

STAT 5380 Assignment 4:
Bayes inference, conjugacy, Bayes risk, minimaxity, admissibility

1. TPE Problem 4.1.4.

2. TPE Problem 4.1.6.

3. TPE Problem 4.1.7(a).

Note: The UMVU estimator of $p(1 - p)$ should be:

$$\delta' = \frac{x(n - x)}{n(n - 1)}.$$

4. TPE Problem 4.1.9.

5. TPE Problem 4.1.10.

6. TPE Problem 4.4.1.11.

7. TPE Problem 4.3.6.

8. TPE Problem 4.3.9.

Note: The natural exponential family and conjugate prior equation numbers should be (3.18) and (3.19), respectively. Also, in (b), the results one needs to show are:

$$\mathbb{E}A'(\eta) = \mu, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{V}[A'(\eta)] = (1/k)\mathbb{E}A''(\eta).$$

9. TPE Problem 4.6.10.

Note: What is being asked for is to verify that the risk (not Bayes risk) is given by:

$$p\sigma^2 - \frac{2(p-1)\sigma^4}{\sigma^2 + \tau^2} + \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2 + \tau^2} \right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^p \mathbb{E}(X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

10. TPE Problem 4.7.5.

11. TPE Problem 5.1.9.

12. TPE Problem 5.1.13.

13. TPE Problem 5.1.25.

14. TPE Problem 5.4.3.

15. Suppose that $\{X_1, \dots, X_s\}$ are independent with $X_i \sim N(\theta_i, 1)$, and let $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_s)'$ and $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_s)'$. For known $0 < \tau^2 < \infty$, and under the usual squared error loss function

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{d}) = \sum_{i=1}^s (\theta_i - d_i)^2,$$

define the following estimators of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$:

$$T_1(\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{X}, \quad T_2(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\tau^2}{1 + \tau^2} \mathbf{X}.$$

Note that by Remark 4.4.5 of notes, we know that T_1 is not admissible.

(a) Show that T_2 is admissible.

(b) Show that T_1 is minimax. [Hint: Theorem 4.2.8 of notes with $\Lambda_n \sim \text{iid } N(0, n)$.]