

1. (10%) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a population with probability density function  $f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} 1_{(1 < x < \theta)}$ . Derive the probability density function of  $X_{(1)} = \min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ .
2. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from  $N(\theta, \theta^2)$  with  $\theta > 0$ .
  - (2a) (10%) Let  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  and  $S^2 = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ . Show that  $(\bar{X}, S^2)$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$  but it is not a complete sufficient statistic.
  - (2b) (10%) Let  $W(X_1, \dots, X_n) = X_1 + X_1^2$ . Show that  $E[W(X_1, \dots, X_n)|(\bar{X}, S^2)]$  is an unbiased estimator of  $(\theta + \theta^2)$ , and  $\text{var}(E[W(X_1, \dots, X_n)|(\bar{X}, S^2)]) \leq \text{var}(W(X_1, \dots, X_n))$ .
3. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from  $\text{Bernoulli}(p)$  with  $n \geq 2$  and  $p > 0$ .
  - (3a) (5%) Find the maximum likelihood estimator, say,  $\hat{\tau}$ , of  $\tau(p) = p(1-p)$  and show that  $\hat{\tau}$  is not an unbiased estimator of  $\tau(p)$ .
  - (3b) (10%) Find the uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator say,  $\tilde{\tau}$ , of  $\tau$  and show that its variance cannot attain the Cramér-Rao lower bound.
  - (3c) (10%) Find the asymptotic distributions of  $\hat{\tau}$  for  $p = 1/2$  and  $p \neq 1/2$ .
4. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $\sigma^2$  being a known positive value.
  - (4a) (5%) Find a uniformly most powerful size  $\alpha$  test of  $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$  versus  $H_A: \mu < \mu_0$ , where  $\mu_0$  is a known constant.
  - (4b) (15%) Find an expression for the power function, say,  $\beta(\mu)$  of the test in (4a), and show that  $\beta(\mu) \geq \alpha$  for  $\mu < \mu_0$ .
  - (4c) (10%) Show that there does not exist a uniformly most powerful size  $\alpha$  test of  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$  versus  $H_A: \mu \neq \mu_0$ .
5. Consider the simple linear regression model  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$ , where  $\varepsilon_i$ 's are independent and identically distributed with the normal distribution  $N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
  - (5a) (5%) Compute the maximum likelihood estimators of  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ , and  $\sigma^2$ .
  - (5b) (10%) Let  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  denote separately the maximum likelihood estimators of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ . Show that  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is distributed as  $N(\beta_1, \sigma^2 / \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2)$  and is independent of the sample mean  $\bar{Y} = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ .