

# Mathematical Statistics Assignment 1

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## Q1. MGFs for $\sum \chi_{p_i}^2$

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent and  $X_i \sim \chi_{p_i}^2$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Let  $p = \sum_i p_i$ . Consider the moment generating function (MGF) of  $X_i$ :

$$M_{X_i}(t) = \left( \frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^{p_i/2}$$

By properties of an MGF, we know that  $M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t)M_Y(t)$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\sum_i X_i}(t) &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(t) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^{p_i/2} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^{\sum_i p_i/2} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{1-2t} \right)^{p/2} \end{aligned}$$

By the uniqueness of an MGF, we see that  $M_{\sum_i X_i}(t) \sim M_{\chi_p^2}(t)$ , hence we conclude that  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \chi_p^2(t)$  as required.  $\square$

## Q2. Minimising absolute error of a random sample

Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be an observed sample. We wish to find the value of  $\theta$  that minimises  $S(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - \theta|$ . Firstly, without loss of generality, send  $x_i \mapsto x_{(i)}$ , its corresponding order statistic. Using the fact that  $\frac{d}{dx}(|x|) = \text{sign}(x)$  for  $x \neq 0$  (more on this assumption later), we can attempt to minimise  $S(\theta)$  by finding its derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{d\theta} &= - \sum_{i=1}^n \text{sign}(x_{(i)} - \theta) \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \geq \theta) - \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \leq \theta)) \end{aligned}$$

and then solving  $\frac{dS}{d\theta} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies - \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \geq \theta) - \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \leq \theta)) &= 0 \\ \implies \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \leq \theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \geq \theta) \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

This suggests that  $\theta$  must partition the ordered statistics  $(x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)})$  such that the number of observed samples is the same "on both sides" of  $\theta$ . We claim that  $\hat{\theta} = \text{median}(\{x_{(i)}\}_{i=1}^n) = \frac{1}{2}(x_{(\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor)} + x_{(\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \rceil)})$  is the appropriate minimiser of  $\theta$ . We will denote this as  $\hat{\theta} = m_x$ .

If  $n$  is even, then  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \leq m_x) = \frac{n}{2}$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \geq m_x) = \frac{n}{2}$ , hence  $m_x$  satisfies  $\frac{dS}{d\theta}|_{\theta=m_x} = 0$ . It is worth noting, however, that in the case of  $n$  being even,  $\hat{\theta}$  need not be unique - indeed, any value  $\theta \in (x_{(n/2)}, x_{(n/2+1)})$  would minimise  $S(\theta)$ .

If  $n$  is odd, then we must include the case where  $\mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} = m_x)$  on both sides of our equality in (2.1). Hence,  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \leq m_x) = \frac{n}{2} + 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(i)} \geq m_x) = \frac{n}{2} + 1$ , hence  $m_x$  satisfies  $\frac{dS}{d\theta}|_{\theta=m_x} = 0$  again as required.

We do notice that  $\frac{d^2S}{d\theta^2} = 0$ , so this is not an appropriate measure of whether our claimed  $\hat{\theta}$  is a minimum. Instead we notice that  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow -\infty} S(\theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} S(\theta) = \infty$  which tells us that, since we have found a value of  $\theta$  such that  $\frac{dS}{d\theta}|_{\theta=m_x} = 0$ , it must be a minimum. Thus, for all cases of  $n$ ,  $\hat{\theta} = m_x$  is the appropriate estimate of  $\theta$  that minimises  $S(\theta)$ .  $\square$

*[N.B. It is worth pointing out that we stated that  $|x|$  is not differentiable at  $x = 0$ , however, since we are seeking to minimise  $S(\theta)$ , the contribution for  $x_{(i)} = m_x$  to  $S(\theta)$  is clearly 0 (i.e.  $|m_x - m_x| = 0$ ). Hence we can assume without loss of generality that it is fine (!) to define the  $\text{sign}(x)$  function as the derivative of  $|x|$  for algebraic purposes. (We have also taken the standard definition of  $\text{sign}(x)$  here where  $\text{sign}(0) = 0$ ).]*

### Q3. MME estimator for Gamma distribution

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Gamma}(\lambda, r)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  and  $r > 0$ . Using the definition of the Gamma distribution as in the question, the MGF for this distribution is

$$M_{X_i}(t) = \left( \frac{1}{1 - t/\lambda} \right)^r$$

We can easily show by induction that the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $M_{X_i}(t)$  is

$$M_{X_i}^{(n)}(t) = \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \right)^n r \dots (r + (n - 1)) \left( \frac{1}{1 - t/\lambda} \right)^{r+n}$$

We then appeal to the fact that  $\mu_n = \mathbb{E}[X^n] = M_X^{(n)}(0)$  to derive the first and second moments of the Gamma function.

$$\mu_1 = \frac{r}{\lambda} \qquad \mu_2 = \frac{r(r+1)}{\lambda^2}$$

Let  $m_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i X_i$  and  $m_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i X_i^2$  be the first and second sample moments respectively. Equating  $\mu_1 = m_1$  and  $\mu_2 = m_2$  and rearranging gives us  $\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{m_1}{r}$ . Substituting this into the equation for  $m_2$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} m_2 &= \left( \frac{m_1}{r} \right)^2 r(r+1) & \lambda &= \frac{r}{m_1} \\ &= \frac{m_1^2(r+1)}{r} & &= \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\sigma_n^2} \\ \implies m_2 r &= m_1^2(r+1) \\ \implies r &= \frac{m_1^2}{m_2 - m_1^2} \\ &= \frac{\bar{X}_n^2}{\sigma_n^2} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, with  $\bar{X}_n$  and  $\sigma_n^2$  being the sample mean and sample (unbiased) variance, we see that the MME estimates for  $\lambda$  and  $r$  are

$$\tilde{\lambda} = \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\sigma_n^2} \qquad \tilde{r} = \frac{\bar{X}_n^2}{\sigma_n^2}$$

□

## Q4. MLE of multi-mean normal distribution

Let  $X_{i,j}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n$  be independently distributed as  $N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$ . We wish to calculate the MLE of  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_m, \sigma^2)^T$ . We can calculate the likelihood function  $L(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= f(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^n f(x_{i,j}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x_{i,j}-\mu_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j}-\mu_i)^2} \\
 &= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \right)^{n+m} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j}-\mu_i)^2} \\
 \implies \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= -\frac{(n+m)}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{(n+m)}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - \mu_i)^2 \\
 &= -\frac{(n+m)}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{(n+m)}{2} \log(\sigma^2) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{1,j} - \mu_1)^2 + \dots + \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{m,j} - \mu_m)^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Setting derivatives equal to 0 for a fixed  $i$  value we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mu_i} &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - \mu_i) = 0 & \frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial (\sigma^2)} &= -\frac{(n+m)}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - \mu_i)^2 = 0 \\
 \implies \hat{\mu}_i &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_{i,j} = (\bar{X}_n)_i & \implies (\hat{\sigma}^2) &= \frac{1}{n+m} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - (\bar{X}_n)_i)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

To form the Hessian matrix to determine if these are indeed local maxima, where  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m, \theta_{m+1})^T = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_m, \sigma^2)^T$  we first calculate the necessary derivatives.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mu_k \partial \mu_i} &= -\frac{n}{\sigma^2} \delta_{ik} & \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial (\sigma^2) \partial \mu_i} &= -\frac{1}{\sigma^4} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - \mu_i) \\
 \therefore \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \mu_k \partial \mu_i} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} &= -\frac{n}{(\hat{\sigma}^2)} \delta_{ik} & \therefore \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial (\sigma^2) \partial \mu_i} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial(\sigma^2)^2} &= \frac{(n+m)}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{1}{\sigma^6} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - \mu_i)^2 \\ \therefore \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial(\sigma^2)^2} \Big|_{\boldsymbol{\theta}=\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}} &= \frac{(n+m)}{2(\hat{\sigma}^2)^2} - \frac{(n+m)(\hat{\sigma}^2)}{(\hat{\sigma}^2)^3} \\ &= -\frac{(n+m)}{2(\hat{\sigma}^2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Which leads us to the following Hessian matrix

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{n}{(\hat{\sigma}^2)} & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{n}{(\hat{\sigma}^2)} & \dots & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & -\frac{n}{(\hat{\sigma}^2)} & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -\frac{(n+m)}{2(\hat{\sigma}^2)^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

A diagonal matrix is negative definite if and only if all of its entries are negative. Clearly, since  $n, m > 0$  and  $(\hat{\sigma}^2) > 0$ , we see that all entries of the diagonal matrix  $H$  are indeed negative and hence  $H$  is negative definite as required. Hence the MLE estimate of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = (\hat{\mu}_1, \dots, \hat{\mu}_m, \hat{\sigma}^2)^T = \left( (\bar{X}_n)_1, \dots, (\bar{X}_n)_m, \frac{1}{n+m} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - (\bar{X}_n)_i)^2 \right)$$

□

## Q5. MLE of shifted exponential distribution

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x-\theta)} & x \geq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = e^{-(x-\theta)} \mathbb{1}(x \geq \theta)$$

We wish to maximise the likelihood function  $L(\theta) = f(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta)$ . Since the  $X_i$ 's are independent (as they are drawn from a random sample from a population), this is the product of their individual pdf's. Since  $n$  is finite, we can also map each  $x_i \mapsto x_{(k)}$ , its corresponding order statistic.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n e^{-(x_i-\theta)} \mathbb{1}(x_i \geq \theta) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^n e^{-(x_{(k)}-\theta)} \mathbb{1}(x_{(k)} \geq \theta) \\ &= e^{-\sum_{k=1}^n (x_{(k)}-\theta)} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) \dots \mathbb{1}(x_{(n)} \geq \theta) \end{aligned}$$

Since the  $x_{(i)}$ 's are ordered, we see that  $\mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) \dots \mathbb{1}(x_{(n)} \geq \theta) = \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)$ . Hence:

$$L(\theta) = e^{n\theta} e^{-n\bar{X}_n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)$$

Since  $L(\theta)$  is positive and monotonically increasing in  $\theta$  for  $\theta \leq x_{(1)}$ , we see that  $L(\theta)$  is maximised at  $\theta = x_{(1)} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ . Hence the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\hat{\theta} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ .  $\square$

## Q6. Comparison of estimators for mean of Normal

Let  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma_i^2)$ , where  $\sigma_i^2$  are known and positive for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent. Let  $\hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i/\sigma_i^2)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (1/\sigma_i^2)}$  be the MLE of  $\mu$ .

### Part a)

Since  $\sigma_i^2$  are known, we can treat both it and  $\phi = \sum_{i=1}^n (1/\sigma_i^2)$  as a fixed scalar allowing us to move it outside of the  $\mathbb{E}$  brackets. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}] &= \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i/\sigma_i^2)}{\phi} \right] & \mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}^2] &= \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i/\sigma_i^2)}{\phi} \right)^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\phi} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i/\sigma_i^2) \right] & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i/\sigma_i^2) \right)^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\phi} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i^2} \right] & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i^2}{(\sigma_i^2)^2} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{X_j X_k}{\sigma_j^2 \sigma_k^2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\phi} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \mathbb{E}[X_i] & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i^2]}{(\sigma_i^2)^2} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_j X_k]}{\sigma_j^2 \sigma_k^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\phi} \phi \mu = \mu & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2 + \mu^2}{(\sigma_i^2)^2} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{\mu^2}{\sigma_j^2 \sigma_k^2} \right) \\
 & & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} + \mu^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(\sigma_i^2)^2} + 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2 \sigma_k^2} \right) \right) \\
 & & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} \left( \phi + \mu^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \right)^2 \right) \\
 & & &= \frac{1}{\phi^2} (\phi + \mu^2 \phi^2) = \frac{1}{\phi} + \mu^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) = \mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}^2] - \mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}]^2 = \frac{1}{\phi} + \mu^2 - \mu^2 = \frac{1}{\phi}$$

Where we appeal to the fact that  $\mathbb{E}[X_j X_k] = \mathbb{E}[X_j] \mathbb{E}[X_k] = \mu^2$  for  $j \neq k$  since the  $X_i$ 's are independent. Also, we use the fact that  $\mathbb{E}[X_i^2] = \sigma_i^2 + \mu^2$ . We notice that since  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{\mu}] = \mu$  we have  $\text{Bias}_\mu(\hat{\mu}) = 0$  so  $\hat{\mu}$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\mu$ .

## Part b)

First we do some trivial calculations for  $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ . Since the  $X_i$ 's are independent,  $\text{Var}(\sum X_i) = \sum \text{Var}(X_i)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\bar{X}_n] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] & \text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] & &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} n\mu = \mu & &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n^2}\end{aligned}$$

Clearly again  $\bar{X}_n$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\mu$ , meaning we can compare the relative efficiency of our two unbiased estimators  $\hat{\mu}$  and  $\bar{X}_n$  since  $\text{MSE}(\hat{\mu}) = \text{Var}(\hat{\mu})$  and  $\text{MSE}(\bar{X}_n) = \text{Var}(\bar{X}_n)$ .

$$RE_\mu(\hat{\mu}, \bar{X}_n) = \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n)}{\text{Var}(\hat{\mu})} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{n \sigma_j^2}\right)$$

We then appeal to the Chebyshev sum inequality which states that for sequences  $a_i$  and  $b_j$  such that  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_n$  and  $b_1 \geq \dots \geq b_n$  then

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{a_i}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{b_j}{n}\right) \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$$

Without loss of generality, rearrange the sequence of fixed  $\sigma_i^2$ 's (i.e. consider this  $a_i$ ) so that they are ordered, hence  $\sigma_1^2 \leq \dots \leq \sigma_n^2$ . Hence the sequence  $b_j = \frac{1}{\sigma_j^2}$  satisfies  $b_1 \geq \dots \geq b_n$ . Thus, we can conclude that

$$\begin{aligned}RE_\mu(\hat{\mu}, \bar{X}_n) &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\sigma_i^2}{n}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{n \sigma_j^2}\right) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} = \frac{1}{n} n = 1\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, since  $RE_\mu(\hat{\mu}, \bar{X}_n) \geq 1$  (i.e.  $\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) \geq \text{Var}(\hat{\mu})$ ), we can conclude that  $\hat{\mu}$  is a better estimator of  $\mu$  than  $\bar{X}_n$ .  $\square$



## Q7. Location-scale and Exponential Family of transformed Gamma random variable

Let  $X$  be a random variable such that  $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\gamma, \alpha)$  (shape-scale parameterisation) with pdf

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\gamma^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}x} \mathbb{1}(x > 0)$$

Here we have that  $\alpha$  is known and  $\gamma$  is unknown. Let  $Y = \sigma \log(X)$ . Then we can establish the cdf of  $Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned} F_Y(y) &= P(Y \leq y) = P(\sigma \log(X) \leq y) \\ &= P(\log(X) \leq \frac{y}{\sigma}) \\ &= P(X \leq e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}) \\ &= F_X(e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}) \\ &= \int_0^{e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\gamma^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{1}{\gamma}x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we can find the pdf of  $Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= \frac{d}{dy} F_Y(y) = \frac{d}{dy} F_X(e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma} e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}} f_X(e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma \Gamma(\alpha) \gamma^\alpha} e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}} (e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}})^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{1}{\gamma} e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}} \mathbb{1}(e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}} > 0) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma \Gamma(\alpha) \gamma^\alpha} e^{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sigma} y - \frac{1}{\gamma} e^{\frac{y}{\sigma}}\right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma \Gamma(\alpha) \gamma^\alpha} e^{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sigma} y - e^{\left(\frac{y - \sigma \log \gamma}{\sigma}\right)}\right)} \end{aligned}$$

where the support set of  $Y$  is  $y \in (-\infty, \infty)$ .

### Part a)

Let  $\sigma > 0$  be unknown. To show  $Y$  is in a location-scale family, we want to show that for  $\mu \in (-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $\beta > 0$ , we can write  $f(y) = \frac{1}{\beta} g\left(\frac{y-\mu}{\beta}\right)$  (i.e.  $g(y) = \beta f(\beta y + \mu)$ ) for a well defined pdf  $g(y)$ . Let  $\beta = \sigma$  and  $\mu = \sigma \log \gamma$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} g(y) &= \beta f(\beta y + \mu) = \sigma \frac{1}{\sigma \Gamma(\alpha) \gamma^\alpha} e^{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sigma}(\sigma y + \sigma \log \gamma) - e^{\left(\frac{\sigma y + \sigma \log \gamma - \sigma \log \gamma}{\sigma}\right)}\right)} \\ &= \frac{e^{\alpha \log \gamma}}{\Gamma(\alpha) \gamma^\alpha} e^{(\alpha y - e^y)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} e^{\alpha y} e^{-e^y} \end{aligned}$$

We can now verify that  $g(y)$  is a pdf by first noticing that  $g(y) \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in (-\infty, \infty)$ , and then ensuring that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y)dy = 1$ , where we make the substitution  $u = e^y$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y)dy &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} e^{\alpha y} e^{-e^y} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} u^{\alpha} e^{-u} u^{-1} du \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} u^{\alpha-1} e^{-u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \Gamma(\alpha) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can see that  $g(y)$  is a well defined pdf. Hence, this verifies that under these conditions,  $Y$  is in a location-scale family.  $\square$

### Part b)

Let  $\sigma > 0$  be known.  $Y$  is in an exponential family if we can write

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

where  $c(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \geq 0$ ,  $w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ ,  $h(y) \geq 0$  are all real valued functions, where  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\alpha, \gamma, \sigma)$ .

Since  $\sigma$  is known, we can replace  $z = y/\sigma$ . Then:

$$f(z|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\sigma\Gamma(\alpha)\gamma^{\alpha}} e^{(\alpha z - \frac{1}{\gamma} e^z)}$$

So we can see this satisfies our requirements with:

$$\begin{aligned} c(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \frac{1}{\sigma\Gamma(\alpha)\gamma^{\alpha}} \\ h(z) &= 1 \\ (w_1(\boldsymbol{\theta}), w_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})) &= \left( \alpha, -\frac{1}{\gamma} \right) \\ (t_1(z), t_2(z)) &= (z, e^z) \end{aligned}$$

Thus under these conditions,  $Y$  is in an exponential family.  $\square$

## Q8. Sufficient statistic for $\frac{1}{x^2}$ distribution

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with pdf (with  $\theta > 0$ )

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{x^2} & x \geq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \frac{\theta}{x^2} \mathbb{1}(x \geq \theta)$$

We can also calculate (for  $z > \theta$ , 1 otherwise)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > z) &= \int_z^\infty \frac{\theta}{x^2} dx \\ &= \left[ -\frac{\theta}{x} \right]_z^\infty = \frac{\theta}{z} \end{aligned}$$

### Part a)

We can attempt to find the method of moments estimator for  $\theta$ , however we will soon establish that these moments do not exist. We can calculate the moments of  $X$  quite easily for  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X^n] &= \int_\theta^\infty \theta x^{n-2} dx \\ &= \begin{cases} [\theta \log(x)]_\theta^\infty & n = 1 \\ [\theta \frac{1}{n-1} x^{n-1}]_\theta^\infty & n = 2, 3, \dots \end{cases} \\ &= \infty \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1} \end{aligned}$$

Thus since the moments of  $X$  don't exist, we cannot calculate the method of moments estimator for  $\theta$ . [sad :( ]

### Part b)

The likelihood function for  $X$  is

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta) = f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta}{x_i^2} \mathbb{1}(x_i \geq \theta) \\ &= \theta^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i^2} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $L(\theta)$  is positive and monotonically increasing in  $\theta$  for  $\theta \leq x_{(1)}$  (given that  $\theta > 0$ ), we see that  $L(\theta)$  is maximised at  $\theta = x_{(1)} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ . Hence the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\hat{\theta} = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ .

We can then calculate

$$\begin{aligned} P(\hat{\theta} > z) &= P(\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) > z) \\ &= P(X_1 > z, \dots, X_n > z) \\ &= P(X_1 > z) \dots P(X_n > z) \\ &= \left(\frac{\theta}{z}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

Thus the cdf of  $\hat{\theta}$  is

$$F_{\hat{\theta}}(z) = 1 - P(\hat{\theta} > z) = 1 - \left(\frac{\theta}{z}\right)^n$$

and so the pdf is

$$f_{\hat{\theta}}(z) = \frac{d}{dz}F_{\hat{\theta}}(z) = \frac{n\theta^n}{z^{n+1}}$$

### Part c)

We wish to find a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . We return to the joint pdf

$$f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \theta^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i^2}$$

We claim that  $T(\mathbf{X}) = x_{(1)}$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . This is clear to see since we can write

$$f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \underbrace{\theta^n \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)}_{g(T(\mathbf{x})|\theta)} \underbrace{\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i^2}}_{h(\mathbf{x})}$$

Thus, by the factorisation theorem, we see that  $T(\mathbf{X}) = x_{(1)}$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .  $\square$

## Q9. Sufficient Statistic for Multivariate Normal

Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ Y_1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix}$  be a random sample from a two-dimensional multivariate normal distribution  $N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = N\left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}\right)$  where  $\mu_1, \mu_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\sigma_{11}, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , where all parameters are unknown and  $\det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) > 0$ . To find a sufficient statistic for  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_{11}, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{22})$ , we first consider the joint pdf

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right]}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right] \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right] \end{aligned} \quad (9.1)$$

We then expand the the inside of the exponent as follows, where we write the statistic  $\mathbf{T}_1(\mathbf{x}_i) = \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i$  and we make use of the fact that  $(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1})^T = (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^T)^{-1} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}$ , and  $(ABC)^T = C^T B^T A^T$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \boldsymbol{\mu}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n ((\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}))^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}((\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n [(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n [(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n [(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) + (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n [2(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})] \end{aligned} \quad (9.2)$$

However, we then notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{x}} + \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ &= n \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{x}} - n \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \bar{\mathbf{x}} + n \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} - n \bar{\mathbf{x}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the last term in (9.2) vanishes.

Thus, we can now write (9.1) as

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \left( \frac{1}{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right] \\
&= \left( \frac{1}{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{n}{2} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{9.3}$$

Now, to deal with the quantity in the right-hand exponential, we notice that  $(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$  is a  $1 \times 1$  matrix, hence we can use a trick with the trace (for which we know it obeys the cyclicity property, i.e.  $\text{tr}(ABC) = \text{tr}(BCA) = \text{tr}(CAB)$  [and clearly  $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ ]) to turn this term into

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) &= \text{tr} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \\
&= \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T
\end{aligned}$$

We can now write down the statistic

$$\mathbf{T}_2(\mathbf{x}_i) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})^T$$

Then we can rewrite (9.3) as

$$f(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{(2\pi)^k \det(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{n}{2} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \right]}_{g((\mathbf{T}_1(\mathbf{x}_i), \mathbf{T}_2(\mathbf{x}_i))|\boldsymbol{\theta})} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \right] \cdot \underbrace{1}_{h(\mathbf{x}_i)}$$

Thus, by the factorisation theorem, we have found sufficient statistics for the multivariate normal distribution, namely  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}$ . It is worth pointing out that due to the more sophisticated matrix calculations we have used throughout that this method has found sufficient statistics for a multivariate normal distribution of any  $N$  size. It is easy and tedious to express our final function in terms of the  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  provided by the question - we shall leave this as an exercise for the reader.  $\square$

## Q10. Incompleteness of bound statistics for a uniform distribution

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Uniform}(\theta, \theta + 1)$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ . We wish to show that the minimal sufficient statistic  $T = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$  is *not* complete for  $A = \{f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) : \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , that is, there exists a function  $g$  such that  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[g(T)] = 0 \not\Rightarrow P_\theta(g(T) = 0) = 1$

We appeal to the range statistic  $R(T) = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$ . From Example 6.2.17 of Casella and Berger, we know that  $R(T)$  is an ancillary statistic - that is, the distribution of  $R$ , which is  $h(r|\theta) = n(n-1)r^{n-2}(1-r)\mathbb{1}(0 < r < 1)$ , does not depend on the parameter  $\theta$ . This means that  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[R(T)] = k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , which does not depend on  $\theta$ . Thus, we choose our  $g$  to be  $g(T) = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)} - k$ . Then clearly  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[g(T)] = 0$ . However,  $P_\theta(g(T) = 0) = P_\theta(R(T) = k) = 0 \neq 1$  since  $h(r|\theta)$  is a continuous distribution. Therefore we conclude that  $T$  is *not* a complete statistic for  $A$ .  $\square$

## Q11. Minimal sufficiency for a scaled-shifted exponential

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x-\theta}{\theta}} & x \geq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x-\theta}{\theta}} \mathbb{1}(x \geq \theta)$$

where  $\theta > 0$ .

### Part a)

We first consider the joint pdf

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x_i-\theta}{\theta}} \mathbb{1}(x_i \geq \theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) e^{-\frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^n \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\theta^n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) e^{-\frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta}}}_{g(T(\mathbf{x})|\theta)} \underbrace{e^n}_{h(\mathbf{x})} \end{aligned}$$

We claim that  $T = (x_{(1)}, \bar{x})$  is a minimal sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . By the factorisation theorem, it is clear that  $T$  is sufficient for  $\theta$ . We want to show that the ratio  $f(x|\theta)/f(y|\theta)$  is constant as a function of  $\theta$  if and only if  $T(x) = T(y)$  to prove that it is minimal sufficient. That  $T(x) = T(y)$  implies the ratio is constant is trivial to show. Suppose that the ratio is constant, say  $K$ . Then

$$\frac{f(x|\theta)}{f(y|\theta)} = \frac{\theta^{-n} \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) e^{-\frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta}} e^n}{\theta^{-n} \mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \geq \theta) e^{-\frac{n\bar{y}}{\theta}} e^n} = \frac{\mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)}{\mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \geq \theta)} e^{-\frac{n}{\theta}(\bar{x}-\bar{y})} = K$$

We first observe that since  $K$  is independent of  $\theta$ , this implies  $\lim_{x_{(1)}, y_{(1)} \rightarrow \theta} \frac{\mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)}{\mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \geq \theta)}$  must be 1. Thus,  $\mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq \theta) = \mathbb{1}(y_{(1)} \geq \theta)$  and hence  $x_{(1)} = y_{(1)}$ .

This then suggests that

$$e^{-\frac{n}{\theta}(\bar{x}-\bar{y})} = K$$

But since this must be true for all  $\theta$ , this implies that  $\bar{x} - \bar{y} = 0$  and hence  $\bar{x} = \bar{y}$ . Hence, we see that  $f(x|\theta)/f(y|\theta)$  is constant as a function of  $\theta$  if and only if  $T(x) = T(y)$  and so  $T$  is a minimal sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .  $\square$

### Part b)

It appears natural to believe that  $X \sim f(x|\theta)$  is in an exponential family. However, we know from lectures that if  $X$  is a random variable from an exponential family, then the support set of  $X$  does *not* depend on the parameter  $\theta$ . Clearly, the support set of  $f(x|\theta)$  depends on  $\theta$  since  $f(x|\theta) = 0$  if  $x \leq \theta$ . Therefore, we conclude that  $X$  is *not* in an exponential family.  $\square$



## Q12. UMVUE of mean of a Normal

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(\mu, 1), \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### Part a)

We want to calculate the UMVUE of  $\mu^2$  and calculate its variance. We will take it as granted that  $T_1 = \bar{X}_n$  is a complete and sufficient statistic for  $\mu$ . Clearly  $T_1 \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(\mu, 1/n)$ . We can then consider

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_\mu[T_1^2] &= \mu^2 + 1/n \\ \implies \mu^2 &= \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_1^2] - 1/n \\ \implies \mu^2 &= \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_1^2 - 1/n]\end{aligned}$$

Clearly then, if we let  $T_2 = T_1^2 - 1/n$  then  $\text{Bias}(T_2) = 0$ . By the Lehmann-Scheffé Theorem, since  $T_1$  is a complete and sufficient statistic and  $T_2 = T_2(T_1)$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\mu^2$ , then  $T_2$  is the UMVUE of  $\mu^2$ .

We can then calculate the variance, where we use standard moment of normal results.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_\mu[T_2^2] &= \mathbb{E}_\mu[(T_1^2 - 1/n)^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_\mu \left[ T_1^4 - \frac{2}{n} T_1^2 + \frac{1}{n^2} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_1^4] - \frac{2}{n} \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_1^2] + \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &= \mu^4 + \frac{6}{n} \mu^2 + \frac{3}{n^2} - \frac{2}{n} (\mu^2 + 1/n) + \frac{1}{n^2} \\ &= \mu^4 + \frac{4}{n} \mu^2 + \frac{2}{n^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(T_2) = \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_2^2] - \mathbb{E}_\mu[T_2]^2 = \mu^4 + \frac{4}{n} \mu^2 + \frac{2}{n^2} - \mu^4 = \frac{4\mu^2}{n} + \frac{2}{n^2}$$

### Part b)

Since  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are drawn from a normal distribution, it is clear that  $f(x|\theta)$ ,  $T_2$ ,  $\gamma(\mu) = \mu^2$  all satisfy the necessary conditions to use the Cramér-Rao Inequality (supposing  $I_n(\theta)$  is finite which we will show below). We then calculate the necessary quantities

$$\begin{aligned}I_n(\mu) = nI_1(\mu) &= -n \mathbb{E}_\mu \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} \log f(X_1|\mu) \right] & \gamma'(\mu) &= 2\mu \\ &= -n \mathbb{E}_\mu[-1] & &= n\end{aligned}$$

Which means that  $\text{CRLB}(T_2) = \frac{(\gamma'(\mu))^2}{I_n(\mu)} = \frac{4\mu^2}{n}$ . Hence, as expected from the Cramér-Rao Inequality, we have

$$\text{Var}(T_2) = \frac{4\mu^2}{n} + \frac{2}{n^2} \geq \frac{4\mu^2}{n} = \text{CRLB}(T_2)$$

□

### Q13. UMVUE of $p^2$ of Bernoulli

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ ,  $p \in (0, 1)$  and require that  $n > 2$ . We wish to find the UMVUE of  $\gamma(p) = p^2$ .

We will take for granted that  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a complete and sufficient statistic for  $p$ . We are interested in calculating  $p^2 = P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1)$ . We can then define an unbiased estimator for  $\gamma(p)$  as

$$T_0 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_1, X_2 = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

By construction, we have  $\mathbb{E}[T_0] = P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1) = p^2$  so  $T_0$  is unbiased for  $\gamma(p)$ . Now we can define  $T_1 = \mathbb{E}[T_0|T]$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[T_0|T = t] &= \mathbb{E} \left[ T_0 \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t \right] \\ &= P \left( X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1 \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t \right) \\ &= \frac{P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t)}{P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t)} \\ &= \frac{P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, \sum_{i=3}^n X_i = t - 2)}{P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t)} \\ &= \frac{P(X_1 = 1)P(X_2 = 1)P(\sum_{i=3}^n X_i = t - 2)}{P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t)} \mathbb{1}(t \geq 2) \\ &= \frac{p^2 \binom{n-2}{t-2} p^{t-2} (1-p)^{n-t}}{\binom{n}{t} p^t (1-p)^{n-t}} \mathbb{1}(t \geq 2) \\ &= \frac{\binom{n-2}{t-2}}{\binom{n}{t}} \mathbb{1}(t \geq 2) \\ &= \frac{(n-2)! t!}{(t-2)! n!} \mathbb{1}(t \geq 2) \end{aligned}$$

Thus we see that in defining

$$T_1 = \mathbb{E} \left[ T_0 \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right] = \frac{(n-2)! (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i)!}{(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - 2)! n!} \mathbb{1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \geq 2 \right)$$

by the Rao-Blackwell theorem we know that  $T_1$  is unbiased, and by Lehmann-Scheffé we know that it is the UMVUE for  $p^2$ .  $\square$