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SMA 566: HYPOTHESIS TESTING

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INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Any THREE questions.

Question 1

- a) Define the following
- i) a simple hypothesis
 - ii) a Most Powerful test (2 marks)
- b) Let $\{f(x; \theta) : \theta \in \Omega\}$ be a family of distributions with $\Omega = \{\theta_0, \theta_1\}$. Give the form of the Most Powerful (M P) size α test for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$ and prove that it is Most Powerful of its size. (10 marks)
- c) Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be a sample of size n from the pmf
- $$f(x; \theta) = e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Find a Most Powerful (MP) size α test for $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$ ($\theta_1 > \theta_0$). (11 marks)

Question 2

- a) Distinguish between
- i) “Randomized Test” and “Non-Randomized Test”. (4 marks)
 - ii) “Most Powerful Test” and “Uniformly Most Powerful Test”. (3 marks)
- b) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be iid random variables with the gamma pdf given by

$$f(x; \theta) = \frac{x^{p-1}}{\theta^p \Gamma(p)} \exp \left\{ -\frac{x}{\theta} \right\}, \quad x > 0$$

where $p \in \mathbb{N}$ is known and $\theta > 0$. Find a UMP size α test for testing the null hypothesis $H_0 : \theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2$ against the alternative hypothesis

$$H_1 : \theta < \theta_1 \text{ or } \theta > \theta_2, \quad \text{where } 0 < \theta_1 < \theta_2 < \infty. \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- c) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be iid random variables with the pdf

$$f(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x > 0$$

where $\lambda > 0$ is unknown parameter. Determine the Uniformly Most Powerful (UMP) size α test for $H_0 : \lambda \geq \lambda_0$ against $H_1 : \lambda < \lambda_0$, where λ_0 is a specified value of λ . Hence give, in terms of a statistic in which $f(x; \lambda)$ has an MLR, the UMP size α test. (10 marks)

Question 3

- a) Define the following terms
- i) Unbiased test
 - ii) Uniformly Most Powerful unbiased test.
 - iii) Consistent test (6 marks)
- b) Explain the concept of “Monotone Likelihood Ratio” as refers to a family of probability density (or probability mass) functions. (3 marks)

- c) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be iid random variables with probability mass function (pmf)

$$f(x; \theta) = e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (0 < \theta < \infty)$$

Find the UMP unbiased size α test for testing the null hypothesis $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against the alternative hypothesis $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ where θ_0 is a specified number. Give an expression for the power function. (14 marks)

Question 4

- a) State the Likelihood Ratio (LRT) principle. (3 marks)

- b) Show that if the family of pdf's (pmf's) $\{f(x; \theta), \theta \in \Omega\}$ admits a sufficient statistic $T(x)$ then for testing $H_0: \theta \in \Omega$ against $H_1: \theta \in \Omega - \Omega_0$, the LRT is a function of the sufficient statistic. (3 marks)

- c) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be a random sample from the pdf.

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x - \theta)^2\right\}, & -\infty < x < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Where $\theta \in (-\infty, \infty)$ is the mean of the distribution. Determine the Likelihood

Ratio Test (LRT) of size α for testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$

Give a large sample test for H_0 against H_1 . (17 marks)

Question 5

- a) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Derive the Most Powerful (MP) size α test for testing

$$H_0: \mu = 2, \sigma = 1$$

$$\text{against } H_1: \mu = 3, \sigma = 2$$

and show that the Best Critical Region (BCR) is of the form

$$C = \left\{ x : \sum_{i=1}^n \left(x_i - \frac{5}{3} \right)^2 > k^* \right\}$$

where $k^* > 0$.

- b) Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ be iid from the pdf

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta}, & 0 < x < \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Derive a size α Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) for the hypothesis.

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0 \text{ against } H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$$

Show the test derived is unbiased.

(12 marks)