

Example

Let X_1, \dots, X_n r.s of $U(0, \theta)$. Find a sufficient and complete statistic for θ .

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) Factorization criterion: } f(\underline{x}; \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta) = \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \mathbb{I}(0 < x_i < \theta) = \theta^{-n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{I}(0 < x_i < \theta) \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We demand } \mathbb{I}(0 < x_i < \theta) = 1 \quad \forall i &\Leftrightarrow x_i \in (0, \theta) \quad \forall i \Leftrightarrow \\ &\Leftrightarrow 0 < x_{(1)} \leq x_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq x_{(n)} < \theta \Leftrightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(1)} < \infty) \cdot \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(n)} < \theta) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So (1)} \Rightarrow f(\underline{x}; \theta) &= \theta^{-n} \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(1)} < \infty) \cdot \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(n)} < \theta) = \\ &= g(T(\underline{x}); \theta) \cdot h(\underline{x}), \quad \text{where } h(\underline{x}) = \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(1)} < \infty) \text{ and} \\ g(T(\underline{x}); \theta) &= \theta^{-n} \mathbb{I}(0 < x_{(n)} < \theta). \text{ Hence, } T(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)} = \max\{x_i\} \\ &\text{sufficient for } \theta. \end{aligned}$$

b) To prove that $T(\underline{x})$ is complete we need the PDF of $T(X) = X_{(n)} = T$. We will work with the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of T .

$$\begin{aligned} F_T(t) &= P(T \leq t) = P(X_{(n)} \leq t) = P(X_1, \dots, X_n \leq t) = \\ &= P(X_1 \leq t) \cdot \dots \cdot P(X_n \leq t) = F_{X_1}(t) \cdot \dots \cdot F_{X_n}(t) = [F_X(t)]^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We know } X \sim U(0, \theta), \text{ hence: } F_X(t) &= \int_0^t f(x) dx = \\ &= \int_0^t \frac{1}{\theta} dx = \frac{t}{\theta}, \text{ so } F_T(t) = \left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^n = \frac{t^n}{\theta^n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Finally, } f_T(t) = \frac{d}{dt} F_T(t) = \frac{nt^{n-1}}{\theta^n}$$

c) Completeness: Let $g(T)$ function of T

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We have: } E[g(T)] &= \int_0^\theta g(t) \frac{v t^{v-1}}{\theta^v} dt = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow \int_0^\theta g(t) t^{v-1} dt = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \xrightarrow{\text{D.D.S.}} g(\theta) \theta^{v-1} = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \\ &\Rightarrow g(\theta) = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \Rightarrow \\ &\Rightarrow g(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \in (0, \theta) \quad \text{Hence } T \text{ is also complete.} \end{aligned}$$

Example

Let X_1, \dots, X_n r.s of PDF $f(x; \theta) = \frac{\theta}{x^2}$, $\theta > 0$, $x > \theta$
 Prove that $T(x) = X_{(1)} = \min(X_i)$ is a sufficient and complete statistic for θ .

Solution

a) Factorization criterion: $f(x; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta}{x_i^2} I(\theta < x_i < \infty) =$
 $= \theta^n \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n I(\theta < x_i < \infty)$

We demand $\prod_{i=1}^n I(\theta < x_i < \infty) = 1 \Leftrightarrow I(\theta < x_i < \infty) = 1 \quad \forall i \Leftrightarrow$
 $\Leftrightarrow x_i \in (\theta, +\infty) \quad \forall i \Leftrightarrow \theta < x_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq x_{(n)} < \infty$

Hence $f(x; \theta) = \theta^n \cdot \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} I(\theta < x_{(1)} < \infty) \cdot I(0 < x_{(n)} < \infty) =$
 $= g(T(x); \theta) \cdot h(x)$ where $h(x) = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} \cdot I(0 < x_{(n)} < \infty)$,
 $g(x) = \theta^n \cdot I(\theta < x_{(1)} < \infty)$, so $T(x) = X_{(1)}$ is sufficient for θ .

b) We find the distribution of $T = X_{(1)}$:

$$\begin{aligned} F_T(t) &= P(T \leq t) = P(X_{(1)} \leq t) = 1 - P(X_{(1)} > t) = \\ &= 1 - P(X_1 > t, \dots, X_n > t) = 1 - P(X_1 > t) \cdot P(X_2 > t) \cdot \dots \cdot P(X_n > t) = \\ &= 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i > t) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - P(X_i \leq t)) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - F_{X_i}(t)) = \\ &= 1 - (1 - F_X(t))^n. \end{aligned}$$

We know: $F_X(t) = \int_\theta^t \frac{\theta}{x^2} dx = \theta \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{\theta}\right) = 1 - \frac{\theta}{t}$

Hence: $F_T(t) = 1 - \left[1 - \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{t}\right)\right]^n = 1 - \left(\frac{\theta}{t}\right)^n$

and $f_T(t) = \frac{d}{dt} F_T(t) = \frac{v \theta^v}{t^{v+1}}$

c) Completeness: Let $g(T)$ function of T . Then:

$$E[g(T)] = 0 = \int_0^{\infty} g(t) \frac{t^{\nu-1} e^{-t}}{\Gamma(\nu)} dt = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \Rightarrow$$
$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} g(t) t^{\nu-1} e^{-t} dt = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \Rightarrow -g(\theta) t^{\nu-1} = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0$$
$$\Rightarrow g(\theta) = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0 \Rightarrow g(t) = 0 \quad \forall t > 0$$

Hence T is complete.

Reminders

1) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p) \Rightarrow T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

2) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bin}(N, p) \Rightarrow T \sim \text{Bin}(nN, p)$

3) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \Rightarrow T \sim \text{Poisson}(n\lambda)$

4) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \Rightarrow T \sim (n\mu, n\sigma^2)$

5) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Exp}(\theta) \Rightarrow T \sim \text{Gamma}(n, \theta)$

↳ Forms of Gamma(a, b):

$$\text{(I)} f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a) b^a} x^{a-1} e^{-x/b} = \frac{(1/b)^a}{\Gamma(a)} x^{a-1} e^{-x/b}$$

$$\text{(II)} f(x) = \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} x^{a-1} e^{-bx}$$

6) Gamma($1, \theta$) is $\text{Exp}(\theta)$

7) Gamma($\frac{r}{2}, 1$) is χ_r^2 (Form I)

or Gamma($\frac{r}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$) is χ_r^2 (Form II)

8) χ_2^2 is Gamma($1, 2$) $\rightarrow \text{Exp}(2)$ (Form I)

Gamma($1, 1/2$) $\rightarrow \text{Exp}(1/2)$ (Form II)

9) $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Exp}(2)$ (Form I) $\Rightarrow T \sim \text{Gamma}(n, 2)$

$\text{Exp}(1/2)$ (Form II) $\Rightarrow T \sim \text{Gamma}(n, 1/2)$