

Mathematical statistics

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Test 2

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1 Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}}$, $x > 0$, $\theta > 0$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n denote a random sample of size n from this distribution.

- (a) What is the parameter space Ω of this distribution?
- (b) Find the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of θ .
- (c) Find the method of moments (MOM) estimator of θ . {Note: $E(X) = \theta$.}
- (d) Is the MLE of θ unbiased? (Show your work.)
- (e) Find $P(X > 1)$ and the MLE of $P(X > 1)$.

2 Consider a random sample (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) from an exponential distribution with mean θ .

(a) Show that $S = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistics for θ .

(b) Show that the distribution of $S = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a Gamma(n, θ) distribution.

(Hint: Use m.g.f.)

(c) Find the conditional distribution of (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) given S .
(You can do part c even if you can not do part b.)

- 3 Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n denote a random sample of size n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where σ is unknown. Prove that $T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{(n-1)}$. Derive a $100(1-\alpha)\%$ symmetric confidence interval for the population mean μ .

Hint: $\bar{X} \pm t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$

4 Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n denote a random sample of size n from $Uni(\theta, 2)$.

- (a) Find the MLE of θ .
- (b) Find the distribution of $y_1 = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$.
- (c) Is the MLE of θ unbiased? Show your work.

Hint: $x(2-x)^{n-1} = -(2-x-2)(2-x)^{n-1} = 2(2-x)^{n-1} - (2-x)^n$

5 Consider a random sample (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) from a $Geo(\theta)$.

- (a) If $E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\theta}$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, then show that \bar{X} is an unbiased estimator for $\tau(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$.
- (b) If $Var(X_i) = \frac{1-\theta}{\theta^2}$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$, then show that $Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{1-\theta}{n\theta^2}$.
- (c) Find the Cramer-Rao lower bound for the variance of any unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$.
- (d) Is \bar{X} UMVUE of $\tau(\theta)$? Explain.

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