

# Homework 6

## Problem 1

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} a > 1. \quad R(\mu, \delta_{a,b}) &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^p (aX_i + b_i - \mu_i)^2\right] \\ &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^p (aX_i - a\mu_i + b_i - \mu_i + a\mu_i)^2\right] \\ &= a^2 E\left[\sum_{i=1}^p (X_i - \mu_i)^2\right] + \sum_{i=1}^p (b_i - \mu_i + a\mu_i)^2 \\ &\geq a^2 R(\mu, X) \\ &> R(\mu, X) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a = 1, b \neq 0 \quad R(\mu, \delta_{a,b}) &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^p (X_i + b_i - \mu_i)^2\right] \\ &= E(\|x - \mu\|^2) + \sum_{i=1}^p b_i^2 \\ &> R(\mu, X) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a < 0 \Rightarrow (a - 1)^2 > 1 \quad R(\mu, \delta_{a,b}) &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^p (aX_i - a\mu_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^p (b_i - \mu_i + a\mu_i)^2 + 0\right] \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^p (b_i + \mu_i(a - 1))^2 \\ &\geq (a - 1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^p \left(\mu_i - \frac{b_i}{a - 1}\right)^2 \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^p \left(\mu_i - \frac{b_i}{a - 1}\right)^2 \\ &= R\left(\mu, -\frac{b}{a - 1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

So  $\delta_{a,b}$  is inadmissible.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} R(\mu, aX) &= \sum_{i=1}^p E(aX_i - \mu_i)^2 \\ &= a^2 \sum_{i=1}^p (\mu_i^2 + 1) + \sum_{i=1}^p \mu_i^2 - 2a \sum_{i=1}^p \mu_i^2 \\ &= a^2(\|\mu\|^2 + p) - 2a\|\mu\|^2 + \|\mu\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

When  $\hat{a} = \frac{\|\mu\|^2/p}{\|\mu\|^2/p + 1}$ ,  $R(\mu, \hat{a}X)$  attains minimum. So  $\hat{a}X$  has the smallest risk.

$$\begin{aligned} R(\mu, X) &= \sum_{i=1}^p E(X_i - \mu)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^p \text{Var}(X_i) = p \\ R(\mu, \hat{a}X) &= \frac{p}{1 + \frac{p}{\|\mu\|^2}} < p = R(\mu, X). \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mu|X) &\propto f(X|\mu)f(\mu) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^p (X_i - \mu_i)^2 - \frac{1}{2\tau^2} \sum_{i=1}^p \mu_i^2\right\} \\ &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\tau^2}\right) \sum_{i=1}^p \left(\mu_i - \left(1 + \frac{1}{\tau^2}\right)^{-1} X_i\right)^2\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mu|X &\sim N\left(\frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2} X, \frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2} I_p\right) \\ \Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = E(\mu|X) &= \frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2} X \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$\varepsilon \perp \mu$ ,  $X = \mu + \varepsilon$ . Then  $X \sim N(0, (1 + \tau^2)I_p)$ .  $\sum X_i^2 = \|X\|^2$  is sufficient and complete for  $\tau^2$ . If we find  $\delta(X)$  with  $E[\delta(X)] = \frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2}$ ,  $E[\delta(X) | \sum X_i^2]$  is the UMVUE.

$$\frac{\sum X_i^2}{1 + \tau^2} \sim \mathcal{X}_p^2, E\left(\frac{1 + \tau^2}{\sum X_i^2}\right) = \frac{1}{p-2} \text{ (inverse-chi square)}$$

$$E\left(\frac{\sum X_i^2 - p + 2}{\sum X_i^2}\right) = 1 - E\left(\frac{p-2}{\sum X_i^2}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \tau^2} = \frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2}$$

So the UMVUE of  $\frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2}$  is  $\frac{\sum X_i^2 - p + 2}{\sum X_i^2} = \frac{\|x\|^2 - p + 2}{\|x\|^2}$

## Problem 2

(#4.96)(a)

Let  $X_{(n)}$  be the largest order statistic. The likelihood function is  $l(\theta) = \theta^{-n} I_{\{X_{(n)}, \dots, \theta_0\}}$ , which is 0 when  $\theta < X_{(n)}$  and decreasing on  $\{X_{(n)}, \dots, \theta_0\}$ . Hence, the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $X_{(n)}$ .

**(b)**

Let  $X_{(1)}$  be the smallest order statistic. The likelihood function is  $l(\theta) = \exp\{-\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \theta)\}I_{(0, X_{(1)})}(\theta)$ , which is 0 when  $\theta > X_{(1)}$  and increasing on  $(0, X_{(1)})$ . Hence, the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $X_{(1)}$ .

**(c)**

Note that  $l(\theta) = \theta^n \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - X_i)^{\theta-1} I_{(0,1)}(X_i)$  and, when  $\theta > 1$ ,

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 - X_i)$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta^2} = -\frac{n}{\theta^2} < 0.$$

The equation  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$  has a unique solution  $\hat{\theta} = -n / \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 - X_i)$ . If  $\hat{\theta} > 1$ , then it maximizes  $l(\theta)$ . If  $\hat{\theta} \leq 1$ , then  $l(\theta)$  is decreasing on the interval  $(1, \infty)$ . Hence the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\max\{1, \hat{\theta}\}$ .

**(d)**

Note that

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n}{\theta(1-\theta)} + \frac{1}{(1-\theta)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log X_i$$

and  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$  has a unique solution  $\hat{\theta} = (1 - n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \log X_i^{-1}) < 1$ . Also,  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} < 0$  when  $\theta > \hat{\theta}$  and  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} > 0$  when  $\theta < \hat{\theta}$ . Hence, the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\max\{\hat{\theta}, \frac{1}{2}\}$ .

**(e)**

Note that  $l(\theta) = 2^{-n} \exp\{-\sum_{i=1}^n |X_i - \theta|\}$ . Let  $F_n$  be the distribution putting mass  $n^{-1}$  to each  $X_i$ . Then any median of  $F_n$  is an MLE of  $\theta$ .

**(f)**

Since  $l(\theta) = \theta^n \prod_{i=1}^n X_i^{-2} I_{(0, X_{(1)})}(\theta)$ , the same argument in part (b) of the solution yields the MLE  $X_{(1)}$ .

**(g)**

Let  $\bar{X}$  be the sample mean. Since

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n\bar{X}}{\theta} - \frac{n - n\bar{X}}{1 - \theta},$$

$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$  has a unique solution  $\bar{X}$ ,  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} < 0$  when  $\theta > \bar{X}$ , and  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} > 0$  when  $\theta < \bar{X}$ . Hence, the same argument in part (d) yields the MLE

$$\hat{\theta} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } \bar{X} \in [0, \frac{1}{2}) \\ \bar{X} & \text{if } \bar{X} \in [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}) \\ \frac{3}{4} & \text{if } \bar{X} \in (\frac{3}{4}, 1]. \end{cases}$$

**(h)**

Note that

$$\log l(\theta) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\theta^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \theta)^2}{2\theta^2}$$
$$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{1}{\theta^3} \left( n\theta^2 + \theta \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \right).$$

The equation  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$  has two solutions

$$\theta_{\pm} = \frac{-\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \pm \sqrt{(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i)^2 + 4n \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}}{2n}.$$

Note that  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \log l(\theta) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow \pm\infty} \log l(\theta) = -\infty$ . We conclude that both  $\theta_-$  and  $\theta_+$  are local maximum points. Therefore, the MLE of  $\theta$  is

$$\hat{\theta} = \begin{cases} \theta_- & \text{if } l(\theta_-) \geq l(\theta_+) \\ \theta_+ & \text{if } l(\theta_-) < l(\theta_+). \end{cases}$$

**(i)**

The likelihood function

$$l(\theta) = \sigma^{-n} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu) \right\} I_{(0, X_{(1)})}(\mu)$$

is 0 when  $\mu > X_{(1)}$  and increasing on  $(0, X_{(1)})$ . Hence the MLE of  $\mu$  is  $X_{(1)}$ . Substituting  $\mu = X_{(1)}$  into  $l(\theta)$  and maximizing the resulting likelihood function yields that the MLE of  $\sigma$  is  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - X_{(1)})$ .

**(j)**

Let  $Y_i = \log X_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

$$l(\theta) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma)^n} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \mu)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \right\}.$$

Solving  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$ , we obtain the MLE of  $\mu$  as  $\bar{Y} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$  and the MLE of  $\sigma^2$  as  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$ .

**(k)**

Since  $l(0) = 1$  and  $l(1) = (2^n \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{X_i})^{-1}$ , the MLE is equal to 0 if  $2^n \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{X_i} < 1$  and is equal to 1 if  $2^n \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{X_i} \geq 1$ .

**(l)**

The likelihood function is  $l(\theta) = \alpha^n \beta^{-n\alpha} \prod_{i=1}^n X_i^{\alpha-1} I_{(X_{(n)}, \infty)}(\beta)$ , which is 0 when  $\beta < X_{(n)}$  and decreasing in  $\beta$  otherwise. Hence the MLE of  $\beta$  is  $X_{(n)}$ . Substituting  $\beta = X_{(n)}$  into the likelihood function, we obtain the MLE of  $\alpha$  as  $n[\sum_{i=1}^n \log(X_{(n)}/X_i)]^{-1}$ .

**(m)**

Let  $X_{(n)}$  be the largest  $X_i$ 's and  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ . Then

$$l(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \binom{\theta}{X_i} p^T (1-p)^{n\theta-T} I_{\{X_{(n)}, X_{(n)}+1, \dots\}}(\theta).$$

For  $\theta = X_{(n)}, X_{(n)} + 1, \dots$ ,

$$\frac{l(\theta+1)}{l(\theta)} = (1-p)^n \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta+1}{\theta+1-X_i}.$$

Since  $(\theta+1)/(\theta+1-X_i)$  is decreasing in  $\theta$ , the function  $l(\theta+1)/l(\theta)$  is decreasing in  $\theta$ . Also,  $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow \infty} l(\theta+1)/l(\theta) = (1-p)^n < 1$ . Therefore, the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\max\{\theta : \theta \geq X_{(n)}, l(\theta+1)/l(\theta) \geq 1\}$ .

**(n)**

Let  $\bar{X}$  be the sample mean. Then

$$l(\theta) = \frac{1}{2^n} (1-\theta^2)^n \exp\{n\theta\bar{X} - |\bar{X}|\}$$

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = n\bar{X} - \frac{2n\theta}{1-\theta^2}$$

. When  $\bar{X} \neq 0$ , the equation  $\frac{\partial \log l(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$  has two solutions  $\theta_{\pm} = \frac{\pm\sqrt{1+\bar{X}^2-1}}{\bar{X}}$ . Since  $\theta_- \leq -1$  is not in the parameter space, we conclude that the MLE of  $\theta$  is  $\frac{\sqrt{1+\bar{X}^2-1}}{\bar{X}}$ . When  $\bar{X} = 0$ , the MLE of  $\theta$  is 0.

**(# 4.100)(a)**

Let  $l(\lambda, \mu)$  be the likelihood function,  $\bar{Y} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ , and  $\bar{Z} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i$ . Since  $Y_i$ 's and  $Z_i$ 's are independent,

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\lambda, \mu)}{\partial \lambda} = -\frac{n}{\lambda} + \frac{n\bar{Y}}{\lambda^2} \text{ and } \frac{\partial \log l(\lambda, \mu)}{\partial \mu} = -\frac{n}{\mu} + \frac{n\bar{Z}}{\mu^2}.$$

Hence, the MLE of  $(\lambda, \mu)$  is  $(\bar{Y}, \bar{Z})$ .

**(b)**

The probability density of  $(X_i, \Delta_i)$  is  $\lambda^{-\Delta_i} \mu^{-(\Delta_i-1)} e^{-(\lambda^{-1}+\mu^{-1})x_i}$ . Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  and  $D = \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta_i$ . Then

$$l(\lambda, \mu) = \lambda^{-D} \mu^{D-n} e^{-(\lambda^{-1}+\mu^{-1})T}.$$

If  $0 < D < n$ , then

$$\frac{\partial \log l(\lambda, \mu)}{\partial \lambda} = -\frac{D}{\lambda} + \frac{T}{\lambda^2} \text{ and } \frac{\partial \log l(\lambda, \mu)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{D-n}{\mu} + \frac{T}{\mu^2}.$$

The likelihood equation has a unique solution  $\hat{\lambda} = T/D$  and  $\hat{\mu} = T/(n - D)$ . The MLE of  $(\lambda, \mu)$  is  $(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{\mu})$ .

If  $D = 0$ ,

$$l(\lambda, \mu) = \mu^{-n} e^{-(\lambda^{-1} + \mu^{-1})T},$$

which is increasing in  $\lambda$ . Hence there does not exist an MLE of  $\lambda$ . Similarly, when  $D = n$ , there does not exist an MLE of  $\mu$ .