

① Probability distribution

$$P(x) = \begin{cases} q & ; x=0 \\ 1-q & ; x=1 \end{cases}$$

This is a Bernoulli distribution & can be re-written as:-

$$P(x|q) = (1-q)^x \cdot q^{1-x}$$

Likelihood of observing  $n$  <sup>iid</sup> points together is given as:-

$$P(x_1|q) \cdot P(x_2|q) \cdot \dots \cdot P(x_n|q)$$

or

$$\prod_{i=1}^n P(x_i|q)$$

∴ The likelihood function in this case will be

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^n (1-q)^{x_i} q^{1-x_i} \quad \text{--- (A)}$$

② To find the maximum likelihood estimate of  $q$ , we log transform the likelihood  $L$  and then differentiate it equating to 0.

Taking  $\log_e$  of (A) on both sides.

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



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

Differentiating wrt  $q$

$$\frac{d}{dq} \ln L = \frac{1(-1)}{1-q} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \frac{1}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)}{q} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{1-q}$$

To maximize, equating this to 0

$$(1-q) \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) - q \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$$

$$(1-q) \left[ n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right] - q \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$$

$$n - nq - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + q \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - q \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$$

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

$$q = \frac{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{q = 1 - \mu}$$

where  $\mu = \frac{\sum x_i}{n}$  = mean of observations



③ For the given sample of 30 observations, we have

1 → 17 times

0 → 13 times

$$q = 1 - p$$

Mean of  
people after

$$\text{buying the ticket} = \frac{17}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow q = 1 - \frac{17}{30} = \frac{13}{30} = 0.4333$$

④ If  $E(\hat{q}) = q$ , then MLE estimate is unbiased.

$$E(\hat{q}) = E\left(1 - \frac{\sum x_i}{n}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(x_i)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - q)$$

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$$= 1 - \frac{n(1 - q)}{n}$$

$$\boxed{E(\hat{q}) = q}$$