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2. (a) all $a > 1$, no $a > 1$; (b) $2(1 - 2^{-50})$.

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4. (a) a triangle with sides $y=x$ (exclusive), $y=-x$ (exclusive), $x=1$ (inclusive), it is convex but not compact; (b) 1/3 at (2/3,1/3).

B5. (a) $x^* = 1/(p + p^{1/(1-\alpha)}) = p^{-1/(1-\alpha)} / (p^{-\alpha/(1-\alpha)} + 1)$, $y^* = p^{1/(1-\alpha)} / (p + p^{1/(1-\alpha)}) = 1 / (p^{-\alpha/(1-\alpha)} + 1)$;

(c) $\lambda^* = \alpha(p^{-\alpha/(1-\alpha)} + 1)^{1-\alpha}$; (d) $\frac{-\alpha p^{-1/(1-\alpha)}}{(p^{-\alpha/(1-\alpha)} + 1)^\alpha}$, tends to zero as α tends to zero.

6. (b) approximately 76.3; (c) 0.046; (d) approximately 66.

C7. (a) $1 - (1-p)^k$; (b) $\frac{N}{k}(k+1 - k(1-p)^k)$; (d) expected number of test falls: in the extreme case where one infection in a household means all infected, the new expectation is

$$\frac{N}{k}(p(k+1)+1-p) = \frac{N}{k}(k+1 - k(1-p)) \text{, ie approximately } Np(k-1) \text{ less than in (b).}$$

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9. 0.97.

10. (a) $\tau_1 = 0.54$, $\tau_2 = 0.96$; (b)(ii) If H_0 : no covid and H_1 : covid then $1 - \tau_2$ and $1 - \tau_1$ respectively; (c)(i) 13; (ii) 0.49.

D11. (e) Ratio $P(R_2|R_1)/P(R_1)$ is approximately 1.27.

12. (a) $\beta_2 = \text{Cov}(Y_i, X_i) / \text{Var}(X_i)$; (c)(ii) zero.

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A1. (a) All x ; (b) All x , with $x < 0 : \ln 2, x \geq 0 : (\ln 2)2^x$

2. (b) 2/3.

3. (b) $\max f = -1$ at $\pm(1,1)$.

4. (a) Rotation about $(1,1,1)$ by 120 degrees; (b) the identity matrix I .

B5. (b) $x^* = \sqrt{2a}, y^* = 1/2 + \sqrt{a/2}$; (d) C^* decreases by 0.01 too.

6. (a) 6.93 years; (b) $K = 100e^{0.1(e^{-t}-1)}$; (c) $K = 100 - 10t + 11t^2/2$, 2.18; (d) $K(t) \sim 90.97$, and in case it helps: $K = 10t - 100 + 200e^{-0.1t}$.

C7. (a) size 0.0579; power 0.942; (b) 119.70 ± 12.77 .

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9. (a) $2\sigma^2$; (b) for \hat{g} : bias = 0, MSE = $\sigma^2/200$, for \tilde{g} : bias = 0, MSE = $\sigma^2/3311$, so clearly prefer \tilde{g} .

10. (b) $\ln W_i = \alpha_f + (\alpha_m - \alpha_f)D + \beta_f Ed_i + (\beta_m - \beta_f)DEd_i + u_i$ where $D = 0$ for female, 1 for male.

D11. (a) $\text{MSE} = p(1-p)/N$; (b) (i) 9/14; (ii) 5/14; (iii) 1/3; (iv) 4/5, then 3/7 and 4/7 so management will recommend not going; (d) The denominator is common to both expressions, so I ignored that and then the ratio of the probabilities (drink : no drink) is (5 : 4), so management will recommend going.

12. (a) (i) $\hat{\beta}_2/s.e.\hat{\beta}_2 = 2.5$, reject H_0 at 5% but not at 1% or 0.1%; (ii) $\hat{\beta}_2/s.e.\hat{\beta}_2 = 4.58$, reject H_0 at all levels; $\hat{\beta}_2/s.e.\hat{\beta}_2 = 0.83$, do not reject H_0 at any level; (b) flips for (i) at 1% otherwise no changes; (c) $\hat{\beta} \pm (t_{crit})(s.e.\hat{\beta})$, 0.31 to 0.79.

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A1. (b) $(0, \infty)$; (c) $x \in (0,1)$: $g(x) = \ln x$; $x \in (1, \infty)$: $g(x) = x - 1$; range is $(-\infty, \infty)$.

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3. (a) $2^9 A$; (b) Projection of any point on to the 45 degree line in direction of a and then a doubling of the magnitude.

4. (a) $q = (1 - 1/2 \alpha) + p/2 \alpha$; (b) As α increases, optimal profit decreases.

B5. (a) $u_A = 3$ at $x_A = 10, y_A = 5$; (b) $x_A = 10, y_A = 5, x_B = y_B = 10$;

(d) $x_A = 20/3, y_A = 5/3, x_B = y_B = 40/3$.

6. (a) r/w , apparently; (b) $f(K, L) = \frac{2}{3}(K+L) = \sqrt{(K^2 - KL + L^2)}$.

C7. (c) zero.

8. Yes, as $Z = -3.87$.

9. (a)(i) $3/7$; (ii) 0.063 ; (b) 0.038 .

10. (b) The latter.

D11. (a) $bias = \beta(\sum w_i x_i - 1)$, $var = \sum w_i^2 \sigma^2$.

12. (a)(i) $E(\hat{\beta}_2) = \beta_2 + \beta_1 \frac{\sum x_i}{\sum x_I^2}$; (b)(i) $E(\tilde{\beta}_2) = \beta_2$.