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1. Find MLE of the proportion of cereal purchased by men.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{12}{70} = \frac{6}{35}$$

2. X_1, \dots, X_n form a random sample from the Bernoulli distribution with θ , unknown. $0 < \theta < 1$. Show that MLE of θ does not exist if every observed value is 0 or if every observed value is 1

$$P(n) = p^n (1-p)^{1-n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(\theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n p^{x_i} (1-p)^{1-x_i} = (1-p)^n \quad \text{if } x_i = 0 \\ &= p^n \quad \text{if } x_i = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell(\theta) = n \cdot \log(1-p)$$

$$= -\frac{n}{1-p} = 0 \quad \text{which can not be solved.}$$

3. X_1, \dots, X_n form a random sample from a Poisson distribution the mean λ is unknown.

$$a). \quad f(x; \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

$$L_n(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{x_i} e^{-\lambda}}{x_i!}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_n(\lambda) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \log \lambda - \lambda - \log x_i!) \\ &= \log \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n\lambda - \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i! \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ell'(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n = 0 \\ \text{so } \hat{\lambda} &= \bar{x} \end{aligned}$$

It can be shown that if $x_i = 0$ for $i = 1$ to n then $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n < 0$, it is impossible to find one λ that

satisfy the equation.

4. x_1, \dots, x_n form a random sample from a normal distribution for which the mean μ is ~~not~~ known, but the variance σ^2 is unknown. Find the MLE of σ^2 .

$$l(\mu, \sigma^2, x_1, \dots, x_n) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \ln(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - \mu)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} l = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} \left(-\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \ln(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - \mu)^2 \right) = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - \mu)^2 - n \right] = 0$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - \hat{\mu})^2$$