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Optional coding homework 1

A .cvs file with a list of 4000 zeros and ones was created using a Python 3 code. The list is a sample from the following parametric statistical model. The model has 3 unknown parameters (n, p, q), where n is an integer $10 \le n \le 20$ and $p \in [0, 1/2)$ and $q \in [1/2, 1)$. Consider i.i.d. Bernoulli sequences $X = (X_1, X_2, ...)$ and $Y = (Y_1, Y_2, ...)$ with parameters p for X and q for Y. We define an independent sequence Z as follows:

 $Z = (X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_n, X_{n+1}, \dots, X_{2n}, Y_{n+1}, \dots, Y_{2n}, X_{2n+1}, \dots).$

The sample provided in the .cvs file consists of the first 4000 entries of Z. Your task is to estimate n, p, q. Furthermore, to know how good your estimates are, assuming \hat{n} has the right value, give approximate 95% confidence intervals for \hat{p} and \hat{q} .

How would you modify the estimators if the parameter space was changed to $p, q \in [0, 1]$?