

# Lecture 5

## Outline

- 1) Completeness
- 2) Ancillarity
- 3) Basu's Theorem

# Completeness

Def  $T(X)$  is complete for  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$

$$\text{if } \mathbb{E}_\theta f(T(X)) = 0 \quad \forall \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow f(T) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} 0 \quad \forall \theta$$

"no nontrivial unbiased estimators of 0"

Name comes from a prior notion of

$\mathcal{P}^T = \{P_\theta^T: \theta \in \Theta\}$  being "complete";

[see HW Prob]

[For now, think "minimal +"]

Ex. (Cont'd) Laplace location family has  
minimal suff. stat.  $S = (X_{(i)})_{i=1}^n$ . Complete?

No: Let  $M(S) = \text{median}(X)$

$$\bar{X}(S) = \frac{1}{n} \sum X_i$$

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta \bar{X} = \mathbb{E}_\theta M = \theta \quad (\text{by symmetry})$$

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta [\bar{X}(S) - M(S)] = 0 \quad \forall \theta$$

$S(X)$  still has "a lot of fluff"

Ex  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} U[0, \theta] \quad \theta \in (0, \infty)$

Can show  $T(X) = X_{(n)}$  min. suff. Complete?

Find density of  $T(X)$ :

$$P_{\theta}(T \leq t) = \left(\frac{t}{\theta} \wedge 1\right)^n = \left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^n \wedge 1$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{\theta}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} P_{\theta}(T \leq t)$$

$$= n \frac{t^{n-1}}{\theta^n} \mathbb{1}_{\{t \leq \theta\}}$$

Suppose  $0 = E_{\theta} f(T) \quad \forall \theta > 0$

$$= \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^{\theta} f(t) t^{n-1} dt \quad \forall \theta > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\theta} f(t) t^{n-1} dt = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(t) t^{n-1} = 0 \quad \text{a.e. } t > 0$$

Def Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$  be an exponential family with densities wrt  $\mu$

$$p_\theta(x) = e^{\eta(\theta)'T(x) - B(\theta)} h(x)$$

Assume wlog  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R}, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^S$  with  $\beta' T(x) \stackrel{q.s.}{=} \alpha$

[If so, replace  $T(x)$  with a linearly independent basis]

If  $\Xi = \eta(\Theta) = \{\eta(\theta) : \theta \in \Theta\}$

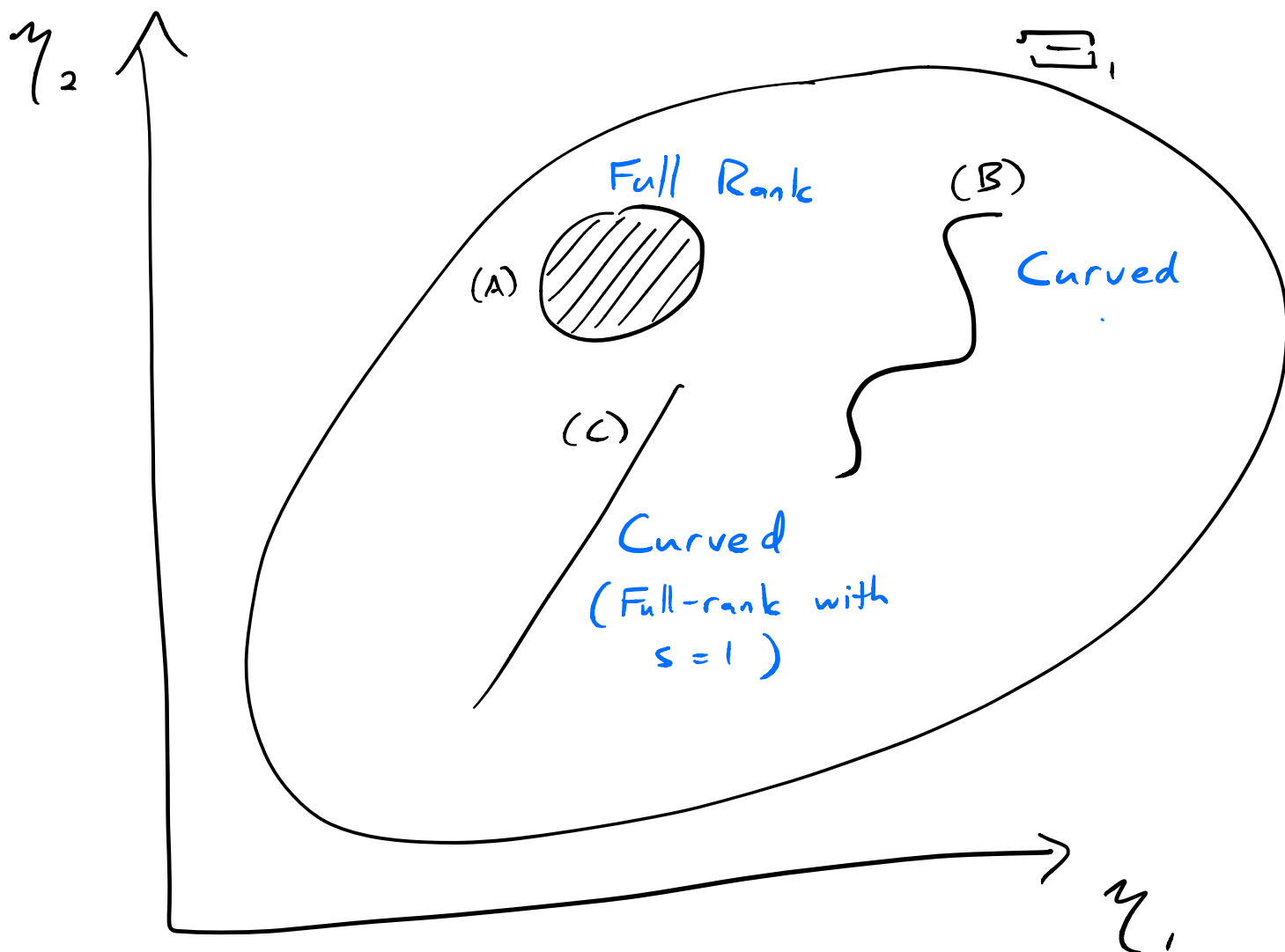
contains an open set, we say

$\mathcal{P}$  is full-rank.

Otherwise we say  $\mathcal{P}$  is curved.

Theorem If  $\mathcal{P}$  is full rank then  $T(x)$  is complete sufficient

Proof in Lehmann & Romano, Thm. 4.3.1



Theorem If  $T(X)$  complete sufficient  
for  $\mathcal{P}$  then  $T(X)$  is minimal

Game plan for completeness proofs: show two things are  
a.s. equal by showing they have expectation.

Proof Assume  $S(X)$  is minimal suff<sup>(\*)</sup>

Then  $S(X) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} f(T(X))$  (since  $T$  suff.)

Note  $m(S(X)) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[T(X) | S(X)]$

does not depend on  $\theta$ .

Let  $g(t) = t - m(f(t))$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[g(T(X))] &= \mathbb{E}_{\theta} T(X) - \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[m(S(X))] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\theta} T(X) - \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\mathbb{E}[T | S]] \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow g(T(X)) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} 0$  (completeness)

$\Rightarrow T(X) \stackrel{a.s.}{=} m(S(X))$

## Ancillarity

Def  $V(X)$  is ancillary for  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$  if its distribution does not depend on  $\theta$ . ( $V$  carries no info. about  $\theta$ )

### Theorem (Basu)

If  $T(X)$  is complete sufficient and  $V(X)$  is ancillary for  $\mathcal{P}$ , then

$$V(X) \perp\!\!\!\perp T(X) \text{ for all } \theta \in \Theta$$

Proof Want to show  $(\forall A, B, \forall \theta)$

$$P_\theta(V \in A, T \in B) = P_\theta(V \in A) P_\theta(T \in B)$$

equiv:  $P_\theta(V \in A \mid T \in B) = P_\theta(V \in A)$  (if  $P_\theta(T \in B) > 0$ )

$$\text{Let } q_A(T(X)) = P(V \in A \mid T) \quad [\text{suff.}]$$

$$p_A = P(V \in A) \quad [\text{anc.}]$$

$$E_\theta[q_A(T) - p_A] = p_A - p_A = 0, \quad \forall \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow q_A(T) \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} p_A \quad \forall \theta$$

□

Remark Keep in mind while trying to use Bas.

Ancillarity, Completeness, Sufficiency are all properties of a statistic

wrt a family  $\mathcal{P}$ . Independence is a property wrt a particular distribution  $P_\theta$

$\Rightarrow$  If  $T, V$  don't have the desired properties relative to  $\mathcal{P}$ , they might have them relative to subfamilies.

Ex.  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad \mu \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\sigma^2 > 0$

Let  $\mathcal{Q}_{\sigma^2} = \{N(\mu, \sigma^2)^n : \mu \in \mathbb{R}\}$

$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum X_i$  is complete suff. for  $\mathcal{Q}_{\sigma^2}$

$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  is ancillary:

Let  $Z_i = X_i - \mu \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$  NOT statistics!

$$X_i - \bar{X} = Z_i - \bar{Z} \Rightarrow S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (Z_i - \bar{Z})^2$$



Therefore  $\bar{X} \perp S^2$  for all  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 > 0$

Note  $S^2$  is not ancillary in the full family  $\mathcal{P} = \{N(n, \sigma^2)^n : \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 > 0\}$   
so we couldn't have applied Basu  
without breaking  $\mathcal{P}$  up into  $\bigcup_{\sigma^2 > 0} \mathcal{Q}_{\sigma^2}$