

02424 - week 2, Likelihood theory

ex 1

a) Cf. slide 21/60. $f_Y(y_i; \mu) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^{12}} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{12} \frac{(y_i - \mu)^2}{2}\right)$

b) Cf. slide 22 ~ 24 \bar{y} is a sufficient statistic for the mean and hence

$$f_Y(y_i; \mu) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^{12}} \exp\left(\frac{12 \cdot (\bar{y} - \mu)^2}{2}\right) \cdot \text{const.}$$

c) solved in R

NB! Der er en fejl i a) og b) da σ^2 er antaget lig 1 men man skal antage observeret var i y .

ex2)

a) - likelihood function

$$L(y_1, \dots, y_n; \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{y_i} \exp(-\lambda)}{y_i!}$$

- log-likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned} \log-L(y_1, \dots, y_n; \lambda) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log\left(\frac{\lambda^{y_i} \exp(-\lambda)}{y_i!}\right) \\ &= -n\lambda + \log(\lambda) \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + \log\left(\prod_{i=1}^n y_i!\right) \\ &= -n\lambda + \log(\lambda) \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + \text{const.} \end{aligned}$$

- score-function

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \log-L(y_1, \dots, y_n; \lambda) = -n + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{\lambda}$$

- observed information

$$j(y; \lambda) = \frac{d^2}{d\lambda^2} \log-L(y_1, \dots, y_n; \lambda) = -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{\lambda^2}$$

b) We derive the MLE

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \log-L(y_1, \dots, y_n; \lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n}$$

We calculate the observed information using $\hat{\lambda}$

$$j(y; \hat{\lambda}) = -\frac{n^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}$$

ex 4

samples	vol	concentration
1	1	λ bact/ml
2	10	

bacteria count of sample 1: $Y_1 \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$

bacteria count of sample 2: $Y_2 \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda/10)$

a) Consider the estimator

$$\overline{T}_1 = \frac{Y_1 + 10Y_2}{2}$$

- Verify that \overline{T}_1 is unbiased, i.e. that $E[\overline{T}_1] = \lambda$.

$$\begin{aligned} E[\overline{T}_1] &= E\left[\frac{Y_1 + 10Y_2}{2}\right] = \frac{E[Y_1] + 10E[Y_2]}{2} \\ &= \frac{\lambda + 10 \cdot \lambda/10}{2} = \lambda \end{aligned}$$

- Estimate the variance

$$\text{Var}[\overline{T}_1] = \text{Var}\left[\frac{Y_1 + 10Y_2}{2}\right] \quad (\text{independent})$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{2}Y_1\right] + \text{Var}[5Y_2] = \\ &= \frac{1}{4}\text{Var}[Y_1] + 25\text{Var}[Y_2] = \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \lambda + 25 \cdot \frac{\lambda}{10} = 11/4 \lambda \end{aligned}$$

- compared to

$$\text{Var}[Y_1] = \lambda$$

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b) we now consider an unbiased estimator

$$T_w = wY_1 + (1-w)10Y_2, \text{ with } 0 \leq w \leq 1$$

Derive $\text{Var}[T_w]$

$$\text{Var}[T_w] = \text{Var}[wY_1 + (1-w)10Y_2]$$

$$\stackrel{\text{(independence)}}{=} \text{Var}[wY_1] + \text{Var}[(1-w)10Y_2]$$

$$= w^2 \text{Var}[Y_1] + 100(1-w)^2 \text{Var}[Y_2]$$

$$= w^2 \lambda + (1-w)^2 10 \lambda$$

we now minimize w.r.t. w

$$\frac{d}{dw} \text{Var}[T_w] = 2w\lambda - 20(1-w)\lambda$$

$$\frac{d}{dw} \text{Var}[T_w] = 0 \rightarrow w^* = 10/11$$

we now find the variance of w^*

$$\text{Var}[T_{w^*}] = 10/11 \lambda$$