# STAT 391 Homework 5

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#### 1. Problem 1 - Bias and variance for the Poisson distribution

a Calculate  $E[\lambda^{ML}]$  as a function of  $\lambda$ .

$$E[\lambda^{ML}] = \lambda$$

b Calculate  $Var(\lambda^{ML})$  as a function of  $\lambda$ .

$$Var(\lambda^{ML}) = \frac{\lambda}{n}$$

c Assume that n is large enough for CLT to apply. Express the probability that  $\lambda^{ML} \geq \lambda + 1$  as a function of n,  $\lambda$  and  $\phi$  the CDF of the standard normal. Let  $Y = (x_1 + \cdots + x_n)$ . Then  $P(\lambda^{ML} \geq \lambda + 1) = P(Y \geq n\lambda + n)$ .

$$\begin{split} P(\lambda^{ML} \geq \lambda + 1) &= P(Y \geq n\lambda + n) \\ &= 1 - P(Z \leq \frac{n\lambda + n - n\lambda}{\sqrt{n\lambda}}) \\ &= 1 - \phi(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\lambda}}) \end{split}$$

d Numerical answer for  $\lambda = 10$ , n = 100.

$$P(\lambda^{ML} \ge \lambda + 1) = 1 - \phi(\sqrt{\frac{100}{10}})$$

$$= 1 - \phi(3.1622776601683795)$$

$$= 1 - 0.99921 \approx 0.000790$$

### 2. Confidence Intervals and Boostrap

a Esimate  $\mu^{ML}$  the mean of f.

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import statistics as stat

dir =
    r'C:\Users\johnn\Documents\UW\SchoolWorks\2018Spring\STAT391\HW5'
f = open(dir+r'\hw5-data1.dat')
dat = [float(xx) for xx in f]

mu = stat.mean(dat)
print('mu = ', mu)
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mu = 0.013597092102287756

b Estimate  $\sigma^{2,ML}$  the Maximum Likelihood variance of f. Then calculate  $\sigma^{2,C}$  the unbiased estimator of Var(f).

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Remark, \sigma^{2,C} = \frac{n}{n-1}\sigma^{2,ML}.
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n = len(dat)
sigmaML = stat.variance(dat)/n
stdML = stat.stdev(dat)/n
sigmaC = n*sigmaML/(n-1)
print('s^2ML = ', sigmaML)
print('stdML = ', stdML)
print('s^2C = ', sigmaC)
ciC = (mu-2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaC/n),
    mu+2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaC/n))
print('99 confidence interval ', ciC)
```

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s^2ML = 0.9962067496295647

stdML = 0.9981015728018691

s^2C = 0.9972039535831478
```

c Estimate the variance and standard deviation of  $\mu^{ML}$ , pretending

that  $\sigma^{2,C}$  is the true variance Var(f).

$$Var(\mu^{ML}) = Var(\frac{\sum_{i} X_{i}}{n})$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^{2}} Var(\sum_{i} X_{i}) = \frac{1}{n^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Var(X_{i})$$

$$= \frac{n\sigma^{2,C}}{n^{2}} = 0.0009972039535831479$$

d Use the CLT approximation to obtain the Confidence Interval for confidence level  $1 - \delta$ , for delta = 0.01.

$$\mu^{ML} \pm 2.576 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{2,C}}{n}}$$

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ciC = (mu-2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaC/n),
    mu+2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaC/n))
print('99 confidence interval ', ci)
```

99 confidence interval (-0.06774921735482387, 0.09494340155939937)

e Now estimate the variance of  $\mu^{ML}$  by Bootstrap; denote this by  $\sigma^{2,B}$ . Take B=1000 bootstrap samples, and calculate from them the numberical value of  $\sigma^{2,B}$ .

Using the method of Bootstrap, resample with replacement from n data points , leading to new observations  $X_1^*, \dots, X_B^*$ .

```
B=1000
np.random.seed(391)
xB = np.random.choice(dat, size=B, replace=True)
sigmaB = stat.variance(xB)
stdB = stat.stdev(xB)
print('s^2B = ', sigmaB/n)
```

 $s^2B = 0.0009465929207450022$ 

f Use CLT approximation again to obtain the CI.

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ciB = (mu-2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaB/n),
    mu+2.576*math.sqrt(sigmaB/n))
print('99 confidence interval ', ci)
```

99 confidence interval (-0.06565805653330303, 0.09285224073787854)

The difference between  $CI^B$  and  $CI^C$  is

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print('The difference is ', tuple(np.subtract(ciB, ciC)))
```

The difference is (0.002091160821520832, -0.002091160821520832)

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Calculate e_r = \frac{|SD_C(\mu^{ML}) - \sigma^B|}{SD_C(\mu^{ML})}.
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print('e_r = ', abs(stdML-stdB)/stdML)
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e_r = 0.02521938014674153
```

We can see that  $e_r$  is much smaller than 1, we can say the CI's are close.

#### 3. Problem 3- Median of Means(MOM)

a Compute  $\mu^{ML}$  the mean of the data, and  $\mu^{MOM}$  for K=56 (n=2800 for this data set).

```
import statistics as stat
import numpy as np
import math

dir =
    r'C:\Users\johnn\Documents\UW\SchoolWorks\2018Spring\STAT391\HW5'
f = open(dir+r'\hw5-data2.dat')
dat = [float(xx) for xx in f]

muML = stat.mean(dat)
print('muML = ', stat.mean(dat))
```

```
def MOMhelper(dat, K):
    muk = [0.]*K
    m = int(len(dat)/K)
    for k in range(K):
        muk[k] = stat.mean(dat[k*m:(k+1)*m+1])
    return muk

print('muMOM = ', stat.median(MOMhelper(dat, 56)))
```

```
muML = 5.630414291829327

muMOM = -0.06647177349707914
```

b Extract B=1000 bootstrap samples, and compute  $\mu^{MOM,b}$  for b=1: B. Then estimate the variance of  $\mu^{MOM}$ ,  $\mu^{ML}$  by bootstrap.

```
B=1000
np.random.seed(391)
datB = np.random.choice(dat, size=B, replace=True)
mom = MOMhelper(datB)
print('muMLb = ', stat.mean(datB))
print('muMOMb = ', stat.mean(mom))
print('sigma(muML) = ', stat.variance(datB)/B)
print('sigma(muMOM) = ', stat.variance(mom)/B)
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```
muMLb = -3.4009646037169663

muMOMb = 18.18605627055922

sigma(muML) = 3126.105596362195

sigma(muMOM) = 251.92774632619899
```

This experiment agrees with the theory that  $\mu^{MOM}$  is robust since we can see that it has less variance rather than  $\mu^{ML}$ , which means it is less influenced than  $\mu^{ML}$ .

c Repeat a,b for the data from the previous problem. For hw5-dat1.dat, n = 1000, use K = 20, then there are 20 groups as we had in part(a),(b).

```
print('Considering file hw5-data1.dat')
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f = open(dir+r'\hw5-data1.dat')
dat = [float(xx) for xx in f]

print('muML = ', stat.mean(dat))
print('muMOM = ', stat.median(MOMhelper(dat, 20)))

B=1000
datB = np.random.choice(dat, size=B, replace=True)
mom = MOMhelper(datB, 20)
print('muMLb = ', stat.mean(datB))
print('muMOMb = ', stat.mean(mom))
print('var(muML) = ', stat.variance(datB)/B)
print('var(muMOM) = ', stat.variance(mom)/B)
```

```
Considering file hw5-data1.dat
muML = 0.013597092102287756
muMOM = 0.02477232801920145
muMLb = 0.01116517673353682
muMOMb = 0.006316025344143354
var(muML) = 0.0009170493279787797
var(muMOM) = 4.685839582870582e-05
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We can see that for hw5-data1.dat, the MOM estimation is really close to ML estimation. The reason might be that for hw5-data2.dat, there are too many outliers that influences  $\mu^{ML}$ .