

## Statistics 581, Problem Set 7 Solutions

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1. Suppose that  $X \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ ; i.e.  $X$  has density  $p_\theta$  given by

$$p_\theta(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} \mathbf{1}_{(0,1)}(x), \quad \theta = (\alpha, \beta) \in (0, \infty) \times (0, \infty) \equiv \Theta.$$

Consider estimation of:

A.  $q_A(\theta) \equiv E_\theta X$ . B.  $q_B(\theta) \equiv F_\theta(x_0)$  for a fixed  $x_0$ ; here  $F_\theta(x) \equiv P_\theta(X \leq x)$ .

(i) Compute  $I(\theta) = I(\alpha, \beta)$ ; compare Lehmann & Casella page 127, Table 6.1

(ii) Compute  $q_A(\theta)$ ,  $q_B(\theta)$ ,  $\dot{q}_A(\theta)$ , and  $\dot{q}_B(\theta)$ .

(iii) Find the efficient influence functions for estimation of  $q_A$  and  $q_B$ .

(iv) Compare the efficient influence functions you find in (iii) with the influence functions  $\psi_A$  and  $\psi_B$  of the natural nonparametric estimators  $\bar{X}_n$  and  $\mathbb{F}_n(x_0)$  respectively. Does  $\psi_A \in \dot{\mathcal{P}}$ ? Does  $\psi_B \in \dot{\mathcal{P}}$  hold?

**Solution:** For the  $\text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  density:

$$p_\theta(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} \mathbf{1}_{(0,1)}(x).$$

Thus

$$\log p_\theta(x) = (\alpha - 1) \log x + (\beta - 1) \log(1 - x) + \log \Gamma(\alpha + \beta) - \log \Gamma(\alpha) - \log \Gamma(\beta),$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{l}_\alpha(x) &= \log x + \psi(\alpha + \beta) - \psi(\alpha), \\ \dot{l}_\beta(x) &= \log(1 - x) + \psi(\alpha + \beta) - \psi(\beta). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{l}_{\alpha\alpha}(x) &= \psi'(\alpha + \beta) - \psi'(\alpha), \\ \ddot{l}_{\alpha\beta}(x) &= \psi'(\alpha + \beta), \\ \ddot{l}_{\beta\beta}(x) &= \psi'(\alpha + \beta) - \psi'(\beta). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$I(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi'(\alpha) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) & -\psi'(\alpha + \beta) \\ -\psi'(\alpha + \beta) & \psi'(\beta) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (0.1)$$

This is positive definite for all  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$ .

(ii). Now  $q_A(\theta) = \alpha/(\alpha + \beta)$ , and

$$q_B(\theta) = P_\theta(X \leq x_0) = \int_0^{x_0} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} dx,$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{q}_A^T(\theta) &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} q_A, \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} q_A \right) = \left( \frac{\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2}, -\frac{\alpha}{(\alpha + \beta)^2} \right) = (\alpha + \beta)^{-2}(\beta, -\alpha) \\ &= \text{Cov}_\theta(X - E_\theta(X), \dot{l}_\theta^T(X)),\end{aligned}$$

while, with

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{q}_B(\theta) &= \begin{pmatrix} E_\theta(1_{(0,x_0]}(X) \log X) + (\psi(\alpha + \beta) - \psi(\alpha))F_\theta(x_0) \\ E_\theta(1_{(0,x_0]}(X) \log(1 - X)) + (\psi(\alpha + \beta) - \psi(\beta))F_\theta(x_0) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \text{Cov}_\theta[(1_{[0,x_0]}(X) - F_\theta(x_0)), \dot{l}_\theta^T].\end{aligned}$$

(iii). The scores are given by

$$\dot{l}_\theta(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \dot{l}_\alpha(x) \\ \dot{l}_\beta(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \log(x) - (\psi(\alpha) - \psi(\alpha + \beta)) \\ \log(1 - x) - (\psi(\beta) - \psi(\alpha + \beta)) \end{pmatrix}$$

and the information matrix is as given in (0.1) Thus

$$I^{-1}(\theta) = \frac{1}{\det I(\theta)} \begin{pmatrix} \psi'(\beta) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) & \psi'(\alpha + \beta) \\ \psi'(\alpha + \beta) & \psi'(\alpha) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$\det(I(\theta)) = (\psi'(\alpha) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta))(\psi'(\beta) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta)) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta)^2,$$

and the efficient influence function for estimation of  $q_A$  is

$$\tilde{l}_A(x) = \dot{q}_A(\theta)^T I^{-1}(\theta) \dot{l}_\theta(x) \in \dot{\mathcal{P}}$$

and hence is a (centered) linear combination of  $\log x$  and  $\log(1 - x)$ . Note that  $X - E_\theta(X) \notin [\dot{l}_\theta] = \dot{\mathcal{P}}$ , and hence the sample mean is inefficient for estimation of  $E_\theta(X)$  in this model.

Similarly,  $\tilde{l}_B(x) = \dot{q}_B(\theta)^T I^{-1}(\theta) \dot{l}_\theta(x)$ ; unfortunately, this does not simplify much, largely due to the fact that  $1_{[0,x_0]}(X) - F_\theta(x_0) \notin [\dot{l}_\theta] = \dot{\mathcal{P}}$ .

(iv) The information bound for estimation of  $q_A$  is

$$\begin{aligned}I^{-1}(P|q_A, \mathcal{P}) &= \dot{q}_A^T I^{-1}(\theta) \dot{q}_A \\ &= (\alpha + \beta)^{-4}(\beta, -\alpha) \frac{1}{\det I(\theta)} \begin{pmatrix} \psi'(\beta) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) & \psi'(\alpha + \beta) \\ \psi'(\alpha + \beta) & \psi'(\alpha) - \psi'(\alpha + \beta) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ -\alpha \end{pmatrix} \\ &< \frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2(\alpha + \beta - 1)} = \text{Var}_\theta(X)\end{aligned}$$

where the inequality holds since  $\psi_A(X) = (X - E_\theta(X)) \notin \dot{\mathcal{P}}$ . Similarly,

$$I^{-1}(P|q_B, \mathcal{P}) = \dot{q}_B^T I^{-1}(\theta) \dot{q}_B,$$

which does not simplify appreciably because  $1_{[0,x_0]}(X) - F_\theta(x_0) \notin [\dot{l}_\theta] = \dot{\mathcal{P}}$ . However, since we know that  $\tilde{l}_B = \Pi(1_{[0,x_0]}(x) - F_\theta(x_0) | \dot{\mathcal{P}})$ , it follows easily that

$$I^{-1}(P|q_B, \mathcal{P}) < E_\theta(1_{[0,x_0]}(X) - F_\theta(x_0))^2 = F_\theta(x_0)(1 - F_\theta(x_0));$$

i.e. it is possible to improve on the natural nonparametric estimators  $\bar{X}_n$  and  $\mathbb{F}_n(x_0)$  of  $q_A(\theta) = E_\theta(X)$  and  $q_B(\theta) = F_\theta(x_0)$  when the model holds. (If we had considered  $q_C(\theta) = E_\theta \log(X/(1-X))$  or  $q_D(\theta) = E_\theta \log X$ , this story would change! It is also an instructive exercise to consider the sub-model consisting of the beta densities with  $\alpha = \beta$ .)

2. Suppose that  $X \sim F_\theta = \text{exponential}(\theta)$  with density  $f_\theta(x) = \theta e^{-\theta x} 1_{(0, \infty)}(x)$  and  $Y \sim G_\eta$  independent of  $X$  with densities  $\{g_\eta : \eta \in R^+\}$ , a regular parametric model on  $(0, \infty)$ . Consider the following three scenarios for observation of  $X$  or functions of  $X$ :

(a) Uncensored: we observe  $X$  and  $Y$ .

(b) Right-censored: we observe

$$T(X, Y) = (X \wedge Y, 1\{X \leq Y\}) \equiv (\min\{X, Y\}, 1\{X \leq Y\}) \equiv (Z, \Delta).$$

(c) Interval-censored (case 1): we observe  $S(X, Y) = (Y, 1\{X \leq Y\}) \equiv (Y, \Delta)$ .

(i) Find the joint density of  $(X, Y)$  and joint distributions of  $T(X, Y)$  and  $S(X, Y)$ .

(ii) Find the scores for  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  in each of the three scenarios (a), (b), and (c). (Let  $(\partial/\partial\eta) \log g_\eta(y) \equiv a(y)$  with  $a \in L_2^0(G_\eta)$ .)

(iii) Compute and compare  $I_{X,Y}(\theta)$ ,  $I_{T(X,Y)}(\theta)$ , and  $I_{S(X,Y)}(\theta)$ . Make the comparisons in general and then explicitly by making one or more choices of the family  $\{g_\eta\}$ .

**Solution:** (i) In case (a) when we observe  $X$  and  $Y$  the joint density of  $X, Y$  is simply  $f_\theta(x)g_\eta(y) = \theta \exp(-\theta x)g_\eta(y)$ . In case (b) the joint density  $p(z, \delta) = p(z, \delta; \theta, \eta)$  (with respect to Lebesgue measure on  $(0, \infty)$  times counting measure on  $\{0, 1\}$ ) is given by

$$p(z, \delta) = \{(1 - G_\eta(z))f_\theta(z)\}^\delta \{(1 - F_\theta(z))g_\eta(z)\}^{1-\delta}.$$

In case (c) the joint density  $p(y, \delta) = p(y, \delta; \theta, \eta)$  of  $S(X, Y) = (Y, \Delta)$  given by

$$p(y, \delta) = F_\theta(y)^\delta (1 - F_\theta(y))^{1-\delta} g_\eta(y).$$

(ii) In case (a),

$$\log p_{X,Y}(x, y; \theta, \eta) = \log f_\theta(x) + \log g_\eta(y) = \log \theta - \theta x + \log g_\eta(y),$$

and hence the scores for  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{l}_\theta(x, y) &= \theta^{-1} - x, \\ \dot{l}_\eta(x, y) &= a(y). \end{aligned}$$

In case (b) we find that

$$\begin{aligned} \log p(z, \delta; \theta, \eta) &= \delta(\log f_\theta(z) + \log(1 - G_\eta(z))) + (1 - \delta)\{\log g_\eta(z) + \log(1 - F_\theta(z))\} \\ &= \delta \log f_\theta(z) + (1 - \delta) \log(1 - F_\theta(z)) + (1 - \delta)g_\eta(z) + \delta(1 - G_\eta(z)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus the scores for  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{l}_\theta(z, \delta) &= \delta(\theta^{-1} - z) + (1 - \delta)(-z) = \theta^{-1}\delta - z, \\ \dot{l}_\eta(z, \delta) &= (1 - \delta)a(z) + \delta(1 - G_\eta(z))^{-1} \int_z^\infty a(y) dG_\eta(y). \end{aligned}$$

In case (c),

$$\log p(y, \delta; \theta, \eta) = \delta F_\theta(y) + (1 - \delta)(1 - F_\theta(y)) + \log g_\eta(y).$$

Thus the scores for  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{l}_\theta(y, \delta) &= \left\{ \frac{\delta}{F_\theta(y)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} F_\theta(y) + \frac{(1 - \delta)}{1 - F_\theta(y)} \left( -\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} F_\theta(y) \right) \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \frac{\delta}{F_\theta(y)} - \frac{(1 - \delta)}{1 - F_\theta(y)} \right\} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} F_\theta(y) \\ &= \left\{ \frac{\delta}{F_\theta(y)} - \frac{(1 - \delta)}{1 - F_\theta(y)} \right\} (y \exp(-\theta y)) \\ &= \{\delta - F_\theta(y)\} \frac{y(1 - F_\theta(y))}{F_\theta(y)(1 - F_\theta(y))}, \\ \dot{l}_\eta(y, \delta) &= a(y). \end{aligned}$$

(iii) In case (a), the information matrix for  $(\theta, \eta)$  is given by

$$I_{X,Y}(\theta, \eta) = \begin{pmatrix} \theta^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & E a^2(Y) \end{pmatrix},$$

and hence the information for  $\theta$  is simply  $\theta^{-2}$ .

(b) In case (b),

$$\begin{aligned} I_{11}(\theta, \eta) &= E_{\theta, \eta} \dot{l}_\theta^2(Z, \Delta) \\ &= E_{\theta, \eta} (\theta^{-1} \Delta - Z)^2. \end{aligned}$$

But we can also calculate

$$\ddot{l}_{\theta, \theta}(z, \delta) = -\theta^{-2} \delta,$$

and hence

$$I_{11}(\theta, \eta) = -E_{\theta, \eta} \ddot{l}_{\theta, \theta}(Z, \Delta) = \theta^{-2} P_{\theta, \eta}(\Delta = 1) \quad (0.2)$$

$$= \theta^{-2} \int_0^\infty F_\theta dG_\eta = \theta^{-2} E_\eta g(\theta Y) \leq \theta^{-2} \quad (0.3)$$

where  $g(v) \equiv 1 - e^{-v}$  where the inequality is strict if  $P_\eta(Y < \infty) > 0$ . Note that

$$\ddot{l}_{\theta, \eta}(z, \delta) = 0,$$

and hence  $I_{12}(\theta, \eta) = I_{21}(\theta, \eta) = 0$ . Thus we conclude that the information for  $\theta$  is simply  $I_{11}(\theta, \eta) = \theta^{-2} P_{\theta, \eta}(\Delta = 1)$  as calculated in (0.3). When  $Y \sim \text{Exponential}(\eta)$  this yields

$$\begin{aligned} I_{11.2}(\theta, \eta) &= \theta^{-2} \int_0^\infty (1 - \exp(-\theta y)) \eta \exp(-\eta y) dy \\ &= \theta^{-2} \left\{ 1 - \eta \int_0^\infty \exp(-(\theta + \eta)y) dy \right\} \\ &= \theta^{-2} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\eta}{\theta + \eta} \right\} \\ &= \theta^{-2} \frac{\theta}{\theta + \eta} = \theta^{-2} \frac{1}{1 + r} \quad \text{with } r \equiv \eta/\theta. \end{aligned}$$

(c) In case (c), since  $(\Delta|Y) \sim \text{Bernoulli}(F_\theta(Y))$  we calculate conditionally on  $Y$  to find that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{11}(\theta, \eta) &= E_{\theta, \eta} \dot{l}_\theta(Y, \Delta)^2 \\
&= E_{\theta, \eta} \{F_\theta(Y)(1 - F_\theta(Y))\} \frac{Y^2(1 - F_\theta(Y))^2}{F_\theta(Y)^2(1 - F_\theta(Y))^2} \\
&= \theta^{-2} E_{\theta, \eta} \frac{(\theta Y)^2(1 - F_\theta(Y))}{F_\theta(Y)} \\
&= \theta^{-2} E_\eta h(\theta Y)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $h(v) \equiv v^2 e^{-v}/(1 - e^{-v})$  is a bounded function vanishing at 0 and  $\infty$  and  $\|h\|_\infty \leq .65$ ; see Figure 1.

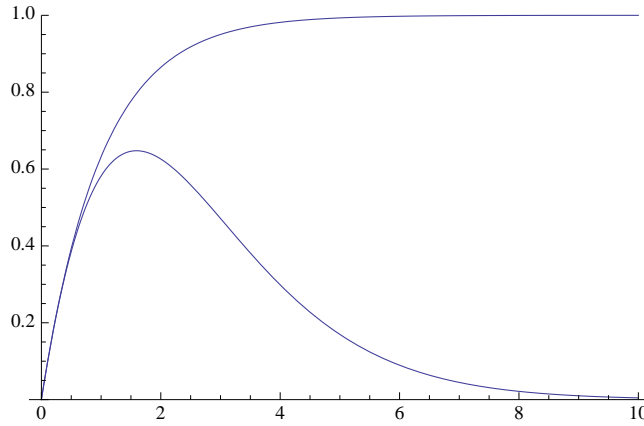


Figure 1: The functions  $g(v) = 1 - e^{-v}$  and  $h(v) = v^2 e^{-v}/(1 - e^{-v})$ .

Again by computing conditionally we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{12}(\theta, \eta) &= E_{\theta, \eta} \dot{l}_\theta(Y, \Delta) \dot{l}_\eta(Y, \Delta) \\
&= E \left\{ E \left\{ (\Delta - F_\theta(Y)) \frac{Y a(Y)}{F_\theta(Y)} | Y \right\} \right\} \\
&= E \left\{ \frac{Y a(Y)}{F_\theta(Y)} E \{(\Delta - F_\theta(Y)) | Y\} \right\} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the information for  $\theta$  based on observation of  $S(X, Y) = (Y, \Delta)$  is

$$I_{11}(\theta, \eta) = \theta^{-2} E_\eta h(\theta Y) \leq \theta^{-2} E_\eta g(\theta Y) \leq \theta^{-2}$$

where  $h(v) \equiv v^2 e^{-v}/(1 - e^{-v}) \leq 1 - e^{-v} \equiv g(v)$ ; to see this last inequality note it holds if and only if

$$v^2 e^{-v} \leq (1 - e^{-v})^2 = 1 - 2e^{-v} + e^{-2v},$$

or, if and only if

$$(2 + v^2)e^{-v} \leq 1 + e^{-2v} \quad \text{or, if and only if} \quad 2 + v^2 \leq e^v + e^{-v},$$

or, if and only if

$$1 + \frac{v^2}{2} \leq \frac{1}{2}(e^v + e^{-v});$$

and this last inequality is indeed true.

When  $Y \sim \text{Exponential}(\eta)$  this becomes

$$I_{11}(\theta, \eta) = \theta^{-2} 2 \frac{\eta}{\theta} \zeta(3, 1 + \eta/\theta) = \theta^{-2} 2r \zeta(3, 1 + r)$$

where  $\zeta(s, a) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+a)^{-s}$  is the generalized zeta function and (again)  $r \equiv \eta/\theta$ . Figure 4 shows  $I_{X,Y}(\theta)/I_{T(X,Y)}(\theta)$  and  $I_{X,Y}(\theta)/I_{S(X,Y)}(\theta)$  when  $Y \sim \text{Exponential}(\eta)$  as a function of  $r \equiv \eta/\theta$ .

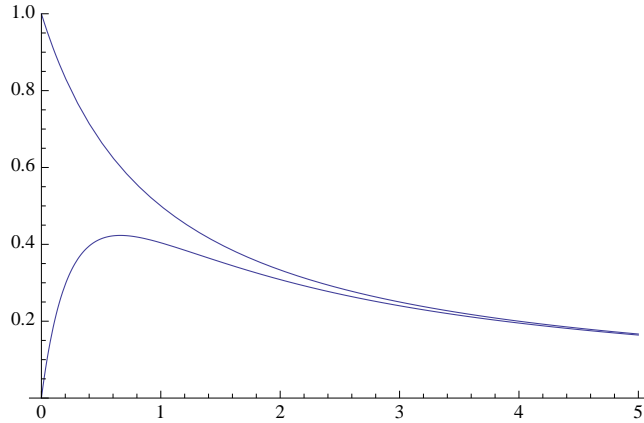


Figure 2: ARE's  $I_{X,Y}(\theta)/I_{T(X,Y)}(\theta)$  and  $I_{X,Y}(\theta)/I_{S(X,Y)}(\theta)$  as a function of  $r$

- Suppose that we want to model the survival of twins with a common genetic defect, but with one of the two twins receiving some treatment. Let  $X$  represent the survival time of the untreated twin and let  $Y$  represent the survival time of the treated twin. One (overly simple) preliminary model might be to assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent with  $\text{Exponential}(\eta)$  and  $\text{Exponential}(\theta\eta)$  distributions, respectively:

$$f_{\theta,\eta}(x, y) = \eta e^{-\eta x} \eta \theta e^{-\eta \theta y} 1_{(0,\infty)}(x) 1_{(0,\infty)}(y)$$

Compute the Cramér-Rao lower bound for unbiased estimates of  $\theta$  based on  $Z = X/Y$ , the maximal invariant for the group of scale changes  $g(x, y) = (cx, cy)$  with  $c > 0$ . Compared this bound to the information bounds for estimation of  $\theta$  based on observation of  $(X, Y)$  when  $\eta$  is known and unknown.

**Solution:** A. We compute, for  $w \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(W > w) &= P(X/Y > w) = P(X > wY) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{wy}^\infty \eta^2 \theta e^{-\eta x} e^{-\eta \theta y} dx dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \eta \theta e^{-\eta \theta y} \left( \int_{wy}^\infty \eta e^{-\eta x} dx \right) dy \\ &= \int_0^\infty \eta \theta e^{-\eta \theta y} e^{-\eta \theta y} dy \\ &= \eta \theta \int_0^\infty e^{-\eta(\theta+w)y} dy = \frac{\theta}{\theta + w}. \end{aligned}$$

[Alternatively,  $\eta X \sim \text{Exp}(1)$ ,  $\theta\eta Y \sim \text{Exp}(1)$  are independent so  $2\eta X \sim \chi_2^2$ ,  $2\theta\eta Y \sim \chi_2^2$  are independent. Thus  $W/\theta = (2\eta X/2)/(2\theta\eta Y/2) \sim F_{2,2}$  with density given by (1.2.13).] Thus the density of  $W$  is given by

$$f_W(w; \theta) = \frac{\theta}{(\theta + w)^2} 1_{(0, \infty)}(w).$$

Hence the score for  $\theta$  based on observation of  $W$  is

$$\dot{\mathbf{i}}_\theta(w) = \frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{2}{\theta + w},$$

and the information for  $\theta$  based on  $W$  is

$$\begin{aligned} I_W(\theta) &= E_\theta(\dot{\mathbf{i}}_\theta(W)^2) = -E_\theta \ddot{\mathbf{i}}_\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta^2} - 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{\theta}{(\theta + w)^4} dw = \frac{1}{3\theta^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the information bound for estimation of  $\theta$  based on observation of  $W$  is  $3\theta^2$ .

B. When we observe  $(X, Y)$ , the scores for  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  are given by

$$\dot{\mathbf{i}}_\theta(x, y) = \frac{1}{\theta} - \eta y, \quad \dot{\mathbf{i}}_\eta(x, y) = \frac{2}{\eta} - (x + \theta y),$$

and the second derivatives are

$$\ddot{\mathbf{i}}_{\theta\theta}(x, y) = -\theta^{-2}, \quad \ddot{\mathbf{i}}_{\eta\eta}(x, y) = -2/\eta^2, \quad \text{and} \quad \ddot{\mathbf{i}}_{\theta\eta}(x, y) = -y.$$

Hence the information matrix for  $(\theta, \eta)$  is given by

$$I(\theta, \eta) = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\theta^2 & 1/(\theta\eta) \\ 1/(\theta\eta) & 2/\eta^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus when  $\eta$  is known, the information for  $\theta$  is  $1/\theta^2$  and the information bound based on observation of  $(X, Y)$  is  $\theta^2$ . When  $\eta$  is unknown the information for  $\theta$  is

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\theta\theta \cdot \eta} &= I_{11 \cdot 2} = I_{11} - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} I_{21} \\ &= 1/\theta^2 - (\theta\eta)^{-2} \eta^2 / 2 = 1/(2\theta^2), \end{aligned}$$

and the information bound for estimation of  $\theta$  is  $2\theta^2$ . Thus lack of knowledge of  $\eta$  costs a factor of two in the bound.

C. Reduction to  $W$  cost a factor of 3 in the bound as compared to the bound based on  $(X, Y)$  when  $\eta$  is known and a factor of  $3/2$  in the bound based on  $(X, Y)$  when  $\eta$  is unknown. Thus reduction to  $W$  does not seem to be advisable. We can do better by basing estimation on *both*  $X$  and  $Y$ !

4. Suppose that  $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \Theta \subset R^k$  where  $\theta_1 \in R$  and  $\theta_2 \in R^{k-1}$ . Show that:

A.  $\mathbf{1}_1^* = \dot{\mathbf{i}}_1 - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{i}}_2$  is orthogonal to  $[\dot{\mathbf{i}}_2] \equiv \{a' \dot{\mathbf{i}}_2 : a \in R^{k-1}\}$  in  $L_2(P_\theta)$ .

B.  $I_{11 \cdot 2} = \inf_{c \in R^{k-1}} E_\theta(\dot{\mathbf{i}}_1 - c' \dot{\mathbf{i}}_2)^2$  and that the infimum is achieved when  $c' = I_{12} I_{22}^{-1}$ .

Thus

$$I_{11 \cdot 2} = E_\theta(\dot{\mathbf{i}}_1 - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{\mathbf{i}}_2)^2 = E_\theta[(\mathbf{1}_1^*)^2].$$

C. Prove the formulas (15) and (16) on page 21 of the Chapter 3 notes and interpret these formulas geometrically.

**Solution:** A. Note that for any  $a \in R^{k-1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta[l_1^* \dot{l}_2^T a] &= E_\theta \left\{ (\dot{l}_1 - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{l}_2) \dot{l}_2^T a \right\} \\ &= \left\{ E_\theta \left\{ \dot{l}_1 \dot{l}_2^T \right\} - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} E_\theta \left\{ \dot{l}_2 \dot{l}_2^T \right\} \right\} a \\ &= \{I_{12} - I_{12}\} a = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $l_1^*$  is orthogonal to  $[\dot{l}_2]$  in  $L_2(P_\theta)$ .

B. Note that for any  $c \in R^{k-1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} E_\theta(\dot{l}_1 - c' \dot{l}_2)^2 &= E_\theta(\dot{l}_1 - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{l}_2 + I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{l}_2 - c' \dot{l}_2)^2 \\ &= E_\theta(\dot{l}_1 - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} \dot{l}_2)^2 + E_\theta((I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} - c') \dot{l}_2)^2 \\ &= I_{11} - I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} I_{21} + E_\theta((I_{12} I_{22}^{-1} - c') \dot{l}_2)^2 \\ &\geq I_{11.2} \end{aligned}$$

with equality if and only if  $c' = I_{12} I_{22}^{-1}$ . Here the second equality uses the orthogonality proved in A.

C. Formula (16) says that

$$\tilde{l}_1 = I_{11}^{-1} \dot{l}_1 - I_{11}^{-1} I_{12} \tilde{l}_2. \quad (0.4)$$

One way to derive this is as indicated on page 21: since  $\tilde{l} = I^{-1} \dot{l}$  we have

$$\tilde{l}_1 = I^{11} \dot{l}_1 + I^{12} \dot{l}_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{l}_2 = I^{21} \dot{l}_1 + I^{22} \dot{l}_2.$$

Hence it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{l}_1 + I_{11}^{-1} I_{12} \tilde{l}_2 &= I^{11} \dot{l}_1 + I^{12} \dot{l}_2 + I_{11}^{-1} I_{12} (I^{21} \dot{l}_1 + I^{22} \dot{l}_2) \\ &= I_{11}^{-1} \left\{ (I_{11} I^{11} + I_{12} I^{21}) \dot{l}_1 + (I_{11} I^{12} + I_{12} I^{22}) \dot{l}_2 \right\} \\ &= I_{11}^{-1} \left\{ \text{Ident} \cdot \dot{l}_1 + 0 \cdot \dot{l}_2 \right\} \\ &= I_{11}^{-1} \dot{l}_1. \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging yields (0.4). Note that this identity decomposes the efficient influence function  $\tilde{l}_1$  in the larger model with both  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  unknown into its projection onto the efficient influence function in the sub-model when  $\theta_2$  is known, namely  $I_{11}^{-1} \dot{l}_1$ , and a term which is orthogonal to  $[\dot{l}_1]$ . Formula (17) follows immediately from (16) in view of orthogonality of the two terms:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{11.2}^{-1} &= E[\tilde{l}_1 \tilde{l}_1^T] = E[I_{11}^{-1} \dot{l}_1 \dot{l}_1^T I_{11}^{-1}] + I_{11}^{-1} I_{12} E[\tilde{l}_2 \tilde{l}_2^T] I_{21} I_{11}^{-1} \\ &= I_{11}^{-1} + I_{11}^{-1} I_{12} I_{22.1}^{-1} I_{21} I_{11}^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$