

IE 605: Engineering Statistics

Solutions of tutorial 8

Solution 1

The sample density is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2i\theta} I(-i(\theta-1) \leq x_i \leq i(\theta+1)) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2\theta}\right)^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i}\right) I\left(\min \frac{x_i}{i} \geq -(\theta-1)\right) I\left(\max \frac{x_i}{i} \leq \theta+1\right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(\min \frac{X_i}{i}, \max \frac{X_i}{i})$ is sufficient for θ .

Solution 2

Let X_1, X_2 be iid $Poisson(\lambda)$ RVs.

1. To check: $T_1 = X_1 + X_2$ is sufficient for λ or not.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\{X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2 | T = t\} &= \mathbb{P}\{X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2 | X_1 + X_2 = t\} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X_1=x_1, X_2=t-x_1\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X_1+X_2=t\}}, & \text{if } t = x_1 + x_2, x_i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for $x_i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, i = 1, 2, x_1 + x_2 = t$, we have

$$\mathbb{P}\{X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2 | X_1 + X_2 = t\} = \binom{t}{x_1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^t,$$

which is independent of λ . Hence, T is sufficient statistics.

2. To check: $T_2 = X_1 + 2X_2$ is sufficient for λ or not.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\{X_1 = 0, X_2 = 1 | X_1 + 2X_2 = 2\} &= \frac{\mathbb{P}\{X_1 = 0, X_2 = 1\}}{\mathbb{P}\{X_1 + 2X_2 = 2\}} \\ &= \frac{e^{-\lambda}(\lambda e^{-\lambda})}{\mathbb{P}\{X_1 = 0, X_2 = 1\} + \mathbb{P}\{X_1 = 2, X_2 = 0\}} \\ &= \frac{\lambda e^{-2\lambda}}{\lambda e^{-2\lambda} + (\lambda^2/2)e^{-2\lambda}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + (\lambda/2)},$$

and we see that $T = X_1 + 2X_2$ is not sufficient for λ .

Solution 3

To show: $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ

We have

$$P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n | T = t) = \frac{P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n)}{P(T = t)}$$

Bearing in mind that the X_i can take on only the values 0s or 1s, the probability in the numerator is the probability that some particular set of t X_i are equal to 1s and the other $n - t$ are 0s. Since the X_i are independent, the probability of this is $\theta^t(1 - \theta)^{n-t}$. To find the denominator, note that the distribution of T , the total number of ones, is binomial with n trials and probability of success θ . Therefore the ratio in the above equation is

$$\frac{\theta^t(1 - \theta)^{n-t}}{\binom{n}{t}\theta^t(1 - \theta)^{n-t}} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}}$$

The conditional distribution thus does not involve θ at all. Given the total number of ones, the probability that they occur on any particular set of t trials is the same for any value of θ so that set of trials contains no additional information about θ .

To show: $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is complete

$$\mathbb{E}[g(T)] = \sum_{t=0}^n g(t) \binom{n}{t} \theta^t (1 - \theta)^{n-t} = 0 \quad \text{for all } \theta \in (0, 1)$$

may be rewritten as

$$(1 - \theta)^n \sum_{t=0}^n g(t) \binom{n}{t} \left(\frac{\theta}{1 - \theta}\right)^t = 0 \quad \text{for all } \theta \in (0, 1).$$

This is a polynomial in $\frac{\theta}{1-\theta}$. Hence the coefficients must vanish, and it follows that $g(t) = 0$ for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, as required. Hence $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is complete.

Solution 4

For $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, the joint pdf of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f_n(\mathbf{x}|\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left[-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

This could be rewritten as

$$f_n(\mathbf{x}|\mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}\sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

It can be seen that $f_n(\mathbf{x}|\mu)$ has now been expressed as the product of a function that does not depend on μ and a function that depends on \mathbf{x} only through the value of $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i$. It follows from the factorization theorem that $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for μ .

Since $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n\bar{x}$, we can state equivalently that the final expression depends on \mathbf{x} only through the value of \bar{x} , therefore \bar{X} is also a sufficient statistic for μ . More generally, every one to one function of \bar{X} will be a sufficient statistic for μ .

Solution 5

The p.d.f. $f(x|\beta)$ of each individual observation X_i is

$$f(x|\beta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the joint p.d.f. $f_n(\mathbf{x}|\beta)$ of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}|\beta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x_i^{\alpha-1} (1-x_i)^{\beta-1} \\ f(\mathbf{x}|\beta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x_i^{\alpha-1} (1-x_i)^{\beta-1} \\ &= \Gamma(\alpha)^{-n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\alpha-1} \left[\left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \right)^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \right)^{\beta-1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

We define $T' = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - X_i)$, and because α is known, so we can define

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = \Gamma(\alpha)^{-n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{\alpha-1}, \quad v(T', \beta) = \left(\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\beta)} \right)^n T' (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^{\beta-1}$$

We can see that the function v depends on \mathbf{x} only through T' , therefore T' is a sufficient statistic. It is easy to see that

$$T = g(T') = \frac{\log(-T')^3}{n}$$

and the function g is a one-to-one mapping. Therefore T is a sufficient statistic.

Solution 6

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x|\theta)}{f(y|\theta)} &= \frac{e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)} \prod_{i=1}^n 1 + e^{-(y_i - \theta)}}{\prod_{i=1}^n 1 + e^{-(x_i - \theta)} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \theta)}} \\ &= e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i)} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n 1 + e^{-(y_i - \theta)}}{\prod_{i=1}^n 1 + e^{-(x_i - \theta)}} \end{aligned}$$

This is constant as a function of θ if and only if x and y have the same order statistics. Therefore, the order statistics are minimal sufficient for θ .

Solution 7

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are iid uniform observation on the interval $(\theta, \theta+1)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$. Thus the joint pdf of X is,

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

which can be written as,

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & \max_i x_i - 1 < \theta < \min_i x_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thus for two sample points x and y , the numerator and denominator of the ratio $\frac{f(x|\theta)}{f(y|\theta)}$ will be positive for the same values of θ if and only if $\min_i x_i = \min_i y_i$ and $\max_i x_i = \max_i y_i$. And, if the minima and maxima are equal, then the ratio is constant and, in fact, equals 1. Thus, letting $X_{(1)} = \min_i X_i$ and $X_{(n)} = \max_i X_i$, we have $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is a minimal sufficient statistic. This is a case in which the dimension of a minimal sufficient statistic does not match the dimension of the parameter.

To prove $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is not complete, we want to find $g[T(X)]$ such that $\mathbb{E}[g[T(X)]] = 0$ for all θ , but $g[T(X)] \neq 0$. A natural candidate is $R = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$, the range of R does not depend on θ [Verify]. It can be shown that $R \sim \text{beta}(n-1, 2)$ [Verify]. Thus $\mathbb{E}[R] = (n-1)/(n+1)$ does not depend on θ , and $\mathbb{E}[R - \mathbb{E}[R]] = 0$ for all θ .

Thus

$$g[X_{(n)}, X_{(1)}] = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)} - (n-1)/(n+1) = R - \mathbb{E}[R]$$

is a non-zero function whose expected value is always 0. So, $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is not

complete.

NOTE: This problem can be generalized to show that if a function of a sufficient statistic is ancillary, then the sufficient statistic is not complete, because the expectation of that function does not depend on θ . That provides the opportunity to construct an unbiased, nonzero estimator of zero.

Solution 8

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a sample from $N(\theta, \theta^2)$ where $\theta > 0$.

To show: $T = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2)$ is sufficient for θ but T is not complete.

Solution: The joint distribution function of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f_{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\theta^2)^n} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \frac{1}{2} \right\}.$$

By factorisation theorem, $T = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$ is sufficient statistic.

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \right] &= n \mathbb{E} [X_1^2] \\ &= 2n\theta^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right]^2 &= n\theta^2 + (n\theta)^2 \\ &= (n + n^2)\theta^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } h(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{2n} t_1 - \frac{1}{n(n+1)} t_2^2.$$

Then $h(t_1, t_2) \neq 0$ but $\mathbb{E}[h(T)] = 0$ for any θ .

Hence T is not complete.

Solution 9

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a sample from $N(\theta, \alpha\theta^2)$, where α is known constant and $\theta > 0$.

To show: $T = (\bar{X}, S^2)$ is sufficient statistics for θ .

Solution: the joint pdf of $x = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is given by

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha\theta^2} \right)^{n/2} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2\alpha\theta^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x} - \theta)^2 \right) \right\}$$

By Factorization Theorem, the joint pdf can be written as

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\alpha\theta^2} \right)^{n/2} \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2\alpha\theta^2} \left((n-1)t_2 + n(t_1 - \theta)^2 \right) \right\}$$

$$\implies f_{\theta}(x) = g(T_1(x), T_2(x)|\theta)h(x)$$

where $T_1 = \bar{X}, T_2 = S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ and $h(X) = 1$.

Therefore, by Factorisation Theorem, $T(X) = (T_1(X), T_2(X)) = (\bar{X}, S^2)$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

To show: $T = (\bar{X}, S^2)$ is not complete.

Solution:

$$\mathbb{E}[S^2] = \alpha\theta^2 \text{ and } \mathbb{E}[\bar{X}^2] = \text{Var}\bar{X} + (\mathbb{E}[\bar{X}])^2 = \frac{\alpha\theta^2}{n} + \theta^2 = \frac{(\alpha+n)\theta^2}{n}.$$

Therefore, $\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{n}{\alpha+n} \bar{X}^2 - \frac{S^2}{\alpha} \right] = \left(\frac{n}{\alpha+n} \right) \left(\frac{\alpha+n}{n} \theta^2 \right) - \frac{1}{\alpha} \alpha\theta^2 = 0, \quad \text{for all } \theta.$

Thus $g(\bar{X}, S^2) = \frac{n}{\alpha+n} \bar{X}^2 - \frac{S^2}{\alpha}$ has zero expectation

$\implies (\bar{X}, S^2)$ is not complete.

Solution 10

Let $Y_1 = \log(X_1)$ and $Y_2 = \log(X_2)$. Then Y_1 and Y_2 are iid and, the pdf of each is

$$f(y|\alpha) = \alpha \exp\{\alpha y - e^{\alpha y}\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1/\alpha} \exp \left\{ \frac{y}{1/\alpha} - e^{y/(1/\alpha)} \right\}, -\infty < y < \infty.$$

We see that the family of distributions of Y_i is a scale family with scale parameter $1/\alpha$. Thus, by the following Theorem which states that,

Theorem 1. Let $f(\cdot)$ be the pdf. Let μ be any real number, and let σ be any positive real number. Let X is a random variable with pdf $(1/\sigma)f\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$ iff there exists a random variable Z with pdf $f(z)$ and $X = \sigma Z + \mu$.

We can write $Y_i = \frac{1}{\alpha} Z_i$, where Z_1 and Z_2 are a random sample from $f(z|1)$. Then

$$\frac{\log X_1}{\log X_2} = \frac{Y_1}{Y_2}$$

$$= \frac{(1/\alpha)Z_1}{(1/\alpha)Z_2}$$

$$= \frac{Z_1}{Z_2}$$

Because the distribution of $\frac{Z_1}{Z_2}$ does not depend on α , $\frac{\log X_1}{\log X_2}$ is an ancillary statistic.

Solution 11

Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are iid uniform observation on the interval $(\theta, \theta + 1)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$. Thus the joint pdf of X is,

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

which can be written as,

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} 1, & \max_i x_i - 1 < \theta < \min_i x_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thus for two sample points x and y , the numerator and denominator of the ratio $\frac{f(x|\theta)}{f(y|\theta)}$ will be positive for the same values of θ if and only if $\min_i x_i = \min_i y_i$ and $\max_i x_i = \max_i y_i$. And, if the minima and maxima are equal, then the ratio is constant and, in fact, equals 1. Thus, letting $X_{(1)} = \min_i X_i$ and $X_{(n)} = \max_i X_i$, we have $T(X) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is a minimal sufficient statistic. This is a case in which the dimension of a minimal sufficient statistic does not match the dimension of the parameter.

A minimal sufficient statistics is not unique. A one-to-one function of minimal sufficient statistic is also a minimal sufficient statistic.

So, $T(X) = ((X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}), (X_{(n)} + X_{(1)})/2)$ is also a minimum sufficient statistics.

Solution 12

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. Uniform observations on the interval $(\theta, \theta + 1)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$. Let $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, \dots, X_{(n)}$ be the order statistics from the sample. We show below that the range statistics $R = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$ is an ancillary statistic by showing that the pdf of R does not depend on θ .

The cdf of each X_i is

$$F(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \leq \theta \\ x - \theta, & \theta < x < \theta + 1 \\ 1, & \theta + 1 \leq x \end{cases}$$

Thus, the joint pdf of $X_{(1)}$ and $X_{(n)}$

$$g_{(x_{(1)}, x_{(n)})}(x_1, x_n|\theta) = \begin{cases} n(n-1)(x_n - x_1)^{n-2}, & \theta < x_1 < x_n < \theta + 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Making the transformation $R = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$ and $(M = X_{(n)} + X_{(1)})/2$ which has the inverse transformation $X_{(1)} = (2M - R)/2$ and $X_{(n)} = (2M + R)/2$ with

Jacobin 1, joint pdf of R and M :

$$h(r, m|\theta) = \begin{cases} n(n-1)r^{n-2}, & 0 < r < 1, \theta + (r/2) < m < \theta + 1 - (r/2) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thus pdf for R is:

$$\begin{aligned} h(r|\theta) &= \int_{\theta+(r/2)}^{\theta+1-(r/2)} n(n-1)r^{n-2} dm \\ &= n(n-1)r^{n-2}(1-r) \end{aligned}$$

This is pdf with $\alpha = n - 1$ and $\beta = 2$. More important, the pdf is the same for all θ . Thus, the distribution of R does not depend on θ , and R is ancillary.

Solution 13

- (a) Using the definition of minimal sufficient statistics,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x, n|\theta)}{f(y, n'|\theta)} &= \frac{f(x|\theta, N = n)P(N = n)}{f(y|\theta, N = n')P(N = n')} \\ &= \frac{\binom{n}{x}\theta^x(1-\theta)^{n-x}p_n}{\binom{n'}{y}\theta^y(1-\theta)^{n'-y}p_{n'}} \\ &= \theta^{x-y}(1-\theta)^{n-n'-x+y} \frac{\binom{n}{x}p_n}{\binom{n'}{y}p_{n'}} \end{aligned}$$

The last ratio does not depend on θ . The other terms are constant as a function of θ if and only if $n = n'$ and $x = y$. So (X, N) is minimal sufficient for θ . Because $\mathbb{P}\{N = n\} = p_n$ does not depend on θ , N is ancillary for θ . The point is that although N is independent of θ , the minimal sufficient statistic contains N in this case. A minimal sufficient statistic may contain an ancillary statistic.

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{N}\right] &= \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{N}\middle|N\right]\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{E}[X|N]\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N}N\theta\right] \\ &= \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}\left(\frac{X}{N}\right) &= \text{Var}\left(\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X}{N}\middle|N\right]\right) + \mathbb{E}\left[\text{Var}\left(\frac{X}{N}\middle|N\right)\right] \\
&= \text{Var}(\theta) + \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N^2}\text{Var}(X|N)\right] \\
&= 0 + \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{N\theta(1-\theta)}{N^2}\right] \\
&= \theta(1-\theta)\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N}\right]
\end{aligned}$$

We used the fact that $X|N \sim \text{binomial}(N, \theta)$.

Solution 14

The likelihood function is given by,

$$L(\theta|x, n) = f(x, n|\theta) = f(x|\theta, N = n)\mathbb{P}\{N = n\} = \binom{n}{x}\theta^x(1-\theta)^{n-x}p_n \quad (1)$$

. It can be said that $X|N = n \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$. Therefore, the likelihood function of $X|N = n$ is given by,

$$L(\theta, N = n|x) = f(x|\theta, N = n) = \binom{n}{x}\theta^x(1-\theta)^{n-x} \quad (2)$$

. For a fixed sample point (x, n) by eq. (1) and (2) we get,

$$L(\theta|x, n) = p_n L(\theta, N = n|x) \Rightarrow L(\theta|x, n) \propto L(\theta, N = n|x)$$

Therefore, it implies that by the Formal Likelihood Principle we can conclude that θ should not depend on the fact that the sample size n was chosen randomly.

Solution 15

Let 1 = success and 0 = failure. The four sample points are $\{0, 10, 110, 111\}$. From the likelihood principle, inference about p is only through $L(p|x)$. The values of the likelihood are $1, p, p^2$, and p^3 , and the sample size does not directly influence the inference.

Solution 16

Let X have a negative binomial distribution with $r = 3$ and success probability p . If $x = 2$ is observed, then the likelihood function is the fifth-degree polynomial on $0 \leq p \leq 1$ defined by

$$L(p|2) = P_p(X = 2) = \binom{4}{2}p^3(1-p)^2.$$

In general, if $X = x$ is observed, then the likelihood function is the polynomial of degree $3 + x$,

$$L(p|x) = \binom{3+x-1}{x} p^3 (1-p)^x.$$

Solution 17

- (a) This pdf can be written as

$$f(x|\lambda) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{x^3}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(\frac{\lambda}{\mu}\right) \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda}{2\mu^2}x - \frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{1}{x}\right\}$$

This is an exponential family with $t_1(x) = x$ and $t_2(x) = 1/x$.

We use the Theorem of the property of complete statistics of the exponential family as stated below,

Theorem 2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be iid observations from an exponential family with pdf or pmf of the form

$$f(x|\theta) = h(x)c(\theta) \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^k w(\theta_j)t_j(x)\right)$$

where $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k)$. Then the statistics

$$T(X) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_1(X_i), \sum_{i=1}^n t_2(X_i), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n t_k(X_i)\right)$$

is complete as long as the parameter space Θ contains an open set \mathcal{R}^k .

By using the above theorem, the statistic $(\sum_i X_i, \sum_i (1/X_i))$ is a complete sufficient statistic. (\bar{X}, T) given in the problem is a one-to-one function of $(\sum_i X_i, \sum_i (1/X_i))$. Thus, (\bar{X}, T) is also a complete sufficient statistic.

- This can be accomplished using the methods from (Refer Section 4.3 of the book Statistical Inference by George Casella) by a straightforward but messy two-variable transformation $U = (X_1 + X_2)/2$ and $V = 2\lambda/T = \lambda[(1/X_1) + (1/X_2)(2/[X_1 + X_2])]$. This is a two-to-one transformation.

Solution 18

Suppose that $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ are independent and identically distributed random 2-vectors having the normal distribution with $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = \mathbb{E}[Y_1] = 0$, $Var(X_1) = Var(Y_1) = 1$, and $Cov(X_1, Y_1) = \theta \in (-1, 1)$.

1. To find: Find a minimal sufficient statistic for θ .

Solution: The joint distribution function of $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ is

$$\left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \right)^n \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{1-\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 + y_i^2) + \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right\}.$$

$$\text{Let } \eta = \left(-\frac{1}{1-\theta^2}, \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta^2} \right).$$

The parameter space $\{\eta : -1 < \theta < 1\}$ is a curve in R^2 . We can find that $(T_1, T_2) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i^2 + Y_i^2), \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i \right)$ is minimal sufficient (Check!).

2. To show: The minimal sufficient statistic obtained in (i) is complete or not.

Solution:

Here (X, Y) follows Bivariate Normal distribution with parameters as $(0, 0; 1, 1; \theta)$. By the properties of Bivariate Normal distribution, $X + Y \sim Normal(0, 2(1 + \theta)) \implies \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i + Y_i)^2}{2(1 + \theta)} \sim \chi_n^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Note that } \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{1 + \theta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i^2 + Y_i^2) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i \right) \right] - 2n &= 0, \\ \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{1 + \theta} (T_1 + 2T_2) \right] - 2n &= 0, \\ \text{but } \frac{1}{1 + \theta} (T_1 + 2T_2) - 2n &\neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the minimal sufficient statistic is not complete.

3. To prove: $T_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ and $T_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2$ are both ancillary but (T_1, T_2) is not ancillary.

Solution: Both T_1 and T_2 have the chi-square distribution χ_n^2 , which does not depend on θ . Hence both T_1 and T_2 are ancillary. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[T_1 T_2] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 Y_i^2 \right] + \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i \neq j} X_i^2 Y_j^2 \right] \\ &= n \mathbb{E} [X_1^2 Y_1^2] + n(n-1) \mathbb{E} [X_1^2] \mathbb{E} [Y_1^2] \\ &= n(1 + 2\theta^2) + 2n(n-1), \end{aligned}$$

which depends on θ . Therefore the distribution of (T_1, T_2) depends on θ and (T_1, T_2) is not ancillary.

Solution 19

Given that T_1 is sufficient and T_2 is minimal sufficient, U is an unbiased estimator of θ , and define $U_1 = \mathbb{E}[U|T_1]$ and $U_2 = \mathbb{E}[U|T_2]$.

- (a) This is seen by first noting that because $T_2 = \phi(T_1)$ for some function ϕ , then

$$U_2 = \mathbb{E}[U|T_2] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[U|T_2]|T_1] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[U|T_1]|T_2] = \mathbb{E}[U_1|T_2].$$

- (a) Hence, by applying the we obtain

$$\text{Var}_\theta(U_1) = \mathbb{E}[\text{Var}(U_1|T_2)] + \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[U_1|T_2]) \geq \text{Var}(\mathbb{E}[U_1|T_2]) = \text{Var}(U_2).$$

If T_1 and T_2 are both minimally sufficient, then there is a one-to-one function such that $T_2 = \phi(T_1)$, so it follows that $U_1 = U_2$.

Solution 20

Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample of random variables having the Cauchy distribution with location parameter μ and scale parameter σ , where $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma > 0$ are unknown parameters.

To show: The vector of order statistics is minimal sufficient for (μ, σ) .

Solution: The joint distribution function of (X_1, \dots, X_n) is

$$f_{\mu, \sigma}(x) = \frac{\sigma^n}{\pi^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma^2 + (x_i - \mu)^2}, \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

For any $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$, suppose that

$$\frac{f_{\mu, \sigma}(x)}{f_{\mu, \sigma}(y)} = \psi(x, y)$$

holds for any μ and σ , where ψ does not depend on (μ, σ) . Let $\sigma = 1$. Then we must have

$$\prod_{i=1}^n [1 + (y_i - \mu)^2] = \psi(x, y) \prod_{i=1}^n [1 + (x_i - \mu)^2]$$

for all μ . Both sides of the above identity can be viewed as polynomials of degree $2n$ in μ . Comparison of the coefficients to the highest terms gives $\psi(x, y) = 1$. Thus,

$$\prod_{i=1}^n [1 + (y_i - \mu)^2] = \prod_{i=1}^n [1 + (x_i - \mu)^2]$$

for all μ . As a polynomial of μ , the left-hand side of the above identity has $2n$ complex

roots $x_i \pm \sqrt{-1}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, while the right-hand side of the above identity has $2n$ complex roots $y_i \pm \sqrt{-1}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. By the unique factorization theorem for the entire functions in complex analysis, we conclude that the two sets of roots must agree. This means that the ordered values of x_i 's are the same as the ordered values of y_i 's. Therefore, the order statistics of X_1, \dots, X_n is minimal sufficient for (μ, σ) .