 mark for using the definition of completeness.
- 1 mark for proving the test statistic is complete.

### Part b). 4 marks

Since  $T$  is complete and sufficient, we need to find an unbiased estimator of  $\tau$  and apply Theorem of Lehmann-Scheffe (see p30 lecture notes). Let

$$\tau = X_1 X_2, \quad (1)$$

we see that

$$\mathbb{E}(\tau) = \left(\mathbb{E}(X_1)\right)^2 = \theta^2, \quad (2)$$

which is unbiased. Now, we apply Theorem of Lehmann-Scheffe, this then yields

$$\begin{aligned} a(k) &= \mathbb{E}\left(X_1 X_2 \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right) \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1 \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right) \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}\left(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right)}{\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right)} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{i=3}^n X_i = k - 2\right) \theta^2}{\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k\right)} \\ &= \frac{\binom{n-2}{k-2} \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k}}{\binom{n}{k} \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k}} \\ &= \frac{k(k-1)}{n(n-1)} \\ &= \bar{X} \left(\bar{X} - \frac{1}{n}\right) \frac{n}{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for selecting an estimator.

- 1 mark for proving the estimator is unbiased.
- 1 mark for applying Theorem of Lehmann-Scheffe.
- 1 mark for getting the final UMVUE.

**Part c). 4 marks**

we can calculate the Cramer-Rao bound as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}_\theta(a(k)) &\geq \frac{\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \theta^2\right)^2}{-\mathbb{E}_\theta\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log L(X, \theta)\right)} \\
 &\geq \frac{4\theta^2}{-\mathbb{E}_\theta\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}\right)} \\
 &\geq \frac{4\theta^2}{-\mathbb{E}_\theta\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta^2} + \frac{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{(1-\theta)^2}\right)} \\
 &\geq 4\theta^2 \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we see that

$$V(X, \theta) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta} - \frac{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{(1-\theta)} = \frac{n}{\theta^2(1-\theta)} (\bar{X}\theta - \theta^2).$$

and,  $\bar{X}\theta$  is not a statistics so the bound is not attainable.

Marking criteria:

- 2 marks for calculating the Cramer-Rao bound.
- 2 marks for make the right conclusion.

**Part d). 2 marks**

We first calculate the log-likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i} &= \log \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\theta)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \log \theta + (n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i) \log (1-\theta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating with respect to  $\theta$  and set this to zero yields:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{1}{\theta} - (n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i) \frac{1}{(1-\theta)} = 0.$$

Thus, we have the MLE  $\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \bar{X}$ . By the invariance property,

$$\hat{h} = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^2 = (\bar{X})^2.$$

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for getting the MLE for  $\theta$ .
- 1 mark for using the invariance property.

**Part e). 3 marks**

We note that, from p17 of lecture notes,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\theta \leq 0.6) &= \int_0^{0.6} h(\theta|X) d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{0.6} \frac{f(X|\theta)\tau(\theta)}{\int_0^1 f(X|\theta)\tau(\theta) d\theta} d\theta \\
 &= \int_0^{0.6} \frac{\theta^7(1-\theta)^4}{B(8,5)} d\theta \\
 &= 0.4356 < 0.5
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3}$$

(note the threshold for 0-1 loss is 0.5). Thus, we reject the  $H_0$ .

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for getting the expression for  $P(\theta \leq 0.6)$ .
- 1 mark for getting the correct probability.
- 1 mark for making the correct conclusion.

**Solution to Question 2****Part a). 3 marks**

We first calculate the joint density

$$L(X, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) = \frac{\theta^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} I_{(\theta, \infty)}(X_{(1)}).$$

Thus,  $Z_n$  is sufficient by the Neyman Fisher Factorization Criterion (see p22 of lecture notes).

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for writing the joint.
- 1 mark for making a correct calculation.
- 1 mark for noting the Neyman Fisher Factorization Criterion.

**Part b). 3 marks**

We first calculating the survival function.

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - F_{Z_n}(z) &= \mathbb{P}(X_{(1)} > z) \\
 &= \mathbb{P}(X_1 > z, \dots, X_n > z) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(X_i > z) \\
 &= \frac{\theta^n}{z^n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

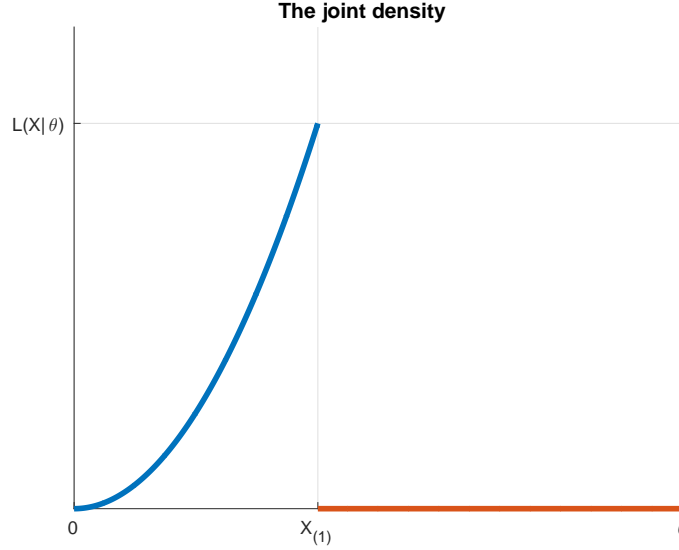


Figure 1: Graph of Joint Density

Then, we obtain the density

$$f_{Z_n}(z) = \frac{n\theta^n}{z^{n+1}} I_{(\theta, \infty)}(z).$$

Marking criteria:

- 2 marks for calculating the survival function (or the cdf).
- 1 mark for obtaining the density via differentiation.

### Part c). 3 marks

We first calculate the joint:

$$L(X, \theta) = \frac{\theta^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} I_{(\theta, \infty)}(X_{(1)}),$$

Thus, the likelihood will be maximized at  $\theta = \min(x_1, \dots, x_n) = X_{(1)}$ . See also Figure 1.

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for calculating the joint.
- 1 mark for giving the correct mle.
- 1 mark for giving the correct reasoning.

### Part d). 2 marks

We first check if this is a unbiased estimator.

$$\mathbb{E}(X_{(1)}) = \int_{\theta}^{\infty} z \frac{n\theta^n}{z^{n+1}} dz = \frac{n}{n-1} \theta.$$

The UMVUE is then given by

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{n-1}{n} X_{(1)} | X_{(1)}\right) = \frac{n-1}{n} X_{(1)}.$$

Marking criteria:

- 1 mark for checking that  $X_{(1)}$  is not unbiased and needs a bias-correction.
- 1 mark for finding the UMVUE.