

Problem. *The random variable X has pdf:*

$$f(x) = \beta^{-2} x e^{\frac{-0.5x^2}{\beta^2}} \quad ; x, \beta > 0$$

For this random variable, $E[X] = \frac{\beta}{2}\sqrt{2\pi}$ and $Var(X) = 2\beta^2 - \frac{\pi\beta^2}{2}$. You are given the following five observations: 4.9, 1.8, 3.4, 6.9, and 4.0

*Determine the method of moments estimate of β .
(Klugman 5th ed, 10.28)*

Solution.

Akan digunakan *raw moment* untuk estimasi, maka akan dicari terlebih dahulu nilai $E[X^2]$ dari variabel acak X (Tidak diperlukan karena hanya ada 1 variabel dalam ekspektasi)

$$\begin{aligned} Var(X) &= E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 \\ \Leftrightarrow E[X^2] &= Var(X) + (E[X])^2 \\ &= \left(2\beta^2 - \frac{\pi\beta^2}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\beta}{2}\sqrt{2\pi}\right)^2 \\ &= 2\beta^2 - \frac{\pi\beta^2}{2} + \frac{\beta^2}{4}2\pi \\ &= 2\beta^2 - \frac{\pi\beta^2}{2} + \frac{\pi\beta^2}{2} \\ \therefore E[X^2] &= 2\beta^2 \end{aligned}$$

Raw moment dari sampel adalah:
Momen pertama:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu'_1 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^5 x_i}{5} \\ &= \frac{4.9 + 1.8 + 3.4 + 6.9 + 4.0}{5} \\ &= \frac{21}{5} \\ \therefore \mu'_1 &= 4.2 \end{aligned}$$

Dengan metode momen:

$$\begin{aligned}E[X] &= \mu'_1 \\ \iff \frac{\beta}{2}\sqrt{2\pi} &= 4.2 \\ \iff \beta\sqrt{2\pi} &= 8.4 \\ \iff \beta &= \frac{8.4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \approx 3.35111515537\end{aligned}$$

Jadi, dengan metode momen didapat $\beta \approx \hat{\beta} = \frac{8.4}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \approx 3.35111515537$

Answer Key: $\hat{\beta} = 3.35112$