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Attempt any five questions.

1. (a) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Examine whether:

$$T = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i |X_i - \mu|$$

is unbiased for σ . If not, obtain an unbiased estimator of σ . Also find efficiency of this unbiased estimator.

- (b) State and prove Cramer-Rao inequality. Under what conditions does equality hold? Explain its significance. 7,8

2. (a) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from exponential distribution with p.d.f.:

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta}, \quad x > 0, \theta > 0$$

Obtain MVB estimator for θ . Hence find the variance of MVB estimator.

- (b) State and prove sufficient conditions for consistency. In a random sample of size n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, obtain consistent estimator of σ^2 when μ is known. 6,9

3. (a) State and prove Factorization theorem for the existence of sufficient statistic.

What is the advantage of this criterion over Fisher-Neyman criterion?

- (b) Let $Y_1 < Y_2 < \dots < Y_n$ be the order statistics of a random sample of size n from the uniform distribution having p.d.f. :

$$f(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} & 0 \leq x \leq \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Show that Y_n is complete sufficient for θ . Hence obtain MVU estimator for θ . 7,8

4. (a) Show that MVU estimator is unique. Let T_1 and T_2 be two unbiased estimators for θ with variances σ_1^2 and σ_2^2 (both known) and correlation coefficient ρ_θ . For what value of α does

$$T = \alpha T_1 + (1 - \alpha) T_2$$

have minimum variance? Find the variance of T .

- (b) Explain the method of minimum Chi-square and modified minimum Chi-square. Under what conditions is it identical with the method of maximum likelihood estimation? 8,7

5. (a) Describe method of moments and find estimator of θ by the method of moments for:

$$f(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x-\theta|}, & -\infty < x < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (b) Explain the procedure of estimating the parameters by the method of maximum likelihood. Also mention all the properties of ML estimators. 7,8

6. (a) If X_1, X_2 is a random sample of size 2 from a distribution having p.d.f. :

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta}, \quad 0 < x < \infty,$$

show that $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ is sufficient estimator for θ . Further show that $Y_2 = X_2$ is an unbiased estimator for θ with variance θ^2 . Find $E(Y_2 | Y_1 = y_1)$ and compare its variance with that of Y_2 .

- (b) In sampling from a Power Series distribution with probability function:

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{a_x \theta^x}{\phi(\theta)}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where a_x may be zero for some x . Show that ML estimator of θ is the root of the equation:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\theta \phi'(\theta)}{\phi(\theta)} = \mu(\theta) \quad \text{or} \quad \mu(\theta) = \bar{x} \quad \text{8,7}$$

7. (a) Distinguish between point estimation and interval estimation. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from rectangular distribution with p.d.f.

$$f(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta}, & 0 \leq x \leq \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

If R be the sample range and ε is given by $\varepsilon^{n-1}[n-(n-1)\varepsilon]=\alpha$, show that R and $\frac{R}{\varepsilon}$ are confidence limits for θ with confidence coefficient $(1-\alpha)$.

- (b) Explain the method of constructing the confidence intervals for large samples by using likelihood approach. Using this approach, obtain $100(1-\alpha)\%$ confidence limits for the parameter θ of Poisson distribution. 7,8