

Final homework problems

- Full points = 10 points.

1. Suppose that $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $\{Y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, $\{Z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are sequences of random variables on the same probability space. Suppose that $X_n = O_p(1)$, $Y_n = o_p(1)$ and $Z_n = O_p(1)$.

- (5 pts) Show that $Y_n = O_p(1)$.
- (5 pts) Show that $X_n Y_n = o_p(1)$.
- (5 pts) Show that $X_n + Z_n = O_p(1)$.
- (5 pts) Show that $X_n Z_n = O_p(1)$.

2. (5 pts) Suppose that $\{c_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of positive numbers and $\{\varepsilon_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of IID random variables such that $E(\varepsilon_1) = 0$ and $Var(\varepsilon_1) = 1$. Let $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k \varepsilon_k$ for every positive integer n . Show that if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} c_k}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^n c_k^2}} = 0,$$

then $S_n / \sqrt{Var(S_n)}$ converges to $N(0, 1)$ in distribution as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- (5 pts) Suppose that $X \sim Bin(n, \theta)$, where n is a positive integer and $\theta \in (0, 1)$. Show that for $k \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$, $P(X \geq k)$ is an increasing function of θ .
- (5 pts) Suppose that ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 are two tests for testing

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 \text{ v.s. } H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_1,$$

where $\Theta_0 \cap \Theta_1 = \emptyset$. Let β_{ϕ_1} and β_{ϕ_2} be the power functions of ϕ_1 and ϕ_2 , respectively. Suppose that

$$\beta_{\phi_1}(\theta) \leq \beta_{\phi_2}(\theta) \text{ for } \theta \in \Theta_0$$

and

$$\beta_{\phi_1}(\theta) \geq \beta_{\phi_2}(\theta) \text{ for } \theta \in \Theta_1.$$

Show that ϕ_1 is at least as good as ϕ_2 under the 0-1-1 loss (the loss is 1 if Type I error or Type II error is made, and the loss is 0 otherwise).

5. Suppose that we have a sample of IID observations X_1, \dots, X_n , where

$$P(X_1 = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$$

for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and $\lambda > 0$ is an unknown parameter. Consider the problem of estimating λ under a loss function L . The function L is defined so that the loss for estimating λ using a when $\lambda = \lambda_0$ is

$$L(a, \lambda_0) = (a - \lambda_0)^2 / \lambda_0$$

for $a > 0$ and $\lambda_0 > 0$.

- (a) (5 pts) Find the Bayes estimator for λ when the prior distribution for λ is the gamma distribution $\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$, where $\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$. The Lebesgue density for distribution $\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ is the function $f_{\alpha, \beta}$ defined by

$$f_{\alpha, \beta}(s) = \begin{cases} s^{\alpha-1} e^{-s/\beta} / (\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha) & \text{if } s > 0; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x} dx.$$

- (b) (5 pts) Find a minimax estimator for λ .

6. In the proof of Theorem 4.17 in the text, for $\gamma \in \partial B_n(c)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \log \ell(\gamma) - \log \ell(\theta) \\ &= c \lambda^T [I_n(\theta)]^{-1/2} s_n(\theta) \\ & \quad + \frac{c^2}{2} \lambda^T [I_n(\theta)]^{-1/2} (\nabla s_n(\gamma^*) [I_n(\theta)]^{-1/2} \lambda, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where γ^* is between γ and θ , $\|\lambda\| = 1$,

$$\sup_{\gamma \in \partial B_n(c)} \frac{\|\nabla s_n(\gamma^*) - \nabla s_n(\theta)\|}{n} \leq \max_{\gamma \in B_n(c)} \frac{\|\nabla s_n(\gamma) - \nabla s_n(\theta)\|}{n} \quad (2)$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left(\max_{\gamma \in B_n(c)} \frac{\|\nabla s_n(\gamma) - \nabla s_n(\theta)\|}{n} \right) = 0. \quad (3)$$

(a) (5 pts) Deduce that

$$\sup_{\gamma \in \partial B_n(c)} [\log \ell(\gamma) - \log \ell(\theta)] \leq c \| [I_n(\theta)]^{-1/2} s_n(\theta) \| - [1 + o_p(1)] c^2/2$$

from (1), (2) and (3).

(b) (5 pts) Show that

$$E \| [I_n(\theta)]^{-1/2} s_n(\theta) \|^2 = k.$$

(c) (5 pts) Show that for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $n_0 > 1$ such that

$$P \left(\sup_{\gamma \in \partial B_n(c)} [\log \ell(\gamma) - \log \ell(\theta)] \geq 1 - \varepsilon \right)$$

using the results in Part (a) and Part (b).