

# Stat581 Assignment 6

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## 1 Bernoulli

Bernoulli's p.d.f. is:  $f(x; p) = p^x(1 - p)^{1-x}$ . Estimate p, we get  $L_n$ :

$$L_n(p) = \prod_{i=1}^n p^{X_i} (1 - p)^{1-X_i} = p^{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i} (1 - p)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}$$

Then we use `optimize()` function maximize that to get the p value.

## 2 Geometric

Geometric's p.d.f. is:  $f(x; p) = p * (1 - p)^x$ . Estimate p, we get  $L_n$ :

$$L_n(p) = \prod_{i=1}^n p * (1 - p)^{X_i} = p^n * (1 - p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}$$

$$\ln(L_n(p)) = n * \ln(p) + \sum_{i=1}^n X_i * \ln(1 - p)$$

Then we use `optimize()` function maximize that to get the p value.

### 3 Normal

Normal's p.d.f. is:  $f(x; \mu; \sigma) = (1/\sqrt{2 * \pi * \sigma^2}) * \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$ .

$$L_n(\mu; \sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^n (1/\sqrt{2 * \pi * \sigma^2}) * \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$$

$$L_n(\mu; \sigma) = (2\pi\sigma^{-n})^{-n/2} * \exp(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})$$

Take ln for  $L_n$  we get:

$$\ln(L_n(\mu; \sigma)) = \ln((2\pi\sigma^{-n})^{-n/2}) + (-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}) * \ln(e)$$

$$\frac{(L_n(\mu; \sigma))}{\partial \mu} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)}{\sigma^2}$$

Because we need maximum  $L_n$ ,  $\frac{(L_n(\mu; \sigma))}{\partial \mu}$  should equal to 0.

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)}{\sigma^2} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i) = n * \mu$$

Then we took  $\mu$  back to

$$\ln(L_n(\mu; \sigma)) = \ln((2\pi\sigma^{-n})^{-n/2}) + (-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}) * \ln(e)$$

and use optimize() function maximize that to get the  $\sigma$

### 4 Chisq

Chisq's p.d.f. is:  $f(x; k) = \frac{x^{k/2-1} * e^{-x/2}}{2^{k/2} * \Gamma(k/2)}$ .

$$L_n(k) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^{k/2-1} * e^{-x_i/2}}{2^{k/2} * \Gamma(k/2)}$$

$$\ln(L_n(k)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(\frac{x_i^{k/2-1} * e^{-x_i/2}}{2^{k/2} * \Gamma(k/2)})$$

$$\ln(L_n(k)) = (k/2 - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) - 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n \ln(\Gamma(k/2)) - (nk/2) \ln(2)$$

and use optimize() function maximize that to get the k.

## 5 Multivariate Normal

If a multivariate normal distribution has K dimentions, it p.d.f. is:  $f(x_1, \dots, x_k; \mu; \sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{K/2}} \frac{1}{\text{cov}(x)^{1/2}} e^{-1/2(x-\mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1}(x-\mu)}$

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(\mu; \sigma) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{K/2}} \frac{1}{\text{cov}(x)^{1/2}} e^{-1/2(x-\mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1}(x-\mu)} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{Kn/2}} \frac{1}{\text{cov}(x)^{n/2}} e^{-1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1}(x_i - \mu)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\ln(L_n(\mu; \sigma)) = -(Kn/2)\ln(2\pi) - (N/2)\ln \text{cov}(x) - (1/2) \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1}(x_i - \mu)$$

Taking derivative of  $\mu$

$$\frac{\partial \ln(L_n)}{\partial \mu} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \text{cov}(x)^{-1} x_i + 2n \text{cov}^{-1} \mu$$

When  $\frac{\partial \ln(L_n)}{\partial \mu} = 0$  we have  $\max \ln(L_n)$ .

$$0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \text{cov}(x)^{-1} x_i + 2n \text{cov}^{-1} \mu$$

$$\mu = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \bar{x}$$

Then we took  $\mu$  back to

$$\ln(L_n(\mu; \sigma)) = -(Kn/2)\ln(2\pi) - (N/2)\ln \text{cov}(x) - (1/2) \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1}(x_i - \mu)$$

Taking derivative of  $(x)$

$$\frac{\partial \ln(L_n)}{\partial (x)} = (\text{cov}(x)^{-1} - \text{cov}(x)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)(x_i - \mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1})^T$$

When  $\frac{\partial \ln(L_n)}{\partial (x)} = 0$  we have  $\max \ln(L_n)$ .

$$0 = \text{cov}(x)^{-1} - \text{cov}(x)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)(x_i - \mu)^T \text{cov}(x)^{-1})^T$$

$$\text{cov}(x) = 1/n \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T$$

## 6 Binomial

Probability Mass Function:

$$f(x; n, p) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Likelihood function:

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(p, n) &= \prod_{i=1}^t \binom{n}{X_i} p^{X_i} (1-p)^{n-X_i} \\ &= p^{\sum_{i=1}^t X_i} (1-p)^{tn - \sum_{i=1}^t X_i} \prod_{i=1}^t \binom{n}{X_i} \end{aligned}$$

Log-likelihood function:

$$l_n(p, n) = \ln\left(\prod_{i=1}^t \binom{n}{X_i}\right) + \ln(p) \sum_{i=1}^t X_i + \ln(1-p) \left(n - \sum_{i=1}^t X_i\right)$$

For a fixed n (number of independent trials/samples), the optimization is then,

$$\operatorname{argmax}_p \left[ \ln(p) \sum_{i=1}^t X_i + \ln(1-p) \left( tn - \sum_{i=1}^t X_i \right) \right]$$

We solve the optimization in R using `optimize()` function to get the corresponding value of p as the estimated parameter.

## 7 Exponential

Probability Density Function:

$$f(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x \geq 0$$

Likelihood function:

$$L_n(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda e^{-\lambda X_i} = \lambda^n e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}$$

Log-likelihood function:

$$l_n(\lambda) = n \ln(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

The optimization is then,

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda} [n \ln(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n X_i]$$

We solve the optimization in R using `optimize()` function to get the corresponding value of  $\lambda$  as the estimated parameter.

## 8 Beta

Probability Density Function:

$$f(x; \alpha, \beta) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}}{B(\alpha, \beta)}$$

where  $B(\alpha, \beta)$  is called the Beta function.

Likelihood function:

$$L_n(\alpha, \beta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^{\alpha-1}(1-x_i)^{\beta-1}}{B(\alpha, \beta)} = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)^n} \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\alpha-1}(1-x_i)^{\beta-1}$$

Log-likelihood function:

$$l_n(\alpha, \beta) = -n \ln(B(\alpha, \beta)) + \sum_{i=1}^n [(\alpha-1) \ln(X_i) + (\beta-1) \ln(1-X_i)]$$

We optimize the log likelihood of Beta distribution with Limited-memory BFGS optimization algorithm to estimate parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

## 9 Multinomial

The likelihood which can be described as joint probability is

$$L(\vec{p}) = n! \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{p_i^{x_i}}{x_i!}$$

where  $(p_1, \dots, p_m)$  is the vector of probabilities with  $\sum_{i=1}^m p_i = 1$  and  $n = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i$  is the total number of independent trials/samples.

The log-likelihood is

$$l(\vec{p}) = \log L(\vec{p}) = \log \left( n! \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{p_i^{x_i}}{x_i!} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$= \log n! + \log \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{p_i^{x_i}}{x_i!} \quad (2)$$

$$= \log n! + \sum_{i=1}^m \log \frac{p_i^{x_i}}{x_i!} \quad (3)$$

$$= \log n! + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \log p_i - \sum_{i=1}^m \log x_i! \quad (4)$$

Posing a constraint  $\sum_{i=1}^m p_i = 1$  with Lagrange multiplier

$$l'(\vec{p}, \lambda) = l(\vec{p}) + \lambda \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m p_i \right) \quad (5)$$

To find  $\arg \max_{\vec{p}} L(\vec{p}, \lambda)$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} l'(\vec{p}, \lambda) = \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} l(\vec{p}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \lambda \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m p_i \right) = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \log p_i - \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{x_i}{p_i} - \lambda = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$p_i = \frac{x_i}{\lambda} \quad (9)$$

Since we have

$$p_i = \frac{x_i}{\lambda} \quad (10)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m p_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{x_i}{\lambda} \quad (11)$$

$$1 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \quad (12)$$

$$\lambda = n \quad (13)$$

Therefore

$$\hat{p}_i = \frac{x_i}{n} \quad (14)$$

So we get estimated probability vector as

$$\hat{\vec{p}} = \left( \frac{x_1}{n}, \dots, \frac{x_m}{n} \right) \quad (15)$$

## 10 Point Mass

The probability mass function for point mass distribution is  $f(x) = 1$  in  $x = a$  and 0 otherwise. This means  $f$  can have only two values, either 1 and 0, which implies that the  $\mathcal{L}(\theta)$  which is the product of many  $f$ s, we can choose the MLE for point mass distribution to be mode among  $X_n$ .

## 11 Poisson

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\lambda) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{x_i} e^{-\lambda}}{x_i!} = e^{-n\lambda} \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \\ \ln L(\lambda) &= -n\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \ln(\lambda) - \ln \left( \prod_{i=1}^n x_i! \right) \\ \frac{d \ln L(\lambda)}{d\lambda} &= -n + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\lambda} \\ \hat{\lambda} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}\end{aligned}$$

## 12 Uniform

$$\mathcal{L}_n(a, b) = \frac{1}{(b-a)^n}$$

if all  $a \leq X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \leq b$  else  $\mathcal{L} = 0$  To maximize, we need to minimize  $b-a$ , the boundary condition is to choose  $\hat{a} = \min_i(X_i)$  and  $\hat{b} = \max_i(X_i)$

## 13 Gamma

There are two parameters in the Gamma distribution - alpha and beta. Estimation of beta is -

$$\beta = \text{mean}(\text{inputData}) / \alpha$$

So, first we need to approximate the alpha parameter. Alpha is approximated using the following equation

$$\ln L(\alpha) - \text{digamma}(\alpha) = \ln L(\text{mean}(\text{inputData})) - \text{mean}(\log(\text{inputData}))$$

There is no close formed solution for alpha, so we approximate it using the following approximation -

$$\ln L(\alpha) - \text{digamma}(\alpha) \approx (1/2 * \alpha)(1 + 1/(6 * \alpha + 1))$$

If we take

$$s = \ln L(\text{mean}(\text{inputData})) - \text{mean}(\log(\text{inputData}))$$



Then, we approximate alpha using the following solution -

$$\alpha = (3 - s + \sqrt{((s - 3) * 2 + 24 * s)}) / 12 * s$$

And then using this value of alpha we can easily estimate the beta value

## 14 Hypergeometric

Probability Mass Function:

$$f(x; N, K, n) = \frac{\binom{K}{x} \binom{N-K}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

if  $x = \max(0, n - N + K), \dots, \min(K, n)$ , otherwise 0

where N is the population size, K is the number of success states in the population, n is the number of units drawn in each trial and x is the number of observed successes.

Therefore likelihood function of N given the observation y is

$$L(N | y) = \frac{\binom{K}{y} \binom{N-K}{n-y}}{\binom{N}{n}}, N \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

Because the domain for N is the nonnegative integers, we cannot use calculus. However, we can look at the ratio of the likelihood values for successive value of the total population.

$$\frac{L(N | y)}{L(N-1 | y)} = \frac{N-n}{N} \cdot \frac{N-K}{N-K-n+y}$$

Now studying when this ratio exceeds 1, equals 1 and is less than 1, we can find out when  $L(N|y)$  reaches its maximum. MLE of N is the value of N at which the likelihood is maximized.  $L(N|y) > L(N-1|y)$  for  $N < \lfloor nK/y \rfloor$  and  $L(N|y) < L(N-1|y)$  for  $N > \lfloor nK/y \rfloor$ . This gives the maximum likelihood estimator

$$\hat{N}(y) = \left\lfloor \frac{nK}{y} \right\rfloor$$