

**Required Part:**

0. Read §5a Minimum Variance Unbiased Estimation.

1. Suppose  $Y$  and  $Z$  are univariate random variables such that

$$Y | Z = z \sim N(\mu + z, \sigma^2), \quad Z \sim N(0, \lambda^2).$$

Find the unconditional distribution of  $Y$ .

2. Suppose  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are  $n$  univariate random variables and  $Z$  is another random variable such that,

(i) Given  $Z$ , the random variables  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are independent;

(ii)  $Y_i | Z = z \sim N(\mu_i + z, \sigma^2)$ .

Suppose  $Z \sim N(0, \lambda^2)$ . Find the unconditional joint distribution of  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ .

3. Suppose an experiment produces observations  $\{Y_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, v; j = 1, \dots, b\}$  which is a collection of  $vb$  univariate random variables. Suppose  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_b$  are  $b$  univariate random variables that are not observed.

(i) For each  $j = 1, \dots, b$ , given  $\beta_j$ , the observations  $Y_{1j}, \dots, Y_{vj}$  are independent, and  $Y_{ij} | \beta_j \sim N(\tau_i + \beta_j, \sigma^2)$ .

(ii)  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_b$  are iid  $\sim N(0, \sigma_\beta^2)$ .

(iii) Let  $Y_j = (Y_{1j}, \dots, Y_{vj})'$ .  $Y_1, \dots, Y_b$  are independent random vectors.

(iv)  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_v, \sigma^2 > 0, \sigma_\beta^2 > 0$  are unknown parameters (constants).

Then

(a) Find the likelihood of  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_v, \sigma^2, \sigma_\beta^2$ , based on the observations

$$\{Y_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, v; j = 1, \dots, b\}.$$

(b) Find the maximum likelihood estimators for  $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_v$ .

(c) Find the maximum likelihood estimators for  $\sigma^2$  and  $\sigma_\beta^2$ .