

**HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT #5****Due Fri. May. 14, 2004 (in class)**

1. Poor 4.6. You don't need to solve for  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{MMAE}}$  in closed form.
2. Poor 4.8. In part (c), consider the cases  $n = 1$  and  $n > 1$  separately.
3. Poor 4.11. Replace "What happens when..." with "What happens when (i)  $n \rightarrow \infty$  assuming  $|\alpha| < 1$ , (ii)  $q^2 \rightarrow \infty$ , (iii)  $q^2 \rightarrow 0$ ".

In many problems of this sort it is *extremely* important to consider the support of the various pdfs. I suggest using the "indicator function" notation

$$I_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in A \\ 0 & x \notin A \end{cases}$$

for set  $A$ . For example, a unit-exponential r.v.  $Y$  has pdf  $p(y) = e^{-y}I_{[0,\infty)}(y)$ .