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1. Pareto distribution that works well as income distribution is specified by the following *probability density function (pdf)*

$$f(x|\alpha, \theta) = \theta \alpha^\theta x^{-\theta-1} I_{(\alpha, \infty)}(x); \alpha > 0 \text{ and } \theta > 0$$

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from the above distribution. Find *method of moments (MOM)* estimators for α and θ .

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2. A discrete model that is often used for the waiting time X to failure of an item is given by the *pmf*

$$f(k|\theta) = \theta^{(k-1)}(1 - \theta); k = 1, 2, \dots; 0 < \theta < 1.$$

Suppose that we only record the time of failure, if the failure occurs on or before r and otherwise just note that the item has lived at least $r + 1$ periods. Let Y denote this censored waiting time. Write down the *pmf* of Y . If Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n is a random sample from this censored waiting time distribution, obtain an *mle* for θ . Does your *mle* of θ agree with $\frac{T-n}{T-M}$, where $T = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ and $M =$ no. of indices i such that $Y_i = r + 1$.

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3. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from the distribution specified by

$$f(x|\theta, \lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\frac{(x-\theta)}{\lambda}} I_{(\theta, \infty)}(x); x, \theta \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda > 0.$$

Obtain a minimal sufficient statistic for (θ, λ) .

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4. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from uniform distribution on $(\theta, \theta + 1)$. Derive the distribution of the range $R = X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$. Hence or otherwise prove that it is an ancillary statistic.

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5. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from uniform distribution on $(\theta, \theta + 1)$. Is $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ a complete statistic? Substantiate.

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