

Homework #3 (due October 4, 2012)

1. Let $\{p(x; \theta_1, \theta_2), (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \Theta_1 \times \Theta_2\}$ be a family of positive densities of a random element $X \in (\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A})$.

Using the factorization theorem show that if a statistic $T_1(X)$ is sufficient for the family $\{p(x; \theta_1, \theta_2^*), \theta_1 \in \Theta_1\}$ (equivalently, sufficient for θ_1) for any given θ_2^* and $T_2(X)$ is sufficient for the family $\{p(x; \theta_1^*, \theta_2), \theta_2 \in \Theta_2\}$ for any given θ_1^* , then the pair $(T_1(X), T_2(X))$ is sufficient for (θ_1, θ_2) .

2. Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a sample from a population with pdf

$$f(x; \theta) = C \exp\{-(x - \theta)^4\}$$

with θ as a parameter and C a normalizing constant.

Find the minimal sufficient statistic for θ .

3. Let (x_1, \dots, x_n) be a sample from a population with the beta distribution with parameters $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$. Find the minimal sufficient statistic for (α, β) .

4. Ch. 2, Problems 14, 28, 29.