

1. Let X be a random variable with density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } x \in (0, 1) \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin (0, 1). \end{cases}$$

Compute the moment generating function of X and the moment generating function of $2X$.

2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with cumulative distribution function

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - 1/x^2 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 1. \end{cases}$$

Find the limiting distribution of $\frac{X_{n:n}}{n^{1/2}}$.

3. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in (0, 1) \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin (0, 1). \end{cases}$$

Approximate $P(\sum_{i=1}^{20} X_i \leq 12)$ in terms of $\Phi(\cdot)$, the cdf of a standard normal.

4. Let X_1, X_2, X_3 be independent normal random variables. X_1 is normal $N(0, 4)$, X_2 and X_3 are both normal $N(0, 9)$. Compute

$$P\left\{\frac{X_1}{(X_2^2 + X_3^2)^{1/2}} \leq .7\right\}$$

using one of the enclosed tables.

5. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with density function

$$h(t; \theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \notin [1, 3] \\ \theta 2^{-\theta} (t-1)^{\theta-1}, & \text{if } t \in [1, 3] \end{cases}$$

Find a moment estimator for θ .

6. Consider independent random samples X_1, \dots, X_n and Y_1, \dots, Y_m from normal distributions with a common mean, μ , but with possibly different variances, σ_1^2 and σ_2^2 , so that $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma_1^2)$ and $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma_2^2)$. Assume the variances are known and find the MLE of μ .

7. Let X be a random variable with density function

$$h(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{2\theta} e^{-|t|/\theta}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

Compute the Cramer-Rao lower bound.

8. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with probability mass function

$$f(t; \theta) = \frac{2!}{t!(2-t)!} \theta^t (1-\theta)^{2-t}, \text{ if } t = 0, 1, 2.$$

Find the uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator for θ .

9. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with $P\{X_1 = 1\} = \theta$ and $P\{X_1 = 0\} = 1 - \theta$ for some $\theta \in (0, 1)$. Find the uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator for $\theta(1 - \theta)$.

10. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with density function

$$h(t; \theta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \leq 1 \\ \theta t^{-\theta-1}, & \text{if } t \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Find a sufficient statistic for θ .