

Tutorial of ST5215

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Assume the conditions in Cramér-Rao lower bound hold and $\Theta \subset \mathcal{R}$.

Exercise 1. Suppose T is an estimator of $g(\theta)$ with bias $b(\theta)$ and b is differentiable. Prove

$$\text{Var}(T) \geq \frac{(g'(\theta) + b'(\theta))^2}{I(\theta)} \quad (1)$$

Exercise 2. Show that for any fixed θ , there exists a random variable T such that $ET = g(\theta)$ and $\text{Var}(T)$ attains the Cramér-Rao lower bound if and only if

$$T = \left[\frac{g'(\theta)}{I(\theta)} \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_{\theta}(X) + g(\theta) \quad (2)$$

Exercise 3. Show that there exists an unbiased estimator $T(X)$ of $g(\theta)$ such that $\text{Var}(T)$ attains the Cramér-Rao lower bound if and only if

$$f_{\theta}(X) = \exp[\eta(\theta)T(x) - \xi(\theta)]h(x), \quad (3)$$

where $\xi(\theta)$ and $\eta(\theta)$ are differentiable functions such that $\xi'(\theta) = g(\theta)\eta'(\theta)$ and $I(\theta) = \eta'(\theta)g'(\theta)$