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## ADVANCED ECONOMETRIC THEORY EXERCISES 7

## UNBIASED AND INVARIANT TESTS

- 1. Define the following notions:
  - (a) unbiased test;
  - (b)  $\alpha$ -similar test;
  - (c) test with Neyman  $\alpha$ -structure.
- 2. Prove that a uniformly most powerful test with level  $\alpha$  is necessarily unbiased.
- Let (Υ, (P<sub>θ</sub> : θ ∈ Θ)) be a parametric model. If φ(y) is a test of the hypothesis H<sub>0</sub> : θ ∈ Θ<sub>0</sub>, where Θ<sub>0</sub> ⊆ Θ, and if E<sub>θ</sub>φ(y) is a continuous function of θ, show the following property: if φ is an unbiased test with level α, the test φ is α-similar on the frontier of Θ<sub>0</sub>.
- 4. Explain how invariant tests can reduce the number of nuisance parameters in a test problem.