

Exercise 1 Could you give the likelihood and/or loglikelihood in the following cases:

Q:

- (1) Poisson distribution, with one single observation $x \Rightarrow X \sim \text{Pois}(\theta)$
- (2) Exponential distribution, with an n-sample: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$
- (3) Cauchy distribution, with a n-sample: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $X_i \sim \text{Cauchy}_{\text{center}}(\theta)$
- (4) Geometric distribution, with a n-sample: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $X_i \sim \text{Geo}(\theta)$.

A:

$$(1) \cdot L(\theta; x) = f_X(x; \theta) = P(X=x; \theta) = e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}$$

$$\cdot \ln L(\theta; x) = x \ln(\theta) - \ln(x!) - \theta$$

$$(2) \cdot L(\theta; x) = L(\theta; (x_1, \dots, x_n)) = f_{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}((x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta) \stackrel{x_i \perp \!\!\! \perp}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n \theta e^{-\theta x_i} \prod_{\{x_i > 0\}} \text{given that } (x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ is a sequence of positive values.}$$

$$= \theta^n e^{-\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

$$\cdot \ln L(\theta; x) = n \ln(\theta) - \theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$(3) \cdot L(\theta; x) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\pi (1 + (x_i - \theta)^2)} \prod_{i=1}^n (x_i)$$

$$= \pi^{-n} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 + (x_i - \theta)^2}$$

$$\cdot \ln L(\theta; x) = -n \ln(\pi) + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 + (x_i - \theta)^2} \right) = -n \ln(\pi) - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(1 + (x_i - \theta)^2)$$

$$(1) \cdot L(\theta; x) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i = x_i; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n (\theta)^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i} = \theta^n \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(\theta)^{x_i}}{(1-\theta)}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\theta}{1-\theta}\right)^n (\theta)^{\sum x_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot \ln L(\theta; x) &= n \ln(\theta) - n \ln(1-\theta) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \ln(1-\theta) \\ &= n \ln(\theta) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n\right) \ln(1-\theta). \end{aligned}$$

(Exercice 2) : on the computer...

(Exercice 3) Compute the maximum likelihood estimator from a n-sample

Q: in the following cases:

$$(1) f(x; \theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1} \mathbb{1}_{\{0 < x < 1\}}, \text{ with } \theta > 0.$$

$$(2) f(x; \theta) = \theta^2 x e^{-\theta x} \mathbb{1}_{\{x > 0\}}, \text{ with } \theta > 0.$$

$$(3) f(x; \theta) = (\theta+1) x^{-\theta-2} \mathbb{1}_{\{x > 1\}}, \text{ with } \theta > 0.$$

A: (1) $\log\text{-likelihood}$ $\ell(\theta; x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(\theta x_i^{\theta-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n [\ln(\theta) + (\theta-1) \ln(x_i)]$

$$= n \ln(\theta) + (\theta-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i)$$

$$\hat{\theta} \text{ is such that } \left. \frac{d \ell(\theta; x)}{d\theta} \right|_{\theta=\hat{\theta}} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{\hat{\theta}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = -\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i)}$$

$$(2) \ell(\theta; x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(\theta^2 x_i e^{-\theta x_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^n [2 \ln(\theta) + \ln(x_i) - \theta x_i]$$

$$= 2n \ln(\theta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) - \theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{2n}{\hat{\theta}} - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0 \Leftrightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{2n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

$$(3) \ell(\theta; x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln((\theta+1)x_i^{-\theta-2}) = \sum_{i=1}^n [\ln(\theta+1) - (\theta+2)\ln(x_i)] \quad (2)$$

$$= n \ln(\theta+1) - (\theta+2) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i)$$

Then $\frac{n}{\theta+1} - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{n}{\theta+1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) \Leftrightarrow \hat{\theta}+1 = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i)}$

Hence $\hat{\theta} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i)} - 1$

Exercise 4 Compute the Fisher information when dealing with a

- Q: n-sample $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, where (1) $X_i \sim \mathcal{B}(\pi)$
(2) $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

A: (1) We have a n-sample, i.e. $(X_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are iid realizations, and because they are independent r.v. we know that $I_n(\pi) = n I_1(\pi)$.

Moreover, by definition, $I_n(\pi) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \pi} \ln L(\pi; (x_1, \dots, x_n))\right)$

Since $\ln(\cdot)$ is simpler to use:

$$I_n(\pi) = -\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \pi^2} \ln L(\pi; (x_1, \dots, x_n))\right]$$

Here, we have:

$$\ell(\pi; x_1) = \ln(L(\pi; x_1)) = \ln(\pi^{x_1} (1-\pi)^{1-x_1}) = x_1 \ln(\pi) + (1-x_1) \ln(1-\pi)$$

Therefore $I_n(\pi) = n I_1(\pi) = n \text{Var}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \pi} \ell(\pi; x_1)\right) = n \text{Var}\left(\frac{x_1}{\pi} - \frac{1-x_1}{1-\pi}\right)$

$$= n \left[\frac{1}{\pi^2} \text{Var}(x_1) + \frac{1}{(1-\pi)^2} \text{Var}(x_1) \right] = n \left(\frac{\pi(1-\pi)}{\pi^2} + \frac{\pi(1-\pi)}{(1-\pi)^2} \right)$$

$$= n \left(\frac{1-\pi}{\pi} + \frac{\pi}{1-\pi} \right) = n \left(\frac{(1-\pi)^2 + \pi^2}{\pi(1-\pi)} \right) = n \left(\frac{1-2\pi + \pi^2 + \pi^2}{\pi(1-\pi)} \right) = \frac{n}{\pi(1-\pi)}$$

$$(2): X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2).$$

Here θ is a two-dimensional vector of parameters. The definition thus has to be adapted, considering partial derivatives. Taking

$$I_1(\theta) = I_1((\mu, \sigma^2)) = -E \left[\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} \ln L(\theta; x) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu \partial \sigma^2} \ln L(\theta; x) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \mu} \ln L(\theta; x) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} \ln L(\theta; x) \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

- $\ell(\theta; x_1) = \ln L((\mu, \sigma^2); x_1)$

$$= \ln f(x_1; (\mu, \sigma^2))$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x_1-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(\sigma^2) - \frac{(x_1-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \ell(\theta; x_1) = -(-1) \mathcal{E}(x_1 - \mu) \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} = \frac{x_1 - \mu}{\sigma^2}$

- $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu \partial \sigma^2} \ell(\theta; x_1) = (x_1 - \mu) \times -(\sigma^2)^{-2} = -\frac{x_1 - \mu}{(\sigma^2)^2} = \frac{\mu - x_1}{\sigma^4} \Rightarrow -E\left[\frac{\mu - x_1}{\sigma^4}\right] = 0$

- $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} \ell(\theta; x_1) = -\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \Rightarrow -E\left[-\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} \ell(\theta; x_1) = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{(x_1 - \mu)^2}{2} \times (-1)(\sigma^2)^{-2} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{(x_1 - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^4}$

- $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \sigma^2} \ell(\theta; x_1) = -\frac{1}{2} (-1)(\sigma^2)^{-2} + \frac{(x_1 - \mu)^2}{2} (-2)(\sigma^2)^{-3}$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{(x_1 - \mu)^2}{\sigma^6} \Rightarrow -E\left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{(x_1 - \mu)^2}{\sigma^6}\right] = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} + \frac{1}{\sigma^6} \frac{E[(x_1 - \mu)^2]}{\text{Var}(x_1)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} + \frac{1}{\sigma^6} \sigma^2 = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} + \frac{1}{\sigma^4} = \frac{-1+2}{2\sigma^4} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^4}$$

We then get the result: $I_1(\mu, \sigma^2) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{n}{2\sigma^4} \end{pmatrix}$

Exercise 5 Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ a n -sample of iid r.v. such that ③

Q: $X_i \sim \mathcal{B}(\pi)$. Show that $S = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$ is an exhaustive statistic. Is it also minimal?

A: • $X_i \sim \mathcal{B}(\pi)$, $X_i \in \{0, 1\}$, $\Pr(X_i = x_i) = \pi^{x_i} (1-\pi)^{1-x_i}$

$$L(\pi; x) = \prod_{i=1}^n \Pr(X_i = x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi^{x_i} (1-\pi)^{1-x_i} = \pi^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\pi)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

We can conclude from the factorization theorem by Fisher-Neyman; since there exist two measurable functions g and h such that: $\forall x \in X, \forall \pi \in \Pi$,

$$L(\pi; x) = \underbrace{\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right)^{\sum x_i}}_{g(\sum x_i; \pi)} (1-\pi)^n \times \underbrace{1}_{h(x)} \Rightarrow T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \text{ is an exhaustive statistic for } \pi.$$

This statistic is also minimal. Indeed, we need at least this information to be able to compute the likelihood.

• Same question with $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\theta, 1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta; x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x_i-\theta)^2}{2}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i-\theta)^2}{2}} \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2 - 2\theta x_i + \theta^2}{2}} = (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}}_{h(x)} \underbrace{e^{\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}_{g(\sum x_i; \theta)} e^{-\frac{n}{2}\theta^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = T(x)$ is a sufficient (exhaustive) statistic for the estimation of θ . It is also minimal.

Exercise 6 Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be an n -sized sample, where $X_i \sim U(0, \theta)$.

Denote by $\begin{cases} \hat{\theta}_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ \tilde{\theta}_n = 2\bar{X}_n = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \end{cases}$

1) Show that $\hat{\theta}_n$ is an unbiased and consistent estimator of θ , and that $V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \frac{\theta^2}{3})$.

$$\begin{aligned} A: \quad \mathbb{E}[\tilde{\theta}_n] &= \mathbb{E}[2\bar{X}_n] = 2\mathbb{E}[\bar{X}_n] = 2\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right] = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i] \\ &= \frac{2n}{n} \mathbb{E}[X_i] = 2\mathbb{E}[X_i] = 2\left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right) \text{ with } \begin{cases} a=0 \\ b=\theta \end{cases} \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{2} = \theta \Rightarrow \text{unbiased.} \end{aligned}$$

• $\hat{\theta}_n$ is unbiased: we now check the variance to study the quadratic risk:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_n) &= \text{Var}(2\bar{X}_n) = 4 \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{4}{n^2} \text{Var}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \frac{4}{n} \text{Var}(X_i) \\ &= \frac{4}{n} \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} = \frac{4}{12n} \theta^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

then $R(\hat{\theta}_n) = \mathbb{E}[(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta)^2] = \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{MQ}} \theta$

And therefore $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{IP}} \theta$. $\hat{\theta}_n$ is a consistent estimator of θ .

• X_i are iid, with finite mean m_i and variance σ_i^2 : from the CLT,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathcal{D}} N\left(n m_i, n \sigma_i^2\right) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N\left(n \frac{\theta}{2}, n \frac{\theta^2}{12}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}_{\tilde{\theta}_n} \sim N\left(\theta, \frac{\theta^2}{3n}\right) \Rightarrow V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta) \sim N\left(0, \frac{\theta^2}{3}\right).$$

(2) Build an asymptotic confidence interval on θ , based on $\tilde{\theta}_n$, with security coefficient $1-\alpha$. ④

We thus look for bounds L and U such that:

$$P(L \leq \theta \leq U) = 1-\alpha$$

$$P(\tilde{\theta}_n - U \leq \tilde{\theta}_n - \theta \leq \tilde{\theta}_n - L) = 1-\alpha$$

$$P(V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - U) \leq V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta) \leq V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - L)) = 1-\alpha$$

$$P\left(\frac{V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - U)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{3}}} \leq \frac{V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{3}}} \leq \frac{V_n(\tilde{\theta}_n - L)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{3}}}\right) = 1-\alpha$$

$\underbrace{z \sim N(0,1)}_{n \rightarrow \infty}$

$$P\left(\frac{\sqrt{3n}}{\sigma}(\tilde{\theta}_n - U) \leq z \leq \frac{\sqrt{3n}}{\sigma}(\tilde{\theta}_n - L)\right) = 1-\alpha$$

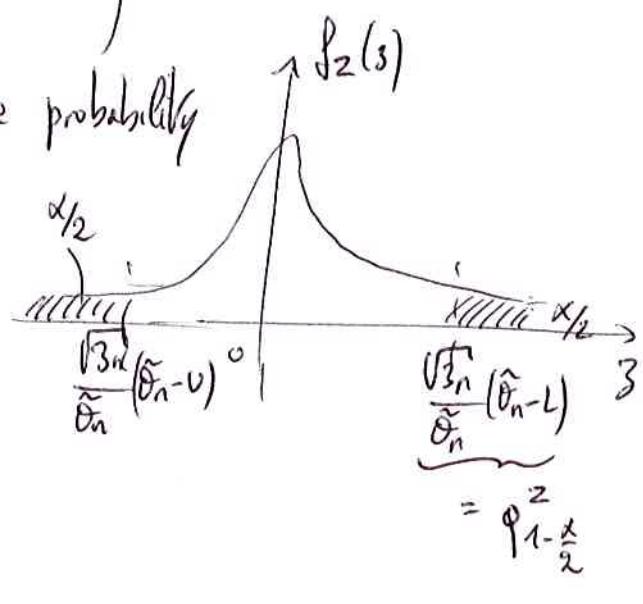
We know that $\tilde{\theta}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} \theta$, thus we use the Slutsky Theorem:

$$F_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3n}}{\sigma}(\tilde{\theta}_n - L)\right) - F_2\left(\frac{\sqrt{3n}}{\sigma}(\tilde{\theta}_n - U)\right) = 1-\alpha$$

z has a symmetric density \Rightarrow we can share probability α between two different zones with same probability $\frac{\alpha}{2} \Rightarrow L = -U$

We thus have

$$\underbrace{q_{0,975}}_{=1,96} = q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3n}}{\sigma}(\tilde{\theta}_n - L)$$



$$\text{Therefore } \hat{\theta}_n q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 = \sqrt{3n} (\hat{\theta}_n - L) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 = \hat{\theta}_n - L$$

Finally,

$$\begin{cases} L = \hat{\theta}_n - \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 \\ U = \hat{\theta}_n + \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow IC_{1-\alpha}(\theta) = \left[\hat{\theta}_n \pm \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 \right]$$

(3) Show that $\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta}$ is a pivotal function to estimate θ . (remind that a pivotal function has a distribution which does not depend on θ).

A: We have $\hat{\theta}_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$, where $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U([0, \theta])$.

This means that $P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq x\right) = P\left(\frac{\max(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{\theta} \leq x\right) = P\left(\frac{X_1}{\theta} \leq x, \dots, \frac{X_n}{\theta} \leq x\right)$

$$= P\left(\frac{X_1}{\theta} \leq x, \dots, \frac{X_n}{\theta} \leq x\right), \text{ where } \frac{X_i}{\theta} \sim U([0, 1])$$

$\begin{aligned} & X \sim U([0, \theta]) \\ & Y = \frac{X}{\theta} \sim ? \\ & P(Y \leq y) = P\left(\frac{X}{\theta} \leq y\right) \\ & = P(X \leq \theta y) \stackrel{U(0,1)}{=} y \\ & = y \text{ if } y \leq 1 \\ & \Rightarrow Y \sim U(0,1) \end{aligned}$

Hence $P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq x\right) \stackrel{def}{=} P\left(\frac{X_1}{\theta} \leq x\right) P\left(\frac{X_2}{\theta} \leq x\right) \dots P\left(\frac{X_n}{\theta} \leq x\right)$

$$= P(V_1 \leq x) \dots P(V_n \leq x) = x^n \text{ if } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Finally, $F_{\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta}}(x) = P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq x\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ x^n & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$ this distribution does not depend on θ .

(4) Build a (non-asymptotic) confidence interval of θ , with security coefficient $1-\alpha$, based on $\hat{\theta}_n$.

We look for bounds U and L such that:

$$P(L \leq \theta \leq U) = 1-\alpha.$$

We know that $P(\theta > 0) = 1$. (5)

We thus get $P(0 < \theta \leq v) = 1 - \alpha \Leftrightarrow P(\theta \leq v) - \overbrace{P(\theta < 0)}^{=0} = 1 - \alpha$

And then $P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} > \frac{1}{v}\right) = 1 - \alpha \Leftrightarrow 1 - P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{v}\right) = 1 - \alpha$

Therefore $\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{v}\right)^n = \alpha \Leftrightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{v} = \sqrt[n]{\alpha} \Leftrightarrow v = \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt[n]{\alpha}}$

We thus have $IC_{1-\alpha}(\theta) = [0, \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt[n]{\alpha}}]$.

(5) Compare the two obtained intervals:

$$IC_1 = \left[\hat{\theta}_n - \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2, \hat{\theta}_n + \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt{3n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2 \right]$$

$$IC_2 = [0, \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\sqrt[n]{\alpha}}].$$

Exercise 7 Let $\theta \in [0, 1]$, and X be a discrete random variable

with mass function: $P_\theta(X=k) = (k+1)(1-\theta)^2 \theta^k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

We have $E(X) = \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}$ and $Var(X) = \frac{2\theta}{(1-\theta)^2}$.

The goal is to estimate θ from the sample of iid rr. $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

① - Give $\hat{\theta}_n$ the moment estimator of θ .

② - Is $\hat{\theta}_n$ the maximum likelihood estimator well defined?

③ - Study the consistency of $\hat{\theta}_n$, and give its limiting distribution.

A: ① - By the SLLN, we have $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X)$.

Here we have $E(X) = \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta} \Leftrightarrow 2\theta = (1-\theta)E(X)$

$$\Leftrightarrow \theta(2+E(X)) = E(X) \Leftrightarrow \theta = \frac{E(X)}{2+E(X)}.$$

We thus get $\hat{\theta}_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n}{2+\bar{X}_n}$.

$$② - l(\theta; x) = \ln L(\theta; x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln p_\theta(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln ((x_i+1)(1-\theta)^2 \theta^{x_i})$$

$$= \ln \ln(1-\theta) + n \bar{X}_n \ln(\theta) + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial l(\theta; x)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{2n}{1-\theta} + n \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\theta}.$$

Is this function positive? $-\frac{2n}{1-\theta} + n \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\theta} > 0 \Leftrightarrow n \frac{\bar{X}_n}{\theta} > \frac{2n}{1-\theta}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1-\theta}{\theta} > \frac{2n}{n\bar{X}_n} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\theta} - 1 > \frac{2n}{n\bar{X}_n} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\theta} > 1 + \frac{2n}{n\bar{X}_n}$$

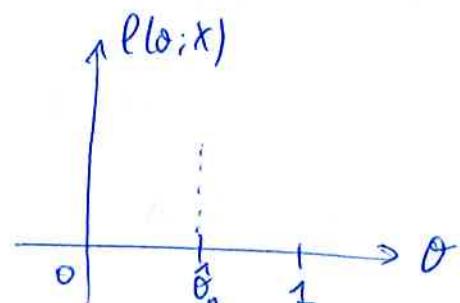
$$\Leftrightarrow \theta < \left(1 + \frac{2n}{n\bar{X}_n}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{n\bar{X}_n + 2n}{n\bar{X}_n}\right)^{-1} = \frac{\bar{X}_n}{2+\bar{X}_n} = \hat{\theta}_n \text{ - (MME) Method of Moment Estimator}$$

Hence $l'(\theta; x) > 0 \Leftrightarrow \theta < \hat{\theta}_n = \text{MME}$

If $\hat{\theta}_n > 0$ (i.e. $\bar{X}_n > 0$), then the maximum is located in $\hat{\theta}_n$ on $[0, 1]$.

Then $\tilde{\theta}_n = \hat{\theta}_n$.

If $\hat{\theta}_n = 0$ (i.e. $\bar{X}_n = 0$), then the likelihood is strictly decreasing on $[0, 1]$ and the MLE does not exist.



③ We know that $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} E[X_i] = E[X]$. ⑥

By the continuity theorem, we thus have $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} \theta$.

Then $\hat{\theta}_n$ is consistent. Moreover, provided that $(Var(X_i)) < \infty$, we have $E[X_i] < \infty$

from CLT: $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{D} N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n E[X_i], \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i)\right)$. $X_i \text{ iid.}$

$$\bar{X}_n \sim N\left(E[X_i], \frac{Var(X_i)}{n}\right) \Leftrightarrow \bar{X}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{D} N\left(\frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}, \frac{2\theta}{n(1-\theta)^2}\right) = \theta'$$

$\sqrt{n}\left(\bar{X}_n - \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}\right) \sim N\left(0, \frac{2\theta}{(1-\theta)^2}\right)$, then we use the Delta method

with function $g(x) = \frac{x}{2+x} = \frac{2+x-2}{2+x} = 1 - \frac{2}{2+x}$, at point $\theta' = \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}$.

This function has a derivative in $x = \frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}$, with derivative given by:

$$g'(x) = \frac{2}{(2+x)^2}, \text{ thus } g'\left(\frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}\right) = \frac{2}{\left(2 + \left(\frac{2\theta}{1-\theta}\right)\right)^2} = \frac{(1-\theta)^2}{2}$$

Finally, we get $\sqrt{n}\left(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta\right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{D} N\left(0, \frac{2\theta}{(1-\theta)^2} \times \left(\frac{(1-\theta)^2}{2}\right)^2\right) = N\left(0, \frac{\theta(1-\theta)^2}{2}\right)$.

Exercise 8 Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_{25})$ an iid. sample of random variables with $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2 = 81)$. We know that $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ gave a realization $\bar{x}_n = 81,2$.

Find the confidence interval with confidence probability 95% for the mean μ .

Therefore the case of Gaussian random variable with known variance.

Hence, $\bar{X}_n \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \Rightarrow V_n \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$

(Remember this is an exact confidence interval, not an asymptotic one!).

Therefore $V_n \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma}$ is a pivot (a function of the observations X_i and the parameter of interest μ , whose distribution is independent from μ).

Thus, we look for bounds z_1 and z_2 such that

$$P(z_1 < \mu < z_2) = 1-\alpha.$$

But we know that $V = V_n \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$, thus

$$P(|V| \leq q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}) = 1-\alpha$$

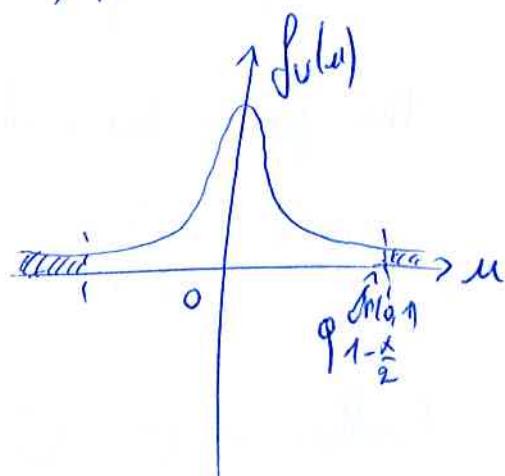
$$\Leftrightarrow P\left(V_n \frac{|\bar{X}_n - \mu|}{\sigma} \leq q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}\right) = 1-\alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P\left(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \leq \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}\right) = 1-\alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P\left(\underbrace{\bar{X}_n - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}}_{z_1} \leq \mu \leq \underbrace{\bar{X}_n + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}}_{z_2}\right) = 1-\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow IC_{1-\alpha}(\mu) = \left[\bar{X}_n - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}, \bar{X}_n + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}\right]$$

A.N.: $\left(q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)}\right)_{n=25} = q_{37,5\%}^{N(0,1)} = 1,96$ $\rightarrow IC_{1-\alpha}(\mu) \approx \left[81,2 - \frac{9}{5} \times 2, 81,2 + \frac{9}{5} \times 2\right]$



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Exercise 9 Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ a n-sample of iid random variables, where $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2 = 16)$. Find the minimal number of observations such that $[\bar{X}_{n-1}, \bar{X}_n + 1]$ would be the 90% confidence interval of μ .

A: We are exactly in the same framework as in Exercise 7. Thus,

$$\left[\bar{X}_n - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \varphi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{(0,1)} ; \bar{X}_n + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \varphi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{(0,1)} \right] \equiv [\bar{X}_{n-1}, \bar{X}_n + 1].$$

Therefore, we can identify the bounds, which yields:

$$\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \varphi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{(0,1)} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \sqrt{n} = \sigma \varphi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{(0,1)} \Leftrightarrow n = \left(\sigma \varphi_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{(0,1)} \right)^2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \alpha = 10\% \\ \sigma = 4 \\ \varphi_{95\%}^{(0,1)} = 1,64 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow n = (4 \times 1,64)^2 = 6,56^2 \approx 43, \dots$$

We thus require $n \geq 44$.
