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1. There are 8 different eateries in the neighborhood of ISI. An eatery is open on any particular day with probability θ , $0 < \theta < 1$. For reasons of proximity and convenience etc., Partha visits either eatery 1 or eatery 2. Partha is interested in knowing *i*) $\psi_1(\theta)$, the probability that either eatery 1 is open or eatery 2 is open on any given day and *ii*) $\psi_2(\theta)$, the probability that exactly one of the eateries 1 and 2 is open on a given day. Let $X_i = 1(0)$ if the *i*th eatery is open (closed) on a given day, $1 \leq i \leq 8$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_8 be the random sample taken on some day indicating whether various of the eateries were open or not.
- (a) State clearly the assumptions you make.
 - (b) Find $\psi_1(\theta)$ and $\psi_2(\theta)$.
 - (c) Show that $T = \sum_{i=1}^8 X_i$ is a minimal sufficient statistic for θ .
 - (d) Is $T = \sum_{i=1}^8 X_i$ complete as well? Substantiate.
 - (e) Find Fisher information $I(\theta)$ contained in the sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_8 about θ .
 - (f) Find an unbiased estimator for $\psi_2(\theta)$. Hence or otherwise obtain *UMVUE* for $\psi_2(\theta)$.

[2 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 3 + 6 = 20]

2. A drilling machine is used to make holes in metal sheets using shafts of different diametric specifications. Let θ be the mean diameter, measured in *mm*, of the holes drilled using one such shaft. However, the mean diametric specification θ is unknown. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n denote the diameters of n holes all drilled using the given shaft. The variability σ_0^2 , in the diameters of holes drilled, is an indicator of the quality of the drilling machine. Based on the prolonged use of the drilling machine we assume that σ_0^2 is known. Stating clearly the assumptions you make derive *likelihood ratio test (LRT)* at level of significance $\alpha = 0.05$, for testing the hypothesis

$$H_0 : \theta \leq 2 \text{ versus } H_1 : \theta > 2.$$

How would you report the *p - value*?

[2 + 10 + 2 = 14]

3. Leaves were randomly collected from *wax-leaf ligustrum* grown in shade. Another random sample was collected from *wax-leaf ligustrum* grown in full sun. The thickness in *micrometers* of the *palisade layer* was recorded for all selected leaves of either type. Thicknesses of 7 *sun* leaves were reported as:

150, 100, 210, 300, 200, 210 and 300.

Thicknesses of 7 *shade* leaves were reported as:

120, 125, 160, 130, 200, 170 and 200.

- (a) State clearly the assumptions you make.
- (b) Do the two types of leaves differ in thickness? Take $\alpha = 0.05$.
- (c) Report the *p-value*.
- (d) Find 90% confidence interval for (mean thickness of *sun* leaves – mean thickness of *shade* leaves).
- (e) Was it crucial to have the two samples of same size for your test?

[2 + 8 + 2 + 4 + 2 = 18]

4. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, both $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma^2 > 0$ are unknown. Let $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, $S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ and $T_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \theta_0)}{S_n}$, $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ being a known value.

- (a) Obtain $\hat{\sigma}_n^2$, *method of moments estimator* for σ^2 .
- (b) Show that $\hat{\sigma}_n^2$ is *asymptotically unbiased* for σ^2 .
- (c) Show that S_n^2 is *consistent* for σ^2 .
- (d) Is $\hat{\sigma}_n^2$ *consistent* for σ^2 ?
- (e) Show that T_n , the likelihood ratio test statistic for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$, is *asymptotically normal* under H_0 .
- (f) Obtain Fisher information contained in the sample about σ^2 under H_0 .
- (g) Show that $\text{Var}(S_n^2)$ does not attain *CRLB*, however, S_n^2 is *asymptotically efficient*.

[2 + 3 + 4 + 2 + 4 + 4 + (4 + 2) = 25]

5. Suppose we observe X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n , all mutually independent random variables such that $Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\beta\lambda_i)$ and $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$; $\beta > 0$ and $\lambda_i > 0$; $1 \leq i \leq n$. This would model, for instance, the incidence of a disease, Y_i , where underlying rate is a function of on overall effect β and an additional factor λ_i . For example, λ_i could be a measure of population density in locality i , or perhaps health status of the population in the locality i . We do not know λ_i but get information on it through X_i .

- (a) Obtain *maximum likelihood estimators (mle)* based on the complete data for β and λ_i ; $1 \leq i \leq n$.
- (b) If x_1 is missing calculate the *expected complete-data loglikelihood* and show that the *Expectation-Maximization (EM)* sequence is given by

$$\hat{\beta}^{(r+1)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{\hat{\lambda}_1^{(r)} + \sum_{i=2}^n x_i}, \quad \hat{\lambda}_1^{(r+1)} = \frac{\hat{\lambda}_1^{(r)} + y_1}{\hat{\beta}^{(r+1)} + 1}, \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\lambda}_j^{(r+1)} = \frac{x_j + y_j}{\hat{\beta}^{(r+1)} + 1}, \quad 2 \leq j \leq n,$$

r being a positive integer.

[4 + 9 = 13]