

B.Sc. (Honours) Examination, 2019

Semester-IV

Statistics

Course : BSC-41

(Estimation)

Time : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 40

Questions are of value as indicated in the margin

Answer **any four** questions

1. a) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be i.i.d. Bernoulli (p) random variables and $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

i) Show that no unbiased estimator exists for $\frac{1}{p}$.

ii) Show that $\frac{S_n(n - S_n)}{n(n-1)}$ is unbiased estimator of pq and has a smaller variance than the estimator $\frac{S_n}{n} \left(1 - \frac{S_n}{n}\right)$.

b) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be i.i.d. Poisson (λ) variables.

i) Proposed an unbiased estimator of $e^{-\lambda}$.

ii) Is it UMVUE? Justify your answer.

3+4+3=10

2. a) “Consistent estimator is unbiased” – is the statement true?

b) Let t be a consistent estimator for θ and let $\psi(\theta)$ be a continuous fn of θ . Prove that $\psi(t)$ is a consistent estimator of $\psi(\theta)$.

c) Let $(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ be a random sample from a rectangular distribution $f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}$, $0 < x < \theta$. Show that the geometric mean

$t(x) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^{1/n}$ is a consistent estimator of θe^{-1} .

2+3+5=10

3. a) Let X_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) be a random sample from the log normal distribution

$$f(x; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{x\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(\log x - \mu)^2}; x > 0$$

Find a sufficient statistic for (i) μ when σ is known. (ii) σ when μ is known (iii) (μ, σ) both unknown.

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b) Let X be a random variable with p.d.f.

$$f(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{2}; \theta < x < \theta + 2$$

where θ being real number.

Does there exist any sufficient statistic for θ ? Reason your answer.

6+4=10

4. a) What do you mean by most efficient estimator?

b) If t is a most efficient estimator and t' a less efficient estimator with efficiency e and the correlation coefficient between t and t' is ρ , show by considering the estimator t'' defined by $(1 + e - 2\rho\sqrt{e})t'' = (1 - \rho\sqrt{e})t + (e - \rho\sqrt{e})t'$ that $\rho = \sqrt{e}$.

c) Prove Rao-Cramer inequality.

2+3+5=10

5. a) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be a sample from $U\left[\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2}\right]$. Find the MLE of θ and comment.

b) For a bivariate normal $BN(0, 0, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \rho)$ deduce the MLE for σ_1^2, σ_2^2 and ρ on the basis of n pairs of sample $(X_1, Y_1) - (X_2, Y_2) \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$.

4+6=10
