

1. Let $\{X_i\}_{i=1,\dots,n}$ be a random sample iid from F ,

(a) If F is $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with μ and σ^2 unknown, please find a sufficient statistic for (μ, σ^2) .

The joint density of $\{X_i\}_{i=1,\dots,n}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right) \exp\left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_1(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$, $T_2(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$,

$$g_\theta(T_1(\mathbf{x}), T_2(\mathbf{x})) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}\right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right) \exp\left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right),$$

and $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$ is a sufficient statistic for (μ, σ^2) .

(b) If F is Uniform($\theta - 1/2, \theta + 1/2$], please find the sufficient statistic for θ .

The joint density of $\{X_i\}_{i=1,\dots,n}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}\left(X_i \in \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]\right) \\ &= \mathbb{1}\left(X_{(1)} \in \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]\right) \mathbb{1}\left(X_{(n)} \in \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]\right), \end{aligned}$$

where $X_{(k)}$ is the k -th order statistic of the sample. Let $T_1(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(1)}$, $T_2(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(n)}$,

$$g_\theta(T_1(\mathbf{x}), T_2(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbb{1}\left(X_{(1)} \in \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]\right) \mathbb{1}\left(X_{(n)} \in \left(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]\right),$$

and $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

2. Let $\{X_i\}_{i=1,\dots,n}$ be a random sample iid from F , where $f = F'$ is continuous. For $\tau \in (0, 1)$, denote ξ_τ as the τ -th quantile of the distribution (i.e., $F(\xi_\tau) = \tau$), and $f(\xi_\tau) > 0$, then please show that $X_{(k)} \xrightarrow{P} \xi_\tau$ where $X_{(k)}$ is the k -th order statistic of the sample and $k = [n\tau]$.

By Theorem 8.18 in *Theoretical Statistics – Topics of a Core Course* (Keener, 2010), we know that

$$\sqrt{n}(X_{(k)} - \xi_\tau) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\tau(1-\tau)}{[f'(\xi_\tau)]^2}\right).$$

Consider that fact that $1/\sqrt{n} \rightarrow 0$ and apply Slutsky's Theorem, we have

$$\sqrt{n}(X_{(k)} - \xi_\tau) \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = X_{(k)} - \xi_\tau \xrightarrow{d} 0,$$

which is a constant. Hence,

$$X_{(k)} - \xi_\tau \xrightarrow{P} 0,$$

and by Slutsky's Theorem again,

$$(X_{(k)} - \xi_\tau) + \xi_\tau \xrightarrow{P} 0 + \xi_\tau,$$

i.e., $X_{(k)} \xrightarrow{P} \xi_\tau$.

3. Let X be one observation from a $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ population. Is $|X|$ a sufficient statistic?

The density of the sample is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

Let $T(X) = X^2$, $g_\theta(T(x)) = f(x)$, $h(x) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that X^2 is a sufficient statistic for σ . Since 1-1 transformation preserves sufficiency, we apply the 1-1 function $m(\cdot) = \sqrt{\cdot}$ to X^2 and obtain that $\sqrt{X^2} = |X|$ is also a sufficient statistic.

4. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from the pdf

$$f(x|\mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma} e^{-(x-\mu)/\sigma}, \quad \mu < x < \infty, \quad 0 < \sigma < \infty.$$

Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for (μ, σ) .

The joint density of $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \mathbb{1}(x_i \in (\mu, \infty)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n\mu}{\sigma}\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_i \in (\mu, \infty)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(\frac{n\mu}{\sigma}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \in (\mu, \infty)). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_1(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, $T_2(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(1)}$,

$$g_\theta(T(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(\frac{n\mu}{\sigma}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \in (\mu, \infty))$$

and $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, X_{(1)})$ is a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for (μ, σ) .

5. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid observations from a pdf or pmf $f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta})$ that belongs to an exponential family given by

$$f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = h(x)c(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})t_i(x)\right),$$

where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$, $d \leq k$. Prove that $T(\mathbf{X}) = (\sum_{j=1}^n t_1(X_j), \dots, \sum_{j=1}^n t_k(X_j))$ is a sufficient statistic for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ where $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

The joint density of $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{j=1}^n \left(h(x_j) c(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) t_i(x_j)\right) \right) \\ &= \left(\prod_{j=1}^n h(x_j) \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^n c(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) t_i(x_j)\right) \\ &= \left(\prod_{j=1}^n h(x_j) \right) (c(\boldsymbol{\theta}))^n \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sum_{j=1}^n t_i(x_j)\right). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_i(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{j=1}^n t_i(X_j)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$,

$$g_\theta(T_1(\mathbf{x}), T_2(\mathbf{x}), \dots, T_k(\mathbf{x})) = (c(\boldsymbol{\theta}))^n \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sum_{j=1}^n t_i(x_j)\right),$$

and $H(\mathbf{x}) = \prod_{j=1}^n h(x_j)$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(\sum_{j=1}^n t_1(X_j), \sum_{j=1}^n t_2(X_j), \dots, \sum_{j=1}^n t_k(X_j))$ is a sufficient statistic for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$.

6. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent random variables with pdfs

$$f(x_i|\theta) = \begin{cases} 1/2i\theta & \text{if } -i(\theta - 1) < x_i < i(\theta + 1) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases},$$

where $\theta > 0$. Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for θ .

The joint density of $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2i\theta} \mathbb{1}(x_i \in (-i(\theta - 1), i(\theta + 1))) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n \prod_{i=1}^n i} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_i/i \in (-\theta + 1, \theta + 1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n \prod_{i=1}^n i} \mathbb{1}(\min_i(x_i/i) \in (-\theta + 1, \theta + 1)) \mathbb{1}(\max_i(x_i/i) \in (-\theta + 1, \theta + 1)). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_1(\mathbf{X}) = \min_i(X_i/i)$, $T_2(\mathbf{X}) = \max_i(X_i/i)$,

$$g_\theta(T(\mathbf{x})) = \frac{1}{(2\theta)^n \prod_{i=1}^n i} \mathbb{1}(\min_i(x_i/i) \in (-\theta + 1, \theta + 1)) \mathbb{1}(\max_i(x_i/i) \in (-\theta + 1, \theta + 1)),$$

and $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(\min_i(X_i/i), \max_i(X_i/i))$ is a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for θ .

7. Let $f(x, y|\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$ be a bivariate pdf for the uniform distribution on the rectangle with lower left corner (θ_1, θ_2) and upper right corner (θ_3, θ_4) in \mathbb{R}^2 . The parameters satisfy $\theta_1 < \theta_3$ and $\theta_2 < \theta_4$. Let $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ be a random sample from this pdf. Find a four-dimensional sufficient statistic for $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$.

From the given condition we can write out the bivariate pdf of $\mathbf{p} = (x, y)$ as

$$f(\mathbf{p}|\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) = \frac{1}{(\theta_3 - \theta_1)(\theta_4 - \theta_2)} \mathbb{1}(x \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(y \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]).$$

The joint density of $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{p}_1, \dots, \mathbf{p}_n|\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(\theta_3 - \theta_1)(\theta_4 - \theta_2)} \mathbb{1}(x_i \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(y_i \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\theta_3 - \theta_1)^n (\theta_4 - \theta_2)^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_i \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(y_i \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\theta_3 - \theta_1)^n (\theta_4 - \theta_2)^n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(x_{(n)} \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]) \mathbb{1}(y_{(n)} \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_1 = X_{(1)}$, $T_2 = X_{(n)}$, $T_3 = Y_{(1)}$, $T_4 = Y_{(n)}$,

$$g_\theta(T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4) = \frac{1}{(\theta_3 - \theta_1)^n (\theta_4 - \theta_2)^n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(x_{(n)} \in [\theta_1, \theta_3]) \mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]) \mathbb{1}(y_{(n)} \in [\theta_2, \theta_4]),$$

and $h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)}, Y_{(1)}, Y_{(n)})$ is a four-dimensional sufficient statistic for $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$.

8. Consider an exponential family whose density is given by

$$p(x|\eta) = \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i T_i(x) - A(\eta) \right\} h(x) \quad (1)$$

which natural parameter space Θ . Show that Θ is convex. (Hint: See Lemma 2.7.1 of Lehmann and Romano (2005).)

Let $\boldsymbol{\eta} = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_s)$ and $\boldsymbol{\eta}' = (\eta'_1, \dots, \eta'_s)$ be two parameter points for which the integral of Equation 1 is finite. Note that

$$\Theta = \left\{ \boldsymbol{\eta} \in \mathbb{R}^s : 0 < \int \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i T_i(x) \right\} h(x) d\mu(x) < \infty \right\}$$

Then by Hölder's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} A(\alpha \boldsymbol{\eta} + (1 - \alpha) \boldsymbol{\eta}') &= \int \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s [\alpha \eta_i + (1 - \alpha) \eta'_i] T_i(x) \right\} h(x) d\mu(x) \\ &= \int \left(\exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i T_i(x) \right\} \right)^\alpha \left(\exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta'_i T_i(x) \right\} \right)^{1-\alpha} h(x) d\mu(x) \\ &\leq \left(\int \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i T_i(x) \right\} h(x) d\mu(x) \right)^\alpha \left(\int \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta'_i T_i(x) \right\} h(x) d\mu(x) \right)^{1-\alpha} \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

for any $0 < \alpha < 1$. Therefore, Θ is convex.

9. [Rao-Blackwell Theorem]. Let X be a random observable with distribution $P_\theta \in \mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta'} : \theta' \in \Theta\}$, and let T be sufficient for \mathcal{P} . Let δ be an estimator of an estimand $g(\theta)$, and let the loss function $L(\theta, d)$ be a strictly convex function of d . If δ has finite expectation and risk,

$$R(\theta, \delta) = \mathbb{E}\{L(\theta, \delta(X))\} < \infty$$

and if

$$\eta(t) = \mathbb{E}\{\delta(X)|t\}$$

then the risk of the estimator $\eta(T)$ satisfies

$$R(\theta, \eta) < R(\theta, \delta)$$

unless $\delta(X) = \eta(T)$ with probability 1.

Proof

Jensen's inequality with expectations against the conditional distribution of $\delta(X)$ given T gives

$$L(\theta, \eta(T)) \leq \mathbb{E}_\theta\{L(\theta, \delta(X))|T\}$$

Taking expectation gives

$$R(\theta, \eta) < R(\theta, \delta)$$

unless $\delta(X) = \eta(T)$ with probability 1.

10. Let $X_1 \leq X_2 \leq \dots \leq X_n$ be iid according to the exponential distribution $\text{Exp}(a, b)$, i.e., X_i has density

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b} e^{-(x-a)/b} \mathbf{1}(x \geq a), \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, b > 0.$$

Note let $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)}$ be the corresponding order statistic of the sample and let $T_1 = X_{(1)}$, $T_2 = \sum_i (X_i - X_{(1)})$. Show that (T_1, T_2) are independently distributed as $E(a, b/n)$ and $\frac{1}{2}b\chi_{2n-2}^2$ respectively, and there are jointly sufficient and complete.

(i) Sufficiency: Let $\theta = (a, b)$. Note that the joint pdf of $\{X_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{b} e^{-(x_i-a)/b} \mathbf{1}(x_i \geq a) = \frac{1}{b^n} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-a)/b} \mathbf{1}(x_{(1)} \geq a) \\ &= \frac{1}{b^n} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - x_{(1)})/b} e^{-(x_{(1)}-a)/(b/n)} \mathbf{1}(x_{(1)} \geq a). \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_1(X) = X_{(1)}$, $T_2(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - X_{(1)})$,

$$g_\theta(T_1(x), T_2(x)) = \frac{1}{b^n} e^{-T_2(x)/b} e^{-(T_1(x)-a)/(b/n)} \mathbf{1}(T_1(x) \geq a),$$

and $h(x) = 1$, by Neyman-Fisher Factorization Criterion, we know that $(T_1(X), T_2(X))$ is a sufficient statistic.

(ii) Independence: The joint pdf of all the order statistic $X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)}$ is given by

$$\tilde{f}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = n! f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{n!}{b^n} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-a)/b} \mathbf{1}(a \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n).$$

Define $M_1 = X_{(1)}$, $M_2 = X_{(2)} - X_{(1)}$, \dots , $M_n = X_{(n)} - X_{(n-1)}$, then $X_{(1)} = M_1$, $X_{(2)} = M_1 + M_2$, \dots , $X_{(n)} = M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_n$, and the Jacobian matrix of such transform is

$$\left(\frac{\partial X_{(i)}}{\partial M_j} \right)_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

with determinant 1, so the pdf of M_1, \dots, M_n is given by

$$\begin{aligned} f_M(m_1, \dots, m_n) &= \frac{n!}{b^n} e^{-(nm_1 + (n-1)m_2 + \dots + m_n - na)/b} \mathbf{1}(m_1 \geq a, m_2 \geq 0, m_3 \geq 0, \dots, m_n \geq 0) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{b/n} e^{-(m_1-a)/(b/n)} \mathbf{1}(m_1 \geq a) \right) \left(\frac{1}{b/(n-1)} e^{-m_2/(b/(n-1))} \mathbf{1}(m_2 \geq 0) \right) \dots \left(\frac{1}{b/1} e^{-m_n/(b/1)} \mathbf{1}(m_n \geq 0) \right), \end{aligned}$$

so M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n are independent, and hence $M_1 = T_1(X)$ is independent of $(n-1)M_2 + (n-2)M_3 + \dots + M_n = T_2(X)$.

(iii) Distribution: From (ii) we immediately know that

$$f_{M_1}(m_1) = \frac{1}{b/n} e^{-(m_1-a)/(b/n)} \mathbf{1}(m_1 \geq a),$$

comparing with the density of $E(a, b)$, we know that M_1 , i.e., $X_{(1)}$, is $E(a, b/n)$ distributed.

From (ii) we immediately know also that

$$f_{M_i}(m_i) = \frac{1}{b/(n+1-i)} e^{-m_i/(b/(n+1-i))} \mathbf{1}(m_i \geq 0),$$

for $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$, so comparing with the density of $E(0, b/(n+1-i))$, we know that M_i is $E(0, b/(n+1-i))$ distributed. From the form of density of $f_{M_i}(m_i)$, we know that M_i is a scale family, so we know $N_i := M_i/(b/(n+1-i))$ for each $i = 2, 3, \dots, n$ is exponentially distributed with rate 1, which is also a $\frac{1}{2}\chi_2^2$ distribution. Due to the independence of M_2, \dots, M_n , we know that N_2, N_3, \dots, N_n are also independent, and using the property of independent chi-square random variables, we know

$$N_2 + N_3 + \dots + N_n = \frac{(n-1)M_2}{b} + \frac{(n-2)M_3}{b} + \dots + \frac{M_n}{b} \sim \frac{1}{2}\chi_{2(n-1)}^2,$$

i.e.,

$$T_2(X) = (n-1)M_2 + (n-2)M_3 + \dots + M_n \sim \frac{1}{2}b\chi_{2n-2}^2.$$

(iv) Completeness: Let $\mathbb{E}_\theta(h(T_1, T_2)) = 0$ for all θ . Note that the density of T_2 does not involve a , by the Tower Property we can write

$$0 = \mathbb{E}_{a,b}(h(T_1, T_2)) = \mathbb{E}_{a,b}[\mathbb{E}_{a,b}(h(T_1, T_2)|T_1)] = \mathbb{E}_{a,b}[\mathbb{E}_b(h(T_1, T_2)|T_1)].$$

Define $g_b(T_1) = \mathbb{E}_b(h(T_1, T_2)|T_1)$, we have for fixed b , (after multiplying b/n),

$$0 = \int_a^\infty g_b(t_1) e^{-(t_1-a)/(b/n)} dt_1$$

for all a , so we must have $g_b(t_1) = 0$ almost everywhere in the support of T_1 . Interchange the role of t_1 and b , we know that for almost every t_1 , $g_b(t_1) = 0$ almost everywhere in \mathbb{R}^+ ; combining with the fact that $g_b(t_1)$ is continuous in b , we further conclude that for almost every t_1 , $g_b(t_1) = \mathbb{E}_b(h(t_1, T_2)|t_1) = 0$ for all $b \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Hence, for all fixed $b \in \mathbb{R}^+$ and almost every t_1 , (after dividing $b/2$ and multiplying $2^{n-1}\Gamma(n-1)$),

$$0 = \int_0^\infty h(t_1, x) x^{n-2} e^{-x/2} dx,$$

so we must have $h(t_1, x) = 0$ almost everywhere in the support of T_2 . Hence, $h(t_1, t_2) = 0$ for almost every (t_1, t_2) , and we finished the proof of completeness.

11. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be *i.i.d.* according to the logistic distribution $L(\theta, 1)$, i.e., X_i has density

$$f_X(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\theta)}}{\{1 + e^{-(x-\theta)}\}^2}, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} \quad (2)$$

Consider a subfamily \mathcal{P}_0 consisting of the distribution 2 with $\theta_0 = 0$ and $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n+1}$. Show that the order statistic $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is minimal sufficient for \mathcal{P}_0 .

Consider the ratio of two samples \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} joint p.d.f.s

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)}{p(\mathbf{y}|\theta)} &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-(x_i-\theta)}}{\{1+e^{-(x_i-\theta)}\}^2}}{\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-(y_i-\theta)}}{\{1+e^{-(y_i-\theta)}\}^2}} = \frac{\exp\{-(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \theta)\}}{\exp\{-(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \theta)\}} \times \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \{1 + e^{-(y_i-\theta)}\}^2}{\prod_{i=1}^n \{1 + e^{-(x_i-\theta)}\}^2} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - y_i\right)\right\} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1 + e^{-(y_i-\theta)}}{1 + e^{-(x_i-\theta)}}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

which does not depend on θ iff $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$, i.e. having the same order statistics. Hence, by Lehmann-Scheffé Theorem, $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is a minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$. Note that the minimal sufficient statistics for \mathcal{P}_0 is defined as:

$$T_{\mathcal{P}_0}(X) = (T_1(X), \dots, T_n(X)) = \left(\frac{p(X|\theta_1)}{p(X|\theta_0)}, \dots, \frac{p(X|\theta_n)}{p(X|\theta_0)}\right)$$

where

$$T_j(X) = \frac{p_{\theta_j}(X)}{p_{\theta_0}(X)} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\frac{e^{-(x_i-\theta_j)}}{\{1+e^{-(x_i-\theta_j)}\}^2}}{\frac{e^{-x_i}}{\{1+e^{-x_i}\}^2}} = e^{n\theta_j} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1 + e^{-x_i}}{1 + e^{-(x_i-\theta_j)}}\right)^2$$

As we have proof that $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is a minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$, $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is also minimal sufficient for \mathcal{P}_0

12. [Problem 3.27 of Keener (2010)] Let X_1, \dots, X_n be *i.i.d.* from a uniform distribution on $(-\theta, \theta)$, where $\theta > 0$ is an unknown parameter.

(a) Find a minimal sufficient statistic T .

(b) Define

$$V = \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i - \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i}$$

where $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ denotes the sample average. Show that T and V are independent.

(a) Consider the ratio of two samples \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} joint p.d.f.s

$$\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)}{p(\mathbf{y}|\theta)} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}\{-\theta < x_i < \theta\}}{\prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}\{-\theta < y_i < \theta\}} = \frac{\mathbb{1}\{\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i > -\theta\} \mathbb{1}\{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i < \theta\}}{\mathbb{1}\{\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} y_i > -\theta\} \mathbb{1}\{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} y_i < \theta\}}$$

which does not depend on θ iff $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$. Hence, by Lehmann-Scheffé Theorem, $T(X) = (\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i)$ is a minimal sufficient for θ .

(b) Let $Y_i \sim X_i/\theta \sim U(-1, 1)$, which does not depend on θ . Note that

$$\bar{X}_n = \theta \bar{Y}_n, \quad \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i = \theta \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i, \quad \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i = \theta \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i - \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i} = \frac{\theta \bar{Y}_n}{\theta \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i - \theta \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i} \\ &= \frac{\bar{Y}_n}{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i - \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} Y_i} \end{aligned}$$

which does not depend on θ . Hence V is ancillary. Note that in 1., we prove that $T(X) = (\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i)$ is a minimal sufficient for θ , then

$$\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = \mathbb{P}(X_{(1)} \geq -t, X_{(n)} \leq t) = \mathbb{P}(-t \leq X_1, \dots, X_n \leq t) = \{\mathbb{P}(-t \leq X_1 \leq t)\}^n = \left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^n$$

$$f_T(t) = F'_T(t) = \frac{nt^{n-1}}{\theta^n}$$

i.e. $T \sim U(0, \theta)$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad 0 &= \mathbb{E}_\theta \{g(T)\} = \int_0^\theta g(t) \frac{nt^{n-1}}{\theta^n} dt \\ \Rightarrow \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad 0 &= \int_0^\theta g(t) t^{n-1} dt \\ \Rightarrow \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad 0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left\{ \int_0^\theta g(t) t^{n-1} dt \right\} = g(\theta) \theta^{n-1} \\ \Rightarrow \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad 0 &= g(\theta) \quad (\theta > 0) \\ \Rightarrow \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^+, \quad \mathbb{P}_\theta \{g(T) = 0\} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, T is complete and minimal sufficient. Finally, by Basu's Theorem, T and V are independent.