

Exercise 2 Hand In

Donnerstag, 9. November 2023

10:45

Group Members:
Dhvaniben Jasoliya
Leutrim Uka
Nicola Horst
Tauqeer Rumaney
Yuvraj Dhepe

Task 1:

Derive the log likelihood function and the maximum likelihood estimate (in general and for the specific sample).

$$\text{likelihood: } L(\theta) = P(T_1 = t_1; \theta) \cdot P(T_2 = t_2; \theta) \cdot \dots \cdot P(T_N = t_N; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2\theta t_i} e^{-\frac{t_i}{\theta}}$$

$$\text{log likelihood } l(\theta) := \log(L(\theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log\left(\frac{1}{2\theta t_i}\right) - \frac{t_i}{\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N \log(1) - \log(2\theta t_i) - \frac{t_i}{\theta} \quad | \log(1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N -\log(2\theta t_i) - \frac{t_i}{\theta}$$

$$\underline{\underline{l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N -\log(2\theta t_i) - \frac{t_i}{\theta}}}$$

$$\text{Maximum likelihood} := \arg \max_{\theta} l(\theta) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l(\theta) = 0$$

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N -\frac{1}{2\theta t_i} \cdot 2 t_i - \frac{t_i}{\theta^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N -\frac{2 t_i}{2\theta t_i} + \frac{t_i}{\theta^2}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N -\frac{1}{\theta} + \frac{t_i}{\theta^2} = 0 \quad | \cdot \theta^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N -\theta + t_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N t_i - \sum_{i=1}^N \theta$$

$$= \sum t_i = N\theta \quad | \frac{1}{N}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum t_i = \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{we find that our estimator } \underline{\underline{\hat{\theta}_{ML} = \frac{1}{N} \sum t_i}}$$

Now: To prove, that our estimate $\hat{\theta}_{ML}$ is a maximum, we have to show that $l''(\hat{\theta}_{ML}) < 0$:

$$l''(\theta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} l'(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2 t_i}{\theta^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2 t_i}{\theta^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{N}{\theta^2} - \frac{2 \sum t_i}{\theta^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta^3 N - 2 \theta^2 \sum t_i}{\theta^2 \cdot \theta^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta^2 (\theta N - 2 \sum \tau_i)}{\theta^2 \cdot \theta^3}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\theta N - 2 \sum \tau_i}{\theta^3} \quad | \text{ Replace } \theta \text{ by } \hat{\theta}_{ML}$$

$$= \frac{N \hat{\theta}_{ML} - 2 \sum \tau_i}{(\hat{\theta}_{ML})^3}$$

We know, that $\forall t: > 0$, $\hat{\theta}_{ML} > 0$ and thus it follows, that $(\hat{\theta}_{ML})^3$ is also positive $\forall t: > 0$.

This means we can focus on the numerator discard the denominator, which leaves us with:

$$\begin{aligned} & N \hat{\theta}_{ML} - 2 \sum \tau_i \quad | \text{ we replace } \hat{\theta}_{ML} \text{ with } \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i \\ &= \frac{N}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i \\ &\Leftrightarrow - \sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i < 0 \end{aligned}$$

We find, that the numerator of $l''(\hat{\theta}_{ML})$ is negative $\forall t: > 0$ and thus conclude that our maximum likelihood estimator $\hat{\theta}_{ML}$ is in fact a point of maximum.

Using the discrete samples: $\{t_1 = 11300, t_2 = 5000, t_3 = 4300, t_4 = 8500, t_5 = 7900\}$

We obtain:

$$\frac{1}{5} (11300^{\frac{1}{2}} + 5000^{\frac{1}{2}} + 4300^{\frac{1}{2}} + 8500^{\frac{1}{2}} + 7900^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \underline{\underline{84.7327}}$$

$$MLE = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \left(\frac{t_1}{11300} + \frac{t_2}{5000} + \frac{t_3}{4300} + \frac{t_4}{8500} + \frac{t_5}{7900} \right)$$

Q2)

Consider a Poisson distributed r.v. with p.d.f.

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{\theta^x \cdot e^{-\theta}}{x!} \text{ \& independent samples } x_1, \dots, x_n$$

Derive the MLE $\hat{\theta}$ of θ . Is the estimate unbiased & consistent?

The joint p.d.f for x_1, \dots, x_n samples are:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \frac{\theta^{x_1} \cdot e^{-\theta}}{x_1!} \cdot \frac{\theta^{x_2} \cdot e^{-\theta}}{x_2!} \cdots \frac{\theta^{x_n} \cdot e^{-\theta}}{x_n!} \\ &= \frac{\theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \cdot e^{-n\theta}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \cdot e \end{aligned}$$

Taking log of the joint pdf to obtain the log likelihood:

$$\log(f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n))$$

$$= \log \frac{1}{n!} + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \log \theta - n\theta.$$

& equating to 0
Deriving wrt θ to find MLE

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log(f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = 0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{\theta} - n$$

$$\therefore \hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \hat{\theta} = \text{MLE} \quad \because 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ derivative of this log likelihood is } < 0, \text{ it's } -\frac{1}{\theta^2}$$

to check:

a) Unbiasedness: We need to ensure $E[\hat{\theta}] = \theta$.

$$E[\hat{\theta}] = E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[x_i]$$

$$\because x_i \text{ follows poisson distr} \quad E[x_i] = \theta \quad \therefore \sum_{i=1}^n E[x_i] = n\theta$$

$$\therefore E[\hat{\theta}] = \frac{1}{n} \cdot n \cdot \theta$$

\therefore MLE is unbiased.

b) To check for consistency:

We need to show that as the sample size $n \rightarrow \infty$, the MLE $\hat{\theta}$ converges in probability to θ .

That means for any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\hat{\theta} - \theta| > \epsilon) = 0.$$

For poisson distrⁿ as per law of large no's, it is ensured that as n grows, the sample mean $\sum x_i / n$ converges to the true parameter θ . Therefore, the MLE is consistent.