

Maximum Likelihood

Lab 2

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Agenda

- 1 Jensen's inequality
- 2 Expected Likelihood
- 3 MLE Identification
- 4 Newton-Raphson for Poisson

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- ▶ Jensen's Inequality says that if $\tau(\cdot)$ is convex, then $\tau(E[\hat{\theta}]) \leq E[\tau(\hat{\theta})]$; if concave, the inequality changes direction.

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- ▶ Let's do it! How would you start? (solution will be posted)