

Mid Term

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Problem 1. (50 POINTS)

Consider two hypotheses

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : Y &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \sigma^2), \\ H_1 : Y &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma^2), \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

where σ^2 is known and fixed.

- (a) Assume uniform cost and prior (π_0, π_1) , determine the Bayes' decision rule if we observe $Y = y$. Express your answer in terms of $\pi_0, \pi_1, \mu_0, \mu_1$ and σ .
- (b) Derive the Neyman-Pearson rule for a significance level α . Express your answer in terms of the $\Phi(\cdot)$ function, α, μ_0 and σ .

Problem 2. (50 POINTS)

Let $\mathbf{Y} = [Y_1, \dots, Y_n]^T$ be a random vector such that $\mathbf{Y} = \theta \mathbf{s} + \mathbf{V}$, where $\mathbf{V} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$, $\mathbf{s} = [s_1, \dots, s_n]^T$ is a known vector, and θ is a deterministic unknown parameter. Assume $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) Show that the conditional distribution $f_{\theta}(\mathbf{y})$ belongs to the exponential family. Hence determine the complete sufficient statistic, and derive the MVUE.
- (b) Determine the MLE, i.e., $\hat{\theta}_{ML}(\mathbf{Y})$, and the Cramer Rao Lower Bound. By evaluating $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_{ML}(\mathbf{Y}))$, show that $\hat{\theta}_{ML}(\mathbf{Y})$ achieves the equality of the CRLB.

Problem 3. (BONUS, 10 POINTS)

Consider a Poisson distribution with parameter $\lambda > 0$ with

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{\lambda^y}{y!} e^{-\lambda}. \tag{2}$$

It is given that the cumulant generating function is $\mu_Y(s) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \log \mathbb{E}[e^{sY}] = \lambda(e^s - 1)$. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n be a sequence of observations. Derive the large-deviation bound for

$$\mathbb{P} \left[\sum_{k=1}^n Y_k \geq n\lambda e \right], \quad (3)$$

where $e \approx 2.718$ is the natural number.

Problem 4. (BONUS, 5 POINTS)

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