

STAT 543 Homework 2 Solution

1.

(Problem 1.5.1)

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from a Poisson, $P(\theta)$, population where $\theta > 0$.

- (a) Show directly that $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .
- (b) Establish the same result using the factorization theorem.

Solution:

(a)

Since X_1, \dots, X_n i.i.d *Poisson*(θ),

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^{x_i}}{x_i!} I(x_i \geq 0) \\ &= \frac{e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq 0) \end{aligned}$$

And also $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(n\theta)$, then

$$P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t | \theta) = \frac{e^{-n\theta} (n\theta)^t}{t!}.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} &P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t, \theta) \\ &= \frac{P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t | \theta)}{P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t | \theta)} \\ &= \frac{e^{-n\theta} \theta^t \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq 0) / \prod_{i=1}^n x_i!}{e^{-n\theta} (n\theta)^t / t!} \\ &= \frac{t! \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq 0)}{n^t \prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \end{aligned}$$

, which is independent on θ . So, $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

(b)

Since

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^{x_i}}{x_i!} I(x_i \geq 0) \\
 &= \frac{e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $T(\underline{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) \\
 &= g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) h(\underline{x})
 \end{aligned}$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x}), \theta) = e^{-n\theta} \theta^{T(\underline{x})}$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq 0)}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!}$$

, which is independent of θ .

Then by the factorization theorem, $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

2.

(Problem 1.5.2)

Let n items be drawn in order without replacement from a shipment of N items of which $N\theta$ are bad. Let $X_i = 1$ if the i^{th} item drawn is bad, and $=0$ otherwise.

Show that $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ directly and by the factorization theorem.

Solution:

Since $P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t) = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}}$, where $X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_i \text{ is bad} \\ 0 & \text{if } X_i \text{ is good} \end{cases}$;

, which is free of θ , then $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistics of θ

On the other hand, $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is in a hyper-geometric distribution, so

$$P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t | \theta)$$

$$= \frac{\binom{N\theta}{t} \binom{N-N\theta}{n-t}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} & P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) \\ &= P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t) \\ &= P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t) P(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}} \frac{\binom{N\theta}{t} \binom{N-N\theta}{n-t}}{\binom{N}{n}} \\ &= g(T(\underline{x}), \theta) h(\underline{x}) \end{aligned}$$

, where $g(T(\underline{x}), \theta) = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}} \frac{\binom{N\theta}{t} \binom{N-N\theta}{n-t}}{\binom{N}{n}}$, and $h(\underline{x}) = 1$.

So, by factorization theorem, $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistics of θ .

3.

(Problem 1.5.3)

Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n is a sample from a population with one of the following densities.

- a). $p(x, \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}, 0 < x < 1, \theta > 0$. This is beta, $\beta(\theta, 1)$, density.
- b). $p(x, \theta) = \theta a x^{a-1} \exp(-\theta x^a), x > 1, \theta > 0, a > 0$. This is known as the *Weibull* Density.
- c). $p(x, \theta) = \theta a^\theta / x^{(\theta+1)}, x > a, \theta > 0, a > 0$. This is known as the *Parto* density.

In all cases, find the real-value sufficient statistic for θ and a fixed.

Solution:

a) Since

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n \mid \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i = x_i \mid \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta x_i^{\theta-1} I(0 < x_i < 1) \\ &= \theta^n \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\theta-1} I(0 < x_i < 1) \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) = \theta^n T(\underline{x})^{\theta-1}$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n I(0 < x_i < 1)$$

Then by factorization theorem, $T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

b) Since

$$\begin{aligned} & P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta a x_i^{a-1} \exp(-\theta x_i^a) I(x_i > 0) \\ &= \theta^n a^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{a-1} \exp(-\theta \sum x_i^a) \left(\prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i > 0) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = \sum X_i^a$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) = \theta^n a^n \exp(-\theta T(\underline{x}))$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{a-1} \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i > 0).$$

Then by factorization theorem, $T(\underline{X}) = \sum X_i^a$ is sufficient for θ .

c).

$$\begin{aligned} & P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta a^\theta / x_i^{(\theta+1)} I(x_i > a) \\ &= \frac{\theta^n a^{n\theta}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\theta+1}} \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i > a) \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}) | \theta) h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x})|\theta) = \frac{\theta^n a^{n\theta}}{T(\underline{x})^{\theta+1}}$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i > a).$$

Then by factorization theorem, $T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for θ .

4.

(Problem 1.5.7)

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from a population with density $p(x, \theta)$ given by

$$p(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left\{-\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right\} & , \text{if } x \geq \mu \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Here $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$ with $-\infty < \mu < \infty$, $\sigma > 0$.

- a) Show that $\min(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is sufficient for μ when σ is fixed.
- b) Find a one-dimensional sufficient statistic for σ when μ is fixed.
- c) Exhibit a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for θ .

Solutions:

a)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left[-\left(\frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)\right] I(x_i \geq \mu) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left[-\left(\frac{\sum x_i - n\mu}{\sigma}\right)\right] \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq \mu) \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n) = X_{(1)}$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}))h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x})) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(\frac{n\mu}{\sigma}\right) I(T(\underline{x}) \geq \mu)$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \exp\left(\frac{-\sum x_i}{\sigma}\right), \sigma \text{ is fixed.}$$

Then by factorization theorem, $T(\underline{X}) = \min(X_1, \dots, X_n) = X_{(1)}$ is sufficient for μ when σ is fixed.

b).

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}))h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x})) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{T(\underline{x}) - n\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n I(x_i \geq \mu).$$

Then by factorization theorem, $T(\underline{X}) = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for σ when μ is fixed.

c).

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = (T_1(\underline{X}), T_2(\underline{X})) = \left(\sum X_i, X_{(1)}\right)$$

, then

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n | \theta) = g(T(\underline{x}))h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x})) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{T_1(\underline{x}) - n\mu}{\sigma}\right) I(T_2(\underline{x}) \geq \mu)$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = 1.$$

Then by factorization theorem,

$$T(\underline{X}) = (T_1(\underline{X}), T_2(\underline{X})) = \left(\sum X_i, X_{(1)}\right)$$

is sufficient statistics for $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$.

5.

(Problem 1.5.9)

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from a population with density

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \begin{cases} a(\theta)h(x) & \text{if } \theta_1 \leq x \leq \theta_2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

, where $h(x) \geq 0, \theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$ with $-\infty < \theta_1 \leq \theta_2 < \infty$, and $a(\theta) = \left[\int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} h(x) dx \right]^{-1}$ is assumed to exist. Find a two-dimensional sufficient statistic for this problem and apply your results to the $u[\theta_1, \theta_2]$ family of distributions.

Solutions:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\theta}(x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n a(\theta) h(x_i) I(\theta_1 \leq x_i \leq \theta_2) \\ &= a(\theta)^n \prod_{i=1}^n h(x_i) I(\theta_1 \leq x_i \leq \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$T(\underline{X}) = (T_1(\underline{X}), T_2(\underline{X})) = \left(\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i \right) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$$

, then

$$f_{\theta}(x) = g(T(\underline{x})) h(\underline{x})$$

, where

$$g(T(\underline{x})) = a(\theta)^n I(\theta_1 \leq T_1(\underline{x}) \leq \theta_2) I(\theta_1 \leq T_2(\underline{x}) \leq \theta_2)$$

, and

$$h(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n h(x_i).$$

Then by factorization theorem,

$$T(\underline{X}) = (T_1(\underline{X}), T_2(\underline{X})) = \left(\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i \right) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$$

is sufficient statistics for $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$.

Especially for $u[\theta_1, \theta_2]$,

$$a(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta_2 - \theta_1}$$

, and

$$h(x) = 1.$$

So

$$T(\underline{X}) = (T_1(\underline{X}), T_2(\underline{X})) = \left(\min_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i, \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i \right) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$$

is sufficient statistics for $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$.

6.

(Problem 1.5.5)

Let $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$ be a bivariate parameter. Suppose that $T_1(X)$ is sufficient for θ_1 whenever θ_2 is fixed and known, whereas $T_2(X)$ is sufficient for θ_2 whenever θ_1 is fixed and known.

Assume that θ_1, θ_2 vary independently, $\theta_1 \in \Theta_1, \theta_2 \in \Theta_2$ and that the set $S = \{x : p(x, \theta) > 0\}$ does not depend on θ .

- (a) Show that if T_1 and T_2 do not depend on θ_2 and θ_1 respectively, then $(T_1(X), T_2(X))$ is sufficient for θ .
- (b) Exhibit an example in which $(T_1(X), T_2(X))$ is sufficient for θ , $T_1(X)$ is sufficient for θ_1 whenever θ_2 is fixed and known, but $T_2(X)$ is not sufficient for θ_2 , when θ_1 is fixed and known.

Solution:

(a)

Since $T_1(X)$ is sufficient for θ_1 whenever θ_2 is fixed, there should exist

$$\begin{aligned} f(X | \theta_1, \theta_2) \\ = g_1(T_1(X), \theta_1, \theta_2) h_0(X, \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

And also since $T_2(X)$ is sufficient for θ_2 whenever θ_1 is fixed, then

$$h_0(X, \theta_2) = h_1(T_2(X), \theta_2) h(X)$$

And also since $T_1(X)$ does not depend on θ_2 , then

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(T_1(X), \theta_1, \theta_2) \\ = \tilde{g}(T_1(X), \theta_1) \tilde{h}(\theta_1, \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} f(X | \theta_1, \theta_2) \\ = \tilde{\tilde{g}}(T_1(X), T_2(X), \theta_1, \theta_2) h(X) \end{aligned}$$

, where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\tilde{g}}(T_1(X), T_2(X), \theta_1, \theta_2) \\ = \tilde{g}(T_1(X), \theta_1) \tilde{h}(\theta_1, \theta_2) h_1(T_2(X), \theta_2) \end{aligned}$$

Then, by factorization theorem, $T(X) = (T_1(X), T_2(X))$ is sufficient statistics for $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$.

(b) See bivariate normal distribution

$$f(x | \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma > 0.$$

It is not difficult to prove that $T(X) = (T_1(X), T_2(X)) = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2)$ is sufficient statistics for (μ, σ^2) .

Further, when σ^2 is fixed, $T_1(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient statistics for μ .

But when μ is fixed, $T_2(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ is not sufficient statistics for σ^2 .