

1. (20 points)

We take a sample of size 2 from a Poisson distribution with parameter θ ; the pmf of this distribution is $p(k; \theta) = \mathbb{P}_\theta(X = k) = \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^k}{k!}$.

We test $H_0 : \theta = 1$ versus $H_1 : \theta = 2$, by accepting H_1 if

$$\frac{p(X_1; 2)p(X_2; 2)}{p(X_1; 1)p(X_2; 1)} > 2.$$

a. (10 pts) Find the size of this test.

Test is:

$$\frac{e^{-2} 2^{X_1} e^{-2} 2^{X_2}}{e^{-1} 1^{X_1} e^{-1} 1^{X_2}} > 2 \Leftrightarrow e^{-2} 2^{X_1+X_2} > 2$$
$$\Leftrightarrow 2^{X_1+X_2} > 2e^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow X_1 + X_2 > \log_2(2e^2) \approx 3.88,$$

so we accept H_1 if $X_1 + X_2 \geq 4$.

If $H_0 = 1$, $X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Pois}(2)$ so $P(X_1 + X_2 \geq 4)$

$$= 1 - .857 = .143.$$

b. (10 pts) Find the power of this test when $\theta = 2$, i.e. when H_1 is true.

When $\theta = 2$, $X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Pois}(4)$

$$P(X_1 + X_2 \leq 3)$$

so $P(X_1 + X_2 \geq 4) = 1 - P(X_1 + X_2 \leq 3)$

$$= 1 - .433 = .567$$

2. (15 points) X_1, \dots, X_{50} are a sample of size $n = 50$ from $f(x) = (\theta - 1)x^{\theta-2}$ for $0 < x < 1$, zero otherwise.

a. (5 pts) Find $\mu = \mathbb{E}[X_i]$; your answer will be in terms of θ .

$$\mathbb{E}[X_i] = \int_0^1 (\theta - 1) x^{\theta-2} x dx = \frac{(\theta - 1) x^{\theta-1}}{\theta} \Big|_0^1 = \frac{\theta - 1}{\theta} = \boxed{1 - \frac{1}{\theta}}$$

b. (10 pts) Find an approximate 90% confidence interval for θ in terms of the sample mean \bar{X} and sample variance S^2 .

Hint: First, find an approximate 90% confidence interval for μ , then use your answer to part (a) to find a confidence interval for θ .

Confidence interval for μ :

$$P\left(\bar{X} - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}\right) \approx .9$$

$$\mu = 1 - \frac{1}{\theta}$$

$$\therefore P\left(\bar{X} - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}} \leq 1 - \frac{1}{\theta} \leq \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}\right) \approx .9$$

$$= P\left(\bar{X} - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}} - 1 \leq -\frac{1}{\theta} \leq \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}} - 1\right)$$

$$= P\left(1 - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}} - \bar{X} \leq \frac{1}{\theta} \leq 1 - \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{1}{1 - \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}} \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{1 - \bar{X} - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}}\right)$$

$$\sim \left(\frac{1}{1 - \bar{X} + \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}}, \frac{1}{1 - \bar{X} - \frac{1.645\sqrt{S^2}}{\sqrt{50}}}\right)$$

3. (25 points) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from the $\Gamma(1, \beta)$ distribution. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n be the order statistics of the sample.

a. (10 pts) Find the pdf of Y_1 . Identify the distribution of Y_1 .

Hint/Note: You should recognize the distribution if you get the right pdf.

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-x/\beta} \quad 0 < x < \infty \quad F_x(x) = 1 - e^{-x/\beta} \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

$$f_{Y_1}(y) = n \cdot (e^{-y/\beta})^{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-y/\beta} = \frac{n}{\beta} e^{-ny/\beta} \quad 0 < x < \infty$$

$$Y_1 \sim \Gamma\left(1, \frac{\beta}{n}\right) = \text{exp}\left(\frac{n}{\beta}\right)$$

b. (10 pts) What constant c makes cY_1 an unbiased estimator for β .

$$E[Y_1] = \frac{\beta}{n} \quad (\text{since it is } \Gamma(1, \frac{\beta}{n}))$$

$$\therefore E[nY_1] = \beta, \quad \text{take } c = n.$$

c. (5 pts) Suppose $n = 4$ and X_1, \dots, X_4 are

$$X_1 = 7.59 \quad X_2 = 25.48 \quad X_3 = 2.02 \quad X_4 = 1.67$$

What is your point estimate for β , based on your answer to part (b).

$$\beta \approx nY_1 = 4 \cdot (1.67)$$

Point estimate
for β .

4. (15 points)

Suppose X has pdf $f(x) = e^{-x}$ for $0 < x < \infty$, zero otherwise. Find the probability that X is a potential outlier of the distribution.

$$Q_1: \int_0^{Q_1} e^{-x} dx = \frac{1}{4} \approx 1 - e^{-Q_1} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$e^{-Q_1} = \frac{3}{4} \quad Q_1 = -\ln\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$$

$$Q_3: \int_0^{Q_3} e^{-x} dx = \frac{3}{4} \approx e^{-Q_3} = \frac{1}{4} \therefore Q_3 = \ln(4)$$

$$\sim h = \frac{3}{2}(Q_3 - Q_1) = \frac{3}{2} \ln(3)$$

$$LF = Q_1 - h = \ln\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) - \ln(3^{3/2}) < 0, \therefore P(X \leq LF) = 0.$$

$$UF = Q_3 + h = \ln(4) + \frac{3}{2} \ln(3)$$

$$\therefore P(X \leq UF) = 1 - e^{-UF}$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\ln(4) - \frac{3}{2} \ln(3)}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{4} \cdot 3^{-3/2}$$

$$\therefore P(X \geq UF \text{ or } X \leq LF) = \boxed{\frac{1}{4} \cdot 3^{-3/2}}$$

5. (25 points)

X_1, \dots, X_{243} are a sample of $n = 243$ points in $(0, 1)$. We want to check whether these came from the pdf $f(x) = 4x^3$, $0 < x < 1$, zero otherwise. We observe the number of points in the segments $S_1 = (0, 1/3)$, $S_2 = [1/3, 2/3)$, and $S_3 = [2/3, 1)$, and see the following:

Segment	S_1	S_2	S_3
# in segment	5	60	168

a. (15 pts) Perform the chi-square goodness of fit test. Does the data support rejecting H_0 in favor of H_1 at the 0.05 level of significance? How many degrees of freedom are involved in the test?

$$p_1 = \int_0^{1/3} 4x^3 = x^4 \Big|_0^{1/3} = \frac{1}{81} \quad p_2 = x^4 \Big|_{1/3}^{2/3} = \frac{15}{81} \quad p_3 = x^4 \Big|_{2/3}^1 = \frac{65}{81}$$

$$p_1 n = 3 \quad p_2 n = 45 \quad p_3 n = 195$$

We have:

$$\frac{(5-3)^2}{3} + \frac{(60-45)^2}{45} + \frac{(168-195)^2}{195} = 10.072$$

Under the null hypothesis, this should be $\chi^2(2)$.

Since $10.072 > 5.991$ we reject H_0 and accept H_1 .

b. (10 pts) Suppose the data instead was

Segment	S_1	S_2	S_3
# in segment	5	$44 + b$	$196 - b$

Again performing the chi-square test, for what values of b would we reject H_0 in favor of H_1 at the 0.1 level of significance.

We wish to test: When is

$$\frac{(5-3)^2}{3} + \frac{(44+b-45)^2}{45} + \frac{(196-b-195)^2}{195} > 4.6$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-1)^2 \left(\frac{1}{45} + \frac{1}{195} \right) > 3.27$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (b-1)^2 > 119.56$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b-1 > 10.934$$

$$b-1 < -10.934$$

$$b > 11.934$$

$$b < -9.934$$

$$\boxed{b \geq 12}$$

$$\boxed{b \leq -10}$$

1. (25 points) X_1, \dots, X_n are drawn from the geometric distribution with pmf $p(x) = (1-\theta)^{x-1}\theta$, where $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ with $p(x) = 0$ elsewhere.

a. (15 pts) Find the mle for θ .

$$L(\theta) = (1-\theta)^{\sum x_i - n} \theta^n$$

$$l(\theta) = (\sum x_i - n) \log(1-\theta) + n \log(\theta)$$

$$l'(\theta) = -\frac{\sum x_i - n}{1-\theta} + \frac{n}{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\sum x_i - n}{1-\theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} \Rightarrow \frac{\sum x_i}{n} - 1 = \frac{1-\theta}{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{\sum x_i}{n} \quad \boxed{\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{\bar{x}}}$$

b. (10 pts) Find the mle for $\mathbb{P}(X_2 \leq 2)$.

$$\mathbb{P}(X_2 \leq 2) = \mathbb{P}(X_2 = 1) + \mathbb{P}(X_2 = 2)$$

$$= \theta + (1-\theta) \cdot \theta = g(\theta)$$

MLE of $g(\theta)$ is $g(\hat{\theta})$

so mle is

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{\bar{x}} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right) \frac{1}{\bar{x}}}$$

2. (25 points) X_1, \dots, X_n are drawn from the distribution $f(x; \theta) = \frac{3\theta^3}{(x+\theta)^4}$ for $0 < x < \infty$ and $0 < \theta < \infty$.

a. (10 pts) Find the Fisher information $I(\theta)$.

Hint/Note: $\mathbb{E}[(x+\theta)^k] = \frac{3}{(3-k)\theta^{-k}}$ if $k < 3$.

$$\begin{aligned} \log(f(x; \theta)) &= \log(3) + 3\log(\theta) - 4\log(x+\theta) \\ \partial^1 &= \frac{3}{\theta} - \frac{4}{x+\theta} \\ \partial^2 &= -\frac{3}{\theta^2} + \frac{4}{(x+\theta)^2} \\ E[\partial^2] &= \frac{3}{\theta^2} - 4E[(x+\theta)^{-2}] \\ &= \frac{3}{\theta^2} - 4 \cdot \frac{3}{5\theta^2} \\ &= \frac{3}{5\theta^2} \end{aligned}$$

b. (15 pts) $Y = 2\bar{X}$ is an unbiased estimator for θ . Find the efficiency of Y .

Warning: May be time consuming.

Note: $K(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[Y] = \theta \therefore K'(\theta) = 1$.

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = 2\mathbb{E}[\bar{X}] = \mathbb{E}[X_1] \text{ so } \mathbb{E}[X_1] = \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

$$\textcircled{1} 3\theta^2 = \mathbb{E}[(X_1 + \theta)^2] = \mathbb{E}[X_1^2 + 2X_1\theta + \theta^2] = \mathbb{E}[X_1^2] + \theta^2 + \theta^2$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{E}[X_1^2] = \theta^2,$$

$$\text{so } \text{Var}(X_1) = \theta^2 - \left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{4}\theta^2 \text{ and } \text{Var}(Y) = 4\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{3\theta^2}{n}$$

Rao-Cramer:

$$\frac{K'(\theta)^2}{nI(\theta)} = \frac{1}{n \frac{3}{5}\theta^2} = \frac{5}{3n}\theta^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Efficiency} = \frac{\left(\frac{3\theta^2}{5n}\right)}{\left(\frac{3\theta^2}{n}\right)} = \frac{1}{5}$$

3. (20 points)

a. (10 pts) Explain how to generate a random variable X with the distribution

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sin(x) \quad \text{for } 0 < x < \pi,$$

zero elsewhere, from a uniform $(0, 1)$ random variable U .

$$F_X(x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{2} \sin(t) dt = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(t) \Big|_0^x = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(x)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(x) \leadsto x = \arccos(1 - 2y)$$

$$X = \arccos(1 - 2U)$$

$$U \sim \text{unif}(0, 1)$$

b. (10 pts) X_1, \dots, X_n are a sample from an unknown pdf $f_X(x)$. Explain, in words, how to use bootstrapping to generate a confidence interval for $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_i)$. Be sure to include an explanation of the bootstrapping procedure and how to find a sample variance in your answer.

• Generate new samples

$X_1^* \dots X_n^*$ by sampling from X_1, \dots, X_n uniformly at random.

• Use these to generate sample variances

$$S_*^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i^* - \bar{X}^*)^2$$

• Take the middle $1-\alpha$ portion to form confidence interval

4. (30 points)

a. (10 pts) X_1, \dots, X_n are Bernoulli random variables with parameter θ (so they are 0/1 valued, and 1 with probability θ). We wish to test $H_0 : \theta = \frac{1}{3}$, versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$. We apply the Wald-type test. Supposing $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{4}$, and $n = 100$, would we accept or reject H_0 at the 0.95 approximate confidence level.

Hint: Recall for this distribution $I(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta(1-\theta)}$ and $\hat{\theta} = \bar{X}$.

$$\{\sqrt{n I(\hat{\theta})}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)\}^2 = \left\{ \sqrt{100 \cdot \frac{1}{\bar{X}(1-\bar{X})}} \left(\bar{X} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\}^2$$

$$= 3.704 < 3.841$$

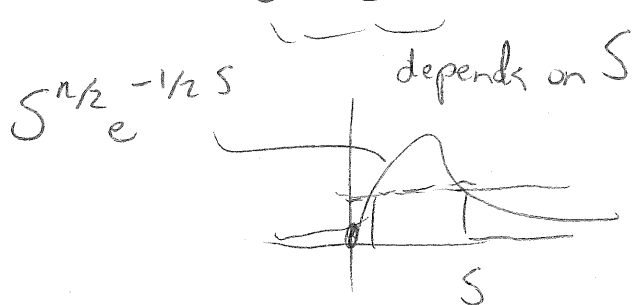
So we would accept H_0 at approx .95 confidence level.

b. (10 pts) X_1, \dots, X_n have the $N(0, \theta)$ distribution. We wish to test $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta$. Show that the likelihood ratio test depends only on $S = \sum \frac{x_i^2}{\theta_0}$. Give the null distribution of S . Explicitly state whether the test should be of the form 'Reject H_0 if $S \leq c_1$ or $S \geq c_2$ ' or 'Reject H_0 if $S \geq c_3$ '.

$$L(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2\theta} \sum x_i^2}$$

$$\frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta_0}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2\theta_0} S}}{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n}}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2 \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n}} \sum x_i^2}}$$

$$= S^{n/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} S} \cdot \text{Const.}$$



$$\ln L = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \ln(\theta) - \frac{1}{2\theta} \sum x_i^2$$

$$l'(\theta) = -\frac{n}{2\theta} + \frac{\sum x_i^2}{2\theta^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n}$$

Null dist of S

is $\chi^2(n)$

Test: Reject H_0 if $S \leq c_1$ or $S \geq c_2$.

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c. (10 pts) Suppose $X_1 = -1$, $X_2 = 3$ and $X_3 = -2$ is a sample from an $N(0, \theta)$ distribution. Use the test you developed in (b) to test $H_0 : \theta = 1.7$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq 1.7$. Would you accept or reject H_0 at the $\alpha = 0.9$ confidence level.

$$S = \sum \frac{X_i^2}{\theta_0} = \frac{1+9+4}{1.7} = 8.25$$

~ Since $S \sim \chi^2(3)$ if H_0 true we reject H_0 if

$$S \geq 7.815 \quad \text{or}$$

$$S \leq .352$$

~ $S = 8.25 > 7.815$ so we reject H_0