

Instructions: Include all relevant work to get full credit.

Homework 20

1. Do all parts of problem 8.6 on page 394.
2. Do all parts of problem 8.12 on page 395.
3. Do all parts of problem 8.13 on page 395.
4. Do problem 8.18 on page 396.

Solutions:

1) Given: $E(\hat{\theta}_1) = E(\hat{\theta}_2) = \theta$, $V(\hat{\theta}_1) = \sigma_1^2$, and $V(\hat{\theta}_2) = \sigma_2^2$

(a) $E(\hat{\theta}_3) = E(a\hat{\theta}_1 + (1-a)\hat{\theta}_2) = aE(\hat{\theta}_1) + (1-a)E(\hat{\theta}_2) = a\theta + (1-a)\theta = \theta$

(b) $V(\hat{\theta}_3) = a^2V(\hat{\theta}_1) + (1-a)^2V(\hat{\theta}_2) = a^2\sigma_1^2 + (1-a)^2\sigma_2^2 = a^2\sigma_1^2 + (1-2a+a^2)\sigma_2^2 = a^2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) - 2a\sigma_2^2 + \sigma_2^2$

$\Rightarrow \frac{dV(\hat{\theta}_3)}{da} = 2a(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) - 2\sigma_2^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a = \frac{\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$

Since $\frac{d^2V(\hat{\theta}_3)}{da^2} = 2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) > 0 \Rightarrow V(\hat{\theta}_3)$ is minimum at $a = \frac{\sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$

2) $Y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}(\theta, \theta+1) \Rightarrow E(Y_i) = \theta + \frac{1}{2}$ and $V(Y_i) = \frac{1}{12}$

(a) $E(\bar{Y}) = E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum E(Y_i) = \frac{1}{n} [n(\theta + \frac{1}{2})] = \theta + \frac{1}{2} \neq \theta \Rightarrow B(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{1}{2}$

(b) $\hat{\theta} = \bar{Y} - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow E(\hat{\theta}) = E(\bar{Y}) - \frac{1}{2} = \theta$

(c) $MSE(\bar{Y}) = V(\bar{Y}) + [B(\hat{\theta})]^2 = \frac{1/12}{n} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{12n} + \frac{1}{4}$

3) $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow E(Y) = np$ and $V(Y) = np(1-p)$

(a) $E(\hat{\theta}) = E(n\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})) = nE(\hat{p} - \hat{p}^2) = nE(\hat{p}) - nE(\hat{p}^2) = np - n\left[\frac{p(1-p)}{n} + p^2\right]$

where, $\hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n} \Rightarrow E(\hat{p}) = E\left(\frac{Y}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n}E(Y) = \frac{1}{n}(np) = p$

$\Rightarrow V(\hat{p}) = V\left(\frac{Y}{n}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 V(Y) = \frac{1}{n^2} (np(1-p)) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$

$\Rightarrow E(\hat{p}^2) = V(\hat{p}) + (E(\hat{p}))^2 = \frac{p(1-p)}{n} + p^2$

$= np - p(1-p) - np^2$
 $= np(1-p) - p(1-p)$
 $= (n-1)p(1-p)$
 $\neq V(Y)$

(b) Let $\hat{\theta}^* = \frac{n}{n-1} \hat{\theta} = \frac{n^2}{n-1} \hat{p}(1-\hat{p})$

4) Given: $Y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}[0, \theta] \Rightarrow F_Y(y) = \frac{y}{\theta}$, $0 < y < \theta$

$\Rightarrow F_{Y_{(n)}}(y) = 1 - \left[1 - \frac{y}{\theta}\right]^n \Rightarrow f_{Y_{(n)}}(y) = -n\left(1 - \frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\theta}\right)$

$\Rightarrow E(Y_{(n)}) = E(\hat{\theta}) = \int_0^\theta y \left[-n\left(1 - \frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\theta}\right)\right] dy = \int_0^\theta n\left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right) \left(1 - \frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} dy = n \int_0^1 u(1-u)^{n-1} du$

$= n\theta \int_0^1 u(1-u)^{n-1} du = n\theta \left(\frac{n/2 \Gamma(n)}{\Gamma(n+2)}\right) = n\theta \left(\frac{1}{n(n+1)}\right) = \frac{\theta}{n+1}$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}^* = (n+1)Y_{(n)} \rightarrow E(\hat{\theta}^*) = \theta$

Let $u = \frac{y}{\theta}$
 $du = \frac{1}{\theta} dy$