

Ans 4 Assuming we are given the sample data x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n drawn from a uniform distribution over $(0, \theta)$, x_i 's are independent.

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } 0 < x_i < \theta \quad \forall i \in [1, n], i \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

To maximize this likelihood, we have to minimize θ .

The minimum value that θ can take such that probability $\neq 0$ is $\max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$\text{The } \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

For MAP estimator:

$$\text{Prior } P(\theta) \propto \left(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta}\right)^\alpha \quad \forall \theta \geq \theta_m, \theta_m > 0, \alpha > 1$$

$$0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

The posterior distribution $P(\theta | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is

$$\frac{P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) P(\theta)}{P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}$$

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } 0 < x_i < \theta \quad \forall i \in [1, n], i \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$P(\theta) = \begin{cases} k \left(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta}\right)^\alpha & \text{if } \theta \geq \theta_m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The denominator of the posterior is a constant w.r.t θ

The numerator of the posterior is $\left(\frac{1}{\theta^n}\right) k \left(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta}\right)^\alpha$

For maximum posterior, θ has to be minimum.

The minimum value that θ can take such that posterior $\neq 0$ is $\max(\max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \theta_m)$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \max(\max(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n), \theta_m)$$

(ii) When $n \rightarrow \infty$, as x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are uniformly distributed $\max\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \theta_{true}$

Thus $\hat{\theta}_{ML} \rightarrow \theta_{true}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

If $\theta_m < \theta_{true}$ then $\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \max(\max\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n, \theta_m) \rightarrow \theta_{true}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ because $\max\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n \rightarrow \theta_{true} > \theta_m$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Thus $\hat{\theta}_{map} \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_n$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ where $\theta_m < \theta + \pi u.e$

This is a desirable case.

$$(iii) \quad P(\theta | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) P(\theta)}{P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}$$

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n & \text{if } 0 < x_i \leq \theta \quad \forall i \in [1, n], i \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$P(\theta) = \begin{cases} k \left(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta}\right)^\alpha, & \theta_m > 0, \alpha > 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) P(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\max(\max\{x_i\}, \theta_m)} 0 \cdot d\theta + \int_{\max(\max\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n, \theta_m)}^{\infty} P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) P(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_{\theta'}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n k \left(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta}\right)^\alpha \cdot d\theta \quad \text{where } \theta' = \max(\max\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n, \theta_m)$$

$$= k \theta_m^\alpha \left. \frac{\theta^{1-n-\alpha}}{1-n-\alpha} \right|_{\theta'}^{\infty} = k \theta_m^\alpha \left(0 - \frac{(\theta')^{1-n-\alpha}}{1-n-\alpha} \right) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{because} \\ \alpha > 1 \\ \text{Limit} \\ \text{at } \infty \text{ is} \\ 0. \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \frac{k \theta_m^\alpha (\theta')^{1-n-\alpha}}{n+\alpha-1}$$

$$P(\theta | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{k \theta_m^\alpha (\theta')^{1-n-\alpha} (n+\alpha-1)}{\theta^{n+\alpha} k \theta_m^\alpha} = \frac{(\theta')^{n+\alpha-1}}{\theta^{n+\alpha} (n+\alpha-1)}$$

$$E_{P(\theta | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)}(\theta) = \frac{\int_{\theta'}^{\infty} \theta \frac{(\theta')^{n+\alpha-1}}{\theta^{n+\alpha} (n+\alpha-1)} \cdot d\theta}{\theta^{n+\alpha}} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{if } \theta > \theta' \\ 0 \text{ otherwise.} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(\theta')^{n+\alpha-1}}{(n+\alpha-1)} \left(\frac{\theta^{2-n-\alpha}}{2-n-\alpha} \right) \Big|_{\theta'}^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{(\theta')^{n+\alpha-1}}{(n+\alpha-1)} \left(\frac{0 - (\theta')^{2-n-\alpha}}{2-n-\alpha} \right) = \theta' \cdot \frac{n+\alpha-1}{n+\alpha-2}$$

$$\text{Thus } \hat{\theta}_{\text{Posterior mean}} = \theta' \cdot \frac{n+\alpha-1}{n+\alpha-2}$$

(iv) As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\hat{\theta}_{\text{posteriormean}} \rightarrow \theta' = \max(\max(\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n), \theta_m)$

and $\theta' \rightarrow \theta_{\text{true}}$ if $\theta_m < \theta_{\text{true}}$

Thus $\hat{\theta}_{\text{posteriormean}} \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{\text{ML}}$ if $\theta_m < \theta_{\text{true}}$.

This case is desirable.