

1. Consider the following model and assumptions. Assume that β_1 and β_2 are fixed unknown constants, and that $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ are fixed known constants with $x_i \neq x_j$ for at least some $i \neq j$.

$$Y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \text{where } \epsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2).$$

You may assume and use any results you know from PSTAT 127 or pre-requisite courses to answer this question.

- Write down the distribution of Y_i .
Your answer must include the distribution name, and the mean and variance.
- Are Y_1, \dots, Y_n independently and identically distributed (i.e., are they iid)? (Answer Yes or No.)
- Is this a linear model in the sense of PSTAT 126? Why or why not?
- Based on your answer to part (1a), write out the likelihood of β_0 and β_1 based on observations $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$. Your answer will be a function of $\beta_0, \beta_1, y_1, \dots, y_n$ and x_1, \dots, x_n .

a) for $y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i) + \epsilon_i$, we are given $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

under this assumption $X_i^T \beta$ is an unknown constant.

$$X^T = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & X_{n2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \exp(x_1) \\ \exp(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \exp(x_n) \end{bmatrix} = [1 \exp(x_i)]^T \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \epsilon_i = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

So $y_i \sim N([1 \exp(x_i)]^T \beta, \sigma^2) = N(\beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i), \sigma^2)$ w/ mean = $\beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i)$

and variance σ^2 . The variance stays the same because the unknown constants only shift the distribution. Nothing related to spread changes.

b) NO, y_i s are not independent and identically distributed because the means are different for every i . However they are independent.

c) In the sense of PSTAT 126, $y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i) + \epsilon_i$ is a linear model. This is mainly because the predictors are linear in the betas. In this specific case, since β_2 is not included in exp, it is linear in the betas.

d) Likelihood = $\prod_{i=1}^n f(x)$ by independence * pdf for normal dist: $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}$ w/ $E(x) = \mu$ $Var(x) = \sigma^2$

$$L(y) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 \exp(x_i)))^2\right)$$

$$L(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 \exp(x_i))^2\right)$$

$$L(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)\right)^2\right]$$

2. Review of estimation concepts from 120A/B: Mean square error of a point estimator for a parameter θ .

Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n be a random sample from some pdf/pmf $f_Y(y; \theta)$. Let W be a point estimator $W = h(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n)$ for θ . The bias of W as a point estimator for θ is defined as

$$\text{Bias}_\theta(W) = E(W) - \theta.$$

The mean square error of a point estimator W for θ is defined as

$$MSE_\theta(W) = E[(W - \theta)^2]$$

Using properties of expected values, and the definition of variance from PSTAT 120A/B, show that

$$MSE_\theta(W) = \text{Var}(W) + [\text{Bias}_\theta(W)]^2.$$

*note $\text{Var}(W) = E(W^2) - [E(W)]^2$ (page 4 of Cov Corr Summary)

$$\begin{aligned} MSE(W) &= \overbrace{E[W^2] \cdot E[W]^2}^{\text{Var}(W)} + \overbrace{[E(W) - \theta]^2}^{\text{Bias}^2} \\ &= E[W^2] - \cancel{E[W]^2} + [\cancel{E[W]^2} - 2\theta E[W] + \theta^2] \\ &= E[W^2] - 2\theta E[W] + \theta^2 \\ &= E[W^2] - E[2\theta W] + E[\theta^2] \\ &= E[W^2 - 2\theta W + \theta^2] \\ &= E[(W - \theta)^2] = MSE(W) \end{aligned}$$

3. Suppose that $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f_Y(y; \theta)$ where

$$f_Y(y; \theta) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{2y}{\theta^2}\right), & \text{if } 0 < y < \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find $E(Y_i)$ and $\text{Var}(Y_i)$ for each $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, using any approach you have studied.

(b) Consider the estimator $\hat{\theta} = \bar{Y}$.

- Show that $\hat{\theta}$ is a biased estimator of θ , and find the bias.
- Find the variance of $\hat{\theta}$.
- Find the mean square error of $\hat{\theta}$, when estimating θ , i.e., find $MSE_{\theta}(\hat{\theta})$.

$$a) E[Y_i] = \int_0^{\theta} y \cdot \frac{2y}{\theta^2} dy = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \int_0^{\theta} 2y^2 dy = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left[\frac{2}{3} y^3 \right]_0^{\theta} = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left[\frac{2}{3} \theta^3 - \frac{2}{3} (0)^3 \right] = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left[\frac{2}{3} \theta^3 \right] = \frac{2\theta}{3}$$

$$\therefore E[Y_i] = \frac{2\theta}{3}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y_i] = E[Y_i^2] - E[Y_i]^2$$

$$E[Y_i^2] = \int_0^{\theta} y^2 \cdot \frac{2y}{\theta^2} dy = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \int_0^{\theta} 2y^3 dy = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left[\frac{2}{4} y^4 \right]_0^{\theta} = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left[\frac{\theta^4}{2} - \frac{0^4}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \left(\frac{\theta^4}{2} \right) = \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}[Y_i] = \frac{\theta^2}{2} - \left(\frac{2\theta}{3} \right)^2 = \frac{\theta^2}{2} - \frac{4\theta^2}{9} = \frac{9\theta^2}{18} - \frac{8\theta^2}{18} = \frac{\theta^2}{18}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(Y_i) = \frac{\theta^2}{18}$$

b) i) find bias

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bias} &= E[\hat{\theta}] - \theta = E[\bar{Y}] - \theta = E\left[\frac{\sum Y_i}{n}\right] - \theta \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum E[Y_i] - \theta = \frac{1}{n} \left[n \cdot \frac{2\theta}{3} \right] - \theta = -\frac{\theta}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \hat{\theta}$ is biased

ii) find variance ($\hat{\theta}$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) &= \text{Var}(\bar{Y}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \text{Var}(\sum Y_i) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \sum \text{Var}(Y_i) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 (n) \left(\frac{\theta^2}{18} \right) = \frac{\theta^2}{18n} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta^2}{18n}$$

iii) find $MSE(\hat{\theta})$

$$MSE(\hat{\theta}) = \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) + \text{Bias}(\hat{\theta})^2$$

$$= \frac{\theta^2}{18n} + \left(-\frac{\theta}{3}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{\theta^2}{18n} + \frac{\theta^2}{9} = \frac{\theta^2 + 2n\theta^2}{18n}$$

$$= \frac{\theta^2(1+2n)}{18n}$$

$$\therefore MSE(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta^2}{18n} + \frac{\theta^2}{9} = \frac{\theta^2(1+2n)}{18n}$$

4. This exercise requires you to review the definitions of certain distributions seen in 120A/B, that also were used in 126:

Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_6 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(3, 16)$, and that $Y_1, Y_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$, and that X_1, \dots, X_6 are independent of Y_1 and Y_2 .

Clearly write down the distribution (including distribution name and the numeric values of any parameters or degrees of freedom if appropriate) for each of the following random variables.

Provide clear reasoning in each case by stating the results and definitions you are using from pre-requisite classes.

(a) $T = \sum_{i=1}^6 X_i$ **$T \sim \text{Normal}(18, 96)$**
 using $*$, $T = \sum_{i=1}^6 ((1)X_i + 0)$ $a_i = 1$
 $b_i = 0$

so $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^6 (a_i \mu_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (1)(3) = (6)(3) = 18$

$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^6 (a_i^2 \sigma_i^2) = \sum_{i=1}^6 (1)^2 (16) = (6)(16) = 96$

(b) $W = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^6 X_i\right)}{4}$ **$W \sim \text{Normal}(9/2, 6)$**

$W = \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^6 X_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^6 \frac{1}{4} X_i + 0$ $a_i = 1/4$
 $b_i = 0$ $(*)$

$\mu = \sum_{i=1}^6 \frac{1}{4} \mu_i = \frac{1}{4}(3) + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)(3) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)(3) = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)(3)(6) = 9/2$

$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^6 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \sigma_i^2 = \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)(16) + \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)(16) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)(16)(6) = 6$

(c) $V = 3Y_1 - 2X_3 + 7$
 $E[V] = E[3Y_1] - E[2X_3] + E[7]$
 $= 3E[Y_1] - 2E[X_3] + 7$
 $= 3[0] - 2[3] + 7 = 7 - 6 = 1$

$\text{Var}[V] = \text{Var}[3Y_1] + \text{Var}[2X_3] + \text{Var}[7]$
 $= 9\text{Var}[Y_1] + 4\text{Var}[X_3] + 0$
 $= (9)(1) + (4)(16) = 9 + 64 = 73$

$V \sim \text{Normal}(1, 73)$

$X_1 \perp X_2$ $X_1 \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ & $X_2 \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$

$X_1 + X_2 \sim N(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2))$ $*$

(d) $S = (Y_1)^2$ **$S \sim \chi_1^2$**

By $*$, since $Y_1 \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$, then

$S = (Y_1)^2 \sim \chi_1^2$

$*$ $V = \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i X_i + b_i) \sim \text{Normal}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i \mu_i + b_i), \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$

if $Z \sim N(0, 1)$, then $Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$ $*$

if $Z_1, \dots, Z_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$, then $\sum Z_i^2 \sim \chi_n^2$ $*$

(e) $U = \left(\frac{X_2 - 3}{4} \right)$ $U \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$

$$U = \frac{1}{4}X_2 - \frac{3}{4} = \sum_{i=2}^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}X_i + \frac{-3}{4} \right) \quad \begin{matrix} a_i = \frac{1}{4} \\ b_i = -3/4 \end{matrix} (*)$$

$$\mu = \sum_{i=2}^2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{4} \right) (\mu_i) + \frac{-3}{4} \right) = \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) (3) - \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4} = 0$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=2}^2 \left(\left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 (\sigma_i^2) \right) = \left(\frac{1}{16} \right) (16) = 1$$

(f) $Q = \sum_{i=1}^6 \left[\left(\frac{X_i - 3}{4} \right)^2 \right]$ $Q \sim \chi_b^2$

Since $U = \frac{X_i - 3}{4}$ and $U \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^6 [U^2] = \sum_{i=1}^6 \left(\frac{X_i - 3}{4} \right)^2 \sim \chi_b^2 (*)$$

(g) $R = \frac{Y_2}{\sqrt{(Y_1^2)}}$ $R \sim t_1$

Since $Y_2 \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$ and $(Y_1^2) \sim \chi_1^2 (*)$

then

$$R = \frac{Y_2}{\sqrt{(Y_1^2)}} \sim t_1$$

proof
 $W \sim N(0, 1)$
 $V \sim \chi_r^2$

$$U = \frac{W}{\sqrt{V/r}} \sim t_r$$

5. Suppose a random variable X has probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} e^x, & x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

(a) Show that the moment generating function (mgf) for X is $M_X(t) = \frac{1}{(t+1)}$.

(b) Using this moment generating function, find the mean of X .

(c) Using this moment generating function, find the variance of X .

Note: if your class did not study mgf's when you took PSTAT 120AB, please email Prof Meiring as soon as possible.

$$a) M_X(t) = E[e^{tx}] = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{tx} e^x dx = \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{x(t+1)} dx = \left. \frac{1}{t+1} e^{x(t+1)} \right|_{-\infty}^0 = \frac{1}{t+1} e^0 - \frac{1}{t+1} e^{-\infty} = \frac{1}{t+1} - 0 = \frac{1}{t+1}$$

$$\therefore M_X(t) = \frac{1}{t+1}$$

$$b) \text{ Since } E[X] = \left. \frac{d}{dt} M_X(t) \right|_{t=0} = M_X'(0),$$

$$M_X(t) = (t+1)^{-1}$$

$$M_X'(t) = -(t+1)^{-2} = \frac{-1}{(t+1)^2}$$

$$M_X'(0) = \frac{-1}{(0+1)^2} = -1$$

$$\therefore E[X] = -1$$

$$c) \text{ Since } E[X^2] = \left. \frac{d}{dt} M_X'(t) \right|_{t=0} = M_X''(0)$$

$$M_X''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} -(t+1)^{-2} = 2(t+1)^{-3} = \frac{2}{(t+1)^3}$$

$$M_X''(0) = \frac{2}{(0+1)^3} = 2 = E[X^2]$$

$$\text{Since } \text{Var}(X) = E[X^2] - [E[X]]^2$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 2 - [-1]^2 = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(X) = 1$$