

1. Let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  be a random sample from the density  $p(y|\theta) = 2y/\theta^2$ ,  $0 < y < \theta$ , where  $\theta > 0$  is an unknown parameter.
  - (a) Let  $\bar{Y} = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ . Find the mean and variance of  $\bar{Y}$ .
  - (b) Show that  $\hat{\theta} = (3/2)\bar{Y}$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ .
  - (c) State the Cramer-Rao Inequality for the above situation.
  - (d) Show that  $\text{Var}(\hat{\theta})$  violates the Cramer-Rao inequality. Explain why.
2. (a) Let  $X$  have normal distribution with mean  $\theta$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  and let  $g$  be a differentiable function satisfying  $E|(g'(X))| < \infty$ . Show that

$$E[g(X)(X - \theta)] = \sigma^2 E g'(X).$$

(Hint: use integration by parts or Fubini's theorem.)

- (b) Let  $g(x)$  be a function with  $-\infty < E g(X) < \infty$  and  $g(-1)$  is finite. If  $X$  has a Poisson distribution with mean  $\lambda$ , show that

$$E(\lambda g(X)) = E(X(g(X - 1))).$$