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ON TWO THEOREMS OF BARTOSZEWICZ

1. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent identically distributed random variables with the probability distribution function

$$(*) \quad F(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda x} & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $T > 0$ be fixed and let D denote the number of those X_i for which $X_i < T$. Let

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^D X_{(i)} + (n - D)T,$$

where $X_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq X_{(n)}$ are the rearrangement of the series X_1, \dots, X_n in the ascending order.

Bartoszewicz has proved the following theorem ([1], Theorem 3):

THEOREM 1. *The statistic (D, S) is not complete except for the trivial case $n = 1$.*

The original proof uses the method of Laplace transforms. The following proof is a probabilistic one.

Proof. Let $n \geq 2$ and let

$$\varphi(D, S) = P(X_1 > T/2, X_2 > T/2 \mid D, S) - P(X_1 > T \mid D, S).$$

Then

$$E[\varphi(D, S)] = P(X_1 > T/2, X_2 > T/2) - P(X_1 > T) = (e^{-\lambda T/2})^2 - e^{-\lambda T} = 0.$$

On the other hand, if $S > (2n - 1)T/2$, then

$$\varphi(n, S) = 1 - 0 = 1,$$

since $A = [D = n, S > (2n - 1)T/2]$ implies $T/2 < X_i < T$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$).

Now

$$P(A) > P[(2n - 1)T/2n < X_i < T, i = 1, \dots, n] > 0,$$

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which means that $\varphi(D, S)$ differs from zero with positive probability and has the expectation equal to zero. It follows that the statistic (D, S) is not complete.

In the case $n = 1$ the completeness follows simply from that of X_1 , since (D, S) is then only a function of X_1 . For the completeness of the distribution of X_1 , see, e.g., [4], p. 132.

2. The proof can easily be modified to cover the two-parameter case [2].

Let now X_1, \dots, X_n be independent random variables with the common distribution function

$$F_1(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\lambda(x-a)} & \text{if } x \geq a, \\ 0 & \text{if } x < a. \end{cases}$$

Let $T > a$. Otherwise, we use the notation of Section 1.

In [2] Bartoszewicz has proved the following theorem ([2], Theorem 3):

THEOREM 2. *The statistic $(X_{(1)}, D, S)$ is not complete except for the trivial cases $n = 1, 2$.*

Here we give the following alternative proof.

Proof. It is known (see [3], Lemma 1) that $(X_{(2)} - X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)} - X_{(1)})$ is independent of $X_{(1)}$ and its distribution agrees with that of the set of ordered sample elements of a sample of size $n-1$ coming from the distribution $F(x)$ (cf. (*)). Rearranging the variables $X_{(2)} - X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$ in a random order, we obtain the independent random variables Y_1, \dots, Y_{n-1} which have the common distribution $F(x)$ and are totally independent of $X_{(1)}$.

Let $n \geq 3$. Now we put

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_1(X_{(1)}, D, S) &= P[Y_1 > (T - X_{(1)})/2, Y_2 > (T - X_{(1)})/2 \mid X_{(1)}, D, S] - \\ &\quad - P(Y_1 > T - X_{(1)} \mid X_{(1)}, D, S). \end{aligned}$$

We obtain

$$E[\varphi_1(X_{(1)}, D, S)] = E\{E[\varphi_1(X_{(1)}, D, S) \mid X_{(1)}]\} = 0$$

by using the same argument as before.

Now, let $X_{(1)} < T$ and $S > [3X_{(1)} + (2n-3)T]/2$. Then we again obtain $\varphi_1(X_{(1)}, n, S) = 1$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} &P\{X_{(1)} < T, D = n, S > [3X_{(1)} + (2n-3)T]/2\} \\ &> P\{X_1 < (a+T)/2, [a + (4n-1)T]/4n < X_i < T, i = 2, \dots, n\} > 0, \end{aligned}$$

we conclude in the same way as before that the statistic $(X_{(1)}, D, S)$ is not complete.

The exceptional cases can be dealt with similarly as in Section 1. If $n = 2$, the statistic $(X_{(1)}, X_1 + X_2)$ is complete according to Theorem 3 of [3].

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O DWÓCH TWIERDZENIACH BARTOSZEWICZA

STRESZCZENIE

W [1] i [2] Bartoszewicz udowodnił, że przy estymacji wykładniczej niezawodności z planem badania bez odnowy i czasem badania trwającym do ustalonej chwili, otrzymane statystyki dostatecznie nie są kompletne. W nocie podane są probabilistyczne dowody tych twierdzeń.