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Test 2

STAT 273

Time : 60 minutes

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Max. Marks: 25

Question 1:

Suppose that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n constitutes a random sample of size n from a uniform population over $(0, \beta)$. Let

$$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad Y_n = \text{Max.}(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

- a) Using \bar{X} and Y_n find two unbiased estimators of β .
- b) Compute the variances of your estimators.

Question 2:

Let $X_1, X_2,$ and X_3 constitute a random sample of size $n=3$ from a Bernoulli distribution. Further, Let $t = (2X_1 + X_2 + X_3)/4$

- a) Is t a sufficient estimator of the parameter θ ? Given reason.
- b) Find the maximum likelihood estimator of θ .

Question 3:

The following are the number of minutes it took a sample of 8 men and 6 women to complete an application form for a position.

Men : 16.5, 20.0, 17.0, 18.5, 19.0, 21.0, 15.0, 16.0

Women: 18.0, 20.5, 21.5, 22.0, 24.0, 23.0

Suppose that the two sample are independently drawn from $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ and $N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ respectively.

- a) If $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma^2$ obtain a 95% confidence interval for $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$.
- b) Obtain a 90% confidence interval for $(\sigma_1^2 / \sigma_2^2)$ assuming that $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$.