MATH 60604A Exercice 3

3.1 We consider three nested regression models for modelling the number of car accidents according to region (region). The variables risk class (risk) has 3 categories and the number of years of driving experience (exp) is broken down into 4 categories.

Model	variables	<i>p</i> + 1	$\ell(\widehat{m{eta}})$	AIC	BIC
M_1	risk	3	-244.566	495.132	510.362
M_2	risk+region	*	-151.620	*	*
M_3	risk + region + exp	10	-139.734	299.468	350.235

Table 1: Goodness-of-fit measures for three nested regression models with the number of parameters in each model (p+1), the value of the log-likelihood function evaluated at the maximum likelihood estimate $(\ell(\widehat{\pmb{\beta}}))$ and information criteria.

What is the difference between AIC and BIC of Model M₂ (in absolute value)?

3.2 A random variable X follows a geometric distribution with parameter p if its probability mass function is

$$P(X = x) = (1 - p)^{x-1}p, \qquad x = 1, 2, ...$$

- (a) Write the likelihood and the log-likelihood of the *n* sample.
- (b) Derive the maximum likelihood estimator for the parameter p.
- (c) Compute the observed information matrix.
- (d) Suppose we have a sample of 15 observations, {5,6,3,7,1,2,11,8,7,34,1,7,10,1,0}, whose sum is 216. Compute the maximum likelihood estimate and its approximate standard error.
- (e) Compute the likelihood ratio and the Wald test statistics. Perform a test at level 5% for \mathcal{H}_0 : $p_0 = 0.1$ against the two-sided alternative \mathcal{H}_a : $p_0 \neq 0.1$.

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