

1.A. MAP MLE Common distributions

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$$\text{mle} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{P(\theta|D)}{P(D)} \quad P(\theta|D) = \frac{P(D|\theta)P(\theta)}{P(D)}$$

Find mle (maximum likelihood estimator) for the following persons

1). Probability of success p in Bernoulli model

example dataset: 1, 1, 0, 1, 1 ; 1, 0, 1, 1, 0

Let X represent the Bernoulli R.V. X_i is i.i.d.

$X = X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$

Prob mass function of a Bernoulli is $\begin{cases} p & X=1 \\ (1-p) & X=0 \end{cases}$

equivalently, $p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$ where $x = 0, 1$

$$f(X_i | p) = p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$$

$$1) l(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n | p) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i | p) \quad (\text{independence})$$

$$2) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln [f(X_i | p)] \quad (\text{log transf})$$

$$3) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left[p^x(1-p)^{1-x} \right] \quad (\text{PMF of Bernoulli})$$

$$4) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln p + \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \ln (1-p) \quad (\text{rule of log})$$

$$5) \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmax}} l(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n | p) = \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln p + \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \ln (1-p) \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dp} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln p + \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \ln (1-p) \right] = 0$$

$$6) \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{p} + (-1) \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)}{1-p} = 0$$

$$7) \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{p} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)}{1-p}$$

$$8) (1-p) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = p \sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i)$$

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

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = p \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (1-x_i) \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = p \left(\sum_{i=1}^n 1 \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = p(n)$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \hat{p}}$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{p}$ mle \Rightarrow the sample mean of the Bernoulli distribution

2. Probability of success p in Binomial(n, p)

The pmf for a binomial distribution is $P(X) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$ where $x = 0, \dots, n$

Let X be a Binomial R.V. w/ params n and p . Let X_1, \dots, X_m be i.i.d. from X .

$$l(X_1, \dots, X_m | n, p) = \prod_{i=1}^m \binom{n}{x_i} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad (\text{independence})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \ln \left(\binom{n}{x_i} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{p} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m n-x_i}{1-p}$$

$$\underset{p}{\operatorname{max}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i}{p} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m n - \sum_{i=1}^m x_i}{1-p}$$

$$= (1-p) \sum_{i=1}^m 1 = p \sum_{i=1}^m x_i - n$$

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

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

$$\boxed{\hat{p}_{\text{mle}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m x_i}{n}}$$

3. Probability of success p in a Geometric model

Let X be i.i.d. from a Geometric R.V. w/ parameter p .

The pmf for a Geometric R.V. is $f(x) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$.

$$l(X_1, \dots, X_n | p) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(1-p)^{x_i-1} \quad (\text{independence})$$

Log-likelihood:

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

$$\underset{p}{\operatorname{argmax}} = \frac{d}{dp} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \ln p + (x_i - 1) \ln (1-p) \right] = 0$$

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

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

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

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

$$\boxed{\hat{p}_{\text{mle}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}}$$

4. Intercept λ in Poisson(λ) model

Let X be a Poisson R.V. w/ X_1, \dots, X_n

i.i.d. from X . The pdf of a poisson

$$is f(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$

$$l(X_1, \dots, X_n | \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!} \quad (\text{independence})$$

Log-likelihood:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n -\lambda + x_i \ln \lambda + \ln \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i!} \right] \quad C = \ln \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i!} \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n -\lambda + x_i \ln \lambda + \ln \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i!} \right] \right]$$

$$= -n + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\lambda} + 0 = 0$$

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

$$\boxed{\hat{\lambda}_{\text{mle}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}}$$