

IDA: Assignment 1

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The R code is available in the GitHub link.

1 X and Y are independent, Pareto-distributed

1.1 (a) the density function and the frequency function.

For the density function of Z , firstly, we can calculate the cumulative distribution of Z . Since $Z = \min\{X, Y\}$, moreover, X and Y are independent, we can write:

$$F_Z(z) = 1 - P(Z > z) = 1 - P(X > z) * P(Y > z) = 1 - (1 - F_X(z))(1 - F_Y(z))$$

Since $F_X(x; \lambda) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^\lambda}$ and $F_Y(y; \mu) = 1 - \frac{1}{y^\mu}$,

$$F_Z(z) = 1 - \frac{1}{z^{\lambda+\mu}}$$

Therefore, Z is also Pareto-distributed.

Moreover, **the density function of Z is**

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z) = \frac{\lambda + \mu}{z^{\lambda+\mu+1}}$$

For the density function of δ , $\delta = 1$ when $X < Y$, otherwise $\delta = 0$.

Therefore, **the pmf of δ is**

$$P(\delta = 1) = P(X < Y)$$

Since they are independent and $X, Y \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\delta = 1) &= \int_1^\infty f_X(x) \left(\int_x^\infty f_Y(y) dy \right) dx \\ &= \int_1^\infty f_X(x) (1 - F_Y(x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

Since $F_X(x; \lambda) = 1 - \frac{1}{x^\lambda}$, $f_X(x) = \lambda x^{-(\lambda+1)}$,

$$P(\delta = 1) = \int_1^\infty \lambda x^{-(\lambda+1)} x^{-\mu} dx = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu} \int_1^\infty (\lambda + \mu) x^{-(\lambda+\mu+1)} dx = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}$$

$$P(\delta = 0) = 1 - P(\delta = 1) = \frac{\mu}{\lambda + \mu}$$

Therefore, **the distribution of δ is a Bernoulli distribution with parameters $p = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu}$, which is $\delta \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \mu})$.**

1.2 (b) Derive the maximum likelihood estimators of θ and p .

For θ , according to (a), since $\theta = \lambda + \mu$,

$$f_Z(z; \theta) = \frac{\theta}{z^{\theta+1}}$$

Therefore, the likelihood function for θ is,

$$L(\theta; Z) = \prod_{i=1}^n [f_Z(z_i; \theta)] = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\theta}{z_i^{\theta+1}} \right)$$

Take the logarithm of the likelihood function to get the log-likelihood function,

$$l(\theta; Z) = \log L(\theta; Z) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\theta}{z_i^{\theta+1}} \right) = n \log \theta - (\theta + 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log z_i$$

Take the derivative of $l(\theta; Z)$ for θ and set it to 0 for MLE:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\theta}l(\theta; Z) &= \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \log z_i = 0 \\ \hat{\theta} &= \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log z_i}\end{aligned}$$

For p , according to (a), since $p = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda+\mu}$,

$$f_{\delta}(\delta; p) = p^{\delta}(1-p)^{(1-\delta)}$$

Therefore, the likelihood function for p is,

$$L(p; \delta) = \prod_{i=1}^n [f_{\delta}(\delta_i; p)]$$

Take the logarithm of the likelihood function to get the log-likelihood function,

$$l(p; \delta) = \log L(p; \delta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i \log p + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - \delta_i) \log(1 - p)$$

Take the derivative of $l(p; \delta)$ for p and set it to 0 for MLE:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dp}l(p; \delta) &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{p} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (1 - \delta_i)}{1 - p} = 0 \\ \hat{p} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{n}\end{aligned}$$

1.3 (c) 95% confidence interval for θ and p .

The 95% confidence interval is

$$CI_{\hat{\theta}} = \hat{\theta} \pm \alpha_{95\%} SE(\hat{\theta})$$

$$CI_{\hat{p}} = \hat{p} \pm \alpha_{95\%} SE(\hat{p})$$

where $\alpha_{95\%}$ is the quantile of the standard normal distribution for the 95% confidence interval (approximately equal to 1.96). SE is the standard error.

Therefore, **for** θ , calculate the Fisher information.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2}l(\theta; Z) &= -\frac{n}{\theta^2} \\ I(\theta) &= E\left(-\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2}l(\theta; Z)\right) = \frac{n}{\theta^2}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the $SE(\hat{\theta}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{I(\hat{\theta})}} = \frac{\hat{\theta}}{\sqrt{n}}$

Therefore, $CI_{\hat{\theta}}$ is:

$$CI_{\hat{\theta}} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log z_i} \pm \alpha_{95\%} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log z_i}$$

For p , calculate the Fisher information.

$$\frac{d^2}{dp^2}l(p; \delta) = -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{p^2} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (1 - \delta_i)}{(1 - p)^2}$$

Since δ is a Bernoulli random variable whose expected value is p ,

$$I(p) = E\left(-\frac{d^2}{dp^2}l(p; \theta)\right) = \frac{n}{\theta^2} = \frac{np}{p^2} + \frac{n - np}{(1 - p)^2} = \frac{n}{p(1 - p)}$$

Therefore, the $SE(\hat{p}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{I(\hat{p})}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$

Therefore, $CI_{\hat{p}}$ is:

$$CI_{\hat{p}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{n} \pm \alpha_{95\%} \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{n}\right)}$$

2 95% confidence intervals

We create three models with *method* = *norm.boot*, *method* = *norm.nob* and *method* = *norm* respectively.

Listing 1: Question2 R Code

```
1 set.seed(1)
2 library(mice)
3 require(mice)
4 load("dataex2.RData")
5
6 # Set the initial value
7 true_beta1 <- 3
8 cover_count1 <- 0
9 cover_count2 <- 0
10 cover_count3 <- 0
11
12 for (i in 1:100){
13   # Load the data of an interval
14   data2 <- data.frame("X" = dataex2[, "X", i], "Y" = dataex2[, "Y", i])
15
16   # Use mice() for multiple imputations with norm.boot method
17   mice_data2_boot <- mice(data2, m = 20, method = "norm.boot", printFlag
18     = FALSE, seed = 1)
19   with_data2_boot <- with(mice_data2_boot, lm(Y ~ X))
20   pool_data2_boot <- pool(with_data2_boot)
21
22   # Use mice() for multiple imputations with norm.nob method
23   mice_data2_nob <- mice(data2, m = 20, method = "norm.nob", printFlag =
24     FALSE, seed = 1)
25   with_data2_nob <- with(mice_data2_nob, lm(Y ~ X))
26   pool_data2_nob <- pool(with_data2_nob)
27
28   # Use mice() for multiple imputations with norm method
29   mice_data2 <- mice(data2, m = 20, method = "norm", printFlag = FALSE,
30     seed = 1)
31   with_data2 <- with(mice_data2, lm(Y ~ X))
32   pool_data2 <- pool(with_data2)
33
34   # Update the empirical coverage count of the 95% confidence for norm.
35   # boot method
36   s1 <- summary(pool_data2_boot, conf.int = TRUE)
37   ci_lower1 <- s1[2, 7]
38   ci_upper1 <- s1[2, 8]
39   if (ci_lower1 <= true_beta1 && ci_upper1 >= true_beta1) {
40     cover_count1 <- cover_count1 + 1
41   }
42
43   # Update the empirical coverage count of the 95% confidence for norm.
44   # nob method
45   s2 <- summary(pool_data2_nob, conf.int = TRUE)
46   ci_lower2 <- s2[2, 7]
47   ci_upper2 <- s2[2, 8]
48   if (ci_lower2 <= true_beta1 && ci_upper2 >= true_beta1) {
49     cover_count2 <- cover_count2 + 1
50   }
51
52   # Update the empirical coverage count of the 95% confidence for norm
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48   method
49   s3 <- summary(pool_data2, conf.int = TRUE)
50   ci_lower3 <- s3[2, 7]
51   ci_upper3 <- s3[2, 8]
52   if (ci_lower3 <= true_beta1 && ci_upper3 >= true_beta1) {
53     cover_count3 <- cover_count3 + 1
54   }
55 }
56 # Calculate the empirical coverage probability
57 coverage_norm.boot <- cover_count1/100
58 coverage_norm.nob <- cover_count2/100
59 coverage_norm <- cover_count3/100
60 print(coverage_norm.boot)
61 print(coverage_norm.nob)
62 print(coverage_norm)

```

The empirical coverage probability of *method = norm.boot*, *method = norm.nob*, and *method = norm* is 0.95, 0.88 and 0.94 respectively.

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> print(coverage_norm.boot)
[1] 0.95
> print(coverage_norm.nob)
[1] 0.88
> print(coverage_norm)
[1] 0.94

```

Figure 1: The output of Question2 R Code

Among the three methods, *norm.nob* represents stochastic regression imputation without considering parameter uncertainty. *norm* denotes stochastic regression imputation considering parameter uncertainty. *norm.boot* represents bootstrap regression imputation taking parameter uncertainty into account.

Comparing the outputs of the three methods reveals that, during the execution of step 1 in multiple imputations, acknowledging parameter uncertainty enhances the coverage rate of the corresponding confidence intervals. Furthermore, employing stochastic regression imputation and bootstrap to achieve the empirical coverage probability of the 95% confidence intervals demonstrates that the bootstrap approach, in comparison with stochastic regression imputation, also augments the model's performance in terms of coverage rate within the confidence intervals.

3 Left censored data

3.1 (a) Show that the log-likelihood

Since $X_i = \begin{cases} Y_i & \text{if } Y_i \geq D \\ D & \text{if } Y_i < D \end{cases}$ and $R_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y_i \geq D \\ 0 & \text{if } Y_i < D \end{cases}$

We can write:

$$X_i = Y_i I(Y_i \geq D) + DI(Y_i < D) = Y_i R_i + D(1 - R_i)$$

Since the density function is $\phi(\cdot; \mu, \sigma^2)$ and the cumulative distribution function is $\Phi(\cdot; \mu, \sigma^2)$, the contribution of a censored observation to the likelihood is

$$Pr(Y < D) = \Phi(\cdot; \mu, \sigma^2)$$

Therefore, the likelihood function is

$$L(\mu, \sigma^2 \mid x, r) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)^{r_i} \Phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)^{(1-r_i)} \right]$$

Therefore, the log-likelihood function is

$$\log L(\mu, \sigma^2 \mid x, r) = \sum_{i=1}^n [r_i \log \phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - r_i) \log \Phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)],$$

3.2 Determine the maximum likelihood estimate of μ .

Listing 2: Question3(b) R Code

```

1 library(maxLik)
2 load("dataex3.RData")
3
4 # Set the initial value of sigma
5 sigma <- 1.5
6
7 # Create the log-likelihood function
8 loglikelihood <- function(mu,x,r, sigma2) {
9
10   pdf <- dnorm(x, mean = mu, sd = sigma)
11   cdf <- pnorm(x, mean = mu, sd = sigma)
12   loglik <- sum(r * log(pdf) + (1 - r) * log(cdf))
13   return(-loglik)
14 }
15
16 # Get the result of MLE
17 mle_est <- optim(par = 0, fn = loglikelihood, x = dataex3$X, r=dataex3$
18   R, sigma2 = sigma2)
19 mu_hat <- mle_est$par
20 mu_hat

```

The result of $\hat{\mu}$ is 5.53125.

```

> mu_hat
[1] 5.53125
>

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Figure 2: The output of Question3(b) R Code

4 Whether they are ignorable for likelihood-based estimation

A missing data mechanism is ignorable for likelihood inference if (1) the missing data are MAR (or MCAR) and (2) the parameter ψ (missingness mechanism) and θ (data model) are distinct/disjoint, in the sense that the joint parameter space of (ψ, θ) is the product of the parameter spaces ψ and θ (separability condition).

4.1 (a) $\text{logitPr}\{(R = 0 \mid y_1, y_2, \theta, \psi)\} = \psi_0 + \psi_1 y_1$

It is ignorable.

The logit of the probability that $R = 0$ serves as an indicator of the missingness.

Given that this function solely depends on y_1 , which is fully observed and lacks any association with the missing value y_2 , it can be regarded as Missing At Random (MAR). Meanwhile, $\psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)$ is distinct from θ , which means the missingness mechanism and data model are disjoint.

Consequently, it is deemed ignorable for likelihood-based estimation.

4.2 (b) $\text{logitPr}\{(R = 0 \mid y_1, y_2, \theta, \psi)\} = \psi_0 + \psi_1 y_2$

It is not ignorable.

The logit of the probability that $R = 0$ serves as an indicator of the missingness.

As the function pertains to y_2 , which represents the missing value, it is deemed Missing Not At Random (MNAR) rather than Missing At Random (MAR).

Consequently, it is not ignorable for likelihood-based estimation.

4.3 (c) $\text{logitPr}\{(R = 0 \mid y_1, y_2, \theta, \psi)\} = 0.5(\mu_1 + \psi y_1)$

It is not ignorable.

The logit of the probability that $R = 0$ serves as an indicator of the missingness.

Given that this function depends on y_1 and μ_1 , where y_1 represents a fully observed value and μ_1 is a known parameter or solely related to Y_1 , it lacks any association with the missing value y_2 , thus qualifying as Missing At Random (MAR).

However, despite scalar ψ being distinct from θ , the missingness mechanism and data model are not entirely separate. This is due to the missingness mechanism vector being (μ_1, ψ) , and μ_1 is not distinct from θ .

Consequently, it is not ignorable for likelihood-based estimation.

5 EM algorithm to compute the maximum likelihood estimate of β

Since X is fully observed, Y has missing values. And $Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i(\beta))$ and $p_i(\beta) = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1)}$, the likelihood function is:

$$L(\beta \mid X, Y) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_i(\beta)^{y_i} (1 - p_i(\beta))^{(1-y_i)}$$

The log-likelihood is:

$$\log L(\beta \mid X, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta))$$

where the first m values of Y are observed and the remaining $n - m$ values are missing.

For E-step:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\beta \mid \beta^{(t)}) &= E_{Y_{mis}} \left[\log L(\beta \mid X, Y) \mid X, \beta^{(t)} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) + E_{Y_{mis}} \left[\sum_{i=m+1}^n y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) + E_{Y_{mis}} \left[\left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) \right) \mid X, \beta^{(t)} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) + \\ &\quad \sum_{i=m+1}^n E_{Y_{mis}} \left[y_i \mid X, \beta^{(t)} \right] \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n E_{Y_{mis}} \left[(1-y_i) \mid X, \beta^{(t)} \right] \log(1-p_i(\beta)) \end{aligned}$$

Since $Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i(\beta))$,

$E_{Y_{mis}} [y_i \mid X, \beta^{(t)}] = p_i(\beta^{(t)})$ and $E_{Y_{mis}} [(1-y_i) \mid X, \beta^{(t)}] = 1 - p_i(\beta^{(t)})$.

Therefore,

$$Q(\beta \mid \beta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=1}^m (1-y_i) \log(1-p_i(\beta)) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n p_i(\beta^{(t)}) \log p_i(\beta) + \sum_{i=m+1}^n (1-p_i(\beta^{(t)})) \log(1-p_i(\beta))$$

For the M-step, we find $\beta^{(t+1)}$ to maximize the function $Q(\beta \mid \beta^{(t)})$.

Listing 3: Question5 R Code

```

1 library(maxLik)
2 load("dataex5.RData")
3
4 # Create pi function
5 pi <- function(b, x) {
6   exp(b[1] + b[2] * x) / (1 + exp(b[1] + b[2] * x))
7 }
8
9 em_algorithm <- function(data, eps){
10
11   # Set the initial value
12   beta <- c(beta0 = 0, beta1 = 0)
13   diff <- eps+1
14
15   # Separate missing data and observed data
16   missing_i <- which(is.na(dataex5$Y))
17   data_obs <- dataex5[-missing_i, ]
18   data_mis <- dataex5[missing_i, ]
19   xobs <- data_obs[,1]
20   yobs <- data_obs[,2]
21   xmis <- data_mis[,1]
22
23   while (diff > eps) {
24
25     # Store previous beta
26     beta_pre <- beta
27
28     # E-Step: Estimate missing Ys
29     Q_function <- function(beta, beta_pre){
30
31       piobs <- pi(beta,xobs)
32       pimis <- pi(beta,xmis)
33       pimis_pre <- pi(beta_pre,xmis)
34       q <- sum(yobs * log(piobs) + (1 - yobs) * log(1 - piobs))+
35         sum(pimis_pre * log(pimis) + (1 - pimis_pre) * log(1 - pimis))
36
37       return(-q)
38     }
39
40     # M-Step: Update parameters
41     opt_res <- optim(par = beta, Q_function, beta_pre = beta_pre)
42     beta <- opt_res$par
43
44     # Check for convergence
45     diff <- sum(abs(beta - beta_pre))
46   }
47   return(beta)
48 }
49
50 # Set the initial value of eps
51 eps <- 1e-5
52
53 # Run the function and get the result
54 em_algorithm(dataex5, eps)

```

According to the implementation code of the EM algorithm described above, the maximum likelihood estimate of β is ($\beta_0 = 0.975708, \beta_1 = -2.479987$).

```
> em_algorithm(dataex5, eps)
      beta0      beta1
0.9757079 -2.4799874
```

Figure 3: The output of Question5 R Code