

Parameter Estimation

Q1 let (x_1, x_2, \dots) be a random sample of size n taken from a normal pop with parameter θ_1 & θ_2
 $\theta_1 = \text{Mean}$
 $\theta_2 = \text{Variance}$. Find MLE

Sol) PDF: $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\theta_2 2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x - \theta_1}{\sqrt{\theta_2}} \right)^2}$

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta_2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x_i - \theta_1}{\sqrt{\theta_2}} \right)^2}$$

Taking log b/s

$$\log(L) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi\theta_2) + \left(-\frac{1}{2\theta_2} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta_1)^2$$

Diff b/s w.r.t θ_1

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_1} = \frac{-1}{2\theta_2} \sum_{i=1}^n 2(x_i - \theta_1)(-1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\theta_2} \sum_{i=1}^n 2(x_i - \theta_1)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_1} = 0$$

$$L = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{2\theta_2} \sum_{i=1}^n 2(x_i - \theta_1) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 2\theta_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n 2x_i$$

$$n\theta_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\theta_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n n_i}{n}$$

diff w.r.t θ_2

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta_2} = -\frac{n}{2} \frac{2\pi}{2\pi\theta_2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(n_i - \theta_1 \right)^2 \frac{1}{2\theta_2^2} = 0$$

$$-\frac{n}{2\theta_2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(n_i - \theta_1)^2}{2\theta_2^2} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (n_i - \theta_1)^2 = n\theta_2$$

$$\theta_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (n_i - \theta_1)^2}{n}$$

Q2 Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $B(m, \theta)$ distribution where $\theta \in (0, 1)$ is unknown and m is a known positive integer. Compute value of θ using MLE

sol

PMF of $B(m, \theta)$

$$P(X=k) = {}^m C_k \theta^k (1-\theta)^{m-k}$$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n {}^m C_{n_i} \theta^{n_i} (1-\theta)^{m-n_i}$$

Taking log b/s

$$\log L = \log \left(\prod_{i=1}^n {}^m C_{n_i} \theta^{n_i} (1-\theta)^{m-n_i} \right)$$

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Performing differentiation

$$\frac{1}{L} \frac{dL}{d\theta} = \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n n_i - \frac{1}{1-\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n (n - n_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

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

$$(1-\theta) \sum_{i=1}^n n_i = \theta n - \theta \sum_{i=1}^n n_i$$

$$\theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n n_i}{n}$$