

Mathematical Statistics2 Tutoring3

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2018 Midterm Problem3

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. with p.d.f. f_{θ_1, θ_2} ($0 < \theta_1, \theta_2$), where

$$f_{\theta_1, \theta_2}(x) = \begin{cases} (\theta_1 + \theta_2)^{-1} e^{-x/\theta_1} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ (\theta_1 + \theta_2)^{-1} e^{x/\theta_2} & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}.$$

- (a) Find a MLE $\hat{\theta}$ of $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)^t$.
- (b) Find a 2-dimensional vector μ and 2×2 matrix Σ such that $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Sigma)$.

One-step Approximation of MLE

- **Motivation)** If initial choice $\hat{\theta}^{[0]}$ lies in a $n^{-1/2}$ -neighborhood of the true parameter θ_0 in probability, then one-step update in Newton-Raphson iteration is enough.

$$\hat{\theta}^{[1]} = \hat{\theta}^{[0]} - \ddot{l}(\hat{\theta}^{[0]})^{-1} \dot{l}(\hat{\theta}^{[0]}).$$

Theorem 0.1

Under (R0)-(R7) and assuming $\hat{\theta}^{[0]} = \theta_0 + O_p(n^{-1/2})$ under P_{θ_0} ,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}^{[1]} - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, I(\theta_0)^{-1})$$

in P_{θ_0} -probability.

Least Square Estimator

Consider the following model for

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \beta_p x_p + \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

for $p \geq 1$.

- $\hat{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \cdots - \beta_p x_{ip})^2 = \arg \min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{p+1}} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta\|^2$
where $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)^t$, $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p)$ and $\mathbf{x}_j = (x_{1j}, \dots, x_{nj})^t$.
- Denote the column space of \mathbf{X} by $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}}$ (the linear space in \mathbb{R}^n spanned by the columns of the matrix \mathbf{X}).
- Then $\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} = \Pi(\mathbf{Y}|\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}})$
- Least squared estimator: $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^t \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^t \mathbf{Y}$

Confidence Region for β

- Recall that $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 1/(n - p - 1) \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}\|^2 = 1/n \text{SSE}$.
- Distribution of $\hat{\beta}$: $\hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^t\mathbf{X})^{-1})$ so that

$$(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^t \mathbf{X}^t \mathbf{X} (\hat{\beta} - \beta) / \sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(p + 1).$$

- It can be shown that $\text{SSE} / \sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(n - p - 1)$.
- Using the independence of $(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^t (\mathbf{X}^t \mathbf{X})^{-1} (\hat{\beta} - \beta)$ and SSE, one can see that $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence region for β is given by

$$\hat{\mathcal{I}} = \{\beta : (\hat{\beta} - \beta)^t (\mathbf{X}^t \mathbf{X})^{-1} (\hat{\beta} - \beta) \leq (p + 1) \cdot \hat{\sigma}^2 \cdot F_{\alpha}(p + 1, n - p - 1)\}.$$

Least Square Estimator of Subvector β_2

Write $\beta^t = (\beta_1^t, \beta_2^t)$ and $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2)$, so that $\mathbf{X}\beta = \mathbf{X}_1\beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\beta_2$.

- Orthogonal decomposition of the column space:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2 - \Pi_1 \mathbf{X}_2} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}_1} \oplus \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}_2 - \Pi_1 \mathbf{X}_2}$$

where $\Pi_1 = \mathbf{X}_1(\mathbf{X}_1^t \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1^t$.

- Writing $\mathbf{X}_{2,\perp} = \mathbf{X}_2 - \Pi_1 \mathbf{X}_2$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} &= \mathbf{X}_1[\hat{\beta}_1 + (\mathbf{X}_1^t \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1^t \mathbf{X}_2 \hat{\beta}_2] + \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp} \hat{\beta}_2 \\ \Pi(\mathbf{Y} | \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{X}}) &= \Pi_1 \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp} (\mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{Y}\end{aligned}$$

- This gives

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = (\mathbf{X}_1^t \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1^t (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}_2 \hat{\beta}_2), \hat{\beta}_2 = (\mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{Y}.$$

Confidence Region for β_2

- Distribution of $\hat{\beta}_2$: $(\mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp})^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2) \sim N_q(\mathbf{0}_q, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_q)$, so that $(\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2)^t (\mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}) (\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2) \sim \sigma^2 \chi^2(q)$
- Distribution of SSE: $\text{SSE} \sim \sigma^2 \chi^2(n - p - 1)$
- SSE and $(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)$ are independent.
- Similarly, $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence region for β is given by

$$\hat{\mathcal{I}} = \{\beta_2 : (\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2)^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp}^t \mathbf{X}_{2,\perp} (\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2) \leq q \cdot \hat{\sigma}^2 \cdot F_\alpha(q, n - p - 1)\}.$$

Idea of Maximum Likelihood Test

Suppose that we observe a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from a distribution P_θ with pdf $f(\cdot; \theta)$ for $\theta \in \Theta$.

- The problem: Testing

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad \text{against} \quad H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_1$$

at a significance level $0 < \alpha < 1$, where Θ_0 is a subset of Θ and $\Theta_1 = \Theta \setminus \Theta_0$.

- Fisher's idea: Compare the maximum likelihoods in Θ_0 and Θ_1 . For a given observation $x \equiv (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ of $X \equiv (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, reject H_0 if

$$\max_{\theta \in \Theta_1} L(\theta; x) / \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; x) \geq c$$

for a critical value c that is determined by the level α as follows.

Idea of Maximum Likelihood Test

- Determination of critical value: Choose c such that (the size of the test) $= \alpha$, i.e.,

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} P_{\theta} \left(\frac{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_1} L(\theta; x)}{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; x)} > c \right) = \alpha.$$

- The maximization of the likelihood in a restricted set, such as Θ_1 , is more involved than the maximization of Θ .
- Note that, for $c > 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &\equiv \frac{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_1} L(\theta; X)}{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; X)} \geq c \\ \Leftrightarrow R &\equiv \frac{\max_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta; X)}{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; X)} = \max \left\{ 1, \frac{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_1} L(\theta; X)}{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; X)} \right\} \geq c. \end{aligned}$$

If there exists $c > 0$ such that $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} P_{\theta}(R \geq c) = \alpha$, then $c > 1$ since $R \geq 1$ always and $\alpha < 1$. This means that the LRT may be based on R , rather than R_0 .

Likelihood Ratio Test

Let $\hat{\theta}^{\Theta}$ and $\hat{\theta}^{\Theta_0}$ denote the MLEs in Θ and Θ_0 , respectively. The likelihood ratio test (LRT), for $H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_1$, rejects H_0 when

$$\frac{\max_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta; x)}{\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta; x)} \geq c$$

or equivalently when

$$2(l(\hat{\theta}^{\Theta}; x) - l(\hat{\theta}^{\Theta_0}; x)) \geq c',$$

where c and c' are determined by the given level α .

Examples of LRT: Normal Mean with Unknown Variance

Suppose that we observe a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, $\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^+$, and want to test $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ against $H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$ at a level $0 < \alpha < 1$.

- Rejection region: Let $s^2 = (n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$.

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ if } \left| \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \right| \geq t_{\alpha/2}(n-1).$$

- Wilk's phenomenon: Since $T_n \equiv (\bar{X} - \mu)/(S/\sqrt{n}) \stackrel{d}{=} t(n-1)$ under H_0 and $t(n-1) \stackrel{d}{\rightarrow} Z \stackrel{d}{=} N(0, 1)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2(l(\hat{\theta}^\Theta) - l(\hat{\theta}^{\Theta_0})) &= n \log(1 + T_n^2/(n-1)) = T_n^2 + o_p(1) \\ &\stackrel{d}{\rightarrow} Z^2 \stackrel{d}{=} \chi^2(1) \end{aligned}$$

under H_0 . Note that (d.f.) = $\dim(\Theta) - \dim(\Theta_0) = 2 - 1 = 1$.

2019 Final Problem5

Consider the following model

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta x_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$$

where $\epsilon_{ij} \stackrel{\text{i.id.}}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$, $(i = 1, \dots, I, j = 1, \dots, n_i)$. Here $\mu, \alpha_i, \beta, \sigma^2$ are unknown parameters ($\mu, \alpha_i, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma^2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$) and x_{ij} are known covariates. We further assume that

$$\sum_{i=1}^I n_i \alpha_i = 0 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_i)^2 \neq 0 \text{ where } \bar{x}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij}.$$

- (a) Find the MLE of $(\mu, \alpha_i, \beta, \sigma^2)$ under the full model.
- (b) For the following hypothesis $H_0 : \beta = 0$ versus $H_1 : \beta \neq 0$, find the LRT with significance level $0 < \alpha < 1$.

2019 Final Problem4

Let $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ be i.i.d. samples where

$$(X_i, Y_i) \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 \\ \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

Here $(\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \rho)^t \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 \times (-1, 1)$. Assume $n \geq 5$ and denote the sample correlation by $\hat{\rho}$.

(a) Find the distribution of $\hat{\rho}/\sqrt{1 - \hat{\rho}^2}$.

(b) Find the LRT with significance level $0 < \alpha < 1$ for testing hypothesis $H_0 : \rho \leq 0$ versus $H_1 : \rho > 0$.

2018 Final Problem1

Let $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ be i.i.d. samples where

$$(X_i, Y_i) \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) \text{ for known } \rho \in (-1, 1).$$

We wish to test

$$H_0 : \theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0 \text{ versus } H_1 : \text{not } H_0.$$

(a) Suppose that the parameter space is given by

$\Theta = \{(\theta_1, \theta_2) : \theta_2 \leq c\theta_1, \theta_1 \geq 0\}$ for $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\rho = 0$. Derive LRT of significance level $0 < \alpha < 1$.

(b) Suppose that the parameter space is given by

$\Theta = \{(\theta_1, \theta_2) : \theta_1, \theta_2 \geq 0\}$. Derive LRT of significance level $0 < \alpha < 1$.