

Homework 8 MSE

Exercise 1

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be an i.i.d. sample from the following discrete probability mass function:

x	1	3	5	7
$f(x)$	$\frac{2(1-p)}{3}$	$\frac{2p}{3}$	$\frac{(1-p)}{3}$	$\frac{p}{3}$

Let n_1 represent the number of 1s in the sample, n_3 represent the number of 3s in the sample, etc.

- (1 pt) Find an expression for the Maximum Likelihood Estimator of p , \hat{p} .
- (1 pt) Find an expression for Bias of the MLE, $Bias(\hat{p})$.
- (1 pt) Find an expression for the Method of Moments estimator of p , \tilde{p} .
- (0.5 pt) Find an expression for Bias of the MoM Estimator, $Bias(\tilde{p})$.
- (1.5 pt) Find an expression for MSE of the MoM Estimator, $MSE(\tilde{p})$.

$$a). \quad L(p) = \prod_{i=1}^{n_1} \frac{2(1-p)}{3} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n_3} \frac{2p}{3} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n_5} \frac{(1-p)}{3} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n_7} \frac{p}{3} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{n_1+n_3} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{n_5+n_7} \cdot (1-p)^{n_1+n_5} \cdot p^{n_3+n_7}$$

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$$\ln[L(p)] = (n_1+n_3) \cdot \ln \frac{2}{3} + (n_5+n_7) \cdot \ln \frac{1}{3} + (n_1+n_5) \cdot \ln(1-p) + (n_3+n_7) \cdot \ln p$$

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$$\frac{\partial \ln[L(p)]}{\partial p} = 0 + 0 - \frac{n_1+n_5}{1-p} + \frac{n_3+n_7}{p} \stackrel{\text{Set}}{=} 0$$

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$$\hat{p} = \frac{n_3+n_7}{n_3+n_7+n_1+n_5} = \frac{n_3+n_7}{n}$$

$$b). \quad Bias[\hat{p}] = E[\hat{p}] - p = E\left[\frac{n_3+n_7}{n}\right] - p \stackrel{(2)}{=} \frac{n \cdot \frac{2p}{3} + n \cdot \frac{p}{3}}{n} - p = 0$$

$$c). \quad E[X] = \sum X \cdot P(X=x) = \frac{2(1-p)}{3} + \frac{6p}{3} + \frac{5(1-p)}{3} + \frac{7p}{3} = \bar{x} \Rightarrow \tilde{p} = \frac{3\bar{x}-7}{6}$$

$\mu_x = \mu_{\tilde{x}} \star$

$$d). \quad Bias[\tilde{p}] = E[\tilde{p}] - p = E\left[\frac{3\bar{x}-7}{6}\right] - p \stackrel{\mu_x = \mu_{\tilde{x}} \star}{=} \frac{1}{2} E[\bar{x}] - \frac{7}{6} p$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} E\left[\frac{6p+7}{3}\right] - \frac{7}{6} p$$

$$= p + \frac{7}{6} - \frac{7}{6} p = 0$$

$$e). \quad MSE[\tilde{p}] = Var[\tilde{p}] + Bias^2[\tilde{p}]$$

$$= Var\left[\frac{3\bar{x}-7}{6}\right] + 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} Var[\bar{x}] \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_x^2}{n}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{Var[X]}{n}$$

$$Var[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = 1 \cdot \frac{2(1-p)}{3} + 9 \cdot \frac{2p}{3} + 25 \cdot \frac{(1-p)}{3} + 49 \cdot \frac{p}{3} - \left[\frac{6p+7}{3}\right]^2$$

$$= -4p^2 + 4p + \frac{32}{9}$$

$$\therefore MSE[\tilde{p}] = \frac{1}{4n} \left[-4p^2 + 4p + \frac{32}{9}\right] = \frac{1}{n} \left[-p^2 + p + \frac{8}{9}\right]$$

Exercise 2

Hannibal wants to estimate the true average brain mass, μ , but he is locked in a cell with no internet and only has a scale. He collects a small random sample of size $n = 5$ from nearby prison guards. He finds that these brains have the following weights:

1350g, 1400g, 1300g, 1460g, 1350g

Suppose that human brains follow a normal distribution.

- (0.5 pt) Compute the sample standard deviation, s , of these brains by hand (with a calculator). You may only use $+$, $-$, \times , \div , and $\sqrt{}$ on a calculator. Show **all** your work.
- (1 pt) Construct a 90% confidence interval for the true mean weight of brains, μ .
- (0.5 pt) Construct a 95% confidence interval for the true mean weight of brains, μ .

$$a). \quad \bar{X} = \frac{1350 + 1400 + 1300 + 1460 + 1350}{5} = 1372$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^5 (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[(1350 - 1372)^2 + (1400 - 1372)^2 + (1300 - 1372)^2 + (1460 - 1372)^2 + (1350 - 1372)^2 \right] = 3670$$

$$s = \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{3670} = 60.58$$

$$b). \quad n=5 \quad \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.05 \quad \bar{X} = 1372 \quad s = \sqrt{3670}$$

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$$t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = 2.132$$

$$CI: \left(\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = (1314.2, 1429.8)$$

$$c). \quad n=5 \quad \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.025 \quad \bar{X} = 1372 \quad s = \sqrt{3670}$$

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$$t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = 2.776$$

$$CI: \left(\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right) = (1295.8, 1446.2)$$

Exercise 3 (R) Show all code and relevant output

Using R, generate a random sample of size $n=10$ from the following Normal Distribution: $N(\mu = 100, \sigma^2 = 25)$.

- (0.25 pt) Use R to find the sample mean \bar{X} , and sample variance s^2 . Show your output.
- (0.5 pt) Assume that the true variance is unknown. Using the sample variance, generate a 95% confidence interval for μ .
- (1 pt) Generate 500 independent samples of size $n=10$ from the same Normal distribution above. Use each of these samples to generate a 95% confidence interval for μ . (you will generate 500 different intervals) How many of your confidence intervals captured the true parameter value for μ ? Show your code and final output (answer) for this step. (You do not need to output all the confidence intervals)
- (0.75 pt) Now assume that the true variance is known, ($\sigma^2 = 25$). Repeat part (c), generate 500 new samples and 500 new confidence intervals for μ . How many of your confidence intervals captured the true parameter value for μ ? Show your code and final output for this step.
- (0.5pt) Compare the intervals from part (c) and part (d), which one is larger on average?

a).

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3 #Original parameter
4 n=10
5 mu=100
6 sigma=5
7
8 #Generating data set
9 sample=rnorm(n, mu, sigma)
10
11 #a).
12 sample_mean=mean(sample)
13 sample_variance=var(sample)
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> sample_mean
[1] 101.6266
> sample_variance
[1] 24.83376
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b).

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15 #b).
16 alpha=1-0.95
17 t=qt(1-alpha/2,n-1)
18 LB=mean(sample)-t*sd(sample)/sqrt(n)
19 UB=mean(sample)+t*sd(sample)/sqrt(n)
20 CI=c(LB,UB)
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> CI
[1] 98.06172 105.19147
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c).

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22 #c).
23 size=500
24 num1=0
25 alpha=1-0.95
26 UB_ave=0
27 LB_ave=0
28 for (i in 1:size){
29   sample=rnorm(n, mu, sigma)
30   t=qt(1-alpha/2,n-1)
31   LB=mean(sample)-t*sd(sample)/sqrt(n)
32   UB=mean(sample)+t*sd(sample)/sqrt(n)
33   LB_ave=LB_ave+LB
34   UB_ave=UB_ave+UB
35   if ((LB<mu) && (mu<UB)){num1=num1+1}
36 }
37 UB_ave=UB_ave/size
38 LB_ave=LB_ave/size
39 CI1_ave=UB_ave-LB_ave#c(LB_ave,UB_ave)
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> num1/size
[1] 0.962
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d).

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41 #d).
42 size=500
43 num2=0
44 alpha=1-0.95
45 UB_ave=0
46 LB_ave=0
47 for (i in 1:size){
48   sample=rnorm(n, mu, sigma)
49   z=qnorm(1-alpha/2)
50   LB=mean(sample)-z*sigma/sqrt(n)
51   UB=mean(sample)+z*sigma/sqrt(n)
52   LB_ave=LB_ave+LB
53   UB_ave=UB_ave+UB
54   if ((LB<mu) && (mu<UB)){num2=num2+1}
55 }
56 UB_ave=UB_ave/size
57 LB_ave=LB_ave/size
58 CI2_ave=UB_ave-LB_ave#c(LB_ave,UB_ave)
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> num2/size
[1] 0.95
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e). The program for computing the average length of CI is included in c). and d). And from the Output we see $CI1 > CI2$, which means the interval for unknown is larger than the known.

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> CI1_ave
[1] 6.90212
> CI2_ave
[1] 6.19795
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