

6. Biased coin

Problem 5. Biased coin

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We are given a biased coin, where the probability of Heads is q . The bias q is itself the realization of a random variable Q which is uniformly distributed on the interval $[0, 1]$. We want to estimate the bias of this coin. We flip it **5** times, and define the (observed) random variable N as the number of Heads in this experiment.

Throughout this problem, you may find the following formula useful:

For every positive integers n, k ,

$$\int_0^1 x^n (1-x)^k dx = \frac{n!k!}{(n+k+1)!}.$$

1. Given the observation $N = 3$, calculate the posterior distribution of the bias Q . That is, find the conditional distribution of Q , given $N = 3$.

For $0 \leq q \leq 1$,

$$f_{Q|N}(q | N = 3) = \boxed{60 \cdot q^3 \cdot (1-q)^2} \quad \checkmark \text{ Answer: } 60 \cdot q^3 \cdot (1-q)^2$$

2. What is the LMS estimate of Q , given $N = 3$?

$$\hat{Q}_{\text{LMS}} = \boxed{4/7} \quad \checkmark \text{ Answer: } 4/7$$

3. What is the resulting conditional mean squared error of the LMS estimator, given $N = 3$?

$$\boxed{3/98} \quad \checkmark \text{ Answer: } 3/98$$

STANDARD NOTATION

Solution:

1. Using the Bayes' rule, we have for $0 \leq q \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Q|N}(q | 3) &= \frac{p_{N|Q}(3 | q) f_Q(q)}{p_N(n)} \\ &= \frac{\binom{5}{3} q^3 (1-q)^2}{\int_0^1 p_{N|Q}(3 | q) f_Q(q) dq} \\ &= \frac{10 q^3 (1-q)^2}{\int_0^1 \binom{5}{3} q^3 (1-q)^2 dq} \\ &= \frac{10 q^3 (1-q)^2}{10 \int_0^1 q^3 (1-q)^2 dq} \\ &= \frac{10 q^3 (1-q)^2}{10 \frac{3!2!}{6!}} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 60q^3(1 - q)^2.$$

2. In order to compute the LMS estimate, we have to compute the conditional expectation of Q , given $N = 3$, namely, we have to evaluate the quantity $\mathbf{E}[Q \mid N = 3]$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{E}[Q \mid N = 3] &= \int_0^1 q f_{Q|N}(q \mid 3) \, dq \\ &= \int_0^1 60q^4(1 - q)^2 \, dq \\ &= 60 \frac{4!2!}{7!} \\ &= \frac{4}{7}.\end{aligned}$$

3. The conditional mean squared error of the LMS estimator is the conditional variance:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(Q \mid N = 3) &= \mathbf{E}[Q^2 \mid N = 3] - (\mathbf{E}[Q \mid N = 3])^2 \\ &= \int_0^1 q^2 f_{Q|N}(q \mid 3) \, dq - \left(\frac{4}{7}\right)^2 \\ &= \int_0^1 60q^5(1 - q)^2 \, dq - \frac{16}{49} \\ &= 60 \frac{5!2!}{8!} - \frac{16}{49} \\ &= \frac{5}{14} - \frac{16}{49} \\ &= \frac{3}{98}.\end{aligned}$$

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