

ECE 565 Estimation, Filtering and Detection - Fall 2011

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1. Problem 4.9 in classnotes

Given

$$f(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1 + 3\theta x^2)}{1 + \theta} \quad (1)$$

(a) The p.d.f of the n i.i.d sequence is given by

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1 + 3\theta x_i^2)}{1 + \theta} = \frac{1}{[2(1 + \theta)]^n} \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + 3\theta x_i^2) \quad (2)$$

From Equation (2), it can be seen that it is not of the form $h(x) G(\theta) e^{A(\theta) \hat{\theta}(x)}$. Hence it does not belong to the exponential family. This can also be tested formally by checking whether $\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x \partial \theta}$ can be written as the product $f_1(x)f_2(\theta)$:

$$\frac{\partial^2 P}{\partial x \partial \theta} = \frac{\partial^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + 3\theta x_i^2)}{\partial x \partial \theta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{6x_i}{(1 + \theta x_i^2)^2} \quad (3)$$

Since the result cannot be factorized into a product of a function of x and a function of θ , P is not a member of the exponential family.

(b) CR Bound:

The logarithm of the probability function gives

$$\log(P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(x_i; \theta) \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + 3\theta x_i^2) - n \log(2) - n \log(1 + \theta) \quad (5)$$

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The score of the p.d.f is given by

$$\frac{d \log(P(X; \theta)}{d\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{3x_i^2}{(1 + 3\theta x_i^2)} - \frac{n}{1 + \theta} \quad (6)$$

Differentiating it once again, gives

$$\frac{d^2 \log(P(X; \theta)}{d\theta^2} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{9x_i^4}{(1 + 3\theta x_i^2)^2} + \frac{n}{(1 + \theta)^2} \quad (7)$$

The Fischer information matrix is given by

$$FIM = CRLB^{-1} = -E\left[\frac{d^2 \log P(X; \theta)}{d\theta^2}\right] \quad (8)$$

Taking the expectation of equation 7,

$$E\left[\frac{d^2 \log(f(x; \theta)}{d\theta^2}\right] = \frac{n}{(1 + \theta)^2} - \sum_{i=1}^n E\left(\frac{9x_i^4}{(1 + 3\theta x_i^2)^2}\right) \quad (9)$$

The $E\left(\frac{9x_i^4}{(1+3\theta x_i^2)^2}\right)$ is then given by

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{9x^4}{(1 + 3\theta x^2)^2}\right) \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1 + 3\theta x^2)}{1 + \theta} dx \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{9}{2(1 + \theta)} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{x^4}{(1 + 3\theta x^2)} dx \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{9}{2(1 + \theta)} \left[\frac{\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{3\theta} x)}{9\theta^2 \sqrt{3\theta}} - \frac{x}{9\theta^2} + \frac{x^3}{9\theta} \right]_{-1}^1 \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^2(1 + \theta)} \left[\frac{\tan^{-1} \sqrt{3\theta}}{\sqrt{3\theta}} - (1 - \theta) \right] \quad (13)$$

$$E\left[\frac{d^2 \log(f(x; \theta)}{d\theta^2}\right] = - \frac{n}{\theta^2(1 + \theta)^2} \left[\frac{(1 + \theta) \tan^{-1} \sqrt{3\theta}}{\sqrt{3\theta}} - 1 \right] \quad (14)$$

The CRLB is thus given by

$$CRLB = \frac{\theta^2(1 + \theta)^2}{n} \left[\frac{\sqrt{3\theta}}{(1 + \theta) \tan^{-1} \sqrt{3\theta} - \sqrt{3\theta}} \right] \quad (15)$$

2. Problem 4.13 given in classnotes

Given,

$$f(x_i; \theta) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\theta)} x^{(\theta-1)} e^{-x} \quad (16)$$

The p.d.f of the n i.i.d sequence is given by

$$P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta) \quad (17)$$

The logarithm of the probability function gives

$$\log(P(X; \theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(x_i; \theta) \quad (18)$$

$$= -n \log \Gamma(\theta) + \sum_{i=1}^n (\theta \log(x_i) - \log(x_i) - x_i) \quad (19)$$

The score is then given by

$$\frac{d \log(P(X; \theta))}{d\theta} = -n \frac{\Gamma'(\theta)}{\Gamma(\theta)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i) \quad (20)$$

The polygamma function is given by $\psi(x) = \frac{\Gamma'(x)}{\Gamma(x)}$. Substituting it in the above equation and again taking the derivative, we get

$$\frac{d^2 \log(P(X; \theta))}{d\theta^2} = -n \psi'(\theta) \quad (21)$$

$$-E\left(\frac{d^2 \log(P(X; \theta))}{d\theta^2}\right) = n \psi'(\theta) \quad (22)$$

Therefore the CR Lower Bound is given by

$$CRLB = \frac{1}{n \psi'(\theta)} \quad (23)$$

3. Problem 4.18 given in classnotes

$$p(k; \theta) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\theta}{1+\theta}\right)^{k-k_o} \frac{1}{1+\theta} & k = k_o, k_o + 1, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

- (a) Yes the density is in the exponential family. The above expression can be rewritten as

$$p(k; \theta) = \frac{1}{(1+\theta)} e^{(k-k_o) \log(\frac{\theta}{1+\theta})} \quad (25)$$

Similarly, for a $P(x_1, x_2, \dots; k)$ can be written as

$$P(X; \theta) = \frac{1}{(1+\theta)^n} e^{\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i - k_o\right) \log(\frac{\theta}{1+\theta})} \quad (26)$$

This is of the form, $h(k)G(\theta)e^{A(\theta) \theta(\hat{k})}$, where $h(k) = 1$, $G(\theta) = \frac{1}{(1+\theta)^n}$, $A(\theta) = \log(\frac{\theta}{1+\theta})$ and $\theta(\hat{k}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i - k_o$. Let us derive to see if the score of the p.d.f satisfies the third condition of the cramer rao lower bound, and if we get the estimator for θ as given here.

- (b) The P(X) is given by

$$P(X; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta^{k_i - k_o}}{(1+\theta)^{k_i - k_o + 1}} \quad (27)$$

$$\log P(X; \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left((k_i - k_o) \log(\theta) - (k_i - k_o + 1) \log(1+\theta) \right) \quad (28)$$

The score of the above p.d.f is given by

$$\frac{d \log P(X)}{d\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(k_i - k_o)}{\theta} - \frac{k_i - k_o + 1}{1+\theta} \quad (29)$$

Simplifying it, we get

$$\frac{d \log P(X)}{d\theta} = \frac{n}{\theta (1+\theta)} \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i - k_o \right) - \theta \right] \quad (30)$$

This is of the form $I(\theta) [\hat{\theta}(k) - \theta]$ Therefore, the estimator for θ is

$$\hat{\theta}(k) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k_i - k_o \quad (31)$$

The CR Lower Bound is then given by $I(\theta)^{-1}$ which is

$$CRLB = \frac{\theta (1+\theta)}{n} \quad (32)$$

4. Problem 4.23 given in classnotes

- (a) Let us consider the p.d.f $f_\theta(x)$ for the parameter θ . For an unbiased estimator, we know that

$$E[\hat{\theta}(x)] = \int_x \hat{\theta}(x) f_\theta(x) dx = \theta \quad (33)$$

Similarly

$$\int_x \hat{\theta}(x) f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) dx = \theta + \Delta \quad (34)$$

Subtracting (34)-(33), we get

$$\int_x \hat{\theta}(x) (f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) - f_\theta(x)) dx = \Delta \quad (35)$$

$$\int_x \hat{\theta}(x) \frac{(f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) - f_\theta(x))}{\Delta} dx = 1 \quad (36)$$

Dividing and multiplying the integral function by $f_\theta(x)$ and replacing $\frac{(f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) - f_\theta(x))}{\Delta} = \delta f_\theta$ in (36), we get

$$\int_x \hat{\theta}(x) \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right) f_\theta(x) dx = 1 = E[\hat{\theta}(x) \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right)] \quad (37)$$

We also know that the area under the p.d.f is 1, i.e.,

$$\int_x f_\theta(x) dx = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_x f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) dx = 1 \quad (38)$$

Subtracting the above two equations, we get

$$\int_x (f_{\theta+\Delta}(x) - f_\theta(x)) dx = 0 \quad (39)$$

Dividing and multiplying the above equation 39 integration function by $f_\theta(x)$, and also dividing the equation by Δ ; multiplying it with θ , we get

$$\int_x \theta \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right) f_\theta(x) dx = 0 = E[\theta \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right)] \quad (40)$$

Subtracting equation (37) and (40), we get

$$\int_x (\hat{\theta}(x) - \theta) \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right) f_\theta(x) dx = 1 = E[(\hat{\theta}(x) - \theta) \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right)] \quad (41)$$

By Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, $E[XY]^2 \leq E[X^2]E[Y^2]$. Using this inequality in the equation (41), we get

$$\left(E[(\hat{\theta}(x) - \theta) \left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right)] \right)^2 = 1 \leq E[(\hat{\theta}(x) - \theta)^2] E[\left(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} \right)^2] \quad (42)$$

Thus, we have the Chapman-Robbins bound given by

$$\mathbb{E}[(\hat{\theta}(x) - \theta)^2] \geq \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[(\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta})^2]} \quad (43)$$

- (b) Take the function $\frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta}$, and applying the limit as $\Delta \rightarrow 0$, if the function is continuous in θ , then we get

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{(\theta+\Delta)} - f_\theta}{f_\theta \Delta} = \frac{1}{f_\theta} \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{(\theta+\Delta)} - f_\theta}{\Delta} = \frac{f'_\theta}{f_\theta} = (\log f_\theta)' \quad (44)$$

Hence,

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta f_\theta}{f_\theta} = \frac{d \log(f_\theta)}{d\theta} \quad (45)$$

Thus in the limiting case as $\Delta \rightarrow 0$, the Chapman Robbins bound implies the Cramér-Rao Bound.