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Mathematical Statistics

Seminar Exercises: Week 9

Recap. Throughout this class, $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$ will be *i.i.d.* random variables that follow the distribution of a given characteristic X .

$$\bar{v}_1 = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\bar{v}_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$$

- If $X \sim \text{Bino}(n, p)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $p \in (0, 1)$, then:

$$X \left(\begin{matrix} k \\ C_n^k p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \end{matrix} \right)_{k \in \overline{0, n}}$$

$$E(X) = np, V(X) = np(1-p)$$

- If $X \sim \text{NBin}(n, p)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $p \in (0, 1)$, then:

$$X \left(\begin{matrix} k \\ C_{n+k-1}^k p^n (1-p)^k \end{matrix} \right)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{n(1-p)}{p}, V(X) = \frac{n(1-p)}{p^2}$$

- If $X \sim \text{Geo}(p)$, $p \in (0, 1)$, then

$$X \left(\begin{matrix} k \\ p(1-p)^k \end{matrix} \right)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1-p}{p}, \quad V(X) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$$

- If $X \sim \text{Unif}[a, b]$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a < b$, then:

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \cdot 1_{[a,b]}(x)$$

$$E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}, \quad V(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

- If $X \sim \text{Gamma}(a, b)$, $a, b > 0$, then:

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} \cdot x^{a-1} e^{-\frac{x}{b}} \cdot 1_{(0,\infty)}(x)$$

where:

$$\Gamma(a) = \int_0^\infty x^{a-1} e^{-x} dx, \quad a > 0$$

$$E(X) = ab, \quad V(X) = ab^2$$

- If $X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$, $\lambda > 0$ then:

$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \cdot 1_{[0,\infty)}(x)$$

$$E(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}, \quad V(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

- If $X \sim \text{Pareto}(\alpha, \beta)$, $\alpha, \beta > 0$, then:

$$f_X(x) = \alpha \beta^\alpha \frac{1}{x^{\alpha+1}} \cdot 1_{[\beta,\infty)}(x)$$

$$E(X) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{for } \alpha \leq 1 \\ \frac{\alpha\beta}{\alpha-1}, & \text{for } \alpha > 1 \end{cases}, \quad V(X) = \begin{cases} \infty, & \text{for } \alpha \leq 2 \\ \frac{\alpha\beta^2}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)}, & \text{for } \alpha > 2 \end{cases}$$

- The **likelihood function** of the sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n :

$$L(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta);$$

Exercise 1. Using the method of moments, find estimators for the parameter(s) of the distribution of the characteristic X , if:

- (a) $X \sim Geo(p)$, $p \in (0, 1)$;
- (b) $X \sim Exp(\lambda)$, $\lambda > 0$;
- (c) $X \sim Bino(n, p)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $p \in (0, 1)$;
- (d) $X \sim Unif[a, b]$, $a < b$;
- (e) $X \sim NBin(n, p)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $p \in (0, 1)$;
- (f) $X \sim Gamma(a, b)$, $a, b > 0$;
- (g) $X \sim Pareto(\alpha, \beta)$, $\alpha > 2$, $\beta > 0$;

Exercise 2. Using the maximum likelihood method, estimate the parameters of the distribution of the characteristic X , if:

- (a) $X \sim Unif[a, b]$, $a < b$, for the sample data: $x_1, \dots, x_n \in [a, b]$.
- (b) $X \sim Bino(10, p)$, $p \in (0, 1)$, for the sample data: $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \{0, 1, \dots, 10\}$ not all zero and not all ten.
- (c) $X \sim Exp(\lambda)$, $\lambda > 0$, for the sample data: $x_1, \dots, x_n > 0$.
- (d) $X \sim Geo(p)$, $p \in (0, 1)$, for the sample data: $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{N}$ not all zero.