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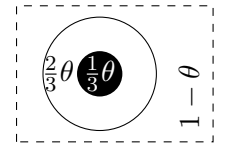
1. You are given one sample X that is either $\text{Uniform}(-1, 1)$ if $\Theta = 0$ or $\text{Uniform}(0, 4)$ if $\Theta = 1$. Your prior on Θ is equally likely ($P(\Theta = 0) = P(\Theta = 1) = 1/2$).
 - (a) What is the MAP estimator for Θ from X ?
 - (b) What is the error probability of the MAP estimator in part (a)?
2. A fair n -sided die with equally likely face values $1, 2, \dots, n$ is tossed twice.
 - (a) What is the maximum likelihood estimator \hat{N} for n given two samples X_1, X_2 ?
 - (b) Let X_3 be the next sample. What is the probability that the next sample X_3 takes one of the values $1, 2, \dots, \hat{N}$ in the limit as n tends to infinity?
3. A random variable has PMF $f(-1) = f(1) = \theta$, $f(0) = 1 - 2\theta$, where θ is unknown ($0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{1}{2}$).
 - (a) What is the actual standard deviation σ of the random variable?
 - (b) What is the PMF of the adjusted sample standard deviation S^2 for two samples?

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1. X is a $\text{Normal}(0, \Theta)$ random variable, where the prior PMF of the parameter Θ is $P(\Theta = 1/2) = 1/2$, $P(\Theta = 1) = 1/2$. You observe the following three independent samples of X : 1.0, 1.0, -1.0.
 - (a) What is the posterior PMF of Θ ?
 - (b) What is the MAP estimate of Θ ?
2. The true fraction of employees in some company that support longer lunch breaks is 80%. Ten employees are polled about their support for longer lunch breaks (randomly with repetition). Find the probability that at least 70% of the polled employees support longer lunch breaks
 - (a) by direct calculation (you may use an online calculator if you provide a reference),
 - (b) using an approximation by a normal random variable.
3. A random variable X is $\text{Normal}(1, 1)$ with probability p and $\text{Normal}(-1, 1)$ with probability $1 - p$, where the parameter p is unknown.
 - (a) What is the maximum likelihood estimator of p from a single sample X ?
 - (b) Is the estimator in part (a) unbiased? Justify your answer.

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- You are trying to estimate the fraction V of vegetarians in Hong Kong using Bayesian statistics. Your prior is that V is a $\text{Uniform}(0, 1/2)$ random variable.
 - You poll a random person and they are not a vegetarian. What is the posterior PDF of V ?
 - What is the expected posterior probability that the next polled person will be a vegetarian?
- A food company produced 1000 boxes of biscuits, 500 of which contain 4 biscuits, 250 contain 3 biscuits and 250 contain one biscuit. You sample two boxes (with repetition) and record the sample mean \bar{X} of the number of biscuits.
 - What is the PMF of \bar{X} ?
 - What is the probability that the sample mean equals the actual mean?
- An archer hits the bull's eye with probability $\frac{1}{3}\theta$, the rest of the target with probability $\frac{2}{3}\theta$, and misses the target with probability $1 - \theta$, where $\theta \in [0, 1]$ is a parameter that models the archer's skill.



- The archer hits the bull's eye twice and misses the board once. What is the maximum likelihood estimate of their skill θ (assuming their shots are independent)?
- Describe an unbiased estimator (3 points) of minimum variance (+2 points) for the player's skill θ from a single attempt. (**Hint:** The estimator assigns a "score" to each outcome.)