Problem Set 3

Math 466

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1. Consider a simple random sample X_1, \ldots, X_n , with each random variable having density

$$f(x|\theta) = (1+\theta)x^{\theta}, \quad 0 \le x \le 1.$$

Show that $T(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln x_i$ is a sufficient statistic.

2. In the previous problem, choose c so that cT(X) is an unbiased estimator of $1/\theta$. Find the Fisher information, $I(\theta)$.